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The Galena Center for the Arts

Newsletter for July 2016



The artists (I to r) Lynn Werner, Joe Maffit, Jim Mantey, Carole Sullivan and Susan Barg

Cast of "Chorus of Insects"

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Dear Dennis & Leslie,

We are so excited about the Archie Lieberman Retrospective exhibit. Hope you can join us for the opening on July 1! Archie's wife Esther and son Robert have done an incredible job of pulling together many of Archie's photos for this exhibit. Thank you Esther and Robert!

We also have wonderful new artists in the Regional Artists Gallery, and many new artworks. Thanks to Janet Zehr for displaying it so beautifully.

A big THANK YOU to those who volunteered to help us fix up the performance space and flower bed by the lower entrance doors. It was an enormous amount of work, but many hands made it easy. The performance space not only has fresh new paint on the walls, but those walls are now covered with Paul Chase Guitar Art. A big improvement!





Group (I to r) Lenny Wayne Hosey, Trish Wollum, Jan Lavacek, Gregg and Emily Painter. Ginger Komiskey on the ladder.

We have had requests for more classes to be offered at the Center for the Arts. What would you like? Does a onetime class or workshop work best for you (like we have offered in the past for Togo dance, journaling and nuno scarf making) or would you prefer a class with a series of meetings, such as yoga or life drawing? What specific classes would you suggest? What teachers? Please weigh in on this. Send a quick email with your ideas to <u>info@GalenaCenterForTheArts.com</u>

We are looking at possibly starting a second yoga class. Do afternoons work best, or evenings? Maybe midweek, to lessen the stress of the work week? Let us know.

Wishing you a festive and safe Fourth of July holiday weekend, and hope that you will visit us soon at the Center for the Arts.

Carole Sullivan

Executive Director

Photographer Archie Lieberman Retrospective

The Galena Center for the Arts will present an Archie Lieberman Retrospective during July and August, with an opening reception on July 1 from 5-8 PM.

The winner of many prizes and awards, Archie

Lieberman (1926-2008) had his photographs exhibited all over the United States, Canada and the world, including the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City and the Art Institute of Chicago. He worked for Black Star Photo Agency of New York, with assignments from Time Magazine, Life Magazine and over 100 assignments from Look Magazine in the course of his career in Chicago. He worked for hospitals, industry, newspapers and advertising agencies, and produced several Chicago books for Rand McNally.

He taught photography at Columbia College, and later at the University of Dubuque. After moving to Jo Daviess County he traveled around the world for Lands' End and photographed their people and products, whether in Madras, India, the Shetland Islands or Europe.

A life changing experience was an assignment for a National Sunday Supplement to photograph a young Janet Hammer of Scales Mound, IL. who had won a nationwide sewing contest. He now had found his "home place" and the results were insightful photographic narratives in books created over a period of years, "Farm Boy" and "Neighbors." He was content to leave the city behind and document Jo Daviess County for the rest of his days. Galena Center for the Arts Presents Archie Lieberman Retrospective Renowned Photojournalist



July 2 - August 28, 2016 219 Summit St, Galena

Opening Reception: Friday July 1, 5 - 8 PM Presentation by Esther Lieberman: July 17, 2 PM

Gallery Hours: 1-6 PM Thurs - Sun

Regional Artists Gallery Alfie Mueller Historic Photos Free Exhibits Ample Parking

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Representative artwork from his lifetime of photography will be enhanced with a program *Life is a Journey* by his wife of many years, Esther Lieberman, at 2 PM on Sunday July 17.









Lots of new work in the Regional Artists' Gallery These and many others!



Split Rock Lighthouse by Dwight Walles



The Gathering by Pam Leavens



Paper mâché sculptures by Carole Spelic



The classes last summer were highly rewarding and fun for all who attended. Masina is back in the USA for a short while this summer, and has agreed to teach another class!



