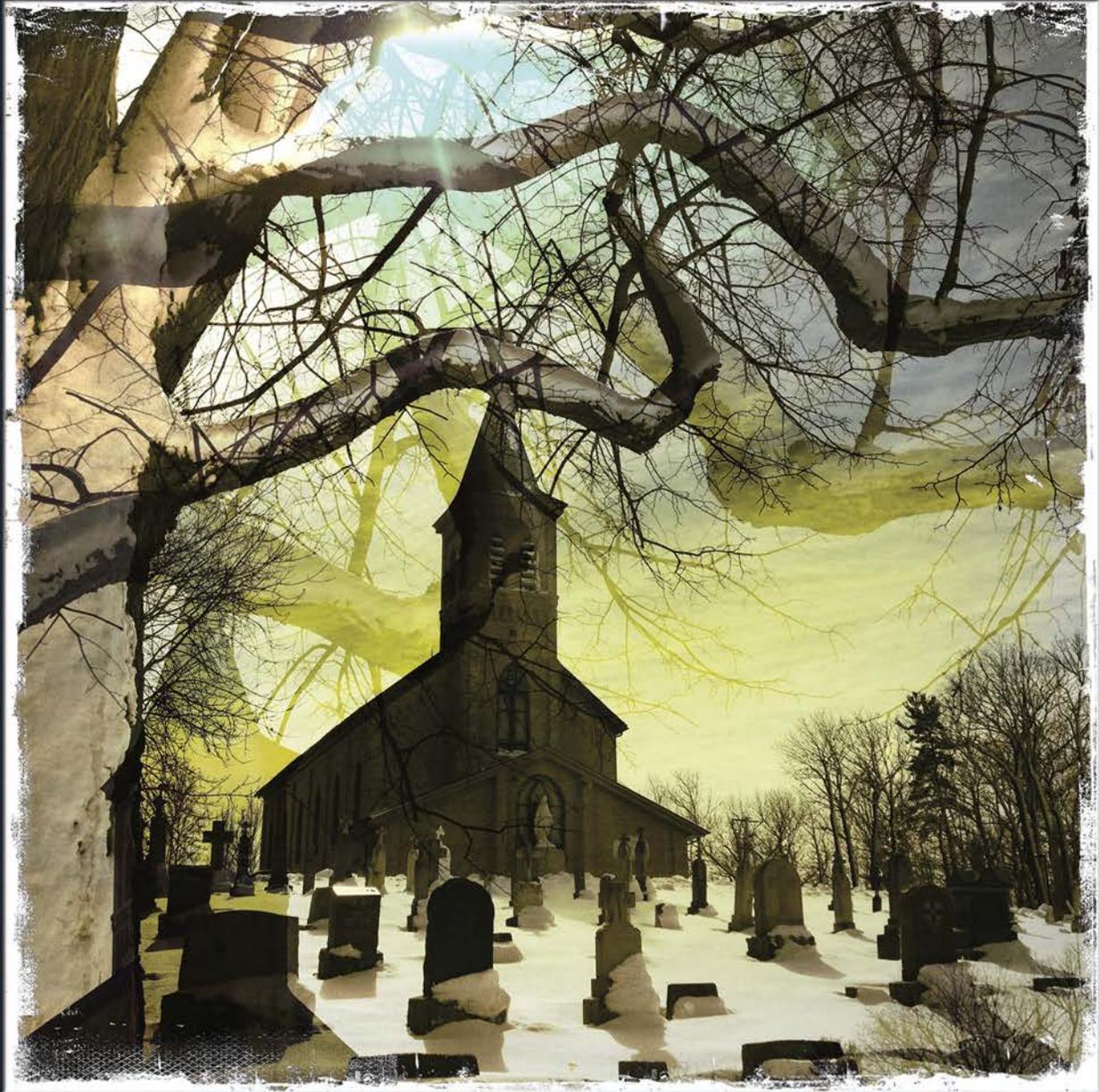


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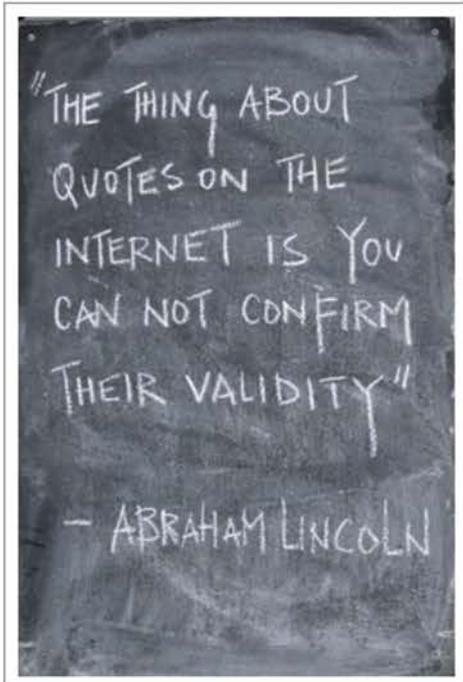
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- Get to know **Jess Riley**, an Oshkosh author whose razor-sharp sense of humor has captivated readers nationwide.
- Learn about “America’s Music: A Film History of Our Popular Music” film series with Lawrence University’s Visiting Assistant Professor of Music Erica Scheinberg and music librarian Antoinette Powell.
- Read up on the Neville Public Museum’s **Dinner Program** where exhibits are expounded on while dinner is served.



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A Resolution for the New Year

Resolution: the act of resolving or determining upon an action or course of action, method, procedure, etc.

Change: to make the form, nature, content, future course, etc., of (something) different from what it is or from what it would be if left alone.

It's easy to continue doing things in the manner that you have been doing them, so taking a fresh look at things doesn't always come as often as it should. The magazine took a look at a few things over the past year and we're very excited about changes we'll be sharing with our readers in 2013.

An invitation to attend a meeting of FAN (Fox Arts Network), an organization of Fox Cities performing arts groups, was the impetus of the change. The group wanted to discuss the ARTS GUIDE, produced twice a year by the magazine, and how it served the community and its arts organizations. One thought led to another, causing a serious analysis of the publication and how it fit in with monthly issues of FOX CITIES Magazine.

Following months of pondering options on how to continue to present cultural information for northeastern Wisconsin, we are excited about incorporating the ARTS GUIDES into issues of the magazine. CULTURE SHOCK, this January issue, is the premier of this new presentation of our spring Arts Guide. Our September issue, THE ARTS GUIDE, will replace the fall guide. Expect to find the same preview of the upcoming art seasons in addition to several editorial features that you would find in any of our regular issues.

We have been committed to presenting an ARTS GUIDE for northeastern Wisconsin since its introduction in the fall of 1991. That first issue, developed from a brainstorming session with Lee Parker, then executive director of the Fox Valley Arts Alliance, presented a reference to area arts organizations. One article discussed a recent community survey showing "sixty-nine percent of respondents not attending cultural events more often because they didn't know when, where, or what events were taking place." The ARTS GUIDE mission was to change that statistic.

Quoting from our introduction in that first guide from 1991, "In all the arts you are an important component. Your appreciation of, and contribution to the arts make them grow and prosper. We hope this reference makes it easier for you to do just that."


Ruth Ann Heeter, editor

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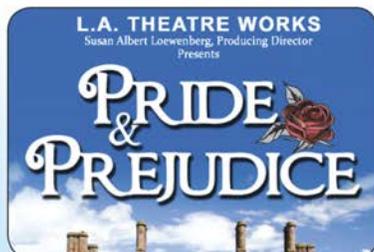
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Spring 2013 arts & cultural events

January 2013

- 5 | **Winter Walk: Intro to Snowshoeing**
Join NNC Naturalist for a winter walk through the forests of Navarino. 9am. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 715-758-6999.
- 5 | **First Saturday Performance**
Foot stomping guitar, violin & banjo. 7pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 5 | **Lawrence University Faculty Recital Samantha George, violin, w/ guest Stas Venglevski, bayan**
8pm. Harper Hall, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 6 | **Lawrence Academy of Music Chamber Ensembles Concert**
2pm. Harper Hall. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 6 | **Lawrence University Jazz Guitar Studio Recital**
6pm. Harper Hall, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 7 | **The American Southwest**
Don Lorenz presents his breathtaking photographs of the American Southwest including the Great Sand Dunes, Mesa Verde, Grand Canyon & many others. 2pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 7 | **Meet Wisconsin Authors**
Gavin Schmitt, author of Milwaukee Mafia. Books for sale & signing. 2:30pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 8 | **Lawrence University Concert**
Civil War Diaries w/ jazz pianist Bill Carrothers. A special tribute to the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 8 | **Lawrence University Faculty Recital: Michael Mizrahi, piano**
Features all Beethoven repertoire. 8pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 9 | **Flameworking Class: Introduction to Glass Beadmaking**
5-8pm. Bergstrom-Mahler Museum, Neenah. 751-4658.
- 10 | **Thursday Night @ the Movies: Moonrise Kingdom**
On an island off the coast of New England in the summer of 1965, two 12-year-olds fall in love, make a secret pact & run away together into the wilderness. 6-8pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 11 | **Lawrence University presents Wild Space Dance Company: Luscious Layers**
Nature, music, prose & humor are layered in original work & premieres. 8pm. Stansbury Theater, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 11 | **Lawrence University's Hi, I'm Prov! Holiday Show**
An improv show for the post-holiday blues. 8pm. Warch Campus Center, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 11 | **Lawrence University "Art & Text" Opening Reception**
Works of scientific illustration on display in the Atrium. 7pm. Thomas Steitz Hall of Science, Appleton. 832-7000.
- 12 | **Writing from Life**
Honoring the autobiography found in her most recent book of poetry, Laurie MacDiarmid invites area writers for an afternoon workshop to discuss their own life stories. 1-3pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 12 | **Reading & Reception**
Laurie MacDiarmid will read from her most recent poetry publication, Consolation Prize. 6:30pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 13 | **Music @ the Library**
David Haas, folksinger/guitarist. 2pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 13 | **Shrek the Musical**
3 & 7:30pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 800-895-0071.
- 13 | **Lawrence University Guest Recital: Robert McDonald '73, piano**
8pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 13 | **Lawrence University Faculty Wind Quintet Concert**
5pm. Harper Hall, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 14 | **Soup & Travel Talks: Amsterdam, Paris & Barcelona**
Spend a cold evening in Wisconsin at the Gardens enjoying a bowl of soup & dessert while Pat Merkes presents slides of her European travels. 6pm. Gardens of the Fox Cities, Appleton. 750-5460.
- 14 | **Lawrence University Faculty Recital: Nathan Wysocki, guitar**
8pm. Harper Hall, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 16 | **Mad Shak Dance Company**
8pm. Warch Campus Center, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 17 | **Neenah 101: Behind the Names**
Peter Adams, local historian, presents the real story of Theda Clark. 7pm. Neenah Public Library. 729-0244.
- 17 | **Jazz at the Trout**
Tom Washatka, instrumentalist/composer. 7:30pm. Trout Museum of Art, Appleton. 733-4089.
- 18 | **Watercolor Class w/ Stacey Small-Rupp**
Demos to show techniques & "tricks." 9:30am-12pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 18 | **A Chorus Line**
7:30pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 800-895-0071.
- 19 | **Guenzel Gallery Salon Public Celebration**
Works of the artists in the 11th Annual Guenzel Gallery Salon. 6-9pm. Peninsula School of Art, Fish Creek. 868-3455.
- 19 | **18th Annual Community Celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday**
10:30am-12pm. Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Green Bay. 498-6997.
- 19 | **Give Spinning a Whirl**
Katrina Blasingame will show students how to spin yarn on a top-whirl drop spindle & receive basic knowledge on plying their hand-made yarn. 9am. the ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 19 | **3rd Saturday Performance**
Jazz, pop & show tunes. 7-9pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 19 | **Coffeehouse Concert**
The Erin Krebs Duo performs in the Fireside Lobby. 7pm. Door Community Auditorium, Fish Creek. 868-2728.
- 19 | **Lawrence University Guest Recital: Mark Kellogg, trombone**
5pm. Harper Hall, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 20 | **Lawrence University Guest Recital: Evan Chambers, compositions**
8pm. Harper Hall, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 20 | **Lawrence University Wind Ensemble Concerto Competition**
5pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 20-21 | **No Man's Land (Bosnia, 2001)**
Best Foreign Film Oscar winner. Presented by NEW World Cinema. Su, 2pm & M, 7pm. UWFox Valley, Menasha. 734-0013.
- 21 | **MLK Celebration**
Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration in collaboration w/ Toward Community: Unity in Diversity. A reception will follow in Shattuck Hall. 6:50pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-7000.
- 23 | **Independent Film Series: The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest**
Computer hacker Lisbeth is recovering in a hospital & awaiting trial for 3 murders when she is released. Mikael must prove her innocence, but Lisbeth must be willing to share the details of her sordid experiences w/ the court. 7pm. Warch Campus Center, Appleton. 832-7024.
- 23 | **America's Music: A Film History of Our Popular Music from Blues to Bluegrass to Broadway**
The first of 6 weekly interactive public programs examining uniquely American musical genres through the use of documentary film excerpts & scholar-led discussions. 6:30pm. Warch Campus Center, Appleton. 832-6995.
- 24 | **Kitchen Herbology**
Jackie Johnson, Herb Society of America, demonstrates how to use what you have in your cupboards for simple home health

