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The Arts Center

EXHIBITION

Animals: Them & Us

The North Dakota Museum of Art, with The Arts Center, announce the **opening of *Animals: Them and Us* on Thursday, March 4, with a public reception from 5:30 – 7:00 pm.** Matthew Wallace, Director of the North Dakota Museum of Art's Rural Arts Initiative, will be on hand to speak about the exhibition. *Animals: Them and Us* will be on display until April 3.



Stuart Klipper (Minneapolis, Minnesota)
Emperor Penguins, sea ice edge, McMurdo Sound sea ice, Ross Sea, Antarctica, 1999

North Dakota Museum of Art Director Laurel Reuter has gathered the work of twenty artists from across North and South America. The show consists of nearly fifty works of art in video, painting, photography and sculpture.

The biological definition of animal refers to all members of the kingdom Animalia, including humans who are only one of the nine or ten million species of animals that inhabit planet Earth. In curating the exhibition, Reuter searched for art from the complicated animal genre that exhibits contrasting and conflicting visions, points-of-view, assumptions, assertions, and historical remembrances of other members of the kingdom Animalia.

Of special note to parents of students & school teachers - TOURS ARE ENCOURAGED!

In 2004 the North Dakota Museum of Art implemented the Rural Arts Initiative program to encourage learning through the arts and to put original artwork into communities throughout the State. *Animals: Them and Us* is the fifth touring exhibition through the Rural Arts Initiative. For each touring show, the Museum develops numerous lesson plans and makes them available on their website at www.ndmoa.com. **Rural North Dakota schools within a 50 - 60-mile radius of the Arts Center are eligible for reimbursements to come and view the exhibition.** Anyone interested in arranging a tour should contact the Arts Center at 701-251-2496.

March 2010

April 2010

Exhibit "Animals: Them and Us"
RECEPTION
Mar 4, 5:30 pm

Community Theatre
Casting Call
March 9 and 11
6-8:00 pm

JHS play "Charlie Brown" at the Arts Center
Mar 12 & 13, 7:00 pm

Last Annual Comedy Revue
Mar 19 & 20, 7:30 pm



Germans from Russia Meeting
April 9

Step Afrika Performance
Jamestown HS
April 14, 7:00 pm

CD release performance for Michael Whisler
April 23
time TBA

After 5 Beer Tasting
Mar 26
6:00 pm

Thank You!

Thank you to all who made the 2010 Gala a success—the Gala Committee and all those who attended and those businesses and individuals who generously donated items for the Auction. The Staff and Board of Directors wants you to know how much they appreciate your assistance. As always, the Gala is one of the Center's most important Annual fund-raising events and once again credits its success to a terrific community of helpers and supporters.

If you have any suggestions on improvements or a new and innovative party plans - we welcome your input.

Thank You!

Exhibit

Reception

March 4, 5:30 pm



COMMUNITY THEATRE CASTING CALL

The Arts Center will be holding auditions for the next community theatre production *A Bad Year for Tomatoes*.

The play is a comedy about a movie star who has moved to a small town – "too small to stop for a flat tire".

Auditions will be held on **Tuesday, March 9th and Thursday, March 11th from 6:00-8:00 pm.** If you are unable to attend either audition session but would like to participate, please call Marcie at 269-9494.

46th Annual Jamestown Fine Arts Association Spring Art Show Coming Soon Primary Deadlines & Dates for Artists

Call the Arts Center to receive an entry form or visit the Arts Center's website www.jamestownartscenter.org.

No more than 3 entries may be submitted. The ENTRY FEES must be submitted with completed Registration Form.

- April 1 Registration Forms Deadline
- April 26 Deadline for Artwork to arrive at Arts Center
- May 6 Exhibit opens, Reception 5:00 – 7:00 PM, Juror's (Matthew Wallace) Comments 6:00 pm
- June 18 Last Viewing Day for Show

SEND REGISTRATION with ENTRY FEE TO THE ARTS CENTER BY 4/1/2010 – PO BOX 363, Jamestown, ND 58402

JFAA MEMBERS: \$5 per work entered
NON-MEMBERS: \$10 first entry; \$5 for each additional entry.
STUDENTS: \$5 per artwork submitted.

STEP AFRiKA!

Step Afrika will be performing for middle school students at 1:00 pm on **April 14th at the Jamestown High School**. They will be performing same date/same location at **7:00 pm for the public**. Admission price at the door: \$3 for students and \$5 for adults.

Step Afrika! is a professional dance company dedicated to the tradition of stepping. Stepping is a unique dance tradition created by African American college students. In stepping, the body is used as an instrument to create intricate rhythms & sounds thru a combination of footsteps, claps & spoken word. Founded in 1994, Step Afrika! began as a cross-cultural exchange with the Soweto Dance Theatre. While teaching in Africa, Step Afrika!'s founder came across the South African gumboot dance, an art form created by South African mine-workers which resembled the stepping he had learned at Howard University. He and members of the Soweto Dance Theatre created Step Afrika! to link the people who practice stepping in America with those who perform the Gumboot dance in Africa. The performance shares history & traditions thru exciting dance forms.

