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The Galena Center for the Arts

Newsletter for November 2016



***A Christmas Carol* radio show cast in rehearsal**

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Dear Dennis & Leslie,

Suddenly the holidays are almost upon us! How did the year go so fast?

We wish you an appropriately scary Halloween, and a very meaningful Thanksgiving.

We at the Center are so aware of all we should be grateful for: the gift of appreciating artworks, instead of focusing on how to avoid roadside bombs; hearing the magic of music instead of the sound of bombers overhead; the rewarding joy of working together for a common goal. How lucky we are. We are grateful too for the donations and moral support of so many people in our community. Thank you!

Please join us throughout the Holidays. Take a few minutes away from frantic shopping, and stop by for some quiet time immersed in art. Or maybe, purchase a small art piece for a special person in your life. Take yoga, or a workshop on origami ornaments. Indulge yourself. We are your Center for the Arts.

Carole Sullivan

Executive Director

Small is Beautiful - Artworks on a Smaller Scale

There isn't much in contemporary life to encourage anyone to think small. Similarly, in recent years much artwork has distinguished itself partly by gigantism, and images have consumed entire walls.

While big can be beautiful and imposing, a quiet revolution in the art world is seeing artists reject large-scale, bombastic installations in favor of intimate subjects and techniques, and in many cases, small-scale artwork. *Small is Beautiful* puts the focus on smaller works.

The artworks in *Small is Beautiful*, all by regional artists, cover a fascinating range of subject matter and styles. Smaller pieces, when grouped together, can have just as much impact as a large piece of art. Versatile, they can be hung together, rearranged, added to, or stand on their own, and easily be moved around when you feel like changing up a look in a room.

Galena Center for the Arts *Presents* ***Small is Beautiful*** *Artworks on a Smaller Scale*

Nov 4, 2016 - Jan 22, 2017
219 Summit St, Galena

Opening Reception
Nov 4, 5 - 8 PM

Winter
Gallery Hours:
Thurs - Sun
1-4 PM

Regional Artists Gallery

Alfie Mueller
Historic Photos

Free Exhibits

Ample Parking



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We are excited to be able to offer another live radio show in November!

The Charles Dickens holiday classic *A Christmas Carol*, adapted by Joe Landry, comes to life as a live 1940s radio broadcast, complete with commercials and the magic of live sound effects and musical underscoring. A charming take on a family favorite that will leave no one saying "Bah Humbug!"

The studio audience has the fun of watching the sound effects as they are created by our sound effects specialist Dan Harms. Radio dramas also always had a musical accompaniment for mood underscoring and interludes, which will be provided by Joan Harmet. Tiny Tim will be played alternately by Galena students Gus Nack and Brady Turner. Other cast members include Susan Barg, Emily Painter, Jay Dickerson, Brian Schoenrock, Robert Armstrong and Mark Haman, as Ebenezer Scrooge. The presentation is directed by Carole Sullivan, with assistant direction by Jenni Ackerman and technical direction by Jan Lavacek.

A Christmas Carol is sponsored by the DeSoto House Hotel and the Galena Gazette, with additional assistance from the Galena/Jo Daviess County CVB.

Seating is limited. Many of the Radio Shows have sold out in the past, so be sure to get tickets early!

Tickets are on sale at the Center during our regular hours, Thursday through Sunday, 1-4 PM, or anytime at the Desoto House Hotel, or can be purchased online through our website www.GalenaCenterForTheArts.com.

Galena Center for the Arts

A Christmas Carol

A LIVE RADIO PLAY

by Joe Landry & Kevin Connors

Nov 10, 11, 12 - 7 PM

Nov 12, 13 - 2 PM

219 Summit St, Galena

Tickets \$15

at the Center, Desoto House, or Online

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Emily and Dan enjoying rehearsal!