Honoring Animals with Art

Deciding to purchase a tile in the Fox Valley Humane Association (FVHA)'s Every Pet Project mural was inevitable for Kathryn Carlson, a financial adviser in Appleton who also serves on the FVHA board of directors. It was choosing which pet to immortalize that proved difficult.

Ultimately, Carlson decided to salute her cocker spaniel named Martha, who she adopted from FVHA two years ago.

"I thought it's a good way to honor them for the work they did with her," she says. "The concept is really terrific and honors not only the animals specifically, but also animals in general."

The Every Pet Project fundraiser began last fall with the unveiling of a plan to create a mural located on the curved wall in the FVHA's lobby. The mural will

be composed of 135 individual tiles, measuring 7.5-by-15.5 inches, which supporters may purchase. Appleton muralist Chad Brady will depict one pet of the buyer's choosing in each tile. Together, the tiles will create a cohesive 9-by-11 foot mural of a cat and dog.



Fundraising coordinator Elizabeth Pirner say 90 cents of every dollar raised will go right back into animal care. She hopes the mural will add vibrancy to the already bustling shelter as it strives to provide the best alternative to a home for the animals they rescue.

"The shelter has become a resource center for people to come when they have any need or question," Pirner says.



"For them to see something like this, it resounds with everyone. It creates a sense of ownership that this center belongs to the community."

At press time, three tiles had already been purchased. Pirner hopes the remaining tiles will be filled by early summer. Those interested in learning more about participating may call 733-1717 ext. 103 or go online to foxvalleypets.org

—By Amelia Compton Wolff

remedies. Time TBD. Gardens of the Fox Cities, Appleton. 750-5460.

- 25 | **Candlelight ski/snowshoe hike**
Snowshoe or ski the one mile loop across the boardwalk & back by the light of the stars, moon & candlelight. 5:30-7:30pm. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 715-758-6999.
- 25 | **Lawrence Symphony Orchestra**
8pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 25 | **Colin Mochrie & Brad Sherwood: Two Man Group**
An evening of extraordinary comedy. 8pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 800-895-0071.
- 25-26 | **Lawrence University Theatre Arts Play: "The Dumb Waiter"**
Takes place in an isolated basement in England, where 2 hit men wait for an assignment. F, 8pm; Sa, 3 & 8pm. Memorial Hall Underground, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 26 | **17th Annual Toward Harmony w/ Nature**
A day-long seminar on native landscaping presented by Wild Ones Fox Valley. 8am-4pm. Oshkosh Convention Center. 730-3986.
- 26 | **Snowshoeing Navarino**
Snowshoe across the bog, toward the beaver lodge on Pike's Peak Flowage. 9am. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 715-758-6999.
- 26 | **Wire Tree Sculpture w/ Ann Preston**
Discover metal-work techniques that will bring your tree to life. 9am-12pm. the ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 26 | **Winterfest on Broadway**
Ice-sculpting, chili cook-off & more. 11am. Broadway District, Green Bay. 437-2531.
- 26 | **Fox Valley Symphony "Traditions" Concert**
Join us for a concert full of traditional music. 12:50pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 26 | **Coffeehouse Concert**
The Fairland Bluegrass Band & the Cowboy Church House Band team up to present an evening of old-time Gospel favorites. 7pm. Door Community Auditorium, Fish Creek. 868-2728.
- 26 | **Mike Mangione & the Union in Concert**
Folk-rock sound w/ an orchestrated string section, soulful vocals & literate sensibility. 7pm. 1031 Washington Avenue, Oshkosh. 410-5454.
- 27 | **Music @ the Library**
Franklin Nelsen, singer/songwriter performing folk, country, & bluesy jazz. 2pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 27 | **Lawrence Academy of Music Honors Recital**
2pm. Harper Hall. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 27 | **Dirty Rotten Scoundrels**
Presented by Knight Theatre. W-F, 7:30pm; Sa, 2pm & 7:30pm; Su, 2pm. Webb Theatre, Green Bay. 403-3950.
- 27 | **Lawrence University Faculty Recital: John Gates, bass, & Karen Leigh-Post, mezzo-soprano**
6pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 28 | **Bo Bice**
7:30pm. Capitol Civic Centre, Manitowoc. 683-2184.
- 31 | **Lawrence University Voice Department Area Recital**
11:10am. Warch Campus Center, Appleton. 832-6612.

- 31 | **CAP Services 8th Annual Golf Inside Outing**
CAP Services 8th Annual Golf Inside Outing is a fun, casual, golf themed fundraising event to support the Skills Enhancement Program of CAP Services, Inc. 5:30pm. Liberty Hall, Kimberly. 427-8269.

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- 1 & 2 | **CSI Kewaunee**
An original musical by members of Let Me Be Frank Productions. 8pm. Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. 494-3401.
- 1 | **Copper Box**
Blending roots rock, polka, & zydeco. 6:30pm. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan. 458-6144.
- 1 | **1st Friday Concert Series: Didjeridu**
Featuring Brian Pertl, ethnomusicologist, on the Didjeridu. 2pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 1 | **Jazz Series**
The Bad Plus breaks down the walls of jazz convention & creates an uncompromising body of work. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 1 | **Tutti! Academy Scholarship Benefit**
Sponsored by Lawrence Academy of Music to support the financial assistance program. Live entertainment, auctions, desserts from Bon Appetit & raffle prizes. Warch Campus Center. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 2 | **Mendelssohn's Scottish**
Inspired by a trip to Scotland in 1829, Mendelssohn's "Scottish" Symphony has evolved ingeniously into one of his crowning symphonic glories. 7:30pm. Weider Center, Green Bay. 435-3465.
- 2 | **Art Activity Day: Valentines Day Fun**
Make a glass pendant for your Valentine & other Valentine's Day projects. 10am. Bergstrom-Mahler Museum, Neenah. 751-4658.
- 2 | **1st Saturday Performance**
Folk & blues performed by Jerry Kyler, David Younger & Dick Dombeck. 7pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 2 | **JT and the Clouds**
Steeped in the Chicago tradition of soul & R&B. 7pm. Door Community Auditorium, Fish Creek. 868-2728.
- 3 | **Piano Duet Recitals**
12:30-5pm. Harper & Shattuck Halls. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 3 | **Flying Forms Baroque Concert**
Harper Hall & Lawrence University host music from the Baroque era. 3pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 4 | **Meet the Author**
Join author, Dave Crehore, as he discusses his book, Bailey's Harbor Bird & Booyah Club. Book signing follows presentation. 2pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 4 | **Soup and Travel Talks: New Zealand**
Roger & Leah Johnson spent 5 weeks touring New Zealand & have created a 50-minute movie. Two soups will be served along w/ dessert. Time TBD. Gardens of the Fox Cities, Appleton. 993-1900.
- 4 | **Guest Recital: Anderson & Roe Piano Duo**
Thrilling young duo offering adrenalinized classical concerts that are revolutionizing the piano duo experience. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 5 | **BBC Concert Orchestra**
60th Anniversary North American tour. 7:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.

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Performer Spotlight: *Carol Jegen*



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Over the past 35 years, Carol Jegen has been involved in just about every aspect of the White Heron Chorale from performer to concert coordinator. She is one of only four members who have been active within the Chorale since its creation in 1978.

"We felt there was a need for adults in the community to participate in a demanding choral ensemble with other like-minded individuals," Jegen says.

She enjoys the camaraderie and connection that is exclusively for those who participate with a committed singing assemblage.

"People who aren't involved with music don't really understand that it is not only fun, but bonding," says Jegen, who dedicates much of her free time to the Chorale in addition to her full-time job as a music teacher.

The Chorale has provided Jegen with the opportunity to perform with a group, an experience that is becoming more of a rarity in today's society.

"A lot of people aren't connected with churches anymore and there isn't as much group singing," Jegen says. "But you really get a sense of community [within the Chorale] which is something you don't get when you're just doing your own thing or turning on the radio. Too many people think music is something you buy and consume, not something you do."

The organization has grown to 75 members, from just 24 when it began, and this sense of companionship is what has kept it together.

"As a singer and actress I get many opportunities to perform individually, but I adore choral singing," Jegen says. "There is a dynamic involvement in choral singing where we breathe as one, we use our bodies as instruments, we physically resonate together, and with the rise and fall of the musical phrases we are surfing on a physical sound. It is pure joy."

