

# CROSSROADS CARNEGIE ART CENTER

Member Newsletter

November 2015

## DATES OF INTEREST

**November 6th** – Experimental Iterations featuring Stephen Wadner and Nancy Coffelt. Sponsored by Betty's Books, Ryder Brothers and Tawny's Toys. Food by: Ladies of Quail Ridge. Music by: Paul McNeil.

**November 23rd** – Artwork accepted for Christmas at Crossroads Open Show

**November 26th** – Closed Thanksgiving

**November 27th** – Black Friday Opening of Christmas at Crossroads Open Show. Refreshments provided by Recovery Village.

**December 4th** – First Friday Christmas at Crossroads and we welcome Watercolor Society of Oregon Traveling Show. Sponsored by Dr. Eric and Kristy Sandefur with refreshments provided by Recovery Village.

**December 5th** – Make It and Take It Christmas Kids Craft Day at St Alphonsus Festival of Trees at the Baker Event Center-10am to 3pm. 5 crafts for \$5.00.

**December 24th** – Christmas Eve—Close at 2:00 PM

**December 25th and 26th** – Closed for Christmas

**December 28th** – Pickup Artwork

**December 31st** – Close at 3:00pm.

**First Friday January 1st** – Crossroads is open for First Friday Featuring our Annual Student Art Show celebrating our Baker High School Student work and the work of Kids and Adult Learners at Crossroads. Celebrate New Year's in style!

## CROSSROADS WISH LIST

Rolls of paper towels and Windex (desperately needed), #10 envelopes, small paper plates, liters of Sprite or 7up for First Friday Punch, Bubble wrap and nice boxes to pack art in.

## VOLUNTEER WISH LIST

*Committee Members (Many of these will involve one meeting a month or quarter):* Fundraising Committee, Membership, Programs, and Communication. SOS Volunteer team (to help out Crossroads as your schedule allows)—Remember you simply need to email the Executive Director [ginger@crossroads-arts.org](mailto:ginger@crossroads-arts.org) and we will place you on a secure email list. When we have needs we will send out an e-blast.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

*Volunteers for Christmas Make It and Take It at Festival of Trees.* A super fun day! 10 am to 3 pm making cute Christmas Crafts with kids! Need 8 adults for the whole time or 16 adults for 2 ½ hour shifts.

*Spring Swing Souper Dinner:* Volunteers to help us put on our Soup Dinner for the Scholarship Fund which has been in hiatus. The Scholarship fund is getting very low and we need to get funds for it built up. Event will be in February. Need folks to help with the planning, set up and serving. Also need potters to make bowls.

*Crossroads wants to start a new tradition and Color Fun Run to celebrate art and color and spring!* Volunteers to help me plan and organize this fun family event for late March. To be inspired by the Hindu Celebration of Holi and celebrating spring. There will also be a Bollywood Dance Class at Crossroads!

## 2015 Annual Gala – “GI Jive” a 1940's USO Show

What an amazing time we had at the 1940's USO Show Gala! From the first-rate music of the Blue Yesterdays and the Andrew Sisters and a “to a die for” meal from Kristen Anderson and Jessica Wickert! The evening was spectacular. Thank you to all of you, to our community of artists, businesses, sponsors and community members for helping us sell out this year's Gala. We were able to raise around \$18,000 for Crossroads critically needed dollars to keep Crossroads and its programs vital and strong!

I will do a complete thank you listing of Gala in our December Newsletter as I am still making sure I have not forgotten anyone. I have so many to thank! We are blessed at Crossroads to have this community's support!



## Welch Building

As you are reading this newsletter we have already started the community outreach listening sessions about the Welch Building. But there are two sessions which you can still make! These sessions are for Architect Larry Abell to share with you information about the building and more importantly we will be gathering from you your thoughts, answering questions and hearing directly from our community. We have to have the same broad base support from the community, like Crossroads had with the Carnegie Library Building Restoration, to even consider this project. So we need to hear from you!

