

#### **Newsletter for September 2017**



Center for the Arts Tour Group at Ten Chimneys

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Hello Patricia,

The Center for the Arts had an active and rewarding summer, and we are so grateful to the many people who provided time and talent, assistance and guidance and financial support. There wouldn't be a Center for the Arts without you. Thank you!

We have exciting plans for projects and events this fall, in 2018 and beyond. Please share with us your ideas and dreams as we continue to grow. Take a few minutes to relax in the arts resource library, or bring a friend and chat while coloring adult coloring books, or just wander and enjoy the many artworks by our talented regional artists.

You are always welcome at the Galena Center for the Arts!

Carole Sullivan Executive Director

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The featured artist for September is Carl Johnson, a long-time resident of Galena. He started his career in Chicago, and still retains a home there, but it's in Galena that he has made his mark painting historic buildings and landscapes. The show represents both new work and pieces from each decade of his art-filled life.

The show will continue through October 22nd. On October 1st at 2pm Carl will be in the gallery to tell us about his work. We hope you can join us. The gallery is open Thursday through Sunday, noon to 5pm. <u>Read more...</u>

#### What a great opening for Carl Johnson!

We had over 170 people attend, honoring Carl for all his years of work, and viewing some of his latest watercolors. Cathie Elsbree organized a wonderful reception. Many thanks to her and to Courtney Moser, Joan Klaus, Janet Eggleston, Terri Jackman, Kathie Pearson, Carmen Ferguson, Laura Scoles, Charlotte Kennedy, and The Steamboat House for creating delicious foods and to Cathy Harms, Kathy Leonard, Kathi Winklehake, Jenni Ackerman, Laura Scoles, Susan Barg, Charlotte Kennedy, Elizabeth Boggess, Terri Jackman, Carmen Ferguson and Cathie Elsbree for serving it, as well as thanks to our tuxedoed bartender, Bryan Ackerman.



Carl Johnson chatting with visitor at Opening Reception

#### Members Outing to Ten Chimneys

Our members' outing to Ten Chimneys, the Lunt/Fontanne vacation

home, was a great treat for all. The weather was perfect as we traveled on the Tri-States Tours bus. had a lovely lunch at the welcome center for Ten and Chimneys. then divided up into small aroups for the tour of the house and estate. It was so interesting!

thanks Joan Many to Harmet, who enthusiastically organized and to the the trip. welcoming and knowledgeable docents at Ten Chimneys. We had a wonderful time, and will be offering other trips in the future.



Joan Harmet at Ten Chimneys

Let us know if you have ideas to share about other interesting destinations.

#### Arts Enthusiasts at Envelope Stuffing Party



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Α dozen arts enthusiasts spent about three hours at an envelope stuffing party, folding letters, stuffing. addressing and stamping envelopes to send out annual our membership requests.

We hope you received one, and want to join us! Many hands really do make light work, and we really appreciate the help. We had fun too! Thank you to all involved!

#### More Comfortable Seating!

We are excited to announce that our performance space is now filled with more comfortable seating!

Many thanks to Carol Grzelak and Pastor Bill Longmore of Crossroads Community Church for enabling us to purchase these chairs at a very reasonable cost.



More comfortable chairs for our performance space

## **Painting Conservation Presentation**



Many thanks to **Faye Wrubel** for presenting a fascinating program about Painting Conservation. She had the rapt attention of a standing room only crowd.



All River Road Talent hosts a monthly art drive the first weekend of each month. All River Road Talent is a synergy of artists building a cultural and visitor awareness of artistic talent in the Galena region of NW IL. September ARRT tour dates are September 2 & 3.

## **Upcoming Events**

#### Cara Price on Equitrekking in Mongolia September 10 at 2 pm



Cara Price riding a Reindeer

Almost 20,000 miles round trip traveled by car, by plane, by car, 200 miles on horseback over 12 days, more car, more plane and more car. All just to see the Tsaatan, the last of the nomadic reindeer herding culture just 10 miles from Siberia. Was it worth it? More than worth it!!

Cara Price is an Interior Designer and Proprietor of Maggie Black at 116 South Main in Galena. She decided at 50 to start equitrekking (riding horses) around the globe. Her first equitrek in Mongolia will be hard to top. She will be telling stories of her adventure in the performance space at the Galena Center for the Arts on Sept. 10 at 2 pm.

#### Gallery Volunteer Orientation September 14 at 5 - 6 pm

The gallery is open four days a week and we depend on volunteers to help our visitors. They greet the guests, show them around the gallery, answer questions about the artists and events we have, and make sales. We have some new things to show you. If you volunteer in the gallery now, have in the past, or are interested in joining us in the future, this is the event for you!

