

CROSSROADS CARNEGIE ART CENTER

Member Newsletter

May 2015

DATES OF INTEREST

May 15th – Baker Art Guild - TBA

May 28th – Thursday Art Night Movie at Elytrm - TBA

May 29th – Special Literary Night- Oregon Book Award Finalists at 7:00pm in the Downstairs Studio

May 30th – Special Literary Night - Oregon Poet Laureate Peter Sears at 6:00pm in the Downstairs Studio

June 5th – First Friday “A Gathering of Glass” featuring Eastern Oregon Glass Artists Kevin Boylan, Tom Dimond and Andy Nichols.

June 19th and 20th – Performance of Missoula Children’s Theatre “Aladdin” at Baker High School Auditorium. Friday the 19th at 6:00pm, Saturday the 20th at 3:00pm. \$5.00 for adults, children under 12 free when accompanied by an adult.

June 21st – Happy Birthday Leo Adler

June 23rd – Special Literary Night - Craig Johnson, Author of the Longmire Series will be in the Downstairs Studio for a book reading and signing. Social time starts at 6:30pm with light refreshments and event starts at 7:00pm.

July 3rd – First Friday “The Horse Show” featuring the work of Nancy Allen, Teri Berthelson, Bill Huston and Brenna Tyler with art work inspired by Horses.

July 4th and 5th – Closed for the holiday weekend

July 17th-26th – Sand Mandela at Crossroads - details forthcoming.

July 25th – Baker City Chalk It Up To Art by the Baker Art Guild

August 7th – First Friday “Zimbabwe Artists Project”

August 14th – Baker Art Guild - TBA

August 21st and 22nd – Missoula Children’s Theatre “Little Red Riding Hood” at Baker High School Auditorium. Friday August 21st at 6:00pm, Saturday August 22nd at 3:00pm. \$5.00 for adults, children under 12 free when accompanied by an adult.

August 20th-23rd – We Like ‘M Short Film Festival at the Elytrm Theatre.

August 31st and September 1st – Work Due at Crossroad for Art at the Crossroads Open Regional Show

September 4th – First Friday “Art at the Crossroads Open Regional Show”

CROSSROADS WISH LIST

Cases of white copy paper, TP, rolls of paper towels, small reception size paper plates, box of plastic spoons and forks, #10 envelopes, bubble wrap, white tissue paper, big bottle of liquid soap to refill dispensers.

VOLUNTEER JOBS

3 Board Members, Committee Members: Fundraising Committee, Membership, Programs, and Communication, volunteers to help with Crossroads activities with Cycle Oregon and Hells Canyon Motorcycle Rally.

First Friday Hostess, Building maintenance volunteer, or join our SOS Volunteer team (to help out Crossroads as your schedule allows).

Crossroads Pottery Studio

For those of you stopping in the art center you might be following the progress of potter John Denne and his process in making a HUGE coil and scrape pot. Many of you have wandered down to the studio and have visited with John and have been enjoying watching the outcome. John just represents a growing number of potters who use the pottery studio resources. Crossroads has numerous classes in pottery available and we are always looking for teachers. Pottery Passes – which allow members to use the studio separate from classes - are available for sale at the front desk. These passes are for potters who can work independently and you have to purchase your own clay and pay for firing but you can use the tools of the studio. Our studio is not and never will be a primary studio for a working potter we simply do not have the space. The Crossroads pottery studio is a launching pad. We have hobbyist potters who use our studio to just enjoy the creative process. We have launched potters who want to do more, make more things, spend more time at pottery and they often create a home studio. Many bring their work down to Crossroads to be fired only. Emerging or Professional artists can purchase clay, glazes or raw glaze chemicals from Crossroads as they need them. John as a professional potter simply needed a bit more room to complete these amazing vessels. If you are interested in pottery give Crossroads a call and look at the class schedule for upcoming classes.