These presentations are supported by the Performing Arts Fund, a program of Arts Midwest funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, which believes that a great nation deserves great art. Additional contributions are from the North Dakota Council on the Arts, General Mills Foundation, Land O'Lakes Foundation and the Jamestown Fine Arts Association.

Step Afrika stole the show with a skillfully arranged rhythmic combination of clapping, body slapping, stomping and shouting.

—Kirsten Bodensteiner,
The Washington Post



COMMUNITY THEATRE

The community theatre group has adopted a name. The group is called **The 2nd ACT** – The 2nd (street) Arts Center Theatre. They have a facebook page and their website is under construction. Soon you will be able to track them online at The2ndACT.net.

This ambitious group is planning between 3-5 productions each year. Plays are currently planned through December with auditions in March for the May production of *A Bad Year for Tomatoes*. See this newsletter page one.

I think I can speak for everyone who saw the recent production of Plaza Suites - this group has the gumption and enthusiasm for reviving Jamestown's community theatre. They worked long and hard on Plaza and had great success. If you are a theater buff - please follow their progress, if you have interest in acting - please contact the group or the Arts Center or if you want to help with sets, costuming etc. -speak up and join the group!

THANKS

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MIDDLE SCHOOL

Perennial resident artist Mary Zimmerman, from Deadwood, SD, will again be in Jamestown from March 15-26 teaching arts in the schools in the fifth grade classrooms. Mary will also be teaching printmaking with Arts After School (students in grades 6, 7, 8). The after school sessions will meet at Youth for Christ from 3:30-5:00 pm on March 15, 18, 19, 22, 23 and 25.

Mary, a recipient of a Bush Foundation's Dakota Creative Connections grant, has been perfecting her printmaking skills to produce a wonderful suite of handmade botanical prints. She will be sharing her expertise with middle school students and making use of the wonderful new portable printing press that is part of the Hansen Arts Studio's equipment. This small table top press is perfect for introducing young artists to the process of making "original" prints. It is especially important in today's digital world that students understand and "value" the difference between handmade and mass produced media.

SUMMER THEATRE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

TELL YOUR GRAND KIDS!

MISSOULA CHILDREN'S THEATER
JULY 19 - 24

THE PRINCESS AND
THE PEA

CALL TO REGISTER



KIDS CLASSES

Arts After School

For students in grades 3,4,5 with William Hessian
FUNCTIONAL vs. NON-FUNCTIONAL CERAMICS
March 15 - April 1, 2010
COMICS & STORYTELLING
April 6 -April 16, 2010

March 13 - Second Saturday

Munch, Munch, Munch....artist Edvard Munch is best known for "The Scream." Students will create 3 different facial expressions from clay while learning about Munch's other work. For students in grades 1-5 at the Arts Center. \$5 for members, \$7 for non-members.

*Art is the colors and textures of your imagination.
Meghan, Los Cerros Middle School, 1999*

ADULT CLASSES

Drawing

Instructor: William Hessian
March 2, 9, 16, 23, 6 -7:30 pm, \$35/\$45

Stained Glass

Instructors: Harley and Jaci Trefz
April 10, 9:00 am-4:00 pm, \$30/40
Learn the basics of stained glass while completing a small piece of stained glass.

Papermaking

Instructor: Bonnie Tressler
April 22, 5:30-7:00 pm, \$15/\$20

Arts At Lunch (AAL)

WEEKLY UNLESS NOTED - noon -1:00 pm
\$5 members/\$7 nonmembers.
AAW will meet every Wednesday

- March 3/Still Life
- March 10/Wire Sculptures ala Calder
- March 17/Pysanky Eggs
- March 24/Negative/Positive Space Scribbles
- March 31/Self Portraits
- April 7/Molas
- April 14/Mandala
- April 21/Illuminated Manuscripts
- April 28/Black and White
- May 5/Tapestry
- May 12/Minitures
- May 19/Theater Games
- May 26/Jitter Bug

Arts After Work (AAW)

The Ever-popular After Work Arts Class for Adults
WEEKLY UNLESS NOTED - 5:30 pm-7:00 pm
\$5 members/\$7 nonmembers
AAW will meet every Monday

- March 1/Still Life
- March 8/Wire Sculptures ala Calder
- March 15/Pysanky Eggs
- March 22/Negative/Positive Space Scribbles
- March 29/Self Portraits
- April 5/Molas
- April 12/Mandala
- April 19/Illuminated Manuscripts
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