Dear Dennis & Leslie,

Fall is right around the corner---always one of the most beautiful times of year in Galena. We hope you will bring your guests to also appreciate the beauty of the Arts at the Center. Visiting our new exhibit "Barns, Boards and Battens" will be a perfect way to spend an Autumn afternoon.

Two weeks ago we offered the opportunity for friends of the Center to become Charter Members of the Galena Center for the Arts. We have been humbled and overwhelmed by the response.....we have over 100 members already, including seven corporate memberships:
If you would like to become a Charter Member, please follow this link [Membership](#) to our website, fill out the form, and join us! We have great plans for the Arts in our community, and need your help to achieve them. Charter Memberships are available through the end of September.

We are delighted to have begun our new classic music series with Peg Cornils Flute performance. In September we continue to offer classical music in our Sunday Salon series with the talented and charming Marcus DeJesus playing classical guitar. Hope you can join us for that concert.

Carole Sullivan
Executive Director
Lots of new work in the Regional Artists' Gallery
These and many others!

Photo by Bob Rivoire

Painting by Paul Chase
Painting by Eric Faramus

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.

Scroll down to read about

Charlene Buran Price

The monthly ARRT (All River Road Talent) tour will be Sept 3 - 4.

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

Check it out!  Click here>>

Open Studio Night  Thursday Sept 8 - 6 to 8 PM

We now have eight artists working in our studios at the Center, and many of them will be there to greet you on Aug. 8 from 6-8 PM. We invite you to join us for light
OPEN STUDIO NIGHT

at the
Galena Center for the Arts

219 Summit Street - Galena, Illinois

Visit with the artists and tour their studios!!!

Carol Bell, wearable art
Cathy Dorwick, painting
Al Elsbree, painting
Sheila Haman, painting
Marie McDonough, wood carving
Courtney Moser, framing
Denise Tollensdorf, art glass
Karen Wilson, needlework

Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments will be provided

Join us Thursday, September 8th

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Songwriters' Showcase Thursday Sept 15 - 7 PM

featuring

Marques Morel and Brooke Byam

Marques Morel and Brooke Byam are both songwriters, though they come from much different backgrounds.

Morel has been a wandering folk troubadour, street performer, activist for social justice and environmental issues, riverboat songman and bar-room singer for the last eight years. He has a rough-hewn approach to playing, singing, writing and living and performed mostly solo until meeting Brooke Byam.

Byam comes from a musical family and has been performing as a singer for at least 20 years. She has been named #1 independent country artist, performed for the Vice President, has been a Nashville performer and recording artist for ten years, and has had several roles as an actress in movies and
television shows as well as directing, writing and performing three seasons of her own variety show. She has a more refined approach than Morel, but together they make a truly interesting and compelling balance of music and song.

They are currently forming a band called The People, which is a conglomeration of many musical styles and has been called somewhere between rugged folk, smokey blues, dark country, and cowboy rock n’ roll.

They perform everywhere from the street corner to the theatre and beyond.

Brooke Byam

New Class: Yoga on Wednesday afternoons with Kate Miller

Beginning on Sept. 21, Kate Miller will be leading a Mindful Yoga Class. The first class is free, so you can check it out and see how you like it.

Mindful Yoga with Kate Miller
Integrating Body, Mind and Breath

- Focusing on foundational breathing and postures
- Develop strength, flexibility and balance
- Experience relief from physical & mental tension
- Each class ends with deep relaxation

Wednesday’s 4:30-5:30 pm
September 21-November 16

Galena Center for the Arts,
219 Summit St, Galena IL

The class integrates mindfulness with yoga and breath-work. Participants are guided in basic Hatha Yoga postures to their capacity while maintaining moment to moment awareness, utilizing the breath to enhance flexibility, exploring boundaries and limits in a gentle and caring way. This is not about beating our body into shape or twisting into a pretzel, instead nourishing it with special kind attention.

Suggested donation $10, no one turned away
Wear loose fitting, comfortable clothes, Bring a Yoga Mat

Your opinion matters!

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.

Sunday Salon Concert - Sunday Sept 25 - 2 PM

featuring
Classical Guitarist Marcus DeJesus

Marcus DeJesus is a young guitarist originally from Brazil that currently lives in the Dubuque Tri State Area and teaches guitar at the Madison Metropolitan School District, Wisconsin and, at NISOM in Dubuque, Iowa. He has a master’s degree in guitar performance from Southern Illinois University (Carbondale, Illinois) and bachelor’s of art in music performance from Clarke University (Dubuque, Iowa). Living in the US for about ten years, Marcus has studied the guitar with Dr. Zane Merritt, Dr. Isaac Lausell, Dr. Miles McConnell, composition with Dr. Amy Dunker and voice with master John Lease. In Brazil, he has collaborated with the master Moacyr Teixeira Neto who teaches at the FAMES Music Conservatory situated in Vitoria, ES. That is where he studied during the summer of 2012 and has returned regularly to perform and lecture at the service of the school. He plays guitar made by Brazilian luthier Luiz Antonio Miranda.

