



KENTUCKY ARTISAN CENTER at BEREA E-NEWS

JUNE 2016

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

Summer is on its way and at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea we are busy receiving wonderful new works by Kentucky artists. Since coming to the center in February, I have had the privilege of meeting many of the over 700 artists that we represent and I am amazed by the talent in our great state!

Our patio now has colorful tables and chairs for the summer season to welcome travelers, shoppers and visitors and our recent Artisan Review added 20 new artists and authors to our roster.

Visiting numerous studios in Berea and across the state has been exciting and I look forward to continuing to see artist's creative spaces and select work.

Keep up with our events and activities on [Facebook](#) or our [website](#) and we hope to see you soon at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea!



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Exhibits & Events

GALLERY EXHIBIT - “GREAT IMPRESSIONS: PRINTS BY KENTUCKY ARTISANS”

Now Through Sept. 10, 2016



The gallery exhibit “Great Impressions: Prints by Kentucky Artisans” is on display at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea, showcasing the work of 20 Kentucky printmakers.

Printmaking is one of the oldest forms of illustration and this exhibit includes works made with an array of printmaking techniques selected by each artist to translate their individual expression and

style. Printmaking methods can be quick and immediate or methodical and complex. These 20 artists have created images that tell stories and narratives, illustrate realism and nature, show humor, clarify points of view and show graphic abstraction.



LOBBY EXHIBIT - "CLAY IN KENTUCKY: A CONTINUING TRADITION"

This exhibit showcases and explains how the wealth of clay deposits all across Kentucky gave rise to an abundance of potters, ceramic industries and clay traditions.

Beginning with the origins of clay and early objects made from clay, the exhibit shows the development of tools and processes used in ceramics. Through text, photos and objects, the scope of Kentucky ceramics is covered from early Native American pottery shards to today's contemporary ceramic works.

FREE GUIDED GALLERY EXHIBIT TOUR - JUNE 11, 2016



On Saturday, June 11, staff will provide tours of the Center's gallery exhibit "Great Impressions: Prints by Kentucky Artisans" and the lobby exhibit

"Kentucky Clay: A Continuing Tradition." During these tours, given at 11 a.m. and again at 2 p.m., staff will answer questions about the techniques and processes used and the various objects featured.

CHAUTAUQUA PERFORMANCE - JUNE 12, 2016

L. HENRY DOWELL PRESENTS "HARLAND COLONEL SANDERS: MORE THAN FRIED CHICKEN"



Nicholasville actor L. Henry Dowell will perform "Harland Colonel Sanders: More than Fried Chicken" on Sunday, June 12, at 2 p.m. at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

Dowell has been portraying the 'Colonel' for the Kentucky Humanities Council for several years and enjoys telling the story of Sanders' humble beginnings - from a sixth grade education - to owning

one of the most successful restaurant chains in the United States.

This program is funded in part by both the Kentucky Humanities Council Inc. and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

CHAUTAUQUA SPEAKER - JULY 30, 2016

DR. PEARLIE JOHNSON - "QUILT ART: EXAMING THE NARRATIVE IN KENTUCKY QUILTS"

University of Louisville Assistant Professor Dr. Pearlie M. Johnson will present a talk showcasing quilts made by KY women of all cultural groups.



Her presentation will focus on how these quilts represent history, storytelling, identity politics and empowerment. Her lecture will examine technique and assemblage as well as revealing unique designs.

Free and open to the public, this event is being held in conjunction with Berea's "Quilt Extravaganza Weekend" and is made possible by the Kentucky Humanities Council and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

UPCOMING FALL EXHIBIT

Sept. 17, 2016 - Feb. 25, 2017

CALL FOR ENTRIES

"Have a Seat: Chairs by Kentucky Artisans"

Kentucky artists are invited to submit entries for the exhibit "Have a Seat: Chairs by Kentucky Artisans" to be held Sept. 17, 2016 through Feb. 25, 2017 at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

Artists can create a chair using raw materials in any medium. They can also re-purpose an existing chair to create a new work. Chairs can be functional or non-functional, but should be recognizable as a chair form. Chairs can be tiny or large, as long as dimensions don't exceed 4 feet in height and 3 feet in width. Both traditional and innovative chairs are sought for this exhibit.

Entry forms and a prospectus can be picked up at the center or downloaded from the center's [website](#). Deadline for entry is July 2, 2016.

Center News

NEW ARTISTS JOIN THE CENTER

Twenty four new artists/authors have had their works accepted to the Kentucky Artisan Center from our May Artisan Review Jury Session.