See Jegen and the rest of the White Heron Chorale signers in action during their 35th Anniversary Celebration Concert on April 6 at Lawrence Memorial Chapel as they welcome many of their former conductors back to the podium for the first time. For tickets, visit whiteheronchorale.org.

—By Sonia Zimmerman

- 6 | **Lord of the Dance**
A mesmerizing blend of traditional & modern Celtic music & dance. 7:30pm, Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 7 | **America's Music Series**
Swing Jazz: Excerpts from "Ken Burns' Jazz: Episode 6, Wing, the Velocity of Celebration" & a short film "International Sweethearts of Rhythm" followed by a discussion. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 7 | **Art Meets Gala**
Opening reception features an artful array of appetizers w/ cash bar, music by John Harmon, artisan market & raffle featuring original art. 5:30pm. ARTGarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 8 | **Jeff Dunham**
The Disorderly Comedy tour by the ventriloquist & comedian. 8pm. Resch Center, Green Bay. 494-3401.
- 9 | **ArtWalk**
Local artists exhibit their works, learn the basics of pottery, woodturning, textiles, jewelry-making & an Artisan Marketplace. 10am-2pm. Northeast Wisconsin Technical College, Green Bay. 498-5400.
- 9 | **Spirited Songs: A Celebration of Choral Music**
The Appleton Boychoir, Lawrence Academy Girl Choir & White Heron Chorale honor the venue's 10th Anniversary. 7pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 9 | **Basic Wireworking w/ Jo Brinkley-Chaudoir**
Learn the basics of handling wire. 12-4pm. the ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 9 | **Give Spinning a Whirl**
Katrina Blasingame shows students how to spin yarn on a top-whirl drop spindle & how to ply hand-made yarn. 9am. the ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 9 | **UW-Green Bay Jazz Fest Concert**
A guest jazz artist performs w/ UW-Green Bay Jazz Ensemble & 2 outstanding high school ensembles perform. 4pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 465-2400.
- 10 | **Music @ the Library**
Fox Valley Symphony Brass Quintet. 2pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 11 | **Faculty Recital**
David Bell, clarinet, w/ guests Thomas Kluge, viola & Judith Jackson, piano. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 11 | **Coffee House Series**
Jeffrey James, singer/guitarist. 9pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 12 | **Intermediate Flameworking: Shaping Beads**
Shape your beads into cones, bi-cones, cubes, etc. Use tools, heat & gravity to manipulate & control the molten glass. 10am-1pm. Bergstrom-Mahler Museum, Neenah. 751-4658.
- 14 | **L.A. Theatre works' Pride & Prejudice**
Celebrates the 200th anniversary of the classic romantic comedy. 7:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 14 | **America's Music Series**
Latin Rhythms from Mambo to Hip Hop: Excerpts from "Latin Music USA: Episode 1, Bridges" and "From Mambo to Hip Hop: A South Bronx Tale" followed by a discussion. 6:30pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 15 | **Owls of Navarino**
Walk/snowshoe while listening/ calling to owls & other wildlife. 9am. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 715-758-6999.
- 16 | **Snow Snakes & Snowshoes: Winter Open House**
Snow snake, snow golf, board game room, skiing, sledding, winter geocaching & more. 9am-1pm. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 715-758-6999.
- 16 | **Introduction to Oil Painting**
The basics of materials, mixing, applications & cleaning. 9:30am-12pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 16 | **3rd Saturday Performance**
Leah Reed performs. 7pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 16 | **African Children's Choir**
2pm. Door Community Auditorium, Fish Creek. 868-2728.
- 16 | **VOCA PEOPLE**
A cappella & beat box versions of songs from Madonna, Queen & more! 7:30pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 800-895-0071.
- 16 | **Rising Stars**
Winners of the 2012 Concerto Competition perform w/ the Civic Symphony. 7:30pm. Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. 432-4676.
- 16 | **Conservatory Opera "Albert Herring"**
A lively chamber opera by Benjamin Britten. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 17 | **Composition Studio Recital**
12pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 17 | **Guest Recital**
Lora Deahl, piano. 3pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 17 | **Guest Recital**
Rick Murrell, Baroque trumpet. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 17 & 18 | **Mostly Martha (Germany, 2001)**
Presented by NEW World Cinema. Su, 2pm & M, 7pm. UWFox Valley, Menasha. 734-0013.
- 18 | **Appleton Boychoir's Young Men's Chorus Festival**
Men from Appleton East, North & West High Schools join the Appleton Boychoir. 7pm. Appleton West H.S. Auditorium. 955-2224.
- 18 | **Jazz Small Groups**
8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 19, 21 | **Philadanco, Dance by African American Choreographers**
Harris's new ballet, Wake Up. The dancers trade their slippers for sneakers. 6:30pm. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan. 458-6144.



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- 21 | **Lawrence University presents America's Music**
A screening of "The History of Rock'n'Roll: Episode 6, Plugging In" followed by a discussion. 6:30pm. Warch Campus Center, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 21 | **Neenah 101: Behind the Names**
Learn the true story of D.W. Bergstrom. 7pm. Neenah Public Library. 729-0244.
- 21 | **Jazz @ the Trout: Steve March-Torme, Vocal Jazz**
Classic standards, original songs & stories from his never boring life. 7:30pm. The Trout Museum of Art, Appleton. 733-4089.
- 22-23 | **Beginning Chinese Brush Painting on Silk w/ Sandy Melroy**
Learn Chinese Brush Painting by using the 4 traditional motifs of bamboo, a bird, chrysanthemum & cherry blossoms on a silk canvas. 2 day class. F, 9am-2pm; Sa, 9am-2pm. The ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 22-23 | **Candlelight ski/snowshoe hike**
Snowshoe or ski the one mile loop across the boardwalk & back by the light of the stars, moon & candlelight. 5pm. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 715-758-6999.
- 23 | **Viking Choral Fest**
8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 23 | **Lawrence Symphonic Band**
8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 23 | **The Magic of Bill Blagg Live!**
7:30pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 800-895-0071.
- 23 | **Coffeehouse Concert**
Cowboy Brothers, comprised of Guitarists/Vocalists Chris Ayer & Bryce Haas. 7pm. Door Community Auditorium, Fish Creek. 868-2728.
- 24 | **Music @ the Library**
Rob Ransom performs classic rock, country & gospel. 2pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 24 | **Lawrence Symphony Orchestra**
3pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 24 | **Lawrence Academy of Music Student Recitals**
12:30-5pm. Harper & Shattuck Halls. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 24 | **Improvisation Group of Lawrence**
Featuring Lawrence dance professor Rebecca Salzer & her students. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 25 | **Soup and Travel Talks: Middle East**
Please check out gardensfoxcities.org for details. Time TBD. Gardens of the Fox Cities, Appleton. 993-1900.

- 25 | **World Music Series**
Peter Phippen, World Flute Specialist. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 25 | **Sweet Pampering: Essential Oils**
Learn the benefits of therapeutic essential oils in caring for yourself. Create aromatic home spa bath salts & body scrubs in this informational & hands-on class. 6:30-8:30pm. Gardens of the Fox Cities, Appleton. 993-1900.
- 26-28 | **The Addams Family**
7:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 27 | **Barbie Doll Show & Tell**
Bring your favorite Barbie Doll & let expert Sharon Korbeck-Verbeten tell you all about it. Then stop by the museum to see the new Barbie Doll exhibit. Limit 3 Dolls per person. 4:30-6:30pm. New London Public Museum. 982-8520.
- 27 | **Music @ the Library**
Bluegrass. Co-sponsored by Lawrence University. 6:30pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 27 | **Jazz Band Concert**
8pm. Stansbury Theatre, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 28 | **"These Shining Lives"**
University students perform Melanie Mamich's play. 7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.
- 28 | **Faculty Recital**
Featuring Carl Rath, bassoon. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 28 | **High Lonesome: The Story of Bluegrass**
Documentary discussion. Co-sponsored by Lawrence University. 6:30pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

March 2013

- 1 | **The Dang-lts**
Honky tonk/western swing. 6:30pm. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan. 458-6144.
- 1 | **First Friday Concert Series: Lawrence Conservatory Vocalists**
Steven Paul Spears & his Lawrence Conservatory of Music students. 2pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 1 | **UW-Green Bay Wind Ensemble & Symphonic Band**
7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.
- 1-2, 6-9 | **"These Shining Lives"**
University students perform Melanie Mamich's play. 7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.

Free Books for the Fox

Walking the residential streets of the Fox Valley you might come across a peculiar, petite structure, adorned in a vibrant, eye-catching aesthetic, quaintly nestled on a front lawn. These are Little Free Libraries, wooden buildings no bigger than a breadbox designed to the specifications of its creator for the sheer purpose of free book exchanges.

From striking patterns and bold colors they range in shapes and styles, but typically the libraries are prototyped after an old schoolhouse. Little Free Libraries continue to crop up in various countries around the world from India and Ghana to Pakistan and Turkey, but started from humble beginnings in our very own Badger State.

Launching in Hudson, Wisconsin in 2009 the freestanding miniature book borrowing buildings are quickly picking up steam with more than 4,000 nationwide, 700 in Wisconsin and show the makings of a strong following in the Fox Cities area. Currently there are 15 Little Free Libraries in the Fox Valley area including locations on the 300 block of Kraft Street in Neenah and the front of Appleton Central High School.

With patrons able to pick up and exchange books for free, the Little Free Libraries act as a quirky and contagious way to promote literacy, an idea that Appleton Central High School Principal Katherine Crowley Peckham endorses.

"I first saw them when two of my sisters installed them in their yards in Wauwatosa," she says. "I thought this would be a great way to send the message on the importance of reading."

Little Free Libraries aren't meant to overthrow traditional libraries already established in the community, but rather supplement them by sharing the same values and ideals that reading should be accessible to everyone.

"We have filled our library with books donated from around the school district," Crowley Peckham says. "At Central we recognize that many of our neighbors and students may not be able to afford to purchase books. While we have an outstanding public library that is close to our school, the Little Free Library allows anyone to 'own' a book."

Little Free Libraries represent strong values of education and literacy and without the support of the community to help share the experience, these structures would struggle to flourish the way they have.

"The donations have assisted us in keeping the library stocked," Crowley Peckman says. "We love to see students peeking into the library and excited about the new book they have received."

To find a Little Free Library near you visit LittleFreeLibrary.org or keep your eyes peeled in your own neighborhood.