## LISTENING SESSIONS:

Tuesday, November 10th-1:00pm  
Tuesday, November 17th- 8:00am  
Thursday, November 19th- 6:00pm

We promise to keep the conversation limited to 90 minutes and refreshments will be provided. If you have memories, stories or historical information about the building we invite you stay after each listening session to share those stories with staff and Larry Abell. We look forward to hearing your voices and sharing with you more information about this project.

## End of Year Blitz

Where has 2015 gone? But we are rapidly approaching our end of year and it is critical Crossroads ends it strong: Financially, organizationally and artistically. So how can you help Crossroads (and maybe get you a tax deduction?)

**Classes** – We have some great adult classes to finish up 2015. Sign Up! Or sign up for classes 2015 for 2016. Don't see a class you want? Let me know what types of classes you want!

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## End of Year Blitz, cont.

Gift Certificates for Classes at Christmas is a great way to give your child or grandchild, friend or family member a gift that keeps on giving-art education at Crossroads.

### Shop Crossroads for the Holiday Season!

We will have an amazing Christmas at Crossroads show with beautiful artwork to be given as gifts. We will also host at the same time the Watercolor Society of Oregon Traveling Exhibition opening on First Friday in December. So amazing local art and some of the best watercolors in the state in one stop! Buy yourself the Gift of Art!

**Donations** – Make your last minute donations to Crossroads for general operating support, Carnegie Library Endowment Fund, Hand to Heart Scholarship Fund (which includes the Baker High School Art Scholarship) or to one of our programs such as ArtSpeak, Pottery programs or Missoula Children's Theatre before December 31st.

**Donors Tiles** – Let's get this done by the end of 2015! There are only 6 tiles left! Come in, reserve and pay for the tile before the end of 2015 and you have made your Oregon Cultural Trust local contribution. You simply then donate \$500 to Oregon Cultural Trust and you can take advantage of the great tax benefits. Please contact your tax advisor for advice!

**First Friday Sponsorship** – Reserve your \$500 First Friday Sponsorships before the end of 2015 and we will bill you in 2106. Please contact Cynthia Newman, our Art Director and select the show that best represents your business, club or organization.

**Membership** – Thank you for the huge increases in membership numbers and membership income. But we still only reach a fraction of the audience we should in Baker County and NE Oregon.

As you are receiving this newsletter you are a member of Crossroads! THANK YOU!

So forward this email newsletter out to friends and invite them to join Crossroads. Invite them to join you for First Friday and see firsthand what Crossroads is all about. Or pass your paper newsletter along to a friend! Help us grow!

**Pottery Studio** – We have some great pottery volunteers who have the pottery open studio open every Tuesday night from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. Plus, Monday-Saturday 10:00am to 5:00pm the Pottery Studio is open with your pottery pass. Give the gift of your own homemade pottery this holiday season! But time is getting short to make sure work gets fired and glazed for Christmas gifts! Renew or purchase a pottery pass today!

Also take this time as we close out one year and move into another to look at your legacy giving plans and how you may make lasting gifts to the sustainability of Crossroads for decades to come!

## December in the Gallery



In December we are pleased to welcome local and regional fine artists, designers and craft artists, to our annual *Christmas at Crossroads - The Gift of Art* show and sale. We will be featuring fine art, small prints, fine crafts, mixed media, sculpture, high quality hand-crafted gifts and original tree ornaments.

We welcome you to join us on **Friday, November 27th from 5:30pm to 8:00pm** for an opening reception, welcoming the artists and giving you the opportunity to purchase local artwork for the holidays, through December 24th. Light refreshments will be provided by Recovery Village.



**The Watercolor Society of Oregon (WSO) Fall 2015 Transparent Media Show** will open on First Friday, December 4th, and be on display through December 28th. We welcome you to join us for an evening out downtown. Light refreshments will be provided by Recovery Village.

This collection of the 20 award-winning works was selected from the 80 works juried into WSO's bi-annual Exhibitions by noted artist and juror Ratindra Das. The Traveling Show tours Oregon for five months at various locations.

The WSO has a long tradition of featuring many of Oregon's finest water media painters, working in a broad spectrum of styles from traditional themes to semi-abstract visions, from portraits to celebrations of nature. Each artist demonstrates an advanced faculty to interpret their subjects in dynamic compositions with highly personalized color palettes and brush strokes.

