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The newsletter of DeSoto Arts and Humanities Council
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www.desotoartscouncil.org
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Meetings are held 5:30 p.m.,
3rd Wednesday of the month.
Location varies—see details.

Art season is in full swing. Art is happening all around us, and right here in DeSoto County, read on to learn more about where the action is.

3rd Annual Art of the River

Art of the River receiving continues Monday, Feb. 2, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Volunteers are needed through the week to help with arranging the show, assembling programs, getting rooms ready, and lots of other tasks. To volunteer, email desotoartscouncilinfo@gmail.com or call 863-703-0373.



This year, the college is hosting the **DeSoto Chamber of Commerce Early Bird Breakfast on Thursday, Feb 5, at 8 a.m.** Come out and meet the business leaders of our community, and thank the many who are DAHC Sponsors for supporting the arts in DeSoto County.

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You're invited to the opening reception 5 to 8 p.m., Friday, Feb 6. To help us with planning for food—please RSVP by replying now to desotoartscouncilinfo@gmail.com or call 863-703-0373.



Fine Art Show,
Environmental
Festival and SFSC
Family Fun Day
Sat, Feb 7, 2015
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
FREE ADMISSION
Parking—\$3 donation per



Your invitation to the Private Reception-Art of the River
Friday, Feb 6, 2015 — 5 to 8 p.m.
Refreshments provided
R.S.V.P.



"Old Timers" by Guy LaBree - 2014 Art of the River - First Place

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- Fine Art ➤ Local Authors
- Fine Crafts ➤ Entertainment
- Youth Activities ➤ Food



DeSoto Arts and Humanities Council
www.desotoartscouncil.org/artoftheriver.htm

Please join us for the Art of the River Private Opening Reception

Friday, February 6, 2015

5 to 8 p.m.

Refreshments provided
Meet and greet the artists

Buy original art

RSVP to

desotoartscouncilinfo@gmail.com

Or call 863-703-0373



Fine Art Show & Environmental Festival

THIRD ANNUAL



**SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 7**

DeSoto Campus
225 I NE Turner Ave.
Arcadia
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
PARKING—\$3 per car



- **NEW! YOUTH ART CONTESTS**
- ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS
- CASTLE BOUNCE HOUSE
- OBSTACLE COURSE
- ROCK CLIMBING
- FINE CRAFTS
- AUTHORS
- FOOD
- ART



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March 13, 14, 15
www.ArcadiaRodeo.com

Join a
DAHC
group

—it's free, (membership NOT required), it's fun, it will help you improve in your art.

ARTIST GROUP—Meets every Monday, 9 a.m. to noon, in the Cantina Clubhouse, at Arcadia Village. Bring your supplies and a project you are working on. Contact Linda Brodowsky brodowskyl@yahoo.com or 863-494-7734.

PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP—Meets on the second Friday of every month, 3:30 to 5 p.m. At DeSoto County Library, unless a field trip is scheduled. Bring photos to share on a CD or zip drive. Contact Jamie Pipher kjpipher@yahoo.com or 863-491-6958.

WRITERS GROUP—Meets first and third Wednesdays from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Cantina Clubhouse, at Arcadia Village. Bring your writing to share. Contact Sarah Hollenhorst at sarahlh7101@gmail.com or 863-244-1663.



BOARD

DAHC board member Jane O'Neal is teaching a painting class on Thursdays at 10 a.m. at Arcadia Village—in the Cantina Clubhouse, that's the one at the rear of the park. Bring your own supplies—instructor fee of \$7 per session.

For more information—contact Jane at janeoneal7@yahoo.com or call 941-924-4564.

PAINTING
CLASSES
BEGINNING
SOON

ACTION ALERT from Florida Cultural Alliance [info@flca.net]

#1: The Governor does recommend \$5 million for Cultural and Museum Grants in his proposed budget. Please refer to budget line item 3118 in his proposed budget bill for FY 2015-2016. This is the amount he recommended last year as well.

Also, according to our Dr. Jim Zingale with Capitol Hill Group, there is \$1.5 billion in the Governor's proposed budget in non-recurring dollars that have not been allocated. It is critical that all arts and culture advocates please follow through on the **Action Alert** sent to you a couple of weeks ago. It will be the Florida Legislature that will recommend FY 2015-2016 appropriations for arts and cultural grants. They must hear from you NOW.