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- 1-3 | **The Addams Family**
F, 7:30pm; Sa, 2 & 7:30pm; Su, 1 & 6:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 2 | **Coffeehouse Concert**
Door County favorites, Jeanne Kuhns, Mary Beth Mattson & Patrick Palmer bring their harmonies & good humor to the DCA Fireside Lobby. 7-9pm. Door Community Auditorium, Fish Creek. 868-2728.
- 2 | **Winter Term Theatre Arts Production**
Fred Gaines Student Playwrights Series. The inaugural presentation of new one-act plays written by Lawrence Students. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 2 | **Lawrence Jazz Ensemble**
8pm. Memorial Chapel @ Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 2 | **1st Saturday Performance**
Piano & vocals. 7pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 2 | **Establishing a "Likeness"**
Class on portraiture. 8am-4pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 3 | **Percussion Ensemble Concert**
3pm. Memorial Chapel, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 3 | **String Chamber Music Recital**
6:30pm. Harper Hall, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 4 | **Nature & Wildlife of the Woodland Dunes**
Jim Knickelbine discusses the Nature & Wildlife of the Woodland Dunes. 2pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 4 | **Guitar Studio Recital**
8pm. Harper Hall, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 5 | **Ensemble Concert**
3pm. Harper Hall, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 6 | **Jazz Forum**
An eclectic mix of jazz. 3pm. Harper Hall, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 6 | **Dance Series**
Featuring New Voices in Dance. 8pm. Warch Campus Center, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 7 | **UW-Green Bay Jazz & Vocal Jazz Ensembles**
7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.
- 7 | **Chamber Players**
Featuring the faculty string ensemble. 8pm. Harper Hall, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 7 | **Lawrence University Jazz Forum**
4:30pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 7 | **America's Music**
Film about the American Musical. 6:30pm. Warch Campus Center, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 7 | **Voice Area Recital**
11:10am. Warch Campus Center, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 8 | **Lunch at Lawrence**
Speaker: Douglas Martin, assistant professor of physics. In this audience-friendly address, Professor Martin will discuss what the Higgs Boson "is," why we need it to have mass & how its discovery is both the end & the beginning of a story in fundamental physics. 11:30am. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 8 | **Laughter is the Best Medicine**
Join the Appleton Medical Center Foundation & the Community Hospice Foundation in welcoming Chicago's The Second City comedy troupe for their Laughing Matters Tour. 8pm. Fox Cities PAC, Appleton. 738-6503.
- 8 | **Lawrence University Wind Ensemble**
8pm. Memorial Chapel, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 8 | **Empire Brass**
World-class trumpeter Rolf Smedvig leads America's No. 1 ambassadors of classical & crossover brass. 7:30pm. Ralph Holter Auditorium, Green Bay. 338-1801.
- 9 | **Overture!**
Music Director Donato Cabrera presents a concert of orchestral masterpieces, including the debut of composer Mark Grey's "Leviathan" Overture! 7:30pm. Weider Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 435-3465.
- 9, 23, 30 | **Sculpting Flight w/ Naomi Moes Jenkins**
Each student will create a paper mache bird. 3pm. the ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 9, 14, 21, 30 | **Vintage Jewelry Redesign w/ Deborah Meyer**
Learn how to use vintage jewelry, beads, wire, buttons & feathers to make jewelry. 9, 10am-12pm; 14, 5-7pm; 21, 5-7pm; 30, 9-11am. the ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 9 | **Coffeehouse Concert**
Freedy Johnston, songwriter. 7pm. Door Community Auditorium, Fish Creek. 868-2728.
- 9 | **Kelli O'Hara, Soprano**
Part of the four-concert Lawrence Artist Series. 8pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6749.
- 9-10 | **Arti Gras**
Fine art fair, demonstrations, music, creative art activities for children, a sculpture garden & cultural exhibits. 10am. Shopko Hall, Green Bay. 435-5220.
- 10 | **Music String Project/Young Band Project Concert**
8pm. Memorial Chapel, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 10 | **Concert Series**
Audra McDonald, five-time Tony-award winner. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 10 | **Music @ the Library**
Rob Ransom performs classic rock, country & gospel. 2pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 12 | **Justin Hines**
Canadian singer/songwriter. 7:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 14 | **Monty Python's Spamalot**
7:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 15-16 | **Peter and the Wolf**
Performed by Northeastern Wisconsin Dance Organization. F, 7pm; Sa, 1pm. University Theatre, Green Bay. 433-9510.
- 15-17 | **The Little Mermaid**
F & Sa, 7pm; Su, 2pm. Walter Theatre @ St. Norbert College, De Pere. 403-3010.
- 16 | **Fox Valley Concert Band**
Community band featuring current UWFox students, alumni & members of the community. 4pm. UWFox Communication Arts Center, Menasha. 832-2625.
- 16 | **3rd Saturday Performance**
Tarl Knight, vocals, guitar & piano. 7pm. ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-6800.
- 17 | **Sunday Concert Series: Harmonious Wail**
Jazz, swing, gypsy music & melodic vocals. 2pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 17 | **Appleton Boychoir's Irish America! Spring Concert**
Special guests Trinity Irish Dancers. 4pm. Appleton West H.S. Community Auditorium. 955-2224.
- 17 | **FVL Sacred Choral Concert**
6:30pm. Fox Valley Lutheran High School. 739-4441.
- 17 | **Fox Valley Symphony "Magical Music" Concert**
Special matinee performance. 2pm. Fox Cities PAC, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 19, 21 | **Yubal Ron Trio**
Middle Eastern music. 6:30pm. John Michael Kohler Art Center, Sheboygan. 458-6144.
- 20 | **ScrapArtsMusic**
An eco-friendly musical empire made vibrant w/ creative energy. 7:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 21 | **Worm Your Way to Castings!**
Learn how you can build a very efficient worm farm that will keep on giving! 6-7:30pm. Gardens of the Fox Cities, Appleton. 993-1900.
- 21 | **Neenah 101: Behind the Names**
William Brehm will discuss the interconnections & genealogies of many of the area's past residents. 7pm. Neenah Public Library. 729-0244.
- 21 | **Jazz at the Trout: Bill Carrothers & Matt Turner, Piano & Cello Duo**
7:30pm. The Trout Museum of Art, Appleton. 733-4089.
- 21 | **Elvis Lives!**
A multi-media & live musical journey across Elvis' life, featuring finalists from Elvis Presley Enterprises' worldwide Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist Contest & a tribute to Ann-Margret. 7:30pm. Weider Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 800-895-0071.
- 21-24 | **Northeast Wisconsin Passion Play**
This dramatic presentation tells the story of Jesus' life through song, dance & dramatic scenes. 1pm. Xavier Fine Arts Theatre, Appleton. 733-8840.
- 22-23 | **Freddie Cole Quartet**
8pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 23 | **Symphonic Band & Wind Ensemble**
7pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 23 | **Academy String Orchestra & Lawrence Adult Music Program Orchestra**
3pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 24 | **Dudley Birder Chorale**
John Rutter's "Gloria," accompanied by a nine-piece symphonic brass ensemble & Jeffrey Verkuilen at the Abbey organ. 3-8:30pm. St. Norbert College Abbey Church, Green Bay. 403-3864.
- 24 | **Music @ the Library**
2pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 24 | **Lawrence Academy of Music Girl Choir**
2 & 7pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 24 & 25 | **Terribly Happy (Denmark, 2008)**
Presented by NEW World Cinema. Su, 2pm & M, 7pm. UWFox Valley, Menasha. 734-0013.

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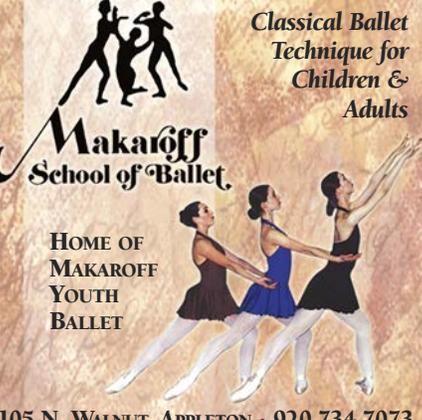
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- 25 | **USS Lagarto Remembrance Day Ceremony**
Visit w/ submariners & shipyard workers who served on or built the Manitowoc submarines. 1–4pm. Wisconsin Maritime Museum, Appleton. 684-0218.
- 27 | **World Music Series**
8pm. Warch Campus Center, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 27 | **Celtic Crossroads**
Traditional Irish music, bluegrass & jazz. 7:30pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 800-895-0071.
- 29 | **Lawrence University Art Gallery Exhibition**
Opening reception for the 3 exhibitions in the Wriston Art Galleries. 6pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

April 2013

- 1 | **Soldiers of Poverty**
Join Mary Schueller as she discusses the Civilian Conversation Corps in Wisconsin. 2pm. Neenah Public Library. 866-6315.
- 3 | **World Music Series**
8pm. Harper Hall, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 5 | **Swing-O-Matics**
These guys channel the swingin' spirit of the '40s & '50s. 6:30pm. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan. 458-6144.
- 5 | **First Friday Concert Series: History of the Saxophone**
Join us as the Lux Saxophone Quartet presents "History of the Saxophone." 2pm. Neenah Public Library. 886-6315.
- 5 | **The Minetti Quartett**
Joined by distinguished guest pianist Andreas Klein. 7:30pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 800-895-0071.
- 5 | **Pianist Menahem Pressler & 4 Winds**
7:30pm. Ralph Holter Auditorium, Green Bay. 338-1801.
- 5, 19 | **Friday Fright Night Movie**
Tiles TBD. Free & open to the public (all ages). Free raffle w/ gift certificates to the Exclusive Co. & House of Heroes). Doors open @ 7:30pm, movie @ 8pm. Time Community Theater, Oshkosh. Timecommunitytheater.com
- 6 | **Spring Concert: 35th Anniversary Celebration**
The White Heron Chorale will perform w/ previous conductors & alumni. 7:30pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-9700.
- 7 | **Gardening for Hummingbirds**
Learn how to create a sanctuary for hummingbirds through the use of plants, wildflowers, shrubs, trees & feeders. 1:30–3pm. Gardens of the Fox Cities, Appleton. 993-1900.
- 9–14, 16–21, 23–28, 30 | **Disney's The Lion King**
Tu–F, 7:30pm; Sa, 2pm & 7:30pm; Su, 1pm & 6:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.
- 12 | **John Tesh: Big Band Live!**
7:30pm. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 800-895-0071.
- 12 | **Lunch at Lawrence**
The Science of Strategy: "From Auctions to Kidney Exchanges" Adam Galambos, associate professor of economics. Game theory has grown from an obscure field in mathematics into a science that is central to economics. 11:30am. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 12 | **Jupiter String Quartet**
8pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6749.
- 13 | **GBSO Presents Beethoven's Eroica**
7:30pm. Weider Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay. 435-3465.
- 13 | **Art Activity Day**
Make a fused glass portrait of a cat or dog & other fun pet-inspired activities. 10am–1pm. Bergstrom-Mahler Museum, Neenah. 751-4658.
- 14 | **Music @ the Library**
Featuring the D & A Band performing rock 'n roll from the 1960s & 1970s. 2pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.
- 14 | **East Meets West**
Featuring piano soloist Yoo Jeong Lee. 3pm. Meyer Theatre, Green Bay. 432-4676.
- 14–15 | **Do Dooni Chaar (India, 2010)**
Presented by NEW World Cinema. Su, 2pm & M, 7pm. UWFox Valley, Menasha. 734-0013.
- 18 | **Jazz at the Trout: Christine Salerno & ZIJJ**
Vocal jazz director at UW-Green Bay since 1992. 7:30pm. The Trout Museum of Art, Appleton. 733-4089.
- 18 | **Gallery Night**
Take a free trolley ride to 11 galleries in the Olde Main Street district. 5–8pm. Green Bay. 437-5872.
- 18–20 | **Dream Role Musical Review**
Songs from Broadway's biggest hits. Th & F, 7–10pm; Sa, 2–5pm & 7–10pm. UWFox Theatre, Menasha. 832-2646.

