



Owatonna Arts Center

Home of Creativity and Artistry

The Owatonna Arts Center encourages and celebrates the creative and performing arts that enrich the human spirit.

September/October 2017

Business Hours

10-5 Tues-Fri

Gallery Hours

1-5 Tues-Sun

507-451-0533

www.oacarts.org

Calendar at a Glance:

Be sure to check the website for an updated list of classes and events.

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September 9

"Skywaves" Audio-Visual Experience
7PM

September 16

Bad Tangerines Concert
7PM

September 17

Silvan's Anniversary Party
1-4PM

September 19

Annual Board Meeting
6PM Soup
7PM Meeting

October 22

Shattuck St. Mary's Concert
2PM

A Message from the President

As I start this newsletter, I think of two "wows." First, can you believe that we are now planning Fall schedules? Where did the Summer go? For the second "wow," how about Art on the Hills? A really great job of putting together an Art Fair on what should be called a "fast track." Special recognition goes to Sharon Stark and Mary Butler Fraser for their dedicated leadership in moving this forward. We began planning in March and ended with a great show in July. Thanks also to the many dedicated volunteers, contributors and the staff at OAC. Next year's "Art on the Hills" is planned for July 28 & 29, 2018.

Moving forward, we have the Bad Tangerines back again on September 16. Tickets are available from Board members, Kottke's and the OAC. Only 200 are available and they will sell out quickly.

The annual membership meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 19. The most important item on the agenda will be the election of four board members. The nominating committee has put forward the following slate of nominees: Les Abraham, Andi Gaffke, Ann Lange. Additionally, Beth DeCoux is up for re-election. A big "Thank You" to Sue Vedder, Naomi Jirele and Kevin Ihrke for their service on the board. Their talents and dedication will be missed. The evening will begin with soup and homemade bread at 6PM (donations accepted for this tasting), followed by the annual meeting starting at 7PM.

Please check other areas of this newsletter for scheduled events. The September Art Work Exhibition "What's Left" deals with suicide.

Thanks to all of you for your support to the arts in Owatonna. Please remind friends and neighbors that a membership to OAC helps strengthen the arts in our Community.

Arlan Burmeister,

OAC Board President

Annual Meeting September 19

Join us for soup and homemade bread at 6PM followed by the annual meeting starting at 7PM.

Free will offering for the meal.

Board Member Candidates:

Beth DeCoux (running for re-election)

Les Abraham

Andi Gaffke

Ann Lange

Upcoming Gallery Exhibitions

Gallery hours are 1-5pm Tuesday through Sunday. The gallery is closed Mondays.

“What’s Left” Lives Touched by Suicide September 5 - 24

Opening Reception and Gallery Talk: September 10 at 2PM

John Bauer, the producer of the exhibition, will lead a gallery talk and a representative from the “Open Arms Yellow Ribbon of Owatonna” will also speak.

The purpose of this multimedia exhibition is to create a provocative community dialogue about suicide and mental illness, with a goal of reducing the stigma surrounding them. Over 45 of Minnesota’s fine artists participated in this exhibit, in painting, poetry, sculpture, graffiti, glass, weaving, photography and more. Audience members will have the chance to

listen to an interactive audio instillation of stories and responses to the exhibition. Suicide and mental illness are major health problems that affect everyone. The topic is often viewed as taboo, and family members left behind can feel stigmatized and unable to talk openly about their experience and grief. “What’s Left” will provide a space for participating artists and the broader community to reflect on the impact of suicide and mental illness and explore the use of artistic expression in the process of grieving, healing, and expressing hope.

“Presences” Painting October 8 - 29

Opening Reception: October 8 from 1-5PM

Kristoffer West-Johnson is an Owatonna native and a graduate of Minnesota State University, Mankato. Kristoffer said, “I am driven to express a visible presentation and an abstraction of such mindful yet invisible subjects as consciousness, living emotions, and the idea of soul as a hidden hand in fate, and daily living.”

In the East Gallery

Paper Cutouts October 8 - 29

The Paper Folk Art cutouts by Joy Jacobson will be on display in the East Gallery. Joy, who is 85 and living in Aikin, Minnesota, began cutting paper over 40 years ago. Paper cutouts date back to 100 A.D. in China. The German word for this art form is “Scherenschnitte” which means scissor cuts. She uses a small scalpel to cut out the intricate silhouette designs which are then placed on a contrasting background.

