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The Galena Center for the Arts

Newsletter for November 2015



It's a Wonderful Life

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Click here Center Calendar for November for a printable copy of the Galena Center for the Arts Calendar for November.

Dear Dennis & Leslie,

We at the Galena Center for the Arts mourn the loss of our friend and advisor, Robert Klaus. We are humbled and gratified that his family has chosen us as one of the organizations to receive donations in his memory. Robert not only gave us much needed advice, but also the encouragement to keep working toward a worthy goal. Our hearts go out to his wife Joan, and family.



Nov 13,14,15 It's a Wonderful Life





This beloved American holiday classic comes to captivating life as a live 1940s radio broadcast. With the help of an ensemble of eight actors that brings close to fifty characters to the stage, the story of idealistic George Bailey unfolds as he considers ending his life one fateful Christmas Eve. Typical of a 1940s radio show, the audience watches as sound effects are created live at the sound effects table. In this "Wonderful Life," the actors begin standing in front of microphones, scripts in hand, but they are soon moving about and interacting in lively, realistic ways, with the help of only the radio-age equivalent of sound design.

The regional cast for It's a Wonderful Life includes Susan Barg, Stephanie Bussan, Dan Harms, Emily Painter and Brian Schoenrock from Galena, Robert Armstrong, Rory Magner and Eva Ressler from Dubuque, and Schapville's Joan Harmet at the keyboard. Carole Sullivan is directing the production, with Jan Lavacek as technical director.

Click Here to OrderTickets!



An Art Experience



What's on exhibit at the Regional Artists Gallery? There is the silent, yet vivid, voice of the artist expressed on paper, canvas, in clay wood, stone and bronze....and there is the personal experience of the viewer of each piece of artwork. Both are powerful and mysterious to ponder, but there are no rules about what one "must" see or feel when looking at artwork.

The experience is not so much about discerning the artist's intent, although it is often a curiosity, but rather, about what these images and objects evoke in ourselves. We hope you will visit us soon.

Shades of Grey will continue through November 29, during the regular hours of Thursdays through Sundays from 1-7 PM.

Galena Center for the Arts

Shades of Grey

Art in Black & White

Oct 4th - Nov 29th 2015 219 Summit St, Galena

Gallery Hours: 1-7 PM Thurs - Sun

Paintings

Photography

Drawings

Sculpture

Ceramics

Fiber Arts

New Work in Our Regional Gallery
Messipi Quilt Project
Alfie Mueller Historic Photos

For Information: 815-777-0410 www.GalenaCenterfortheArts.com Messipi Threads River Quilts on display through Nov. 22



Messipi Threads River Quilts

The Messipi Threads River Quilts have been exhibited widely in Iowa and the Quad Cities over the last four years. This is the last place that the Messipi Quilt Project will be displayed before the individual quilts are returned to their creators. The Messipi River Quilts, a collection of 60 different small quilts created by a large group of artists, are displayed side by side so that the river meanders from quilt to quilt using the same fabric to represent the river. Besides showcasing the quilters' memories and moments on the river, this is also a display of the art of quilting and the infinite application of fiber art, the intricacies and versatility of needle and thread work. The exhibit runs the length of a hallway, curves with an ox-bow image, and then extends the length back again so that the Mississippi river runs continuously,

Nov. 11 Farmers Market 4 - 6 PM

It's time for the first winter Market day of the season!

The Market takes place on the second Wednesday of each month November through April from 4-6 pm in the lower level of the Galena Center for the Arts.



NOVEMBER 11 DECEMBER 9 JANUARY 13 FEBRUARY 10 MARCH 9 APRIL 13

4-6

There will be a great variety of vendors selling everything from meat to produce to baked goods to fantastic hand crafted and seasonal items.

Details at: facebook.com/galenafarmersmarket, or

galenawintermarket.com

Nov. 19 Songwriter's Showcase 7-9 PM

Our November 19 show will feature Jordan Danielsen and Mark Brewer,

two very accomplished musicians from two very different styles of music and writing.



Raised in the Iowa heartland on the banks of the Muddy Mississippi, Jordan Danielsen grew up with guitar in hand and a harmonica on his neck. He has spent over a decade hosting open mics, performing in wineries, casino's, pubs, restaurants, festivals and everywhere imaginable from Madison, WI. to St.

Louis, MO. Jordan writes from his life experiences and reflects his personality through his music.





Mark Brewer has been an active free-lance musician for more than 25 years with extensive experience as a soloist playing concerts, weddings, special events, restaurants and hotels. Mark is also well regarded as an orchestral harpist and choral accompanist. Mark is known for his stimulating performances in genres not generally associated with the harp, including jazz and bossa nova.