The Fine Art of Teaching

Torches, several distinctive kilns, walls of glass tubes varying in color and purpose, endless strands of chained silver, rough etchings of vibrant ideas and a plethora of beads composed in intriguing shapes and textures. This isn't an elaborate art studio. This is the basement of local artist and teacher Beth Wenger Johnstone.

Johnstone, an Appleton resident, designs lamp work style glass pieces and jewelry and has been perfecting her craft for nearly two decades.

"I'm kind of lucky to have this space...well, not kind of lucky I'm really lucky," Johnstone says. "This was just an old store room and I've had this area setup for this since the mid '90s."

Growing up in a creative family, graduating with a BFA in graphic design from the University of Illinois and later co-owning an Appleton-based graphic design firm, Johnstone has spent her life surrounded by art and design. It wasn't until she took a glass blowing class that she eventually immersed herself completely in her craft.

"I used to go to a Unitarian church and they'd have a service auction every year and one of the guys was a scientific glass blower," Johnstone says. "He auctioned off a day of marble making, but we ended up making beads instead. About five years after that I finally got into it."

Johnstone's work can be found in places like Avenue Art on College Avenue in Appleton, St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Appleton, Fine Line Designs Gallery in Door County and the Bergstrom-Mahler Museum in Neenah where she also teaches introductory and intermediate classes.

"I teach flame working at Bergstrom-Mahler, but I also teach at the Renaissance School for the Arts where I do wire work and advertising," Johnstone says. "I love teaching the classes. It's fun to share what you know."

Johnstone can also be found sharing her work at a number of different art shows including shows at the John Michael Kohler Art Center in Sheboygan and the Harley-Davidson museum in Milwaukee. There's a real science to the jewelry and beads that Johnstone designs, but there are times when a piece comes together that is more for her own enjoyment than anything else.

"Sometimes art is making something no one will wear, it's just for fun," Johnstone says holding up a necklace adorned with an innumerable amount of beads. "I mean, who could wear that? You'd have a headache in 15 minutes."

Over the spring Johnstone plans to continue her teaching and work on more elaborate pieces that she has already begun to plan out.

"I'm not a good 'sit and do nothing' kind of person," Johnstone says. "It fulfills that need for me. I love it when I come up with something new that I really like. Sometimes it's somebody else who really likes it too, but sometimes it's just okay for me to like it."

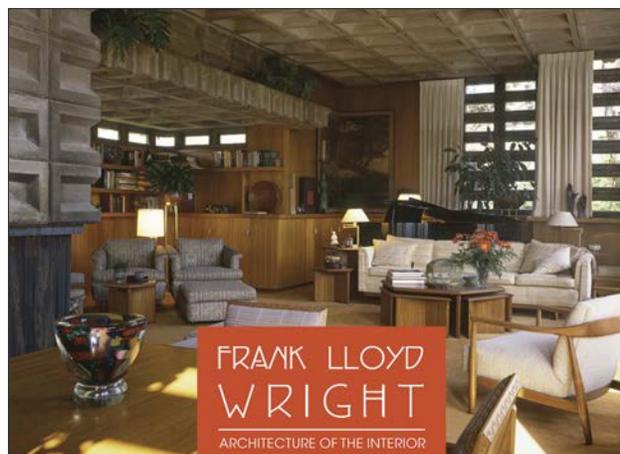
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Local author Jess Riley presents at Fox Cities Book Festival

What started out as a casual, if not strange, conversation with a coworker about cellular memory turned into Oshkosh author Jess Riley's first novel, "Driving Sideways."

The story follows 28-year-old Leigh Fielding as she road trips from Wisconsin to California on a mission to thank the family of her kidney donor (whom she believes to be channeling) and confront her estranged mother while she's at it.

Now in its fourth printing, "Driving Sideways" has garnered acclaim from readers and critics alike since being published in May 2008. Despite her success in traditional publishing, Riley is exploring electronic publishing and released her second novel, "All the Lonely People," on Amazon last November.

"Now it's like a crazy, new, Wild West frontier with indie publishing. I wanted to try this experiment and see what happens," Riley says.



In "All the Lonely People," Jamie Collins is a 37-year-old woman dealing with the aftermath of losing her mother to cancer. After a Thanksgiving Day argument with her siblings, Jamie "divorces" her family and posts a Craigslist ad looking for a new one.

Strained familial relationships are a reoccurring theme in Riley's work and one to which many readers can relate.

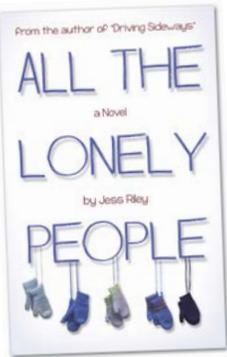
"Even in the best of families there are challenges that can cause rifts.

We all are seeking that connection, that familial unconditional love and support," Riley says. "I think a lot of people are searching for that, so I try to hit that nerve."

Riley will be presenting at the 2013 Fox Cities Book Festival, April 17-24. Other visiting authors include Lawrence University professor David McGlynn, Milwaukee-based gardening writer Melinda Myers and New Auburn humorist Michael Perry. In addition to standard programming, this year's festival will highlight books about some of Wisconsin's favorite activities and, since the festival encompasses Earth Day, there will be sessions on books about the environment, sustainability and nature.

Visit foxcitiesbookfestival.org for more information or foxcitiesmagazine.com to read an extended interview with Riley.

—By Amelia Compton Wolff



19-20 | **UW-Green Bay Opera & Music Theatre Workshop**
7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.

19 | **LSO & Lawrence Choirs**
8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

20 | **Lawrence University Wind Ensemble & Symphonic Band**
8pm. Memorial Chapel, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

20-21 | **Cabaret 2013**
Sa, 6:30-pm; Su, 3pm. Stansbury Theatre, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

23 | **Whirl Around: Spinning w/ Other Fibers**
Katrina Blasingame teaches this second-level drop-spindle class. 9am. the ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-4800.

23, 25 | **Dance Exchange**
Behind all the things we use & consume there are tales to tell, tales that are often hidden or go untold. 6:30pm. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan. 458-6144.

24 | **UW-Green Bay Wind Ensemble, Chorale & High School Honors Band**
7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.

26 | **Berlin Philharmonic Wind Quintet**
8pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6749.

26-27 | **Love's Labor's Lost**
University students perform one of William Shakespeare's first comedies. 7:30pm. UW-Green Bay Theatre. 465-2400.

27 | **Fun Run/Walk & Earth Day Open House**
Run or walk through the fields, forest & wetlands of the Navarino Wildlife Area. 9am. Navarino Nature Center, Shiocton. 715-758-6999.

28 | **Music @ the Library**
Jerry Duginski, blues & 1960s popular tunes on acoustic guitar. 2pm. Appleton Public Library. 832-6173.

28 | **Lawrence Academy of Music Piano Festival Recital**
1pm. Harper Hall. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

May 2013

1 | **UW-Green Bay Concert Choir & Symphonic Band**
7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.

1-5 | **Disney's The Lion King**
W & F, 7:30pm; Th, 2pm; Sa, 2pm & 7:30pm; Su, 1pm & 6:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.

2-4 | **Love's Labor's Lost**
University students perform one of William Shakespeare's first comedies. 7:30pm. UW-Green Bay Theatre. 465-2400.

3 | **UW-Green Bay Chorale**
7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.

3 | **Nabori, Salsa**
Ten-piece band featuring percussion, vocals & an amazing horn section. 6:30pm. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan. 458-6144.

3, 17, 31 | **Friday Fright Night Movie**
Free & open to the public (all ages). Free raffle w/ gift certificates to the Exclusive Co. & House of Heroes). Doors open @ 7:30pm, movie @ 8pm. Time Community Theater, Oshkosh. Timecommunitytheater.com

4 | **Lakeshore Wind Ensemble Concert: An American Salute**
A tribute to the Armed Forces, past & present. 7:30pm. Capitol Civic Centre, Manitowoc. 683-4733.

4 | **Cabaret on Broadway**
Solo performers, duets & small groups of White Heron Chorale singers perform Broadway songs. 7:30pm. Outer Edge Stage, Appleton. 832-9700.

4-5 | **Lawrence Academy of Music Student Recitals**
Sa, 12:30-5pm; Su, 12:30-5pm. Harper & Shattuck Halls. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

8 | **UW-Green Bay Jazz & Vocal Jazz Ensembles**
7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.

9, 20 | **Jazz Small Groups Forum**
Th, 4:30pm; M, 8pm. Harper Hall, Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

9-11 | **Spring Term Play: The Plough & the Stars**
Sean O'Casey's play takes a serious & heartfelt look at the political & social changes thrust upon the Irish working classes. 8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

10 | **Lunch at Lawrence**
The Wisconsin Project: "Examining Wisconsin Through Postcard Views Made & Found" Julie Lindemann & John Shimon, Associate Professors of Art. 11:30am. Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

10 | **Gretchen Parlato**
8pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel, Appleton. 832-6749.

10 | **Fox Valley Concert Band**
Featuring UWFox students, alumni & members of the community. 4pm. UWFox Communication Arts Center, Menasha. 832-2625.

10 | **UW-Green Bay Hand Drumming & New Music Ensembles**
7:30pm. UW-Green Bay. 465-2400.

10-11 | **America Sings**
7:30pm. St. Norbert College Walter Theatre, Green Bay. 403-3864.

11 | **Fox Valley Symphony Inspirations Concert**
7:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton. 730-3760.

11 | **Lawrence Academy of Music Piano Recitals**
12:30-5pm. Harper Hall & Shattuck Hall @ Lawrence University, Appleton. 832-6612.