Gallery Stroll - Thursday Nov 11

Galena Center for the Arts will join nine other Galena galleries with a new event, *Galena 2nd Fridays Gallery Stroll*, beginning on November 11th. We will be open until 8pm. Meet your friends, do a little holiday shopping, nosh on a treat, and enjoy the current exhibit, *Small is Beautiful*, artworks on a smaller scale. Stop by to see us, and then take a stroll around town to visit Grace Episcopal Arts, Hello Galena!, Images of Nature, Janet Checker Studio, Maggie Black, Outside the Lines Gallery, River Bend Gallery, Skidmore Art Gallery, and Stone House Potters and Gallery.

Origami Folding -Thursday Nov 17

A Volunteer fun day—no charge.

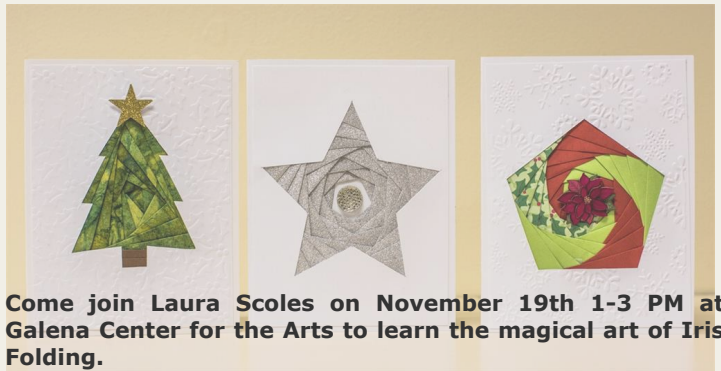
Come play with us to learn the art of origami, making bells, cranes, butterflies, and a variety of stars to decorate Galena Center for the Arts this holiday season.

Thursday, November 17th 1-3 PM at the Center-RSVP.

We will provide all the materials—just bring your nimble fingers.



Iris Folding - Saturday Nov 19



Come join Laura Scoles on November 19th 1-3 PM at Galena Center for the Arts to learn the magical art of Iris Folding.

You will create three unique holiday cards.

\$25 plus \$5 materials fee.

Register in the gallery or call or e-mail: Laura 641-430-6795 or Scoles2000@hotmail.com

Iris folding is a technique that mimics the iris of the eye, or the lens of a camera. It originated in the 20th century in Holland with household scrap paper to create something beautiful from *nothing*.

The Regional Arts Gallery is rooting for the Cubs!



Artwork by Carl Johnson

We love our volunteers, and you will be happy to know that we now have WiFi at the Center! Please consider signing up for one shift a month....it would be an incredible help to us to be able to know in advance that the gallery shifts will be covered. **Winter hours are 1-4 PM. We especially need help for Saturday and Sunday shifts.** You can access our schedule app by clicking on this link: [GalenaCenterfortheArts](#)

Scroll down to read about our volunteer of the month

Cathie Elsbree

The monthly ARRT (All River Road Talent) tour will be Nov 5-6.

Hop into the car and visit some of the many amazing artists in our area.



Check it out! [Click here>>](#)

Songwriter's Showcase - Thursday Nov 17 - 7 PM

Scott's Stieber's musical soup is a Wisconsin-based broth with an infusion of John Prine; a touch of Greg

Brown; splash of Van Morrison; pinch of Randy Newman; and a dash of Joseph Campbell. All is cooked up with the guitar and vocal accompaniment of Don Myers.

Rick Harris has been a working musician since 1962, first as a drummer in rock and blues bands playing throughout the mid-west and more recently on guitar, performing his own original vision of American roots music. He currently lives in Mineral Point, Wisconsin, and spends his days pursuing his two passions: songwriting and painting. Rick has released four CDs and his paintings are in private collections in both the US and UK.

Don Greenwood, from Spring Green, has been writing songs for 50 years. He writes originals in the rural blues and folk traditions. He cites Bob Dylan, Mississippi John Hurt, Joni Mitchell, John Prine, Hank Williams and Laura Nyro as influences. A product of the Great Folk Scare of the 1960s and the early 1970s Chicago folk scene, he used to play set breaks for John Prine on Sunday evenings at the Fifth Peg when John was still working as a mail carrier.



Songwriters Showcase

Nov. 17 - 7to9pm

Hosted by Lenny Wayne and L.A.Suess
With **Don Greenwood**



Rick Harris

And

Scott Stieber

This free concert is at 219 Summit St.