“Skywaves” Multisensory Experience

September 9 at 7PM

“Skywaves” an audio-visual show by Brian Bradley will be on September 9th at 7 PM, admission is \$5.00 at the door. Brian was born in South Korea, raised and is living in southern Minnesota. He Studied Philosophy at the University of Duluth. Skywaves is a journey from Earth to Mars and beyond. Experimental electronic dance music and synchronized psychedelic visuals immerse the audience in multisensory, synesthesia experience.

Bad Tangerines Concert

September 16 at 7PM

The Bad Tangerines will hold a concert benefiting the Owatonna Arts Center on September 16. Tickets can be purchased at the Arts Center & Kottke's Jewelry. They have been performing in the Owatonna area for many years, but are known mostly for their work with the annual Hometown Sampler, a benefit concert for the Steele County Food Shelf. Group members Mark Sebring, Tim VanGelder, Jodie DeKam, Tammi Ferch and Michael Ferch come from all walks of life, but find common ground in taking popular music and arranging it to be sung without instruments. Their material comes from artists such as Journey, Fleetwood Mac, Bruno Mars, Taylor Swift, Billy Joel and Frankie Valli. Their diverse set list ensures that at any given show everyone will recognize something.

Shattuck St. Mary Music Concert

October 22 at 2PM

Dr. Eric Olson, Director of Pre-Conservatory Programs at Shattuck St Mary's, is welcoming back students and starting a new school year at Shattuck St Mary's. Knowing the high quality of the music program at Shattuck, we set a date for an October concert at the Center on October 22, 2 PM. The program has not been finalized but the performers have been selected - Kirill Nazarov (piano), Vihn Nguyen (piano), Catherine Carson (violin), Maria Chirinos (violin), Angela Dinis Perez (violin), Laura Aldana (cello) and Harrison Oh (cello). Check out the www.oacarts.org for more details.

The Friends of the Arts Center

Annual Fall Luncheon and Fashion Show

Wednesday, October 11

Lunch served at noon followed by the program.

Tickets are \$20/members and \$25/non-members
and are available at the OAC.



Happy Anniversary, Silvan!

September 17 from 1-4PM
Owatonna Arts Center

Please join us to celebrate Silvan's 40 years as Creative Director of the Owatonna Art Center. In honor of Silvan's 40 years at the OAC, we hope to create a student scholarship in his name. Donations are appreciated.

Looking Ahead

Pastimes Art and Fine Craft Sale

November 2, 5 - 7PM

November 3, 9AM - 7PM

November 4, 9AM - 3PM

We invite local and regional artist to contact the Arts Center if interested in being part of this juried sale.

And we offer everyone else a friendly reminder; The gift giving season will soon be here! Plan to shop for a one-of-a-kind treasure and enjoy homemade soup.

Annual Wine Tasting Event

November 10, from 6:30 - 9PM

Cashwise Liquor, Deli, and Floral host this annual fundraiser for the Arts Center. It's always a treat!

New Adult Classes at the OAC

Pottery on the Wheel for Teens and Adults

How do you work clay on the wheel? Beginners will learn how to use the wheel to create three dimensional forms and vessels. Demonstrations will cover the basics of wedging, centering, pulling, trimming and forming functional vessels. Beginners come and get your hands muddy! If you are accustomed to clay come fine tune your skills, learn a new technique, and challenge yourself with larger more complex forms. Dress for a mess and wear tennis shoes. Come to the first class with ideas, excitement and inspiration. One 25 lbs. bag of clay is included with the class; any additional clay can be purchased from the OAC. Basic glazing will be covered to finish pieces. Note that it is sometimes necessary to combine the youth and adult class and therefore the start time for this class will be moved up. You will be notified if that happens! Call instructor at 507-835-1192 or the OAC 507-451-0533 if you have questions.

Date: 9/28/17 (Th) Time: 6:30 - 9PM Cost: \$99 Sessions: 7 Location: OAC Studio I
Instructor: Joan Mooney

Barn Quilt Painting Workshop

Join the barn quilt movement by creating your own painted quilt for your barn, shed, garage, or garden fence. After a short historical overview of barn quilts, you will begin with a pre-primed 4' x 4' board (or 2' x 2') and be guided through each step including: drafting, taping, and painting. After some tips on painting the masked areas, you will work at your own speed. Depending on your design and pace, you will leave with a finished quilt or with it almost completed, and full instructions on how to complete/seal it confidently. You may choose to do either a 4' x 4' or 2' x 2' pre primed box. Your finished board will be a showpiece in your yard for years to come! Note: there is a detailed list included in the online course description at www.owatonnacommunityed.org that shows the pattern choices, the list of supplies included and those that you need to bring the day of class. If you have questions contact Naomi Jirele at naomi4664@gmail.com

