



Galena Center for the Arts

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Newsletter for August 2018



The Back Nine at Woodbine Bend Golf Course
Photo compliments of Henry Matthiessen III, Stoned Art Studio & Gallery

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Dear Dennis,

We are moved and invigorated to have so many of you respond to our recent membership request, and to have many new members joining us! If you didn't get a request in the mail, you can sign up at the Center, or simply click [HERE](#) to become a member. We appreciate your support!

We hope you can join us for the Woodbine Bend "Play it Forward" Golf event on August 4. It will be fun for golfers, and also for those who just come for food, entertainment and the auction. We hope to raise funds to cover safety exterior lighting for the lower parking lot, and stage lighting for our performance space. There are amazing auction items....one I have my eye on is a Single Malt Scotch Tasting Party! Other items range from a giant Teddy Bear to dinner for four at the DeSoto House General's Restaurant, to a Pumpkin Carving Party at the Center, and lots more. Please join us for an entertaining event, where you can help us to light up everyone's lives!

We have a new project: a once-a-month play reading series, starting in August. Our "Table Readings" series will debut on August 21, with a reading of the play "4000 Miles", featuring Pat Terry. This is a wonderful play about a rudderless young man, who moves in with his elderly grandmother. They have many differences, but ultimately find their way into a rewarding multi-generational relationship. Read more about this series below.

Hope to see you at many of our upcoming events!

Carole

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Thank You Elaina Burns!

We were blown away by the amazing Sunday Salon piano recital by Dr. Elaina Burns, who came from New York to share her talent with us. She inspired us with music ranging from Bach, Scarlatti and Brahms, to Debussy, to very modern composers including Carter Pann, Tan Dun, and Mark Olivieri. Included in her recital was the Midwest Premiere of “Piano Thoughts, Volume 4” by Lucas Floyd, which was written specifically for her.

Not only was her “Toccare” performance inspiring, but in attendance was Zacharias P. Buchner, the composer of “Night Pictures”, which she played beautifully. We send a big thank-you to Elaina, and hope she will play for us again!



The photo shows Elaina after the concert, with composer Zacharias P. Buchner, and our Executive Director, Carole Sullivan.

The Fine Art of Fiber Through August 5

Gallery hours 11 am–4 pm Thursday through Sunday

One more weekend to view *The Fine Art of Fiber* exhibit. Weavings, stitchings, felting, paper, and basketry are just a few of the mediums represented in our special show. [Read more...](#)



Portraits

The Art of Beth Bird



"Golden Eagle" by Beth Bird

Aug 10 - Oct 6, 2018

Opening Reception
Aug 10, 5 - 7 PM

Gallery Hours
Thurs - Sun
11 AM - 4 PM

Regional Artists Gallery
Artists Studios
Historic Photos

Free Exhibits
Ample Parking

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Beth is a story teller with her portrait paintings. Each painting reveals a narrative with a human figure, often accompanied by pies, or birds, or sometimes dance. She is a graduate of the University of Iowa. She has a master's degree from The Chicago School of the Art Institute, and worked at The Evanston Art Center before coming to Galena in 1996.

Come to meet and honor her at the reception for *Portraits* on August 10, 5-7 pm. The exhibit will continue until October 6. Gallery hours: 11-4 Thursday through Sunday. [Read more...](#)



Regional Artists Gallery

Gallery hours 11 am–4 pm Thursday through Sunday

Artists from around the Tri-State area display their work in our gallery. We have some new young artists bringing in work and our beloved artists always surprise us with new work each time we change the display. The gallery will be changing out to a new exhibit soon, so check out what is here now, if you had not had a chance to visit us recently, and again at our reception on the 10th.



Regional Artists Gallery

Feature Gallery

Sketches by several of our local artists are displayed in the Feature Gallery through the end of August.

Drawing from a live model in a short amount of time is a challenge. Some of the drawings have been worked further, and some are simple sketches from a twenty-minute pose. These sketches often lead to finished works of art, with the inspiration from the figure drawing session.

The Center's Figure Drawing group is taking a summer break, but will start up again September 6. It's a weekly venue: Thursdays, 1:30-3:30 pm—\$10 per session.



Feature Gallery

Sunday Salon Woodin Family Recital August 12, 2 pm



Don't miss the Woodin family recital on August 12 at 2 pm. John, Nancy, son Rob and daughter-in-law Lydia are preparing an afternoon of Broadway and light classical music that will include some old favorites and will also introduce some soon-to-be favorites.

John and Nancy were Dubuque-area musicians for 20 years who performed with the Main Street Players, Grand Opera House, Bell Tower Theater, Dubuque Symphony

Orchestra and St. Luke's United Methodist Church. Their son, Rob, is a professor of voice at Boston College and a regular recital performer in the Boston area. Their daughter-in-law, Lydia recently completed her doctorate in violin at the Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music, and has performed with dozens of orchestras in multiple states.

