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A STAR-STUDDED ANNUAL CELEBRATION

The 2011 SMAHC Annual Celebration, held at Jackpot Junction on October 29 was deemed a great success! Guests dressed as their favorite art stars, in keeping with the “Star-Studded Gala” theme. The evening included social hour, dinner, silent & live auctions, and entertainment. We netted over \$3,000 from this year’s event!



Barbara Kruger, Diego Rivera, Frida Kahlo—aka board members Deb Larson & Paul Grupe, Brenda Grupe

Annual Celebration Highlights

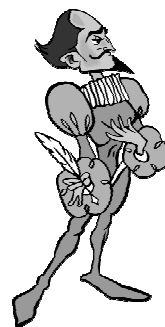
- With 145 guests from nearly every county in the SMAHC region, we reached our highest ticket sales since 2007.
- Thank you to our entertainers! Guests enjoyed original keyboard music during social hour by Jim Austerman from Jackson County, harp music over dinner by Kathy Fransen of Jackson County, and an excerpt performance from the radio show *Frankenstein* performed by the Marshall Area Stage Company of Lyon County.



- Thanks to our Board of Directors 18 delicious desserts were auctioned off. Auction bids ranged from \$10 to \$100, and attendees were excited to take their desserts home for sampling.



- 53 silent auction items including artwork, performance & event tickets, wine and food, jewelry and other items from the SMAHC region were donated for our fundraising efforts.
- Special thanks to David & Marilee Strom of First Floral Hallmark in Windom and Len Busch Roses for the donation of floral centerpieces that were given out as door prizes.



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SMAHC Grant Applications Go Online

Beginning with Round II of the Arts Organization Development grant program (application deadline February 1, 2012), all SMAHC grant applications will be filled out and submitted online. SMAHC staff are currently in the process of implementing Grant Lifecycle Manager, an online grant management software from Foundant Technologies. The online applications for SMAHC's grant programs will be easily accessible from the SMAHC website. In addition to filling out their applications, applicants will also be able to upload supplemental documents and work samples. This new technology will also enable SMAHC grant panelists to evaluate applications online. Watch for more information as we near our launch date.

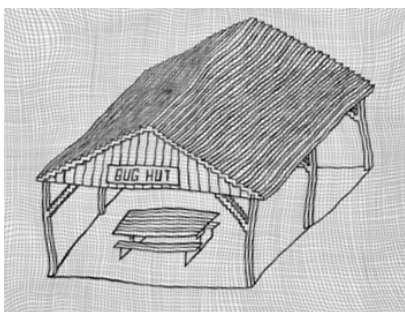
New SMAHC Board Members

Kathy Wnoroski of Hutchinson was elected to serve as the McLeod County SMAHC representative beginning January 1, 2012. Wnoroski is the director of the Hutchinson Center for the Arts and has previously served on the boards of the Rabbit Run Community Arts Association, the Madison Education Foundation, the Rabbit Run Theatre in Madison, Ohio. Wnoroski also has interest and expertise in writing and literature, thanks to her 20-year career in journalism. Her term ends December 2014.

Kate Aydin of Hendricks was appointed to fill the board vacancy for Lincoln County. Aydin taught Spanish for 25 years, developing a curriculum focused on the visual art, literature, and modern and traditional music of Spain and Latin America. She currently serves on multiple boards and committees, including the Lincoln County Pioneer Museum Board, the Hendricks Community Foundation, and the Norwegian Heritage Committee. Her term ends December 2012.

Randy Meyer of Canby was elected to fill a vacancy on the board for Lac qui Parle County. An artist and farmer, Meyer says, "I would like to help keep the arts alive in our rural communities by volunteering my efforts to the SMAHC board." Meyer has taught art in local schools and to home-schooled students. He has served as treasurer on the First Lutheran Church Board and is also a board member for Lac qui Parle Mutual. His term ends December 2013.

Marshall-Lyon County Library Public Art Installation



Etched Glass Drawings by Michon Weeks

Opening Reception:

Thursday, December 1
5:00-7:00 pm
Marshall-Lyon Cty Library
201 C St, Marshall
*SMAHC Legacy Grant

UPCOMING SMAHC GRANT DEADLINES

December 15, 2011:

Individual Artist Established Career
Individual Artist Development

January 13, 2012:

Art Project Grants, Round II

February 1, 2012:

Arts Organization Development, Round II

For grant program details, visit

www.smahc.org or call 800-622-5284.