Date: 9/30/17(Sa) Time: 8:30AM --12:30PM Cost: \$99 Sessions: 1 Location: OAC Studio II
Instructor: Naomi Jirele

Intro to Glass Fusing

This will be an introductory workshop! You will be introduced and shown the basics and then have your chance to create a small fused glass piece! Design ideas, suggestions and samples will be shared by your instructor. She will supply safety glasses, cutting tools and the glass you'll need. Your completed project will be fired at the OAC and you will be notified when it is ready to be picked up (at a later date). Note: there is a supply fee (estimated to be \$15-20) that you will pay to your instructor the day of class. Please register by Sept 26th.

Rose-Marie James was one of the participating artists this summer at "Arts on the Hill". As an artist she has a background in watercolor, drawing, stained glass and now glass fusing. She has studied under different artists and mentors in the metro and is anxious to offer her introductory workshop here. Go to www.dreamingglassstudio.com to see samples of her work.

Date: 10/7/17 (Sa) Time: 10AM --12PM Cost: \$14 Sessions: 1 Location: OAC Studio I
Instructor: Rose-Marie James

Acrylic Pouring Art

Create fluid organic designs through the use of acrylic paints and pouring medium. Each piece created will be unique and original. No two pours are ever the same! As demonstrated at the Owatonna Arts Center's "Art on the Hills," Beth will take you into the studio to help you create your own one of a kind. This class will include two complete paintings ready to hang on your wall (frames not included). Wear clothes that can get paint on. All supplies are included in the course fee. See you at class!

Date: 10/7/17 (Sa) Time: 9AM --12PM Cost: \$29 Sessions: 1 Location: OAC Studio II Instructor: Beth De Coux

New Adult Classes at the OAC

Clay for Couples

Make your date night-CREATE Night. The fall chill is in the air and activities are moving indoors and into the OAC Clay Studio. Join other couples for a fun evening of creating in clay. You are invited to try your hands at throwing pots on the wheel and/or to create something practical or whimsical using hand-building and slab techniques. No Experience Necessary. The pieces that you create (individually or as a team) will be fired once, glazed with the color of your choosing, and fired a second time. Your pieces will be microwave, oven and dishwasher friendly. Dress casually in clothes that can get messy. You may pick up your pieces at the Arts Center 3 weeks after class. CREATIVE treats will be available.

Date: 10/13/17 (Fri) Time: 6:30 - 9PM Cost: \$39 Sessions: 1 Location: OAC Studio I Instructor: Judy Srsen

Ceramic Mosaic Class

For centuries, people have been creating mosaics to decorate everything from cathedrals to contemporary bathrooms to tabletops to wall hangings. Taking inspiration from this unique art form, you will design your own piece to be framed and ready to take a special place on your wall. Come to the first class with a relatively simple design idea (stencil designs are good inspiration). In class, your design will be adapted to the requirements of working in clay. In the second class, you will "paint" the pieces that have been bisque fired and cover with clear glaze. During the third class, individual pieces will be glued into a wood frame and grout applied. You may bring paint to finish your wood frame. Please note that the first class session is from 6:00-8:30 PM and the following two sessions will be 6:30-8:00 PM

Date: 10/13/17(Th) Time: 6:30 - 8:30PM Cost: \$39 Sessions: 3 Location: OAC Studio I Instructor: Judy Srsen

Watercolor Workshop

Whether a beginner or a novice, here's a workshop that will explore the watercolor genre of painting. Easy and simple with quick cleanup, watercolor is the go-to medium for art on the go. Inside or outside a studio, it can be set up anywhere water is available. We will go over the techniques to learn or to expand upon in a positive setting of affirmation and encouragement. All materials and supplies are included in the class fee. If you have your own brushes and paints, feel free to bring them with!

Date: 10/28/17 (Sa) Time: 10AM --12PM Cost: \$22 Sessions: 1 Location: OAC Studio II
Instructor: Joyce Parker

Gals' Night Out

Calling all gals who would like a night out of fun and creativity. You will be shown a variety of ways that clay can be manipulated into useful and decorative creations. You may try your hands at throwing pots on the wheel, hand-building and utilizing clay slabs. Delve into your imagination, experiment and have fun! No experience necessary! All supplies are included. The pieces that you create will be bisque fired, glazed with the color of your choosing and fired a second time. Your pieces may be picked up at the Arts Center 3 weeks after class. Dress casually in clothes that can get messy. All supplies are included in the course fee, even treats!

