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As we say goodbye to summer and hello to new fall routines, be sure to schedule some time for art. There are lots of opportunities this September at the Salmon River Fine Arts Center with the opening of our Hooked on the Salmon River show, our annual auction and fundraiser, as well as lots of classes.

Hooked on the Salmon River 3rd Annual Juried Art Exhibition to Open!

The show is hung and we are preparing the final touches for the opening. This year's juror, Linda Biggs, told us how impressed she was with the quality of the entries. The opening reception is this Friday, September 9th from 6 - 8 pm. Awards will be announced at 7 pm. The exhibition will be on display until October 22, 2022.

A big thank you to the volunteers who came out to hang this show: Nancy Warner, Margie Ledden, Dick Buschnell, Karen Wheeler and Anna Blachman.

Are you hooked? We love the idea that this has become an annual themed show that proudly depicts the beauty of our area but we are always looking for ways to improve. We would love to get your feedback on how we might improve it next year. Please drop us a line, send us an email or stop by and let us know your ideas and thoughts.

We are grateful to **Garrett Brancy of Douglaston Salmon Run** for being the major sponsor for this show. We are also thankful to **Fulton** of Pulaski for their contribution. It is the generosity of community minded people and businesses like these that help keep art in our community.



Collecting Auction Items

We are collecting auction items now until September 16th for our biggest fundraiser of the year - our annual auction! We are looking to you as an individual or local business to donate quality items or gift certificates now through September 16th. As a non-profit, the center depends on fundraisers like this to help us keep the doors open and cover operating expenses throughout the year.

Receipts will be provided and contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by Federal law for a 501c3 organization. Stop by or contact the art center by phone or email if you are able to help us out.

What you need to know about the auction

The auction will be held online again this year through betterworld.org, a site designed to give small organizations such as ours the ability to host a real time auction and keep 100% of the funds raised at no cost to us. **Full disclosure: Betterworld automatically adds a small percentage to each item sold, however, you can manually “opt out” of that feature if you like. Keep in mind though, that it must be done for each item.**

Consider hosting an “auction party” at home! We know it’s fun to have in-person events again so why not get together with friends and broadcast our Facebook live event on your television and use your computer or portable devices for some friendly bidding. Have fun, do some early gift shopping all while supporting the art center!

Live entertainment (via Facebook Live - filmed right from the art center)

- Listen to live music by local singer song-writers and guitarists **Mark Wahl and Marc Warner**. Bid on a house concert by these talented musicians!
- Painting by the award winning watercolor artist, **Craig Anderson** – bid on the painting Craig paints that night!
- Get updates on auction items live throughout the evening!

Important Dates and Times:

Preview and early bidding starts at **noon on Friday, September 23**, until the auction

- View auction items online or in person at the gallery.
- Bid early and bid often: go to srfac.betterworld.org

Final bidding and Facebook Live event is **Friday, September 30, 6 - 8 pm**

Please mark your calendars to support the art center and join us for this fun event!

YAE Art Club- sign up now!

(Young Artists Experience)

The popular “pay what you can” after school YAE art Club is back. Registered students will meet up after school at the center on Mondays to make art! Pay what you can and register for a four-week session. An option for Pulaski school bus drop off at the center is available.. (The school will need a note from parents for each day)

Classes begin Monday, September 12th. Space is limited!

(grades K - 5) 4 pm - 5:30 pm

Session 1 09/12/22 - 10/03/22: Radical Robots! with Keirsten Jennings

Session 2 10/17/22 - 11/07/22: Pirates & Parrots Ahoy! with Keirsten Jennings

Session 3 11/14/22 - 12/5/22: Paw-some Pets! with Keirsten Jennings

(grades 6 - 12) 3:15 - 5:30 pm

Session 1 09/12/22 - 10/03/22: Wheel Throwing with Marybeth Sorendo

Note: We will be holding a "free" open studio tour in an evening in the fall (date tbd) to invite students in to discuss future ideas, formats and projects for sessions 2 and 3. Students will also be able to create a fun art project that evening too. Please email to get on the invite mailing list for the free open studio.

Free scholarships are available by request via email. These YAE classes are made possible thanks to funding from the Richard s. Shineman Foundation

[Details and register here.](#)

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CLASS UPDATES

Classes for September are almost all filled, so [register now](#) for the remaining spots available! If you missed out on any September offerings, cheer up, we are finalizing the schedules for October now. Please be sure to check our website and class registration page for updates.

Leather Notebook Tooling Class with Anna Blachman

Sundays Sept 11 and 18th **THREE spots left!**

Beginner/Intermediate Wheel Throwing with Marybeth Sorendo

Thursday evenings Sept 8, 15, 22, 29, Oct 6 **SOLD OUT**

Raku Workshop with Ann Buchau

Sept 12, 14, and 17th **SOLD OUT**

Watercolor Workshop with Craig Anderson

September class **ONE spot available!** – October class to be posted soon.

Free Drawing Class – in person and virtual connections!

Thursdays at 6 pm. [Email](#) us to get your name added to the list.

Details and Register here.

Thank you to our generous donors who provide funding to allow us to offer these discounted or free classes: the Pulaski Community Foundation, the John Ben Snow Foundation, the Shineman Foundation, the Chapman Drs. and so many of you!



Interested in teaching?

If you are a teacher or an artist with expertise you would like to share, please fill out our [teacher's application](#). It is super easy to fill out. We are always looking for new teachers and class offerings!

Come join our volunteer team!

We are looking for volunteers for the gallery as well as those interested in helping to coordinate a specific class, event or show please contact the art center for more information.

A special Thank you to all our Farmer's Market team and volunteers who helped bring art to families in the park this summer: Keirsten Jennings, Beth Sotherden, Marybeth Sorrendo, Karen Wheeler, Kim Ryder, Kris Sperati, Tessa Eisel, and Jessica Yesensky.

And finally you with this...

Art provides an opportunity for kaleidoscopic thinking. Each time we shift the lens of our perceptions, we gain new perspectives — and new opportunities for innovation.

— Linda Naiman (creativityatwork.com)

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