NEW ARTISTS INCLUDE:

Sara and Brian Turner of Cricket Press, Lexington, KY

Joann Price, Bagdad, KY

Jonathan Adkinson, Richmond, KY

Lisa Austin, Louisville, KY

Leif Erickson, Mt. Vernon, KY

Fran Redmon, Frankfort, KY

Dennie Bowling and Dan Watson, Berea, KY

Jim Harrison, London, KY

Vallorie Horseman, Somerset, KY

Gerald LeGrand Price, Berea, KY

Ann Helmuth, Richmond, KY

Wayne Hensley, Williamsburg, KY

Todd Herzberg, Lexington, KY

Laura Poulette, Berea, KY

Stephen A. Sharp, Richmond, KY

Lacey Smith, McKee, KY

Vallorie Horseman, Somerset, KY

Stephen Wiggins, Lexington, KY

AUTHORS:

Roberta Schultz, Wilder, KY

Brian K. Harris, Campbellsville, KY

Cheryl Onkst, London, KY

Pat Owen, Prospect, KY

Tina Parker, Berea, KY

Cliff Shumate, Paris, KY

NEW LOOK FOR CENTER COURTYARD

The courtyard at the front of the center now gives a vibrant welcome to visitors as patio tables and chairs have been painted in bright primary colors with matching umbrellas. This new arrangement greets travelers with colorful seating to enjoy visiting and eating. Additional colorful seating is located in the center's patio just off the Artisan Café.



Staff Favorites

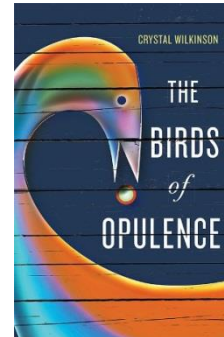
DIRECTOR'S READING LIST

Books make wonderful gifts and our director has been expanding the Center's book selection. Here are three books he is currently enjoying.

The Birds of Opulence - by Crystal Wilkinson

The Houses of Richard B. Isenhour - by R. L. Isenhour

Writing Beyond Race - by Bell Hooks



NEW WORKS - STAFF FAVORITES

Our staff have chosen these favorites from new works that have come into the center this Spring.

Steve Brandenburg's "Wooden Tailgate Bench"

Don Lawler's limestone sculptures

Ron McWhorter's hand-hewn bowls

Anna Marie Pavlik's etching "Tatanka: Tall Grass Prairie"

Michelle Weston's Glass

FOODIE FAVORITES - STAFF PICKS

Our staff have favorite food products too. Here are some top picks:

Bourbon Chocolate Covered Coffee Beans

Weisenberger Hush Puppy and Fish Batter mixes

Mom Blakeman's Pulled Candy

Chocolate Covered Potato Chips

Kentuckyaki

CAFE FAVORITES

Favorite dishes created by our café include:

Kentucky Hot Brown

Tomato Pie

Wild Rice

Comfy Cow Ice Cream

Fried Chicken

Upcoming Events in Berea

June 4, 2016

L & N DAY

This annual celebration of the only L & N brick station still standing between Cincinnati and Knoxville will include working models, memorabilia, storytelling and more. 859-986-2450.

July 8-10, 2016

BEREA CRAFTS FESTIVAL - 35th Annual

Discover new work by over 100 artists from across the country, Demonstrations, music and regional entertainment. Held at Indian Fort Theatre, Berea. (800) 598-5263

July 8-24, 2016

FESTIVAL OF LEARNSHOPS

Discover your creative side! Choose one day, to week-long workshops from introductory to advanced level classes in everything from pottery to gardening, music, painting, writing and more. For a complete course catalog and on-line registration go to <http://www.visitberea.com/> or call (800) 598-5263.

July 29-30, 2016

QUILT & FIBER EXTRAVAGANZA

City-wide event featuring exhibits of quilts and other fiber arts, lectures, workshops and vendors market. Presented by the [Berea Arts Council](#). (859) 985-9317.

Artisans in the News

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Basketmaker **Jennifer Zurick** was selected to participate in the 2016 Smithsonian Craft Show in April.

Blacksmith artisans **Matthew and Karin Maynard** of **Maynard Studios** have been selected as one of the 2016 Kentucky Business Pacesetters. They join a group of businesses that are being recognized for changing the economic landscape of Kentucky by introducing innovative products, increasing sales and/or production, boosting employment, and serving the communities of the commonwealth.

Author **Wendell Berry** was selected for the “Lifetime Achievement Award” from the National Book Critics Circle which was presented in New York City on March 17. **Berry** has also won the 2016 Sidney Lanier Prize for Southern Literature. **Berry** is featured in the documentary “The Seer: A Portrait of Wendell Berry” which is being screened around the country.

Studio potter **Matthew Gaddie** received his MFA degree in Ceramics from Mt. Hood College for the Ceramic Arts in Frederick, Maryland. Congratulations Matthew!

Louisville quilt artist **Marti Plager** has her work included in the exhibition “Form, Not Function: Quilt Art at the Carnegie” in New Albany, Indiana. Jurors for this exhibition were Betty Busby, Heather Jones and **Arturo Alonzo Sandoval**.

KACB artists participating in the 2016 Governor’s Derby Exhibit in the Capitol Rotunda in Frankfort are: **Laura Lee Cundiff; John Andrew Dixon; Marta Dorton; Robert Hugh Hunt; and Fran Redmon.**

Musician **Heath Eric** has produced a one-person show titled “The Dreamer: A Story of Hope, Love and Survival” which premiered at the Ohio County Artists Guild.

