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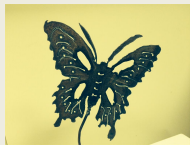
The Galena Center for the Arts

Newsletter for May 2016



"The Thin Man" April 29, 30, May 1

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Dear Dennis & Leslie,

Spring is finally here, and how welcome it is!

We've had a busy month at the Center for the Arts, as is becoming usual for us. We are particularly appreciative of the faith that organizations have put in us, by granting us means to accomplish our mission. A big thank-you to the Freeport Art Museum and the Illinois Arts Council, for a Community Access Grant to help with costs for "The Thin Man". We also want to thank the Lion's Club for assistance with sound equipment, so our audience can hear all that happens on stage, and the DeSoto House for being our sponsor for the play. We are so grateful for our sponsors for the Youth Arts Festival: the US Bank, Galena, First Community Bank of Galena and the Illinois Bank & Trust, Galena, among others, as well as Chestnut Mountain Resort for allowing us to take over their beautiful space for several days. We could never do these things without your help.

So now, take a look at what's coming in the next month, and visit us at the Center for the Arts. You will be charmed and amazed at the "Hummm-Bug" exhibit! Please come, and bring your friends.

Carole Sullivan

Executive Director

"The Thin Man" at 7 PM on April 29 and 30 and 2 PM on May 1

The Galena Center for the Arts is delighted to announce that we are the recipient of a Community Access Grant from the Freeport Art Museum and the Illinois Arts Council to support the production of the classic old time radio mystery, "The Thin Man" at 7 PM on April 29 and 30 and 2 PM on May 1. This radio drama, based on the writings of Dashiell Hammett, brings back the era when families would gather around their radios on Saturday nights, to listen to and imagine the scenes of the latest suspense drama.

To help the listening audience imagine the scene, the radio shows always included a sound effects table, filled with apparatus to make the sounds of doors opening and closing, telephones ringing, or shots being fired and bodies falling to the floor. At this performance, the audience has the fun of watching the sound effects as they are created by our sound effects specialist Dan Harms. Radio dramas also always had a musical accompaniment, for mood underscoring and interludes, which will be provided by Joan Harmet.



"The Thin Man" features the hard drinking private detective Nick Charles, played by Jay Dickerson, and his wealthy heiress wife Nora, played by Eva Ressler. A man is missing....and murders are committed. Is the missing man the murderer? Nick needs to find out. Among the suspects are multiple characters played by Robert Armstrong, Mark Haman, Emily Painter and Stephanie Bussan. One of the joys of radio theatre is to see how many different characters a single actor can play, and watching the actors change characters as easily as one might change a hat.

"The Thin Man" is directed by Carole Sullivan, with assistant direction by Jenni Ackerman and technical direction by Jan Lavacek.

"The Thin Man" is sponsored by the DeSoto House Hotel.

Galena Center for the Arts
Presents

THE THIN MAN



RADIO MYSTERY THEATRE

Sponsored by The DeSoto House

April 29 & 30
7 PM

May 1st - 2 PM

Tickets \$15
at
the Center
DeSoto House
or Online

219 Summit St

For Information: 815-777-0410
www.GalenaCenterfortheArts.com

This program is partially supported by the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency, and the Freeport Art Museum.



The radio play will be performed in the lower level performance area of the Galena Center for the Arts at 219 Summit Street.

Tickets may be purchased on-line at the Center for the Arts during open hours 1-6 PM Thursdays through Sundays, at GalenaCenterForTheArts.com, or at the DeSoto House. Seating is limited and the last radio show sold out, so it's a good idea to get tickets early.

Regional Artists' Gallery - Galena Center for the Arts



Regional Artists' Gallery

Treat yourself to a wonder filled exhibit of 2D and 3D work by over twenty of our area's diverse fine artists in the Regional Artists' Gallery, also opening May 6th. As each exhibit changes we invite our artists to submit their newest work, as well as inviting new artists from the region.

New artists this month include Carole Spelic from the University of Wisconsin-Platteville; Michael Schael, Rock Eagle Pottery; and Carol Naughton, Stone Granary Studio.

Galena Center for the Arts offers an extensive selection of work by contemporary regional artists including original paintings, prints, sculpture, fine crafts, books, posters and hand-made cards in it's galleries and gift shop. Prices range from \$5.00 to \$5,000. Think weddings, graduations, birthdays, or some unique gift for yourself, your family, home, office or garden.

The Second Youth Arts Festival was a Great Success!

The second Youth Arts Festival at Chestnut Mountain Resort, a collaboration between the Center for the Arts, the Galena ARC and the art and music teachers in Jo Daviess County was a great success, with close to 700 people in attendance.