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- 11 | **Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra**
Edo de Waart, music director.
7:30pm. Ralph Holter Auditorium,
Green Bay. 338-1801.
- 12 | **American Guild of Organists**
7:30pm. Lawrence University,
Appleton. 832-6612.
- 12 | **Lawrence Academy of Music's
Academy Chamber Ensembles**
3pm. Lawrence University Harper
Hall, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 14 | **FVL Jazz & Choraliens Concert**
6:30pm. Fox Valley Lutheran High
School. 739-4441.
- 16 | **Taste Bud**
An outdoor culinary experience &
rare plant auction. 5-8pm, Green
Bay Botanical Garden. 490-9457.
- 16 | **Jazz at the Trout: Janet Planet
& Tom Theabo**
7:30pm. The Trout Museum of Art,
Appleton. 733-4089.
- 17 | **The Magical Music of Disney**
Fox Valley Symphony Orchestra
performance. 2pm. Fox Cities
Performing Arts Center, Appleton.
968-0300.
- 18 | **Festival of Spring**
The Paine's annual Spring Plant Sale
& more than 200 vendors of original
art, fine crafts, plants & garden
supplies. 9am-4pm. Paine Art Center
& Gardens, Oshkosh. 235-6903.
- 18 | **Lawrence Wind Ensemble**
8pm. Memorial Chapel, Lawrence
University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 18-19 | **37th Annual Midwestern
Model Ships & Boats Contest**
Modelers from throughout the
nation. 9am-2pm. Wisconsin Maritime
Museum, Manitowoc. 684-0218.
- 19 | **Gamelan**
2:33pm. Lucinda Coleman Hall,
Lawrence University, Appleton.
832-6612.
- 19 | **Percussion Ensemble (LUPE)**
3pm. Memorial Chapel, Lawrence
University, Appleton. 832-6612.
- 19 | **Balinese Music & Dance
Performance**
Lawrence University's Gamelan
Cahaya Asri & the Lawrence
Academy of Music's Community
Gamelan. 5pm. Lawrence University,
Appleton. 832-7165.
- 19-20 | **Red Cliff (China, 2008)**
Historical costume drama presented
by NEW World Cinema. Su, 2pm &
M, 7pm. UWFox Valley, Menasha.
734-0013.

- 22 | **Lawrence Jazz Band**
3pm. Lawrence University, Appleton.
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- 23-25 | **Rockin' the 1960s**
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Sa, 2 & 7pm. UW Fox Theatre,
Menasha. 832-2646.
- 25 | **Lawrence Symphony Orchestra**
8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton.
832-6612.
- 26 | **String Chamber Music Recital**
6:30pm. Lawrence University,
Appleton. 832-6612.
- 26 | **Lawrence Symphonic Band**
3:30pm. Lawrence University,
Appleton. 832-6612.
- 27 | **Memorial Day @ Heritage Hill**
Music, speeches, poems & ceremonies
to honor those who have & still are
serving our country. 10am-4:30pm.
Heritage Hill State Historical Park,
Green Bay. 448-5150.
- 30 | **Hybrid Ensemble Concert**
8pm. Lawrence University, Appleton.
832-6612.
- 31 | **Lawrence Jazz Ensemble**
8pm. Lawrence Memorial Chapel,
Appleton. 832-6612.

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Oshkosh. 424-0147**
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- Graphic Design Senior Exhibition**
Apr 30-May 5.
- Senior Fine Arts Exhibition**
May 8-12.
- Annex Gallery, UW-Oshkosh.
424-0147**
Mollie Oblinger
thru Feb 25. Using wholly artificial
and man-made materials, the artist
forms a kind of composite
environment.
- Yumi Janairo Roth**
Apr 5-24. Explores ideas of
immigration, hybridity, &
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projects as well as collaborations.
- Plywood Show**
Apr 24-29. Functional Design
students display their work.
- Appleton Public Library. 832-6173**
The Lincoln Project
Jan 2-Feb 28. Paintings by Daniel
W. Green.
- Bernard Green**
Mar 1-Apr 30. Photographs from
around the world.
- Lenny Nagler**
May 1-Jun 28. Paintings.
- ARTgarage, Green Bay. 448-680**
Light and Love
Feb 2-27. Photos by Shaunae Teske.
- The Aylward Gallery, UWFox,
Menasha. 832-2626**
**UWFox Fall Student Art Show
thru Jan 18.** Selected works.
- Paintings**
Feb 11-Mar 8. Works by Thom
Uebelherr.
- Ceramics & Watercolor Painting**
Apr 1-May 3. Works by Eric King &
Lynn Artz.
- UWFox Spring Student Art Show**
May 17-Jun 14. Selected works.
- Baer Gallery at Bush Art Center,
St. Norbert College, De Pere.
403-3370**
**2012 Annual Juried Student
Exhibition**
Jan 21-Feb 21.
- Yard: The Art of Craig Blietz**
Mar 1-29.
- Senior Art Exhibition**
Apr 8-May 3.
- Bergstrom-Mahler Museum,
Neenah. 751-4658**
**The Legacy of Littleton: Harvey
Littleton & His Students**
thru Feb 24. Features early students
of Harvey Littleton who have carried
on his legacy by further developing &
sharing glass as a studio art.
- Fox Valley Area High School
Glass Exhibition**
Mar 2-30. Celebrate Youth Art
Month with art look at work from the
area's top high school artists.
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Ageless Artists of Evergreen

Mar-May. Pieces by participants in Evergreen's own Ageless Art Program.

Frank Juarez Gallery, Sheboygan. 559-7181

Vast Colors

Jan 3-Feb 9. Beki Borman explores colors of the natural world through landscapes.

Views & Visions: Alternate Realities

Jan 3-Feb 9. Dale Van Minsel's photographs.

In the Margins

Feb 14-Mar 23. Works by Lisa Ulik that explore the liminality of mainstream cultural definitions. Collagraphs, photographs, video & sculptural installation.

Quiet Contemplation

Feb 14-Mar 23. Gary Zimmerman composes photographs using shape, color, lines, nature & abstraction.

So, how's the, uh, view from over there?

Mar 28-May 4. Photographs by Annushka Peck emerged from her experiences & an awareness of difference tied to residence, location, race & economic position.

Across the Divide

Mar 28-May 4. A new series of work by Brad Fleming exploring the journey of reconnection w/ family, the open road, & the beauty of the American West.

Gail Floether Steinhilber Art Gallery, UW Oshkosh, 424-2281

20th Century Artwork Collection

ongoing. Original works by George Segal, Ernst Trova, Victor Vasarely, Robert Indiana, LeRoy Neiman & Denny Dent.

Hearthstone Historic House Museum, Appleton. 730-8204

Hands-on Hydro Adventure Center

ongoing. Try using one of Edison's light switches, or try to generate enough electricity to make our electric trolley model work.

History Museum at the Castle, Appleton. 735-9370

A.K.A. Houdini

ongoing. The life & times of the legendary Harry Houdini.

In Her Own Words: Edna Ferber

ongoing. Original documents, first-editions, & photographs illuminate the life of Appleton's world-renowned author.

Tools of Change

ongoing. The tools, people, work, & life in the Fox River Valley from 1840-1950.

Leonardo da Vinci: Machines in Motion

thru Feb 3. 40 full-scale machines built by a group of scientists & skilled craftsmen in Florence, Italy, using the same materials that were employed during da Vinci's lifetime.

Food: Who We Are & What We Eat

May.

John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan. 458-6144

The Kids are all Right

thru Jan 20. This exhibition is the first to examine the intersection of changes in the definition of family and the practice of photography.

Levi Fisher Ames: Animals, Wild, Tame

thru Jan 27. A selection of the self-taught artist's works from the John Michael Kohler Arts Center's collection.

WISCONSIN CONFIDENTIAL: An

Exhibition without Borders

thru Feb 3. Explore the paths less taken and hidden corners of Wisconsin through artist-made and mass-produced postcards.

Dr. Charles Smith: The Ties That Bind

thru Feb 17. Major sculptures from the art environment created by Dr. Charles Smith in the yard of his Aurora, IL, home.

Ernest Hüpeden: Beyond the Forest

thru Mar 24. Hüpeden's documenting of rural American life, in paintings created during his wanderings, reflects the nostalgia, patriotism, aspirations & values of his patrons as well as the larger values of a state & nation on the rise.

Youth Art Month

Feb 17-Apr 14. 27th Annual Sheboygan County Student Art Exhibition

Chris Hipkiss & Robyn O'Neil
thru Apr 29. Work that recalls the layered narratives & complex landscapes of Northern Renaissance painters Hieronymus Bosch & Pieter Brueghel the Elder.

Manitowoc County Heritage Center. 684-4445

Flag of Company A, Fifth Wisconsin Regiment

ongoing. The journey of 104 flags worn by the Manitowoc Guards during the Civil War.

George Schuette Collection

ongoing. Schuette's collection displays over 1,000 Native American artifacts.

Mirro Aluminum Company

ongoing. A collection of goods produced by the company over the past 100 years.

Victorian Tea Parlor

ongoing. Sit down w/ one of Manitowoc's first pioneers, Oliver Hubbard, at a traditional late 1800s tea parlor.

What Makes Us Who We Are?

ongoing. Items from Manitowoc's history, including information about the area's first immigrants.

Miller Art Museum, Sturgeon Bay. 746-0707

Show and Tell

Feb 2-Apr 15.

National Railroad Museum, Green Bay. 437-7625

Pullman Porters: From Service to Civil Rights

ongoing. The life story of the porter, from working for the Pullman Company, to efforts to unionize. Housed in a restored 1930s Pullman sleeping car.

Neenah Historical Society. 729-0244.

Native American Display

ongoing. Located in lobby & south hallway of Neenah City Hall.

Neville Public Museum, Green Bay. 448-4460

The Artist as Teacher Part I: The Fine Arts

Jan 26-May 5. Local college and/or university faculty pieces including paintings, drawings, prints, ceramics, sculpture, photography & film.

Portraits of Hmong Women By Kou Vang

thru Feb 3. Photographic portraits of Hmong women in traditional & contemporary dress, along w/ their fascinating stories.

Who are the Hmong?
thru May 5.

MuseumPLACE: A Celebration of Community

thru Jan 2014. Featuring thematically linked, interactive experiences which engage people & groups in fun, participatory games & challenges.

New London Public Museum. 982-8520

Children & the Civil War

thru Jan 31. Honors the 150th anniversary of the Civil War through artifacts & photographs.

History of the Barbie Doll

Feb 18-May 18. A look at an American Icon w/ guest curator & Barbie Doll expert Sharon Korbeck-Verbeten.

Made in New London

thru Apr. Manufacturing in New London, past & present.

Northeast Wisconsin Technical College Art Gallery, Green Bay. 498-5487

Scott Menzel

Feb 4-Mar 29.

Cheri Martell & her NWTC Students
April 1-May 17.

Oneida Nation Museum, Oneida. 869-2768

Oneida Nation Warriors, Honoring our Veterans

ongoing. The contributions to America by Oneida people.