GRANTWRITING WORKSHOPS

Art Project Workshops

December 5, 5:00-7:00 pm
Jackson County Library, Jackson

December 8, noon-1:30 pm
Pipestone Performing Arts Center, Pipestone

December 8, 4:00-6:00 pm
SMAHC Office, Marshall

Arts Organization Development Workshop

January 5, 4:00-6:00 pm
SMAHC Office, Marshall

Art Study Opportunity for Youth Workshop

February 2, 4:00-6:00 pm
SMAHC Office, Marshall

Workshops are free, but advance registration is encouraged. Contact the SMAHC office (800-622-5284, smahcinfo@iw.net) to register.

**SMAHC grant awards are made possible in part by appropriations from the Minnesota State Legislature with money from the State's general fund, and its arts and cultural heritage fund that was created by a vote of the people of Minnesota on November 4, 2008.*

GALLERIES

SMAHC Art Gallery. An exhibit of Cat Abbot's local, sustainable farming-themed multimedia works opens runs through December 30. Gene Stukel's photography exhibit opens January 9, with a reception on January 12, from 5:00-7:00 pm. Visit the gallery Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 4:30 PM at 1210 E College Dr., **Marshall**.

ARTmeyerson, 105 4th St. N., **Atwater**. To schedule an appointment, call Sue Meyerson at 320-220-0970 or 320-974-3609.

Barn Theatre Art Gallery, 321 4th St. SW, **Willmar**. Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 4 PM. For more information, call 320-235-9500 or email info@thebarntheater.com.

Carnegie Cultural Center, 205 N. Freeman, **Luverne**. Hours are Tues – Fri, 1 - 5 PM and Sat 10 - 2 PM. For more info, email marypet@iw.net or call 507-283-8294.

Clay Coyote Pottery, 17614 240th St. **Hutchinson**. Hours are Mon - Sat 10 - 5 PM; Sunday Noon - 4 PM, or, call ahead for an appointment. Check out www.claycoyote.com or email Betsy & Tom at claypot@hutchtel.net

Hutchinson Center for the Arts, 28 North Main Street, **Hutchinson**. Gingerbread Competition Show opens December 3. More info: 320-587-0899, info@crowriverarts.org. Website: <http://www.hutchinsonarts.org/>

Kaleidoscope - An Artists' Gallery, 326 Main Street South, **New London**. Located in the Banner Oak Pottery Building. Hours: 10 - 5 PM Mon - Sat. Call 320-295-0787 for more information.

Milan Village Arts School, junction of MN Highway 7/59 and MN Highway 40, **Milan**. For information on upcoming classes visit www.milanvillageartsschool.org.

Marshall Area Fine Arts Council (MAFAC), 109 N. 3rd Street, **Marshall**. December 6 - January 13: Janet Olney & Violet Dauk: *Baskets & Coffee Stories*. Hours: Tues - Fri Noon - 5:30 PM. Evenings and Saturdays by appointment. 507-532-5463. Visit www.mafac.net for more information.

Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th Street, **Worthington**. December's Holiday Show & Sale featuring multiple artists begins with an Open House on December 4, from 2:00-4:00 pm. Hours: M-F 2 - 4:30 PM. Call 507-372-8245 for more information.

Potato Eaters Gallery, 330 Litchfield Ave SW, **Willmar**. "Bill Bjostad Talks Art" on Saturday mornings from 10 AM noon. Sit around the gallery, drink coffee and talk about art. New topic every Saturday.

Robert Remick Gallery/Cottonwood County Historical Society, 812 Fourth Avenue, **Windom**. Gallery Hours: Mon - Fri 8 - 4 PM & Sat 10 - 4 PM. For more info, call 507-831-1134 or email cchs@windomnet.com

Tokheim Pottery, 2057 361st Ave, **Dawson**. Visit www.tokheim-stoneware.com For more info about the gallery or call 320-769-2142 or email info@tokheim-stoneware.com

William Whipple Gallery in Bellows Academic 291 at Southwest Minnesota State University, **Marshall**. Oct 31-Dec 9: Carla Goldberg: *Bodice of the Goddess*, mixed media. Hours: Monday through Thursday 8 AM - 11 PM. Friday 8 AM – 5 PM. Sunday 2 – 11 PM. Closed Saturdays and Holidays.