GUY LABREE MEMORAIL SHOW AND GATHERING



You Are Cordially Invited to a
Celebration of Florida Master Artist
Guy LaBree (1941-2015)

Saturday, February 21, 2015

Martin Art Gallery, 207 East Magnolia Street, Arcadia, Florida

10 a.m.— Art Exhibit Opens

1 p.m.— Folk Music Performances

4 p.m.— Welcome and Remarks

6 p.m.— Pot Luck Meal

Sunset— Song and Story Circle

(Overnight accommodations available at Oak Park Inn 863-494-9500 and
Holiday Inn Express 863-494-5900)



IT'S ARTS SEASON IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

It is so good to see the many arts organizations in our surrounding area growing and holding art shows, festivals and more. Here are a few highlight of area happenings in our community and beyond.

Check out some of these events; participate as an artist, help us by inviting other artists to participate in our events, collect artist contact information.

TODAY- Jan 31

(While it may be too late to attend these events—put them on your calendar for 2016!)

LAKE PLACID ART LEAGUE 28th Art and Fine Craft Show

Saturday, Feb. 31, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bert J. Harris Agricultural Center, US 27 South in Sebring, address is 4509 George Blvd.

Did you see the flyer in the Arcadian about this show—with a photo of one of our own Bruce Trewyn's whimsical fish sculptures? Our Highlands Gals—Dotti Bade, Jeni Novak, and others participate in this show.

Arts of the Inland

4th Annual Arts, Crafts, & Music Festival

← Including Arts and Crafts of Local Students →

At Barron Park, DeSoto Ave., LaBelle, FL
January 31, 2015 **10 AM-3 PM**

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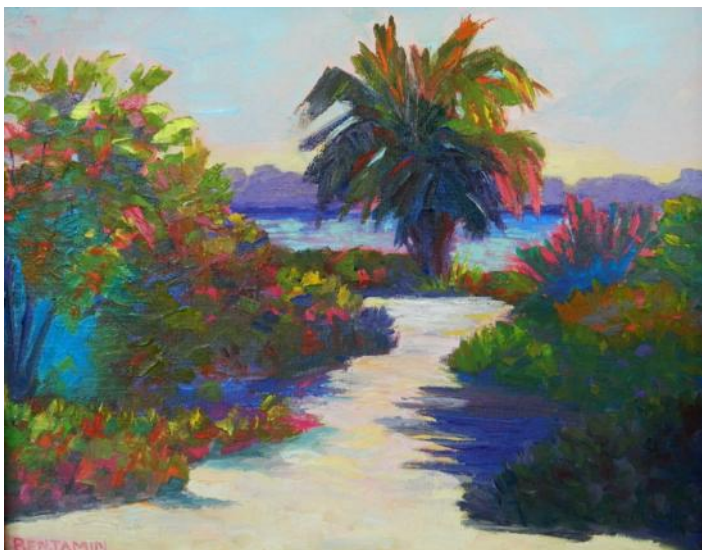
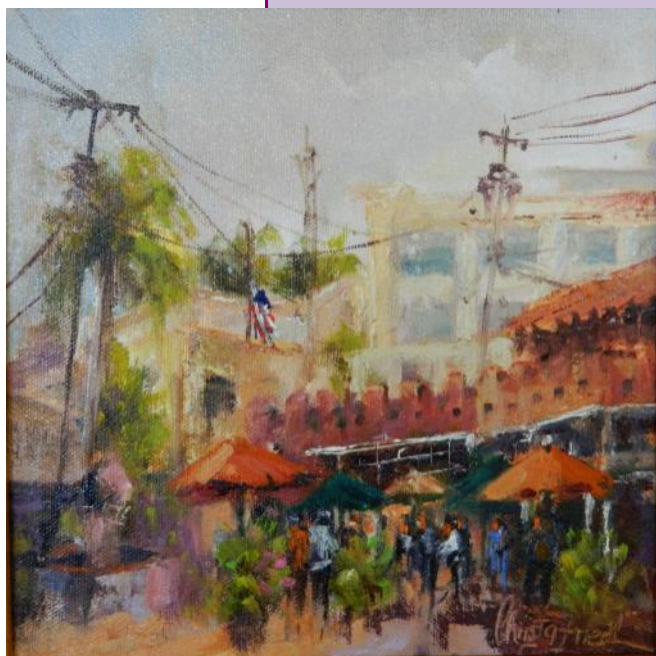
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VISUAL ART CENTER – Plein Air Show

VAC PLEIN AIR ARTISTS RECEPTION AT GOFF GALLERY

Punta Gorda, FL – The VAC Plein Artists are hosting their annual show reception on **Thursday, February 5, 2015 from 5 – 7pm at the Goff Gallery, Visual Arts Center, 210 Maud Street, Punta Gorda, FL 33950**. The annual show and sale showcases the work of local outdoor artists who paint at various locations in and around Charlotte County from September to June. The artwork is being judged by Terry Mason, President of the Light Chasers, the largest group of plein air painters in Florida. There are over 100 works of art in the show depicting our area's natural beauty and places of interest. The event is free and open to the public – refreshments will be served. Coordinator Sharon Yarbrough is enthused about the quality of art this year – "it keeps getting better and better."