WSO is a statewide non-profit watercolor organization in its 51st year, with over 900 members. The society is committed to furthering the interest of aqueous watermedia, which includes watercolor and acrylic paintings, by providing educational opportunities both for its members and others interested in the visual arts.

*This exhibition is generously sponsored by Dr. Eric and Kristy Sandefur*



*Sheep Station by Kathleen Haney*

## Art Access Pass

### Lifelong Learner Lecture Series

Crossroads is starting a free Art Lecture Series open to the public through the generous support of the Oregon Community Foundation. The monthly lecture series will always be on the Wednesday immediately following the first Friday of each month starting at 10:30 am. The one-hour program will start with a walk through the gallery (elevator access available) to view the featured artwork and will be followed with light refreshments and a lecture or demonstration by one of the featured artists or a member of the community speaking about an art or cultural topic.

Our goal is to create an opportunity for life-long learners to come to the Art Center at a quieter time in our schedule and enjoy the featured artwork, to slow down, really look at the work, ask questions and become engaged with artisans through their talks. While this series is designed to welcome a 50 year old + crowd to the Art Center, it is open to everyone.

We welcome you to join us, Wednesday, November 11th at 10:30 am for a walk through the gallery featuring the artwork of Nancy Coffelt of Baker City and Stephen Wadner of Union. Nancy Coffelt will talk about her artwork, highlighting stories created through both the use of imagery and medium, encouraging the viewer to add their own twists to the tale. Join us in the downstairs studio for an hour of conversation and light refreshments provided by Tricia Everson. Wheel chair access is available through the 2nd Street entrance. For more information please contact Crossroads at (541) 523-5369.



*Pony Story by Nancy Coffelt*

## Thank You

### GRANTS RECEIVED:

Oregon Arts Commission Arts Service Grant  
to help Crossroads provide services to the  
community!

### SUSTAINING MEMBERS:

Chaves Consulting  
Garchar & Colton CPA's

### DONATIONS TO CROSSROADS:

*Hand to Heart Scholarship Fund:*  
Kellie Trone

### NEW OR RENEWED MEMBERS:

Bonnie Rux  
Cheyleen Davis  
Forest Hynek  
Kerry and Ginger Savage  
Heidi Dalton  
Jim and Shirley Adamson  
John and Cindy Denne  
Judy Chamard  
Julie MCKim  
Kacee Phlaum  
Kathy and Larry Pennington  
Kellie Trone  
Kristen Anderson  
Madhavi Bradford  
Marlene Prowell

Mary Miller  
Stephen and Mickey Edwards  
Mike and Mary Jo Kee  
Paula Kopecks  
Rebecca Litke  
Rose Fisher  
Sarah Doyle  
Steve and Carol Martin

**FIRST FRIDAY SPONSORS:**  
Eric and Kristy Sandefur

**MUSICIANS:**  
Paul McNeil

**FOOD SPONSORS:**  
Recovery Village

**STUDENT ARTISTS:**  
Keating Elementary  
South Baker School

**ART LECTURE SERIES:**  
Oregon Community Foundation  
Nancy Coffelt  
Tricia Everson  
Stephen Wadner  
Rebecca Litke  
Kristen Anderson

Save these dates for three  
Missoula Children's Theater  
Summer Camps:

June 13th-18th  
July 18th-23rd  
August 15th-20th

Tanya Denne IndieGoGo campaign  
to raise money to fund research for  
Parkinson's will be in its final days  
when you get your newsletter.

At the time of the writing she was  
very close to making her goal!

**[www.indiegogo.com](http://www.indiegogo.com)**

*(Search: Parkinson's &  
Mucuna pruriens)*

You can find her on Facebook  
*(Tanya's Parkinson's &  
Mucuna Research Campaign)*  
or contact her directly at  
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or 619-916-8581



### CALL TO ARTISTS – CHRISTMAS AT CROSSROADS OPEN REGIONAL GIFT SHOW

Accepting artwork: Monday, November 23 – 9:00am to 5:00pm

Show dates: November 27 through December 24

Please contact Crossroads with your email  
for an electronic inventory sheet for your artwork