Looking for a fun, energetic and different West African dance experience? This is the place to be! Shake your

Jay Vonn

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Lenny Wayne and LA. Suess

Jay Vonn is an Americana/Folk musician who has been writing songs for as long as he can remember. Influenced by everything and anything, Jay is particularly drawn to the great song writers such as Bob Dylan and Townes Van whole body to traditional djembe and modern rhythms of West Africa, known for its music and dances that are easy and fun to learn.

Masina Ategou is a native of Togo, West Africa. He has been dancing since he learned to walk, a heritage instilled in him by his mother, who taught him the traditional dances of the Losso people.

Join us for this fun free class!

Zandt. His songs reflect American life and make a person yearn to hit the open road or grab a boat and just float on down the river. From hard driving to soft and introspective, you can find Jay singing in bars, coffeehouses, night clubs, music festivals, or under the stars somewhere on the tailgate of his truck.

Another free concert! (donations welcome!)

July 24 @ 2 PM - Encore!! the "Chorus of Insects"

Encore!! The "Chorus of Insects" performance of readings of poetry, prose and music went so well that we are doing an encore performance on July 24. Many people have asked if we would offer it again, so Yes We Will! The artists performing in "The Chorus of Insects" program include Lynn Werner, Susan Barg, Joe Maffit, Jim Mantey and Carole Sullivan. The readings include excerpts from Don Marquis' "Archie and Mehitabel", poetry by Walt Whitman, Robert Frost, Mary Oliver and others, as well as pieces written by Heather Swan, and both well-known and original music. Many literature references to insects are light-hearted, but there are others with a strong philosophical and ecological point of view. The program will start at 2 PM in the newly redecorated performance space at the Center. There is no set fee for this performance, but donations are requested. If you missed it the first time, please join us on July 24. And if you saw it the first time and liked it, encourage your friends to see it this time!

Yoga Classes with Marion Every Tuesday @ 10 AM (except July 26 & Aug 2)



Wish List

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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.



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Volunteer of the Month - Andy Willis

Andy Willis comes from a family of artists, and was surrounded by art as a child. Though he has retained his interest in the arts, Andy's talents led him in another direction. From the time he first encountered computers, working with them has come naturally to him. While they seem like foreign (and sometimes diabolical) machines to some of us, Andy has always had an intuitive feel for them and been comfortable working with them.

As a young man working various jobs and figuring out what to do with his life, he would quickly become the "go to" techie, whatever his official job in a company. At some point he realized that computers were his future. After studying Computer Science in college, he formed a partnership and eventually his own business, Willis Computer Solutions.

It was this talent and skill that brought him to the Galena Center for the Arts. Having helped Carole and Jan with their computers for years, he jumped at the chance to be a part of the Center. He set up the web site (though others now keep it up to date) and provides the email service for the Center.

Serving on the Center's Board, Andy contributes his unique perspective on the important issues being grappled with: Do we stay in the current building or find another venue? How do we grow? How do we finance it? One of the specific projects close to his heart is getting WiFi and a phone into the current building so volunteers can provide information to potential visitors.

Andy is excited about the future of the Center for the Arts. As he says, "Galena needs a location to showcase the arts and artists, and an organization to nurture and support the arts. I'd like to see the Galena Center for



Andy Willis

the Arts fulfill those needs. Area residents will benefit greatly from a vibrant arts scene, and tourists will have one more place to visit when they come to Galena." The Center for the Arts, Andy believes, "will enrich our community in many ways—some of which we have yet to discover."

Thanks to Andy for contributing his ideas and expertise to the Center and for helping to develop that exciting future he envisions.



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.

We are back toSpring/Summer hours, being open from 1 to 6 PM. We need staffing from 1-4 PM, and from 4-6 PM Thursdays through Sundays. Please sign up to staff!

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

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The magic password is volunteer.

Questions?

Contact the Center at 815-777-1100 or 815-777-0410 and go over the details.

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