Thanks to you to our volunteers and supporters

Crossroad so appreciates all our donors and supporters but we would like to give a special shout out to a few: Baker Lady Elks for giving the proceeds of the St. Patrick’s Day brunch to MCT here at Crossroads. Thank you Sandy Sturdy for overseeing the Crossroads Bulletin Board so beautifully at the Post Office every month and your ongoing help at First Fridays. Thank you Deanna Davis and Barb Meyer for volunteering at the art center once a week - it is such pleasure to see your smiley faces here. Thank you Tammy Wisdom for doing all those detail oriented projects for the staff. Thanks to Mary Stiglich who has taken on our Membership mailings. Kristen Anderson and kids at BHS - thanks for everything you do for our art center. Connor Yates - my technology guru - thanks for all your work updating the website. Remember we have more volunteer jobs available which I featured in last month’s newsletter.

Quick Update

Many friends of Crossroads know that Whit Deschner, founder of the Great Salt Lick had a major back surgery. Reports coming to Crossroads are that he is doing well and he will keep us posted via Facebook. Before he left he dropped off post cards and the 9th Annual Great Salt Lick Auction will be September 19th here at Crossroads. So keep him in your thoughts and mark your calendars.

Crossroads is installing a new Point of Sale system.
Please be patient as we are learning this new technology.

Sand Mandala coming to Crossroads

Crossroads is pleased to announce that a Sand Mandala will be created at Crossroads for the week of July 20th. Marria Knight has worked hard to bring this experience to our community and we appreciate her hard work.

A Sand Mandala is a Tibetan Buddhist tradition involving the creation and destruction of mandalas made from colored sand. A sand mandala is ritualistically dismantled once it has been completed and its accompanying ceremonies and viewing are finished to symbolize the Buddhist doctrinal belief in the transitory nature of material life.



More details will be forthcoming on the schedule of events and when you can come and see the mandala being made each day. A special closing event is being planned as well.

This event is coinciding with Baker City's Chalk it Up to Art Event where our sidewalks are painted with chalk by local artisans. Each event reminds us to enjoy summer while it happens, seize the moment and celebrate art!

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June in the Gallery

In June we welcome glass artists Kevin Boylan, Tom Dimond and Andy Nichols in "A Gathering of Glass."

We welcome you to join us on **First Friday, June 5th for an opening reception for the artists from 5:30 to 8:00pm. An informal talk with the artists starts at 5:30pm.** Light refreshments will be served by Friends of Crossroads along with acoustic guitar and vocals by Nancy Ames. This exhibition is generously sponsored by Ace Nursery and will be on display through June 27th.

KEVIN BOYLAN - La Grande, Oregon

The work that Kevin creates is a visual journal. He rarely sketches or writes down his ideas. A detailed maquette loops through his thoughts for months and in some cases years before he recreates these images in his studio. He continues to develop his knowledge of tools and materials and relies on his technical ability and intuition to render 3D objects.

Most of the work in this show indirectly represents personal instances from his day to day life that may not be conveyed by the object. Also included in this show is a series titled *Protecting the Illusion*, which examines the implied value of currency.



TOM DIMOND - Cove, Oregon

Tom's newest work is a series of vases that are reminiscent of the Art Nouveau style which was very popular in the early 1900's. The forms are experimental, and their surfaces have been iridized. The process of fuming the glass before it is annealed embellishes the patterns and color of the work by the refraction and reflection of light. This effect can be seen in the insect world on butterfly's wings, and also on humming bird's breasts.

This spring, while Tom was blowing glass, the cherry blossoms surrounding his studio were flowering. The influence of those can be seen in the colors and patterns on some of his pieces.

ANDY NICHOLS - The Dalles, Oregon

Andy was born an artist. With his mother's encouragement, he worked on stained glass for years. Formal education in the field of "arts" brought all that talent to the refined point.

After handling hot glass, his life quickly changed. Working out of his garage on the weekends finally led to opening his own hot shop and a life changing career move. Nichols' Art Glass opened in 2001 in The Dalles and he began teaching classes to students.

During all that time, his love of fish...specifically salmon, has been the captivating theme that emerged from hot glass. The life-like salmon that he displays today had humble beginnings in the smolt stage before swimming proudly in the galleries around the world. His salmon have even had a debut at the Vancouver, B.C. Winter Olympics.



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First Friday Musicians: Nancy Ames

New or Renewed Members (April 1st- April 30th):

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