There will be a reception for the Woodins and all who want to visit with them following the performance.



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219 Summit St.

With
Will Mueller

Aug. 16th
7 to 9pm

Hosted by
Lenny Wayne
and L.A. Suess



Read more about it
and all the other great things going on at--

GalenaCenterfortheArts.com

Will Mueller is a singer songwriter and multi-instrumentalist, originally from eastern and central Iowa, who continues a musical tradition that has been in his family for over five generations. Using humor and life experiences, he writes and performs a selection of songs that all generations enjoy. His songs are what people call American roots music...folk, country,

acoustic blues, hints of bluegrass, a bit of gospel, with some good ole foot tapping, hand clapping acoustic music from the heartland.

You can find Will entertaining in a variety of venues, including county and state fairs and



festivals, churches, live radio shows, house concerts, open mics, farmers markets, specialty events, circle jams, various stage performances, and occasionally out front of the art gallery, *It Takes All Kinds*, in downtown Mount Carroll, IL.

Will is working on a couple of new CD's that he hopes to release in 2019. Will and his wife, PJ, live in Fulton, IL.

As always, there is no charge for the Songwriters Showcase, but we do appreciate a donation. Join us for a great night of music!

Table Reading Series to begin August 21

We are beginning a public play-reading series to be held in the Performance space on select Tuesdays August through May. Each play will be read by a selection of regional actors. We hope to introduce our audience to plays they might not be familiar with, and plays we cannot otherwise produce at this time. These readings will give you an opportunity to hear the text of a play out loud, performed by actors who have rehearsed the works.

We are calling the series "Table Readings" not because we will necessarily use a table, but because we want to have everyone know they are welcome, and hope the audience will join us for a talkback about the subject matter and the play after the reading. Requested donation: \$10.

The first reading will be the play "4000 Miles", by Amy Herzog, on August 21 at 7 pm.

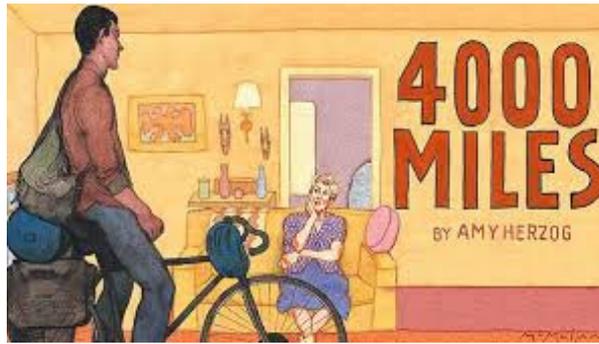


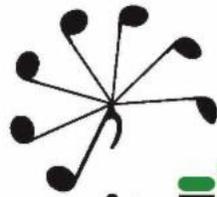
Table reading dates are:

2018

- **August 21**
- **September 11**
- **October 9**
- **November 20**
- **December 11**

2019

- **January 22**
 - **February 12**
 - **March 12**
 - **April 9**
 - **May 14**
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Play it Forward



**PLAY IT FORWARD 2018
GOLF OUTING TO SUPPORT:**



**WINNING TEAM GETS
400 ROUNDS OF GOLF
AT WOODBINE BEND!**

Join us at Woodbine Bend
August 4, 2018 - 1:00pm Tee-Off
Food, Auctions, & Live Music After Golf!
Call 815-858-3939 to Reserve Your Spot or Donate Today!

Cost: \$80/Golfer (includes 18 holes of golf & food); or \$25 for Dinner Only

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**SPOTLIGHT ON
SAM STODDARD & BRIDGETTE STOCKS**



Sam Stoddard



Bridgette Stocks

Sam Stoddard, general manager of Woodbine Golf Bend Course, and Bridgette Stocks of “Scout” magazine have generously selected the Galena Center for the Arts along with Timber Lake Playhouse as this year’s recipients of profits from “Play it Forward.” The day of golf, dinner, and an auction was originally begun in 2002 as a fundraiser for ALS, known as “Lou Gehrig’s Disease.” Five years ago, they broadened their mission to support organizations that contribute to local communities. Since then, Riverview Center and the Workshop are among those that have benefitted from their generosity.

“Play it Forward” requires a tremendous amount of organization and work. We at the Center for the Arts are very grateful to Sam and Bridgette, along with the many other people involved in this wonderful project.

Annual Membership Campaign



We mailed letters for our third annual membership campaign to all our members and friends this month, thanks to the assistance from over 15 volunteers who helped fold, stuff, label, stamp, and seal the application packets. We hope that

you will renew your membership or consider joining us for the first time this year, as we celebrate our fifth birthday at the Center for the Arts.

For those of you who receive only email communications from us, we want to remind you that you are able to become a member by registering online. Click [HERE](#) to make your membership payment online.