Planning is already starting for next year's event! We send a big thank-you to all who participated: our generous sponsors, the many students and teachers and volunteers, the National Arts Honor Society, and all who attended.

Thank you!



Chorus Group



Irene Thraen-Borowski and three of the National Arts Honor Students, who volunteered many hours at the Festival



Viewing the Exhibits at the Youth Arts Festival

Our volunteers are so important to us! Scroll down to read about
Jenni Ackerman

Insects Invade the Galena Center for the Arts!!

Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects will land at the Galena Center for the Arts on May 6, with an Opening Reception from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, May 13, 2016. Bugs, butterflies, dragonflies and more will fill the gallery with paintings, large scale photography, pottery, sculpture, prints, sound, and mixed media. For two months, the gallery will buzz with the sound of insects and frogs; and one special night might include screams and laughter.

On Thursday evening, May 26, a double feature of bug horror movies will be shown in the lower theater space, complete with popcorn; doors open at 6:15, tickets will be \$10 at the door.

Saturday, June 4, Kelli May-Krenz will present two Nature Journaling workshops: 10 a.m.-noon for children \$20, and 1-3 p.m. for adults \$30. Preregistration is required, and most materials will be supplied. For more information and to make reservations for the Nature Journaling workshops, call 815-281-2158, or go to GalenaCenterForTheArts.com.

In partnership with the Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation, a Spoken Bug Event (The "Chorus of Insects") is scheduled on Thursday evening, June 9, and will include readings, music, and maybe a sing-along.

Hummmmm...Bug will continue through June 26 during the regular hours of Thursday through Sunday 1-6, or by appointment.

GALENA CENTER FOR THE ARTS

presents
 HUMMMMMM
BUG

a chorus of Insects
 May 6 - June 26

Opening Reception: Friday, May 13, 5 pm ~ 8 pm
 Featuring a variety of insect-related artwork
 Photography • Painting • Pottery • Mixed Media • Sculpture

Thursday evening, May 26, 6:30 p.m. \$10
 Creepy Crawlies Horror Movies shown downstairs theater space, double feature

Saturday, June 4, Two Sessions \$20 & \$30
 Nature Journaling, Kelli May-Krenz
 Children over 10 yrs. old 10-12 a.m. \$20 Adults 1-3 p.m. \$30 Call 815-281-2158 for more information and registration (class size is limited) more info on artist www.kellimaykrenz.com

Thursday evening, June 9, 7 p.m.
 A chorus of Insects • Poetry, Prose, Music
 Joint Fund Raiser with Jo Daviess Conservation Foundation

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 Gallery Hours: Thurs-Sun 1-6 pm • Or by Appointment:
 815-777-0410 • Free Exhibits • Ample Parking
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BUZZZZZ ON BY



"Four Dancing" - sculpture by Gail Chavenelle



Movie Night - May 26 at 6:30 PM

Felting Workshops

with Larissa Distler



Felted Butterfly

May 16 @ 10am

\$25 all supplies included



Nuno Scarf

May 23 @ 10am

\$25 all supplies included

To register call Larissa at 563-581-5663 or email larissadistler@gmail.com

Galena Center for the Arts

219 Summit St. Galena

Yoga Classes with Marion

Tue @ 10 AM and Thu @ 5:30 PM

(Guided Meditation - May 5, 7-7:30 PM - \$5.00)

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email larissadistler@gmail.com



Songwriter's Showcase, May 19 at 7 PM

featuring

Dan Bliss

Dan Bliss keeps a busy performance schedule around the Midwest and has appeared three times at the New York State Blues Festival. He has twice made the top three (2005 & 2007) in the International Fingerstyle Guitar Championship at the Walnut Valley Festival in Winfield, KS and has opened shows for artists such as Steve James, Marcia Ball, Honeyboy Edwards, Henry Townsend, Johnnie Johnson, Kelley Hunt, The Waybacks, John McCutcheon and fingerstyle guitar masters Nick Charles and Tim Thompson.