A group of key volunteers, often referred to as Openers and Closers, will be at the Center to give you a tour of our space, explain how a volunteer shift works, and answer any questions you may have about donating two or three hours of your time —once a week, once a month, or once a year. We have booklets to answer questions for you to take home, and will have them at the desk to use when you take a shift. And, of course there will be tasty treats—you know there's always food at our events! <u>Click Here to Volunteer</u>



Terri Jackman creating art as she volunteers in the gallery.

#### Songwriters Showcase features

#### Elizabeth Mary Pape and Theresa Rosetta September 21 at 7 pm

The Galena Center for the Arts hosts a monthly free Songwriters Showcase on the third Thursday of each month (except December) hosted by L.A. Suess and Lenny Wayne Hosey. Since its inception in 2014, we have featured over fifty different artists, giving the audience an opportunity to hear songwriters performing their own original music, and giving great insight into the artists and their work. It also offers a chance for songwriters to try out new material for a listening audience, very different from their usual venues. Our featured songwriters in September will be Elizabeth Mary Pape and Theresa Rosetta.

There is never a cover charge for the Songwriters Showcase.



# Songwriters Showcase

And

Theresa Rosetta

With Elizabeth Mary Pape



Sept. 21 7 to 9pm

Hosted by Lenny Wayne and L.A. Suess

The is a free performance of all original songs. See what else is going on at -

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Sunday Salon with Marcus DeJesus and Brian Eiffes September 24 at 2 pm By popular demand, we will have a Sunday Salon once again featuring classical guitarist, Marcus DeJesus, and this time he will be joined by baritone Brian Eiffes. Together they will perform a variety of jazz, Brazilian and original compositions.

Marcus DeJesus is young guitarist originally from Brazil that currently lives in the Dubuque Tri State Area and teaches guitar and general music at Chavez Elementary School in Madison Wisconsin and...Read more

There is no charge for this performance; donations will be gratefully accepted.



Brian Eiffes is a vocal baritone from Mount Prospect, Illinois, currently living in Dubuque, Iowa. He holds a bachelor's degree in music education from Clarke University, and teaches vocal music at Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School.

Brian has recently music directed for Dubuque's Grand Opera House, and Five Flags Theatre. Brian has performed with various professional and amateur performing groups in the Dubuque area, including the Music Men



Barbershop Chorus, the Mistletones, and the Hunter Fuerste Vintage Jazz Orchestra.

#### **Upcoming Workshops and Classes**

#### Workshop

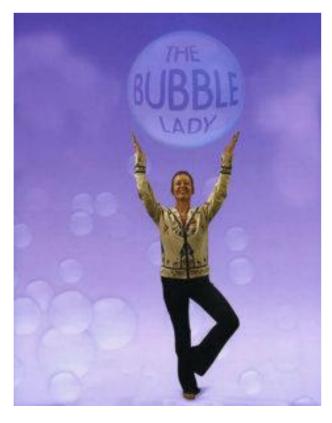
#### *Figure Drawing* Starting September 7 1:30-3:30 pm at the Center

After a summer break we're ready to start up again. This is an on-going opportunity to hone your drawing skills. Artists meet every Thursday afternoon to draw from the human figure. There is a \$10 charge each time, and you can come every week, or whenever possible.

We provide the model, tables, and chairs, and you bring your own supplies and use whatever media you prefer. The model is directed into various poses, both short and long, for practice or inspiration for future finished works. We have had paintings in our Regional Artist Gallery inspired by these sessions. Call with any questions. Hope to see you on Thursday. <u>Read more...</u>



#### Watercolor sketch by James Lehnhardt



#### Classes



Mindful Yoga with Kate Miller will resume Wednesday September 13 at 4:30 - 5:30 pm, lower level of the Center.

This ongoing class integrates mindfulness with yoga and breath-work.

Participants are guided in basic Hatha Yoga postures to their capacity while maintaining moment to moment awareness, utilizing the breath to enhance flexibility, exploring boundaries and limits in a gentle and caring way.

#### Volunteer of the Month -- Matthew Carroll

Sitting in an ornate, luxurious suit in his Jail Hill Inn, Matthew Carroll exudes enthusiasm for Galena and the Galena Center for the Arts. A new member of the Center's Board, he is full of ideas to encourage visitors to put the Arts Center and its activities on their to-do lists.