As always, we thank each of you for your support of our organization these past five years, and we look forward to offering exciting art exhibits, performances, special events, and workshops in the years ahead!!

Looking Ahead

Scarecrows! Art that stands out in its field

Watch for the Scarecrows August 31

They will be popping up at the Center and around town.

Email or call Patricia to get more information to join in the fun!

[gallerymanager@
galenacenterforthearts.com](mailto:gallerymanager@galenacenterforthearts.com)

or leave a message at 779-214-0261.



Workshop

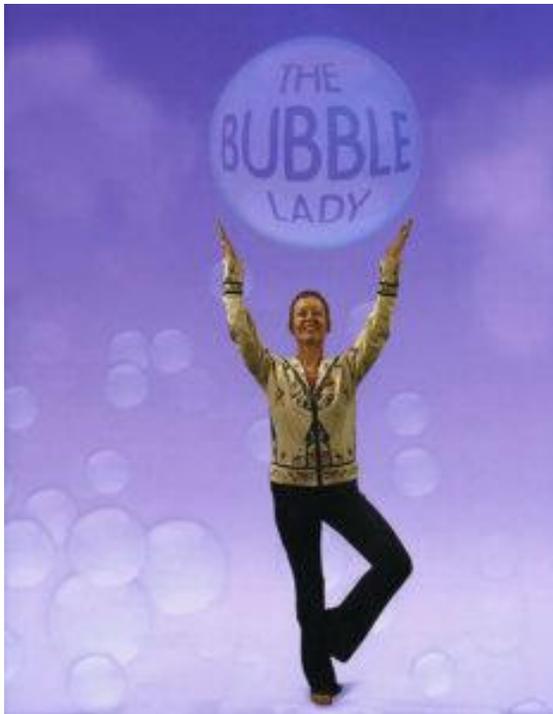
Free Embroidery Circle at the Center each Wednesday from 1-3 pm

The Center's Embroidery Circle activity group meets each Wednesday from 1-3 pm. Here's your opportunity to work on unfinished hand embroidery projects, and to share tips and stitching techniques with others. Please join the group if you would like to learn more about embroidery or begin your first project too.

This activity is held in the Center's lower level meeting room, which is accessible from the main gallery front entrance or the lower level performance space entrance. For more information, call 779-214-0261.



Classes



Yoga with Marion the Bubble Lady
Tuesday at 10:00-11:30 am
Lower level of the Center

[Click here to check the calendar](#)



Mindful Yoga with Kate Miller will be taking a break for the summer.

Classes resume on September 12.

[Click here to check the calendar](#)

This ongoing 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, and exploring boundaries and limits in a gentle and caring way. Each class ends with deep relaxation.

Studio Space Available

Looking for a room of your own for your art projects?

Need a place to display your art?

Want to be involved with a community of artists?

Consider renting one of the art studios at the Center.

Email Pat at:

gallerymanager@GalenaCenterForTheArts.com

for a tour and details.



All River Road Talent hosts a monthly art drive the first weekend of each month. All River Road Talent is a synergy of artists building a cultural and visitor awareness of artistic talent in the Galena region of NW IL. August ARRT tour dates are 4 and 5.

Thank You!

- Barbara Alexander
- Susan Barg
- Elizabeth Boggess
- Janet Checker
- Deb Clark
- Larissa Distler
- Judy Doebler
- Cathy Dorwick
- Al & Cathie Elsbree
- Janet Eggleston
- Tyler, Sydney & Mya Gilbert
- Bob & Millie Glick
- Marge Goldman
- Mark & Sheila Haman
- Dick & Joan Harmet
- Ellimena Henderson
- Richard Hess
- Kathy Hunt
- Terri Jackman
- Al & Sue Jirkovsky
- Toni Klingler
- Shari Kochman
- Steve Lundgren
- Henry Matthiessen
- Nancy McMenamin
- Kate Mills
- Richard Moninski
- Sandra Nickel
- Arlene O'Callaghan
- Emily Painter
- Laura Scoles
- Carol Spelic
- Renee Wallack
- Leslie Waltman
- Judith Wehrle
- Sandy Winge
- Janet Zehr
- Karen Zehr

Wish List

- Serving Spoons, Cake Servers, and Spatulas

• Art Print Display Rack

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[Click for the Center Calendar](#)



If you need help signing up, just call **779-214-0261** and we can assist you.

[Click here to go to the Volunteer sign up page](#)

Gallery Volunteers

Volunteering is good for the soul, and it really helps us to keep the gallery open four days a week.

This spring and summer season we are extending the hours to 11-4pm. There are two shifts, 11-1 and 1-4. Please check out the available dates, choose a shift that works for you, and fill out the information at the bottom of the page.

Don't forget to click the "Sign up to volunteer" button. Thanks for all your valuable time and talents to share artwork with our visitors.

Please forward our newsletter to your friends and relatives. They can click below to receive their own monthly update. Thanks for sharing our news with others!

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