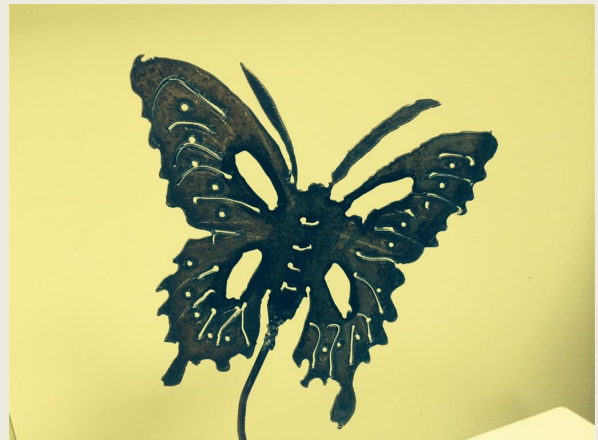


Originally from upstate New York, Bliss has made his home for over 20 years in Kansas City, inspired by the traditions of blues and jazz and the incredible wealth of local talent. While his focus is solo acoustic performance, he has also played with Kelley Hunt and his own band Bluetonium. In addition to solo shows he also currently appears with fellow Kansas City guitarists Rod Fleeman, Tom DeMasters and Bill Dye in a blues & jazz guitar quartet called "KC GUITAR 4."

Galena Center for the Arts
219 Summit St.
Presents Another
Singer/Songwriter Showcase
With *Dan Bliss*
Acoustic blues and jazz guitar
style from Kansas City.
So good it shouldn't be free
May 19 7-9pm
Hosted by *Lenny Wayne*
and *L.A. Sues*
GalenaCenterfortheArts.com

Wish List

- *Someone who would like to organize the books in our Arts Resource Library
- *A light-weight full length mirror for the dressing room in the performance space
- *Stools (bar-height) for back row seating for the performance space
- *Music stands
- *Coat hangers
- *Waste baskets
- *Copy Paper



"Butterfly" - sculpture by Joan Grippo

Volunteer of the Month - Jenni Ackerman

When Jenni and Bryan Ackerman moved to Galena full-time in 2002, they knew they wanted to take an active part in the community. Both of them have done just that and have

become familiar faces in Galena. At the Center for the Arts events, you will frequently see them, often in period clothes, welcoming visitors and serving food and drinks. Jenni also volunteers as a greeter in the Center's art gallery.

Recently, behind the scenes, Jenni has been serving as Assistant Director on the Center's production of "The Thin Man Radio Show." Asked about this experience, she says, "I have been fortunate to work with Carole--and Jan--as assistant to the director on several theatrical productions over the past few years, and the experience is always interesting and very rewarding. Working on 'The Thin Man Radio Show' has been particularly enjoyable: the cast is talented, the script is fun, and the radio show format makes the show extremely entertaining."

She continues enthusiastically, "Working on 'The Thin Man Radio Show' has been my favorite volunteer activity so far. We are looking forward to three wonderful performances this weekend, and I love supporting the Center's commitment to local theater!"



Jenni Ackerman

When she's not busy at the Center for the Arts, Jenni is involved in a number of other local activities. She may be found rehearsing for this year's Cemetery Walk, serving on the Board of the Galena Festival of the Performing Arts, performing in "Remembering Old Galena," or playing in the UMC Community Bell choir.

Clearly, she has succeeded in becoming a busy and valuable part of the Galena arts community. We're happy to have her at the Center for the Arts!

Volunteering is Good for You and Fun too!

Spend an afternoon once a week, every other week, or as often as you like at the Center's reception table welcoming and helping visitors.

We have changed back to Spring/Summer hours, being open from 1 to 6 PM. We will need staffing from 1-4 PM, and from 4-6 PM Thursdays through Sundays. Please sign up to staff!

You can access our schedule app by clicking on this link:

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The magic password is **volunteer**.

Questions?

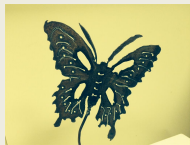
Contact the Center at 815-777-1100 or 815-777-0410 and go over the details.





May 2016 Galena Center for the Arts

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 01 WGCA Radio Theater, The Thin Man , 2 PM NAHS Hypnotik / Jac & Gail Together Again 1-6 PM | 02 | 03 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM | 04 | 05 Yoga w/Marion 5:30 PM Guided Meditation , 7-7:30 PM, \$5.00 NAHS Hypnotik 1-6 PM | 06 NAHS Hypnotik / Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-6 PM | 07 NAHS Hypnotik / Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-6 PM |
| 08 NAHS Hypnotik / Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-6 PM | 09 | 10 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM | 11 | 12 Yoga w/Marion 5:30 PM Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-6 PM | 13 Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-5 PM Opening Reception Hummmmm...Bug A Chorus of Insects 5-8 PM | 14 Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-6 PM |
| 15 Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-6 PM | 16 Felting Workshop 10 AM | 17 Yoga w/Marion 10 AM | 18 | 19 Yoga w/Marion 5:30 PM Songwriter's Showcase 7 PM Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-6 PM | 20 Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-6 PM | 21 Hummmmm...Bug : A Chorus of Insects 1-6 PM |
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