Willmar Area Arts Council Gallery at WEAC building (Willmar Education and Arts Center), 611 Fifth St. SW, **Willmar**. December: Nan Karr Kaufenberg, printmaker.

Give To the Max Day & GiveMN.org

Thank you for joining us online at GiveMN.org on November 16 for Give to the Max Day. SMAHC received 21 donations and membership renewals totaling \$990.

Did you know that GiveMN.org isn't just for Give to the Max Day, but is an easy way to renew your membership or make a donation online at any time of the year? Just go to www.smahc.org and click the green "Donate Now" button on the left navigation bar, or go to www.GiveMN.org and type "Southwest Minnesota Arts and Humanities Council" in the search box.

Don't forget that the McKnight Foundation will match dollar-for-dollar any new or increased donations to SMAHC. Thank you for all of your support!



DECEMBER CALENDAR

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****December 1 Opening Reception: Etched Glass Drawings by Michon Weeks**, 5:00 - 7:00 pm at the Marshall-Lyon County Library, C Street, **Marshall**.

December 1 Simple Gifts with Billy McLaughlin: A Small Town Christmas, 7:30 pm at the Memorial Auditorium Performing Arts Center, **Worthington**. Ticket Office: 507-376-9101, Monday – Friday, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.
www.friendsoftheauditorium.com

December 2 Hutchinson Theatre 10th Anniversary Gala, 6:00 pm, Crow River Golf Club, 915 Colorado St. NW, **Hutchinson**. Tickets are \$50, available at the Hutchinson Chamber of Commerce, the Hutchinson Center for the Arts, and Clay Coyote Gallery. For more info, call Lena Mowlem at 320-234-6339 or Betsy Price at 320-587-2599.

****December 2 & 4 Crow River Singers "Songs of Christmas."** Dec 2: 7:00 pm, Church of St Anastasia, 460 Lake St SW, **Hutchinson**. Dec 4: 2:00 pm, Peace Lutheran Church, 400 Franklin St SW, **Hutchinson**. Tickets \$7, children under 12 are free.

December 2-4 & 9-11 Opland Singers Christmas Festival at the Pipestone Performing Arts Center, 104 East Main St, **Pipestone**. Fridays & Saturdays 7:30 pm, Sundays 3:00 pm. Box Office: 507 825-2020. More info at www.pipestoneminnesota.com/artscenter/

December 3 Opera House Christmas Show, 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm, **Lake Benton** Opera House.

December 3 An Old Fashioned Danish Christmas, Danebod Campus in **Tyler**. Christmas shops are open from 2-5:00. A traditional Danish supper will be available from 4-6:00. Free evening entertainment starting at 6:45.

December 3 Historic Holiday Home Tour benefitting the McLeod County History Museum & Hutchinson Center for the Arts. Tour historic homes around **Hutchinson** decorated for the holidays. Saturday from 1-4 PM. \$15 pre-sale tickets; \$20 at the door. For event details: www.hutchinsonarts.org

December 3 Open House Art & Craft Sale and Gingerbread Contest, **Hutchinson** Center for the Arts from 1-4 PM. Crafts for kids, refreshments, arts & craft sale. Enter the gingerbread house competition and vote for your favorite entries at the arts center in December.

December 4 Holiday Show Open House, 2:00-4:00 pm, Nobles County Art Center, 407 12th Street, **Worthington**.

****December 4 Christmas in Appleton: The Girl Singers**, 2:00 pm at the 52 Wing Auditorium, 50 E. Rooney Ave, **Appleton**. Tickets: Adult \$10, 18 & under \$6.

****December 4 Crow River Area Youth Orchestra "On Common Ground: A New Beginning"** Concert at 4 p.m. at the **Hutchinson** Middle School. For information visit: www.crayo.org

December 5 SMAHC Art Project Grantwriting Workshop, 5:00—7:00 pm, Jackson County Library, 311 3rd St, **Jackson**.

December 8 Nan Karr Kaufenberg Reception from 4:00 – 6:00 pm, Willmar Area Arts Council Gallery at Willmar Education and Arts Center, 611 Fifth St. SW, **Willmar**.