Clockwise from upper left:

Keith Farmhouse by Sharon Yarborough

Patio de Leon Fort Myers by Christa Friedl

Standing Tall at Lido Beach by Barbara Benjamin

Our community & beyond--

North Port Art Center

3 -D Art Show and NPAC Open House

Fri, Feb. 13

6 - 8 p.m.

Pastel Art Show

Fri, Feb. 27

6 - 8 p.m.

<http://northportartcenter.com/>

www.VisualArtCenter.org

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Artist's Attic, formerly known as the Flea Market is on for Saturday, February 28 from 8am to 1pm. We need your donations! Bring your old treasures to the Visual Arts Center during normal business hours. Have some old art supplies or artwork sitting around that cluttered studio of yours? Even better! Then, be sure to browse the sale and pick up a new treasure!

RINGLING COLLEGE ENGLEWOOD ART CENTER

Exhibit—Celebrating Florida Landscape – Painting, Drawing, Sculpture

Featuring Mike Hodges “Land Escapes”

February 8-30

Tuesday, 9 a.m. – 9 p.m., Wednesday – Saturday, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

350 S McCall Road

Englewood, FL 34223

LIGHT CHASERS

Master Artist Paintings – 4th Annual Light Chasers Show

Paint Sarasota Paint Out & Quick Draw

February 28

Details at www.lightchasersinc.com

<http://lightchasersinc.com/>

Current featured artist on the website is Sharon Yarbrough.

<http://lightchasersinc.com/members/SharonYarbrough.php>



ARCADIA ALL-FLORIDA RODEO**March 12, 13 & 14****FRIENDS OF ARCADIA AIRPORT
FLY-IN AND PANCAKE
BREAKFAST**

Make plans now to join Friends of Arcadia Airport for the 2nd Annual Rodeo Weekend Fly-In/Camp-Out. This great 3 day "Special Event Weekend" has it all. Fly in anytime on Friday & pitch your tent in our new camping area. Portables will be nearby.

Last year's 1st Annual Fly-In/Camp-Out was a huge success by all accounts. So do not miss this one.

Arcadia Municipal Airport (X06)

2ND ANNUAL

RODEO WEEKEND FLY-IN/CAMP-OUT

Fly-in...**Camp-Out...****go to a
RODEO !****March 13-15**

www.ArcadiaAirport.com/Friends

Saturday March 14: Attend "The Granddaddy Of 'Em All"—the 87th Annual All Florida Championship Rodeo with special discounted tickets offered by Friends courtesy of the Arcadia Rodeo Association for pilots and their passengers. This is a world class Rodeo and will be sold out early. Transportation will be provided to the Rodeo Grounds and back to the airport.

Advanced reservations are required. Contact Arcadia Airport Friends at: RodeoWeekendFlyIn@Gmail.com for more information or to register.



Our community & beyond--

DESOTO COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

11TH ANNUAL PIONEER DAY—Saturday, March 21

For artist or author vendor space—contact Karen at desotoartscouncilinfo@gmail.com

— or contact Bebe— 863-494-6607 or bebebradbury@gmail.com

MOFAC THIRD THURSDAY PROGRAM — DAHC FIELD TRIP

March 26

Join us for a field trip to Avon Park to visit MOFAC-The Museum of Florida Art and Culture at SFSC. We will leave from the Arcadian office at 9 a.m. We will stop for an early lunch at the Jacaranda Hotel, and then head to the SFSC campus for the 1 p.m. performance—Elgin Jumper's Theatre Studio Experience, and viewing of the exhibits of contemporary Native American art and history of Florida's Seminole reservations.

RSVP if you plan to attend—desotoartscouncilinfo@gmail.com or call 863-703-0373.

THANKS

The DeSoto Arts and Humanities Council values every artist, member, friend and sponsor!

We thank our long-time, returning and new artists for participating in our shows.

Membership Report

Welcome new members: Larry Creel, Cathy C. Futral, Linda Luppino, Velda Musgrove, Verna Petrosky, Marie Anne Robinson, Sandra Robinson and Mary Russell. Thank you renewing members: Fay Binkley, Linda Brodowsky, Joyce Dickson, Kathy Futch, Jane Hilton, Susan Hoffman, Sarah Hollenhorst, Carol Mahler, Patty Ramos, Clel Shore, Bruce Trewyn and Elise Zarli, and renewing Bronze Sponsors: Jerry & Linda Waters and Larry McKinney—Beef O' Brady's.

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