Jordan Danielsen

Mark Brewer

Our volunteers are so important to us! Scroll down to read about Janet Zehr, Co-Curator of the Regional Arts Gallery

Ongoing Programs

Yoga Classes with Marion continue
Tuesday mornings 10-11:30 AM
and
Thursday evenings 5:30-6:45 PM
(NOT on the 24th or 26th)



Belly Dance classes with Amanda continue on Tuesday
evenings at 6:15 PM
(NOT on the 24th)



Looking Ahead

December 4th

When the winter winds are blowing, warm up with hot cider and cookies at the opening reception for "The Art of Craft" exhibit on Friday December 4 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. If you are looking for Holiday Gifts, you will find lots of choices ranging from stocking stuffers to thoughtful one-of-a-kind gifts all created by area artisans.

Well-crafted handmade objects are examples of their maker's artistic expression as well as skill. Knitting, woven rugs, pottery, garden sculptures, quilted objects, candles, soap, and up-cycled jewelry are just a few of the offerings. Workshops to explore, explain and expand knowledge of specific techniques will be offered in January.



Craft work by artisan Larissa Distler



Celebrate the Young at Art

See first hand the spark of creativity our local arts educators inspire and nurture in our preschool through high school students. This inclusive, non-commercial, and non-competitive setting will showcase visual arts, choral, and instrumental performances from Jo Daviess County public, private, and parochial schools.

WHEN Sunday, April 17, 2016 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

WHERE

Chestnut Mountain Resort

8700 W. Chestnut Mountain Rd.Outdoors, weather permitting. Indoors if rain.

Youth Arts Festival is set for Chestnut Mountain Resort on April 17, 10-4. Committee individuals are starting to work on it. First committee meeting Oct 20, 4:30 PM at downstairs meeting room of Galena Center for the Arts. If you would like to be on this committee, call Carole at 815-777-0410.



Our second Volunteer of the Month is Janet Zehr, Co-Curator of the Regional Arts Gallery. Along with Stephanie O'Shaughnessy, Janet finds talented local artists, invites them to display their works at the Center, and then prepares and arranges the bi-monthly exhibits.

Asked what she likes best about this challenging task, Janet replies, "It's just a delight seeing things come in. It's kind of like Christmas!" She also especially enjoys the openings, which bring together so many people to enjoy and discuss the art work.

Since retiring and returning from Chicago to living full-time in Galena, Janet has been able to pursue her love of spinning and weaving. "Llama Gray Scale" in the Shades of Gray show is one of her creations. As a fiber artist, she has even tried growing and processing her own flax, as well as working with wool and other materials.

Both as a volunteer at the Center for the Arts and as an artist, Janet is a welcome and valuable asset to Galena's community of art lovers and artists.

Volunteering is Good for You and Fun too!

Plan ahead for December! Sign up for shifts in November,
December...either or both!

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

Shifts are Thursday through Sunday from 1:00 to 4:00 PM and 4:00 to 7:00 PM. You can access our schedule app by clicking on this link,

GalenaCenterfortheArts.com

then click on the Volunteer tab. The magic password is volunteer.

Have questions? Contact Carole at 815-777-0410

go over the details.





November 2015 Galena Center for the Arts

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
01	02	03	04	5 Yoga w/Marion 5:30 PM "Shades of Grey" 1-7 PM	6 "Shades of Grey" 1-7 PM	07 "Shades of Grey"
08 "Shades of Grey" 1-7 PM	09	10 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM Belly Dance classes w/Amanda 6:15 PM	11 Galena Winter Market & Craft Fair 4-6 PM	12 Yoga w/Marion 5:30 PM "Shades of Grey" 1-7 PM	13 "It's a Wonderful Life" 7 PM "Shades of Grey" 1-7 PM	14 "It's a Wonderful Life" 7 PM "Shades of Grey" 1-7 PM
15 "It's a Wonderful Life" 2 PM "Shades of Grey" 1-7 PM	16	17 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM Belly Dance classes w/Amanda 6:15 PM	18	19 "Shades of Grey" 1-7 PM Yoga w/Marion 5:30 PM Songwriters Showcase w/Jordan Danielson & Mark Brewer 7 PM	20 "Shades of Grey"	21 "Shades of Grey"
22 "Shades of Grey"	23	24 No Yoga or Belly Dance Classes	25	26 CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING	27 "Shades of Grey"	28 "Shades of Grey" 1-7 PM
29 LAST DAY! "Shades of Grey"	30	O1 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM Belly Dance classes w/Amanda 6:15 PM	02	03 Yoga w/Marion 5:30 PM	04 "The Art of Craft" Opening Reception 5-8 PM	"The Art of Craft"



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