Date: 11/10/17(Fri) Time: 6:30 - 9PM Cost: \$20 Sessions: 1 Location: OAC Studio I Instructor: Judy Srsen

Registration for OAC Art Classes is through Community Ed

<http://www.owatonnacommunityed.org>

New Youth Community Ed Classes at the OAC

Clay for Kids on the Wheel (ages 10+)

How do you throw clay on the wheel? It's not what it seems. Learn how to use the wheel to create three dimensional forms and vessels. Demonstrations will cover the basics of wedging, centering, pulling, trimming, and forming useable vessels. Beginners come and get your hands muddy! If you are accustomed to clay come fine tune your skills, learn a new technique, and challenge yourself with larger more complex forms. Dress for a mess and wear tennis shoes. Come to the first class with ideas, excitement and inspiration! Call instructor at 507-835-1192 or call the OAC 507-451-0533 if you have any questions.

Starting Date: 09/28/17(Th) Time: 5 - 6:30 PM Cost: \$84 Sessions: 7 Location: OAC Studio I
Instructor: Joan Mooney

Bob Ross Painting Classes

The Owatonna Arts Center will be offering three Bob Ross Painting Classes with certified instructor Dennis Neidt. Instruction and supplies are included. The Class begins at 11 AM (It is suggested that students bring a lunch). The Students can register at the Owatonna Arts Center. For further information phone 507-451-0533.

Starting Date: September 16 Time: 11AM Cost: \$55 (each) Sessions: 1 Location: OAC Studio II
October 21
November 18



September



October



November

THANK YOU for a Successful Art Fair!

"Art on the Hills" had perfect weather this year--warm and sunny with a light breeze, making it easy to enjoy the art. Demonstrations, kids activities, artists exhibition, live music and food concessions enlivened the beautiful OAC campus. Thank you to the committee, volunteers, businesses and sponsors who contributed to make the event such a success.

Thank you to the Eagles for hosting the benefit pancake breakfast. We couldn't have done it without all of you. Art on the Hills had a great inaugural send off and July 28-29 2018 is on the calendar. The committee is looking for volunteers to be a part of the steering committee. If you have a desire to be

a part of this event, large or small, please contact the office. Your help or ideas are always welcomed.



Many Thanks

To the individuals and companies who make the OAC possible!

Memorials

In memory of Jerry Peters

Given by: Sally Alexander, Marj Zimmerman, Mary & Thomas Olson, Larry & Joan Pierce, Michael & Mary Kaye Tillmann

In memory of Cleo Steinberg

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Kitchen Equipment Donations

Alice and Darryl Hill

New Members

Marcia Paggrath
Pamela Veencamp
Julia Deetz
Christa Kain

Needed: A Christmas Tree

Christmas is just a few months away, and the grand tree in the Big Room is looking a little wilted after years of experience. It is time to find a newer 12 foot, full-figured tree. Do you have a tree that you would consider donating?



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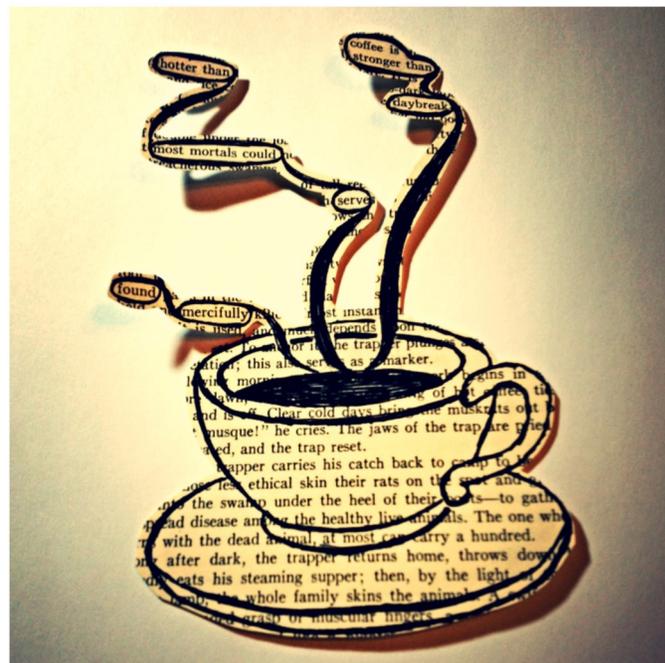
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at 6:30 p.m.
All members are always
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