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Two beloved artists in Galena are relocating, and we will miss them dearly.

Best wishes to Eric Faramus and to Alice McMahon on their new adventures in cities far away.



Artwork by Eric Faramus



Artwork by Alice McMahon

Your opinion matters!



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Please consider sending a review of a performance or exhibit that you have attended

to [YELP](#)

or [TripAdvisor](#)

or to any other of the travel guides.

We need your help to let guests to Galena know that we are here, and to plan on visiting us.

Wish List

Wishing you a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

Thank You!

Ilisa Farrell - Display table and copy machine

Bob and Frances Rivoire - Flat screen TV

Chuck Horton - Cell phone

Other progress at the Center!

We now have a telephone at the Center (call 779-214-0261), and WiFi! This will make our office work so much easier, as well as allow us soon to be able to accept Credit cards. Be patient with us.....we're still setting it up....but at least it will be functional soon!

Adult Art Room

We now have some adult coloring books waiting to be filled with color...bring a friend and chat and color together!

Yoga Classes with Marion

Tuesday-10 AM (Except Nov 22)

Mindful Yoga with Kate

Wednesday - 4:30 PM

wonderful as the shows themselves are, the party atmosphere she creates certainly increases the pleasure of attending and makes them into memorable social occasions.

Since moving to Galena after retiring from a long career of teaching English and of training teachers how to teach reading and writing, Cathie has devoted herself to many volunteer activities. Among them, she especially enjoys the ones involving entertaining and educating. She was recently in charge of Washburne's birthday party, where she regularly volunteers as a Quester. "It was so much fun," she says. "I dressed in a period dress, hoops and all." As one of the Women of Courage and Commitment, she often plays Susan B. Anthony, one of her heroes. This love of costuming and theater is evident in her creative work at the Center.

Cathie first became involved with the Center for the Arts when her artist husband Al rented one of the studios.

She says, "Al was so pleased to find work space, and I wanted to support his efforts!



Cathie Elsbree

Also, Carole and Jan work so hard [at creating]...a magical place where all the arts can find a home...song, dance, theater, and the fine arts! The place just feels exciting and alive and I wanted to be part of it!" With an infectious grin, she adds, "I also love a good party; that's my 'art'!"



Volunteering is Good for You and Fun too!

Spend an afternoon once a week, every other week, or as often as you like at the Center's reception table welcoming and helping visitors.

Winter hours are 1-4 PM. We need staffing from 1-4 PM, Thursday through Sunday. We especially need help for Saturday and Sunday shifts.

Please sign up to staff!

You can access our schedule app by clicking on this link:

The magic password is **volunteer**.

Questions?

Contact the Center at 779-214-0261 or 815-777-0410
and go over the details.



November 2016 Galena Center for the Arts

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 <i>Barns, Boards and Battens</i> 1-6 PM	31	1 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM	2 Mindful Yoga w/Kate 4:30 PM	3	4 Opening Reception <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 5-8 PM	5 ARRT Tour Winter Hours 1-4 PM <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM
6 ARRT Tour <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	7	8 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM Presidential Election	9 Mindful Yoga w/Kate 4:30 PM	10 Live Radio Show <i>A Christmas Carol</i> 7 PM <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	11 Live Radio Show <i>A Christmas Carol</i> 7 PM Gallery Stroll Gallery open till 8 PM <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	12 Live Radio Show <i>A Christmas Carol</i> 2 & 7 PM <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM
13 Live Radio Show <i>A Christmas Carol</i> 2 PM <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	14	15 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM	16 Mindful Yoga w/Kate 4:30 PM	17 Vol Fun Day Origami Folding 1-3 PM Songwriter's Showcase 7 PM <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	18 <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	19 Iris Folding 1-3 PM <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM
20 <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	21	22	23	24 Center Closed for Thanksgiving	25 <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	26 <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM
27 <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	28	29 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM	30	31 <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	1 <i>Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM	2 <i>Small Small is Beautiful</i> 1-4 PM



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