Marcus began his studies on the instrument at the age of ten, having his father as one of his first teachers. The Brazilian guitarist has strong roots in classical guitar, Brazilian jazz and a variety of other styles. He was a soloist with the Dubuque Orchestra and the Southern Illinois Symphony and, has performed in variety of jazz ensembles in the Midwest and in Brazil. As a solo performer, he recently performed a recital tour in Brazil during the summer of 2015 and is an active concert guitarist in the US.

Meet Our New Gallery Manager - Pat Lehnhardt

Beginning this September, the Center for the Arts will have its first Gallery Manager: Filling this quarter-time position will be Pat Lehnhardt, a long-time Galenian already known to many of us. The new job comes with a long list of responsibilities, which Pat sees as both challenging and exciting opportunities.

Pat’s lengthy to-do list includes organizing and keeping records, recruiting and scheduling volunteers, promoting the Center and its activities, overseeing gallery exhibits and the gift shop, seeking out new artists, and helping to hang new shows. She will also work on developing a program of arts activities, workshops and classes for various age groups.
All those tasks should keep her very busy, but Pat comes to the new position very well qualified. For 34 years, she ran the Great Galena Peddler, and, for eight of those years, she did double duty, teaching gourmet cooking in her creation, the Great Galena Cookery. She has also photographed food, as well as written articles and recipes, for various magazines. Recently, Pat has had the chance to develop her skills in the fiber arts, and enjoys spinning, dyeing, weaving and knitting. She has even grown her own flax. This creativity and energy, along with her business and organizational skills, make her the ideal person for her new position.

Thinking about the Center, Pat says, “I have been very impressed with the Center for the Arts as it is, but I can also see a lot of growth potential. That’s what I want to help with. I am very excited to get to work with so many talented people.”

Yoga Classes with Marion
Every Tuesday @ 10 AM

Wish List
Donor software
Stools for back row audience seating
Microphone stands
Music stands
More colored pencils for the Adult Art Room

Thank You!
Chris Ludescher - video camera
Laura Scoles and Mary Weck - Toaster oven for keeping our reception appetizers warm.
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!

Other News of Note

Songwriters' Showcase Celebration - Oct 20

On October 20 we will celebrate two full years of Songwriters' Showcases. We have featured over 50 musical artists in that time, and entertained many audience members. Please join us as we celebrate the date with a Songwriter’s Showcase extravaganza featuring many of those artists all there on the same night. We’ll have short sets by many, as well as duos, trios, and.......who knows what? And of course we will celebrate with refreshments for singers and audience alike. Mark your calendars today for Oct. 20!

And while you are planning ahead......plan to keep moving during the cooler weather with ballroom dance classes offered by Elizabeth Boggess, to start in October.

Adult art room

We now have some adult coloring books waiting to be filled with color. Stop by for a relaxing time of adult coloring.....bring a friend and chat and color together!

Volunteer of the Month - Board Member Charlene Buran Price

The first time Charlene Buran Price saw Galena, she and her late husband Bob were just driving through, but it was love at first sight. Entranced by the beauty of the town and the area, Charlene declared “I know I could paint here.” At the time, they both had busy, full lives, but they never forgot Galena, and, in 1995, they moved to the Territory. Here, Charlene could, and did, paint. Twenty-one years later, she’s still at it.
Although she has done landscapes, her recent paintings—oil on canvas, board or paper—are subtle and atmospheric studies of flowers. She sees painting as “an international language in a world that desperately needs greater communication among its people.” You can often see some of her work in the Regional Artists’ Gallery at the Center for the Arts, and her hand-crafted cards are carried in the gift shop. She also exhibits at Hello Galena and other Galena venues.

With her love of art, it is not surprising the Charlene wants to share it and make the arts accessible to others. After moving to Galena, she quickly began participating in the arts community: in the Artists’ Guild, the Festival for the Arts, and Hello Galena. Involved in Vision 20/20 a few years ago, she channeled her enthusiasm and experience into helping make the Center for the Arts a reality.

“The Galena Center for the Arts has given great hope for finally achieving the dream I think all Galena’s artists have always held—a home for not only visual arts but all forms of theater and music...,” she says.

Charlene Buran Price - Board Member

Along with hopes for the Center’s future, Charlene is excited by what has already been achieved and full of praise for Carole’s and Jan’s vision and hard work. Of her own contributions on the Board, she modestly says she is the “thank-you card lady”—the one who hand writes the Center’s thank-yous (on her own cards.) It is clear, however, that her love of the arts, enthusiasm, and generous spirit all contribute much more.

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.

Summer hours are from 1 to 6 PM. We need staffing from 1-4 PM, and from 4-6 PM Thursday through Sunday. Please sign up to staff!

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

[GalenaCenterfortheArts](#)

The magic password is volunteer.

Questions?

Contact the Center at 779-214-0261 or 815-777-0410 and go over the details.
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Thanks so much for your support for the Galena Center for the Arts!

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