A History of Iroquois Beadwork

ongoing. Iroquois & Oneida beadwork, lace, basketry, & other artwork.

The Traditional Iroquois Longhouse

ongoing. Traditional longhouses displayed the clan symbol above the doorway, indicating that which clan resided w/in.

Wampum Diplomacy

ongoing. Beads made of purple & white seashells & clams.



Julie Shimon and John Lindermann

Wish you Were Here

The Wisconsin Project explores our roots

digital processes and drawing. The purpose of "The Wisconsin Project," they say, was to challenge the preconceived notion of Wisconsin as a lackluster region, devoid of any intricate meaning. By taking their own postcard photographs with an antique camera and collecting vintage postcards from our home state, Shimon and Lindermann look to explore what it truly means to be a Wisconsinite.

"Some in the art world view the Midwest, particularly Wisconsin, as banal 'fly over' subject matter," Shimon says. "Our project challenges that by finding meaning in the ordinary and inviting audiences to examine, dialog, and reflect on the emotional quality of the idiosyncrasies of place as well as the perceptions of those both inside and outside of that place."

Shimon and Lindermann say that a lot can be gathered simply by examining the world around us and dwelling on our indefinite definition of home.

"Looking carefully and attentively into a single small aspect of the world, we believe, can provide more insight into the human condition than searching the world over,"

Shimon says. "This requires training of the mind to dismiss nothing and to suspend all judgement."

The vintage postcards from their collection as well as their own photographs have been on display at the John Michael Kohler Arts Center in Sheboygan in an exhibition entitled "Wisconsin Confidential" that runs through February 3.

"The John Michael Kohler Arts Center invited us to do a residency as part of the Wisconsin Project exhibition. Our residency included an invitation to design a project in collaboration with the Kohler staff to involve the community for their 'Exhibition Without Boundaries' series."

Also included at the "Wisconsin Confidential" exhibit are postcards submitted by other individuals which Shimon and Lindermann say will help to expand on the themes and concepts "The Wisconsin Project" attempts to exude.

"More than 500 submissions were received from around the world," Shimon says. "We wanted input and ideas about Wisconsin from as many people as possible."

—By Andrew Scholz

Oshkosh Public Museum. 236-5799

The Oshcar Awards
thru Apr 28.

Folk Art

thru Spring 2013. From intricate carvings to realistic paintings, this display of homespun American folk art honors the personal expression & talent of 19th & 20th century Wisconsin artists.

Mathias Kitz & Family

thru Spring 2013. The creative genius of the Kitz family, kin to the mastermind behind the Apostles Clock.

Paine Art Center & Gardens, Oshkosh.
235-6903

Rooms of Blooms

Feb 28-Mar 3 & Mar 7-10.

Chihuly Venetians

May 11-Oct 13. From the George R. Stroemple Collection.

Paper Discovery Center, Appleton.
380-7491

Health & Hygiene

ongoing. How paper products help control the spread of germs.

Working: Man, Woman, & Machine:
Deitrich Artwork Close Up

ongoing. The art of former Lawrence University artist-in-residence Thomas Dietrich. Eleven paintings of 1950s papermaking operations in Appleton's former Fox River Paper mill.

Tree to Tissue

ongoing. Learn how a tree is turned into tissue.

Purdy-Weissenborn Paper Lab

ongoing. Shows the beauty that can be created using recycled paper & a variety of papermaking techniques.

A Child's View of Papermaking

ongoing. A two-story paper machine to play on & learn from.

The 19th Century Atlas Mill Mona &
Doug Dugal Exhibit

ongoing. The history & architecture of the Atlas Mill detailed through a photographic timeline.

Peninsula Art School & Gallery, Fish
Creek. 868-3455

11th Annual Guenzel Gallery Salon

Jan 3-19. Open to all artists to display & sell their works.

We LOVE Art: Tell Me a Story

Jan 21-Mar 23. Works by local youth that showcase the figurative & literal connections between art and storytelling.

The Nature of Jewelry: Botanical
Design & Symbols

Apr 19-Jul 13. Inspiration from plant life provides both lyrical & geometric design possibilities for 30 jewelry artists from throughout the United States, Canada & Ireland.

Plymouth Arts Center. 892-8409

Convergence: Popelka & Trenchard

thru Jan 18. A cross-section of artists Jeremy Popelka & Stephanie Trenchard's individual bodies of work.

10 x 10 paint. color. blend-The Garret
Girls

Jan 25-Mar 29. Original paintings by 10 award-winning artists.

Bruce A. Niemi: Contemporary Metal
Sculpture

Apr 5-May 31. Sculptures characterized by an uplifting positive nature, faith in God & the beauty of nature.

Rahr-West Art Museum, Manitowoc.
683-4501

Ladies of the Lake Quilters.

Thru Jan 20. A variety of quilting patterns & designs.

Youth Art Series

Mar 3-May 26. Art from Manitowoc area schools & home school students.

Artspash

May 12-Jul 7. A showcase of local artistic talent in Manitowoc's downtown funded in part by a Wisconsin Arts Board Creative Communities grant.

Richeson School of Art & Gallery,
Kimberly, 560-3777

Art from the Gardens

Apr 9-May 18. Local artist exhibit in partnership w/ The Trout Museum of Art & Designing Women.

Silver Lake College Art Wing,
Manitowoc. 684-6691

Hamilton Wood Type exhibit

Jan 11-Feb 13.

Guest exhibitor, Hannah Irlbeck

Jan 21-Mar 22. Paintings.

Andrew Carstens

Mar 27-May 8. Senior exhibit.

The Trout Museum of Art, Appleton.
733-4089

Members' Biennial Exhibition

Jan 11-Mar 30.

Very Rarely Three

Apr 13-Jul 21. An exploration of works by 3 generation British artists spanning a century of paintings, drawings & watercolors.

Weis Earth Science Museum, Menasha.
832-2925

Dinosaur Den

ongoing. A complete Psittacosaurus, a life-size skull replica of Stan, the Tyrannosaurus rex, & a thigh bone of a duck-bill dinosaur.

Explore Mines & Minerals

ongoing. Walk through a lead-mine tunnel, explore WI's mining history, discover how Native Americans mined copper, learn how we use rocks & minerals!

Wisconsin Maritime Museum,
Riverside Gallery, Manitowoc.
684-0218.

Ghost Ships of the Schooner Coast

ongoing. Photography by Tamara Thomsen.

Wriston Art Center Galleries.
Lawrence University, Appleton.
832-6621

Art & Text

Jan 11- Mar 10. Leech Gallery.

Erin Beaver

Jan 11- Mar 10. Paper collage. Hoffmaster Gallery.

Current Voodoo

Jan 11- Mar 10. Prints from the LSU

Print Workshop. Kohler Gallery.

Caitee Hogle (LU '12)

Mar 29-May 5. From the Permanent Collection. Leech Gallery.

Sonja Thomsen

Mar 29-May 5. Photographic installation.

Hoffmaster Gallery.

Rafael Salas

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Must See Events

Films

America's Music: A Film History of Our Popular Music

Jan 31-Mar 7. Warch Campus Center & the Appleton Public Library.

The Seeley G. Mudd Library at Lawrence University was the only Wisconsin institution selected to host this six-part series of public programs featuring documentary screenings and discussions of 20th century American popular music. The discussions will be led by Lawrence University's Visiting Assistant Professor of Music Erica Scheinberg. Each session will focus on quintessential American musical genres including blues and gospel, Broadway, jazz, bluegrass and country, rock 'n' roll, and mambo and hip hop. lawrence.edu, 832-6967.

Green Bay Film Festival

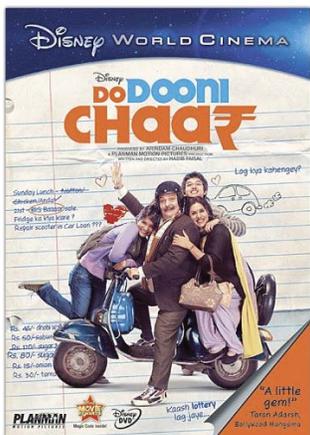
Mar 1-3. Radisson Hotel & Conference Center, Green Bay.

The third annual Green Bay Film Festival will feature films by filmmakers locally and worldwide. This year's festival will include the screening of a restored Disney film with a Disney representative speaking on the film's restoration process. The second annual Future Filmmaker Competition, part of the three day festival, gives Wisconsin high school students a chance to show off their work. gbfilmfestival.org.

Wildwood Film Festival

Mar 16, Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton.

For the twelfth time, Wildwood Film Festival will prove "Wisconsin is more than cheese, beer and the Green Bay Packers," festival founder Jason Buss quips. (For the record, there is absolutely nothing wrong with cheese, beer or the Green Bay Packers.) Four sessions of Wisconsin-made films, from comedy to horror and music videos to animation, will be screened throughout the day. wildwoodfilmfest.com.



Do Dooni Chaar Apr 14 & 15. UWFox Valley, Menasha.

In this Indian film, a middle-class father in Delhi struggles through a series of unexpected events after receiving an innocent wedding invitation. The journey that ensues is one of family bonding and humor. Presented as

part of the N.E.W. World Cinema Series, in affiliation with the Fox Cities Rotary Multicultural Center. www.foxcitiesmulticultural.org, 734-0013.

The Revolutionary Optimists

May 14 & 15. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan.

In its Community Cinema initiative, JMKAC will screen this documentary which follows child rights activist Amlan Ganguly and three of the children he works with in the slums of Kolkata as they learn to become leaders in their own community health movement. Be ready to get inspired. jmkac.org, 458-6144.

—By Amelia Compton Wolff



Dale Van Minsel The Tree, Photograph: Inkjet, 2012.

Exhibits

The Oshcar Awards

Jan 1-Apr 28. Oshkosh Public Museum.

The first-ever Oshcar Awards will be a red carpet open to all those who appreciate amazing artifacts. The Oshkosh Public Museum will be honoring the best-of-the-best with its clever and engaging displays that pull in spectators with individual memoirs and interviews with the creators. oshkoshmuseum.org, 236-5799.



Who Are the Hmong?

Jan 1-May 5. Neville Public Museum, Green Bay.

The Neville Public Museum hosts this informative exhibit that hopes to answer the question "Who are the Hmong?" with displays, lectures and performances as a way to educate the community about a culture that has survived for thousands of years despite wars and migrations. nevillepublicmuseum.org, 448-4460.

The Lincoln Project

Jan 2-Feb 28. The Appleton Public Library.

Travel back in time with a look at the many faces of our monumental sixteenth president. This exhibit will feature paintings and masks by local artist Daniel Green and include supplemental programs that will take an in depth look at other works published about this historical icon. apl.org, 832-6173.