KACB artists participating in the Governor’s Derby Celebration are: **Roger Ballard; Marti Brown; Marta Dorton; Steve Heartsill; Eugene King; Sharon Major; Ben Mansur; Joe Offerman; Jeannette Rowlett; Audrey Schulz; and Jim Waugh.**

Landscape artist **Jon Carloftis** and Dale Fisher were honored at the University of Kentucky “Museum Gala at Apiary” held on May 21.

Paintings and Collages by **Kathleen O’Brien** were featured in the exhibit “Drawn to the Earth” in April at the M S Rezny Gallery in Lexington.

Author **Crystal Wilkinson** gave a reading at Joseph-Beth Booksellers in Lexington April 14. Her new book “Birds of Opulence” is now available at the Center.

Artist **Bill Berryman** had an exhibition of drawings and paintings titled “Listening to the Silence” at the Robert and Gillie Frye Gallery at the Gateway Regional Center in Mt. Sterling, KY in April.

A new Louisville Gallery “Makers Crucible” has opened in the Lockett & Farley Building and will be featuring the glass of **Stephen Rolfe Powell**, and printmaker Rex Lagerstrom. Other artists featured include: Travis Adams, Devyn Baron, **Bob Cheever, Devin French,** Jodie Baum and Chris Chappell; blacksmith Sherman Blankenship and multi-media artist Aron

Conaway, printmaker Norman Spencer and glass artist Amy Pender.

Author **Bobbie Ann Mason** was inducted into the Kentucky Writers Hall of Fame on January 28 at the Carnegie Center for Literacy and Learning in Lexington, KY.

Artist **Jennifer Zingg** participated in the American Beekeeper's Federation conference in Florida.

The Community Arts Center in Danville showcased the works of **John Andrew Dixon** and **Kathleen O'Brien** in the exhibit "JUXTAPOSE: Collage and Assemblage" in April.

Arts lovers can now enjoy the newly expanded **Speed Art Museum** in Louisville, which recently re-opened its doors after a three year, 60 million dollar renovation to create a new 62,500 sq. foot North Building.

KACB musicians and musical groups performing at the Kentucky Arts Council's Kentucky Crafted: The Market were: **LaMay & Reece; Colin Grant-Adams; Dale Pyatt; No Tools Loaned; Mitch Barrett; Heath & Molly; and Appalatin.**

KACB artists featured in the "Kentucky Visions at the Capitol" exhibit are: **Dobree Adams; Bruce Frank; Devin French; Timothy Gold; Elsie Harris; Ann Klem; Marianna McDonald; Ed Newell; Kathleen O'Brien; Jennifer Reis; Mary Rezny; Patricia Ritter; Walter Roycraft; Arturo Alonzo Sandoval; Laverne Zabielski; and David Zurick.**

Artist **Bob Halliday** exhibited his new paintings and prints in an exhibit titled "Bridges" at the Kentucky Fine Art Gallery in Louisville, KY.

KACB artists added to the Kentucky Arts Council's Kentucky Crafted roster of artists are: **Lindsay Frost; Deborah Stratford; Bill Berryman; Tonya Vance; and Devin French.**

Photographer **Walter Roycraft** was the featured artist on the Kentucky Arts Council's website in January and February.

Glass artist **Dan Neil Barnes** was guest speaker and presenter at the Living Arts & Science Center.

Calendar

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JUNE EVENTS - FOCUS ON TWO-DIMENSIONAL ARTS

Events are from 10:30 AM to 3:30 PM (unless otherwise noted)

LINOLEUM RELIEF PRINTMAKING DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, June 4

Stephen H. Wiggins, Lexington, KY

DRAWING DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, June 11

Bill Berryman, Winchester, KY

FREE GUIDED GALLERY TOURS AT KENTUCKY ARTISAN CENTER

Saturday, June 11 - 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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CHAUTAUQUA PERFORMANCE

"Harland Colonel Sanders: More Than Fried Chicken"

Performed by L. Henry Dowell

Sunday, June 12

2 p.m.

WOODCARVING DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, June 18

Berea Welcome Center Carvers

MONOTYPE PRINTMAKING DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, June 25

Liz Foley, Lexington, KY

JULY EVENTS - FOCUS ON TEXTILE ARTS

WET WOOL FELTING DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, July 2

Cathy Vigor, Lexington, KY

FABRIC JEWELRY KEEPER DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, July 9

Sue Reeves, Richmond, KY

FREE GUIDED GALLERY TOURS AT KENTUCKY ARTISAN CENTER

Saturday, July 9 - 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

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WOODCARVING DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, July 16

Berea Welcome Center Carvers

FELTED PURSE DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, July 23

Cathie Brown, Richmond, KY

QUILTING DEMONSTRATION - COLOR, VALUE AND PATTERN

Saturday, July 30

Brenda Plaster, Lawrenceburg, KY

CHAUTAUQUA SPEAKER

“Quilt Art: Examining the Narrative in Kentucky Quilts”

Dr. Pearlie M. Johnson, Louisville, KY

Saturday, July 30

1 p.m.



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