December 8 SMAHC Art Project Grantwriting Workshop, noon-1:30 pm, Pipestone Performing Arts Center, 104 E Main Street, **Pipestone**.

December 8 SMAHC Art Project Grantwriting Workshop, 4:00-6:00 pm, SMAHC office, 1201 E College Dr., Suite 600, **Marshall**.

December 9 A Bluegrass Christmas with Monroe Crossing, 7:30 pm at Peace Lutheran Church, 400 Franklin St SW, **Hutchinson**. Tickets available at Peace Lutheran, Coffee Company, Clay Coyote, and Hutchinson Chamber of Commerce.

December 10 Janet Olney & Violet Dauk Reception from 12:00-2:00pm at the MAFAC Arts Center, 109 N 3rd St, **Marshall**.

December 12 "Away in the Basement - A Church Basement Ladies Christmas", Jackson County Central Performing Arts Center, 1128 North Hwy, **Jackson**. 7:00 PM show. \$25 reserved seats available through HCC Community Education 507-847-6627 or email: pam_grussing@jccschools.com

****December 13 Worthington Symphony Orchestra Concert** at the Memorial Auditorium Performing Arts Center in **Worthington**, 7:30 pm.

December 15 SMAHC Individual Artist Established Career and Development Grant Deadline.

December 15 Lunch Bunch, 12:00-1:00 pm at the MAFAC Arts Center, 109 N 3rd St, **Marshall**.

December 18 Willmar Area Symphonic Orchestra Christmas Concert and Sing-a-long, 3:00 pm at the Willmar Education & Arts Center, 611 Fifth St SW, **Willmar**. Tickets: Adults \$10, Family pack \$25. Call 320-220-2735 or go to www.willmarorchestra.com

JANUARY CALENDAR

January 5 SMAHC Arts Organization Development Grantwriting Workshop, 4:00-6:00 pm, SMAHC office, 1201 E College Dr., Suite 600, Marshall.

January 7 SMAHC Individual Artist Grant Panel Meeting, 9:00 am, SMAHC office, 1201 E College Dr., Suite 600, Marshall.

January 10 Application Deadline: Auditions for the Willmar Area Symphonic Orchestra (WASO) "Young Artists Competition". Instrument or vocal performance is acceptable. Open to young musicians up to the age of 20 from SW and West Central Minnesota. For applications, please contact Ann at 320-354-2192.

January 12 Gene Stukel Reception, 5:00-7:00 pm, SMAHC Gallery, 1201 E College Dr., Suite 600, Marshall.

January 13 SMAHC Art Project II Grant Deadline.

January 19 Lunch Bunch, 12:00-1:00 pm at the MAFAC Arts Center, 109 N 3rd St, Marshall.

January 20 Billy McLaughlin & His Eclectic String Quartet, 7:30 pm at Memorial Auditorium, 601 9th Street, Dawson. Tickets \$12 for adults, \$5 for students. Also visit the Claire Swanson exhibit at Memorial Auditorium. More information at www.dawsonboydarts.org, 320-769-2955 Ext. 246, or dbaa@dawsonboydarts.org

January 24 SMAHC Board Meeting, 7:00 pm SMAHC office, 1201 E College Dr., Suite 600, Marshall.

January 24 Youth Creative Writing Contest Submission Deadline. Students grades 3-12 can enter original works of fiction, poetry, and creative non-fiction in the 8th annual contest offered by SMSU's Creative Writing Department and SW/WC Service Cooperative. More information at www.swsc.org/studentactivities

January 29 Augustana College Orchestra in concert, 4:00 pm at Memorial Auditorium, 601 9th Street, Dawson. Tickets \$5 for adults, free for students. More information at www.dawsonboydarts.org, 320-769-2955 Ext. 246, or dbaa@dawsonboydarts.org

The Big Read

Grants, resources, and materials are available for non-profit organizations to develop community-wide reading programs between September 2012 and June 2013. The Big Read is a national program designed to revitalize the role of literature in American culture and to encourage reading for pleasure and enlightenment. Application Deadline: February 1. More information at www.neabigread.org

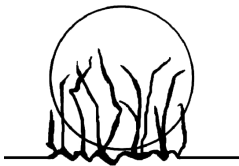
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