Having grown up in Galena, Matthew returned here after receiving a business degree from Northern University. He managed the Inn at Irish Hollow for several years, and then, in 2015, purchased the old jailhouse on Meeker Street.

If you saw the state of the old jail when it was first on the Home Tour, you know what a gigantic project it must have been to turn it into an upscale bed and breakfast. With a strong vision, lots of energy,



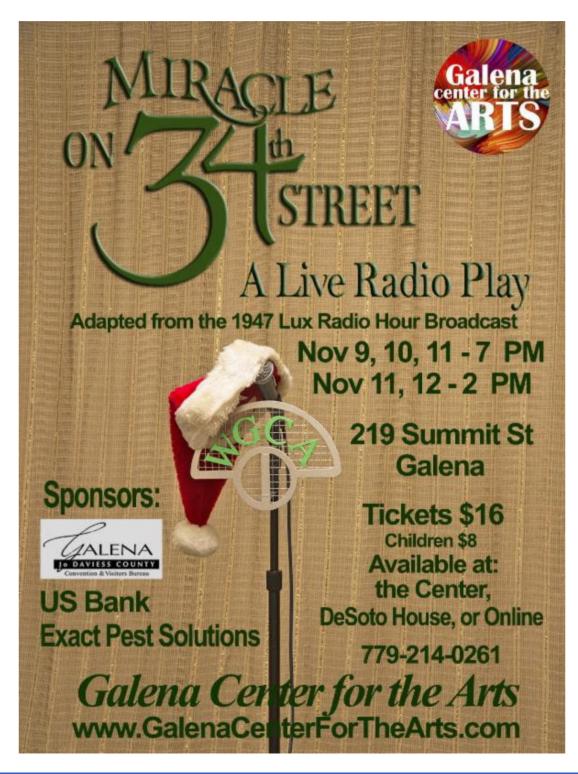
and some help from his parents, Matthew was up to the challenge. The Inn is now a showpiece, perfect for visitors and for residents wishing to celebrate a special occasion. This experience with major renovation makes him well qualified for helping the Center for the Arts improve and grow.

Now that the Inn is open and prospering, Matthew (again, with help from his parents), is the man-of-all-work, doing the maintenance, cleaning, laundry, and even the cooking. In spite of a brutal schedule, he wants to be active in the community. So, when Carole invited him to join the Center's Board of Directors, he was happy to add his enthusiasm and expertise in tourism. Besides encouraging his own clientele at the Inn to visit the Center, Matthew has many ideas for attracting visitors. One of these is by keeping other local B and B owners updated on the Center's offerings so they can pass them on to their guests.

Matthew can make a valuable contribution to the growth and development of our facilities and the number of visitors. His energy and experience make him a very

#### Heads-up for Events in the Works

Holiday Radio Show - Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street (Tickets will be available October 1)



#### Model Train Exhibit



#### Thank You!

- Joan Harmet, for organizing a wonderful tour
- Tri-State Tours
- Jo Freund
- United Methodist Church, Joe Lieb, Eric Anderson, Pat Bull, Irwin Nejdl, Sid Sincock
- Membership mailing crew: Debbie Bertucci, Sheila Haman, Janet Eggleston, Laura Scoles, Joan Harmet, Dick Harmet, Diann Marsh, Mark Haman, Karen Wilson, Charlene Price, Jean Dregne, Jan Lavacek, Carole Sullivan
- Crossroads Community Church, Carol Grzelak, Bill Longmore
- Elizabeth Boggess
- Ginny Yarborough
- Fred Bonnet
- Fried Green Tomatoes

#### Wish List

- Display rack for art prints
- Paper for copy machine

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**Please Volunteer at the Center** 



Volunteering is good for the soul. it's good for the community, and it's good for art. We strive to keep the gallery open four days a week, welcome folks to Songwriters Showcase with a light meal, and celebrate at gallery openings with food and drink. It all depends on volunteers. There are many events and jobs around the Center you can help with—just ask! Give us a call at 779-214-0261, or sign up online to assist visitors in the galleries.

Our new website makes it easy to sign up. Check out the possibilities, choose a date and job you'd like to help with, and fill out the form. Don't forget to click the button at the bottom of the form.

#### Sign Up to Volunteer

Don't forget to "Like" the Galena Center for the Arts on <u>Facebook</u> Have a preferred e-mail address? Please let us know. Thanks so much for your support of the Galena Center for the Arts! Galena Center for the Arts <u>www.GalenaCenterfortheArts.com</u> 779-214-0261Contact us by e-mail--<u>info@GalenaCenterfortheArts.com</u> Newsletter produced by Dennis Waltman

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