Views and Visions: Alternate Realities

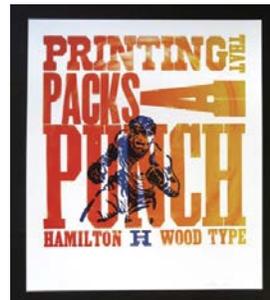
Jan 3-Feb 9. Frank Juarez Gallery, Sheboygan.

Being able to turn something familiar into something extraordinary is what artist Dale Van Minsel accomplishes using only an iPhone and various applications. Using multiple apps and imaging software allows Van Minsel to push the limits of "iPhoneography" and lets the viewer see the ordinary in a new light. frankjuarezgallery.com, 559-7181.

Hamilton Wood Type

Jan 11-Feb 13. Silver Lake College of the Holy Family, Manitowoc

Explore the centuries-old art of printmaking at Silver Lake College. The Hamilton Wood Type & Printing Museum will have some of its most celebrated prints on display, featuring an educational look at our modern printing origins. Handmade books made by Hamilton's Assistant Director Stephanie Carpenter will also be on display. sl.edu, 686-6175.



Members' Biennial Exhibition

Jan 11-March 30, The Trout Museum of Art, Appleton

The members of the Trout Museum put their favorite pieces on display for

this biannual celebration of art. Works will come from a wide variety of mediums including painting, sculpture, fabric quilting, drawing, photography and so many more. It's sure to have something for everyone. troutmuseum.org, 733-4089.

Show and Tell

Feb 2-Apr 15. Miller Art Museum, Sturgeon Bay.

Roughly a dozen art collectors from the Door County area have been invited to contribute to this "show and tell" style exhibit of their favorite works. No one, not even museum staff, knows exactly what will be on display, but that's the fun of it, says director Bonnie Hartmann. Visitors can expect to see a wide variety of works including 2D and 3D media from contemporary to traditional styles and possibly even pieces from around the world. millerartmuseum.org, 746-0707.

A Collector's Passion for Durer's Secrets: the MAGJEKL Collection

Feb 4-Mar 27. Allen Priebe Art Gallery, UW-Oshkosh.

Albrecht Durer, a skilled painter, draftsman, and writer, is one of Germany's most accomplished artists of the Renaissance period. His achievements revolutionized printmaking, and his expressive imagery captivates audiences. uwosh.edu/apgallery, 424-1234.



Rooms of Blooms

Feb 28-Mar 3 & Mar 7-10. Paine Art Center & Gardens, Oshkosh.

The weather outside may be frightful, but inside the Paine Art Center it will be filled with the beautiful colors and smells of spring as impressive displays of flowers fill the rooms of this historic museum. Everything from floral arrangements to table settings to entire rooms will surely to melt away winter blues. thepaine.org, 235-6903.

Food: Who We Are and What We Eat

May 2013. The History Museum at the Castle, Appleton.

Ever wonder where frozen custard came from? Or who thought up the recipe for an old fashioned? This delectable exhibit will give us the answers to how many of our curious local food traditions originated and helped define us as a community. myhistorymuseum.org, 735-9370.

—By Sonia Zimmerman



The Dumb Waiter

Jan 25, 8pm & Jan 26, 3pm. Lawrence University, Appleton.

This one-act play follows the current predicament of two hit men killing time in a basement while awaiting food, water, and orders to be sent down the dumb waiter from the man upstairs. Follow these deviant characters through their comical interaction while contemplating the plays deeper meaning. lawrence.edu, 832-7000.

Philandanco

Feb 19, 6:30pm & Feb 21, 7:30pm. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan.

This powerful and innovative dance, performed by first-rate dancers and directed by world-renowned choreographers, originated in Philadelphia. With its artistry and originality, Philandanco has succeeded in captivating audiences around the world. jmkac.org, 458-6144.



SPANK!

Feb 27-Mar 2, 7:30pm. Meyer Theater, Green Bay.

The blush-inducing book series "50 Shades of Grey" can be found on the night stands of housewives everywhere after spending 10 weeks on top of the New York Times bestseller list, setting the record as the top selling paperback of all-time. SPANK! is the fun-filled parody to this prominent book, perfect for those who enjoy a bit of naughty humor. meyertheatre.org, 433-3343.

Disney's The Lion King

Apr 9-May 5, Tu-F, 7pm; Sa, 2pm & 7:30pm; Su, 1pm & 6:30pm. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton.

The stage comes alive with breathtaking costumes, sets and music that tells the story of the African Pridelands in a production that is sure to impress. The Tony Award-winning Broadway show returns to the Fox Cities pulsating with energy, ready to ignite the entire audience. foxcitiespac.com, 730-3760.



Dream Role

Apr 18-20, 7pm & Apr 20, 2pm. UWFox Theatre, Menasha.



This performance is back by popular demand and exclusively created for UWFox. The area's many talented performers will execute 90 minutes of their favorite Broadway hits with exuberant precision. This spirited performance is sure to put a smile on your face. uwfox.uwc.edu, 832-2889.

The Madwoman of Chailot

Apr 24-27, 7:30pm & Apr 28, 2pm. Fredric March Theatre, UW-Oshkosh.

In this comedic performance, Countess Aurelia takes on predatory capitalism as she seeks to stop a large corporation from destroying Paris in a plot to relieve the city of its large oil deposit. This production explores more than just a plot to stop oil tycoons, but warns of the devastating effects of greed and questions the notion of "sanity." uwosh.edu, 424-4417.



SUDS

May 23-25, 7pm & May 25, 2pm. UWFox Theatre, Menasha.

UWFox is partnering with Riverside Theatre in the Park to bring the Fox Valley this lively performance full of rocking classics from the 1960s. This musically decorated soap opera will have you singing along with over 50 songs from the melting pot that is the music of the '60s. uwfox.uwc.edu, 832-2889.

—By Sonia Zimmerman

Concerts

Tom Washatka

7:30pm, Jan 17. Trout Museum of Art, Appleton.

Multi-instrumentalist, composer and educator Tom Washatka totes an expansive jazz and classical background. troutmuseum.org, 733-4089.

The Barley Jacks

7:30pm, Jan 25. Grand Opera House, Oshkosh.

The Minnesota-based quartet blends blues, R&B, Celtic and bebop styles, creating a contemporary twist on familiar genres. grandoperahouse.org, 424-2350.

J.T. and The Clouds

7pm, Feb 2. Door Community Auditorium, Fish Creek.

This edgy Chicago-based band combines the sounds of Velvet Underground and Curtis Mayfield. dcauditorium.org, 868-2728.



Spirited Songs: A Celebration of Choral Music with White Heron Chorale, Appleton Boychoir and Lawrence Academy Girl Choir

7pm, February 9. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton.

This first-time collaboration between the three groups provides a rare opportunity to hear voices of all ages simultaneously. foxcitiespac.com, 730-3760.

Eli Kalman & Parry Karp

7:30pm, Feb 26. UW-Oshkosh Music Hall.

Kalman and Karp, two internationally established music performers and educators, join together for a piano and cello duo recital. uwosh.edu, 424-4224.



Overture!

7:30pm, Mar 9. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay.

The Green Bay Symphony Orchestra, led by conductor Donato Cabrera, will debut noted composer Mark Grey's "Leviathan" overture — a brief, yet epic, orchestral journey into the center of The Alps where local folklore speaks of leviathan-like creatures roaming the land. greenbaysymphony.org, 435-3465.

Dan Hicks and the Hot Licks

7:30pm, Mar 16. Thrasher Opera House, Green Lake.

Hicks has stood the test of time, playing folk, jazz, pop and Spanish music with a light-hearted air for decades. He returns with his breakthrough band. thrasheroperahouse.com, 294-4279.

Fox Valley Symphony Orchestra plays "The Magical Music of Disney"

2pm, Mar 17. Fox Cities Performing Arts Center, Appleton.

This special matinee performance features video clips and stills to accompany the orchestra's renditions of Disney's best musical selections. foxcitiespac.com, 730-3760.

The Minetti Quartet

7:30pm, Apr 5. Weidner Center for the Performing Arts, Green Bay.

Since their formation in 2003, the string quartet has been a powerful force that brings a "youthful

freshness" to their interpretations. They will share the stage with equally renowned pianist Andreas Klein. weidnercenter.com, 465-2726.

Berlin Philharmonic Wind Quintet

8pm, Apr 26. Lawrence University Memorial Chapel, Appleton.

Spending upwards of two decades performing together, the quintet has recently turned their focus to teaching. They will combine the two with their visit to the University. lawrence.edu, 832-7000.



Nabori

6:30pm, May 3. John Michael Kohler Arts Center, Sheboygan.

Bring your dancing shoes! The Midwest-based, 10-piece salsa band performs their original tunes. jmkac.org, 458-6144.



Zachary Scot Johnson

2pm, May 11. Menasha Public Library.

A former music student of Lawrence University, Johnson has been developing his songwriting skills for over a decade. menashalibrary.org, 967-3660.

—By Cameron Camus

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▶ Death by Chocolate

On February 14, **Downtown Appleton** becomes a dessert-lovers paradise as local restaurants feature their tastiest chocolate treats from 4:30–8:30pm. Vote for your favorite and be eligible for fabulous prizes! Tickets to Death by Chocolate, presented by Johnson Bank, are \$20 or \$35 for two! Tickets on sale January 19 at the Indoor Farm Market; online and in the office January 21. Get all the details at www.appletondowntown.org

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Home is Where the Art Is

By Amelia Compton Wolff

Three working artists give FOX CITIES Magazine a glimpse inside their home studios

The creak of the front door is enough to send Kylie Parry's two wire-haired terrier mixes into a frenzy. Most days, Parry doesn't mind the commotion. "I always have to have some kind of noise anyway," she says.

Inside Parry's 1928 American Craftsman style home on Doty Island in Menasha, the kitchen is painted a robin's egg blue, the dining room table is surrounded by mismatched wooden chairs and the sturdy, maple staircase that winds to the second floor lands right at the doorway to her sunny, yellow studio.

"It's bright, it's motivating. It just seemed like a yellow space," says Parry, a ceramic artist specializing in beads and jewelry components, who spends most days (and some nights) working out of her home. Parry's nature-inspired work embodies the "Etsy vibe" she describes of another artist's hand-lettered watercolor prints which adorn her space — weathered, rustic, well-loved.

Parry and her husband rented an apartment in Appleton when they first moved to the Fox Cities nearly five years ago. A year later when they began looking at homes to purchase, Parry knew a studio space was essential.

"We looked at several places where the second and third bedrooms were so small. I knew I would outgrow that fast," she says. "I had an idea that I wanted a space with a lot of



natural light, but I was willing to work within the space."

To make her studio more functional, she has set up distinct clay, jewelry and computer stations that create an organized workflow. Having a designated creation space helps Parry maximize her time.

"If you have a free 15 minutes you can pop into your studio and get right to work," she

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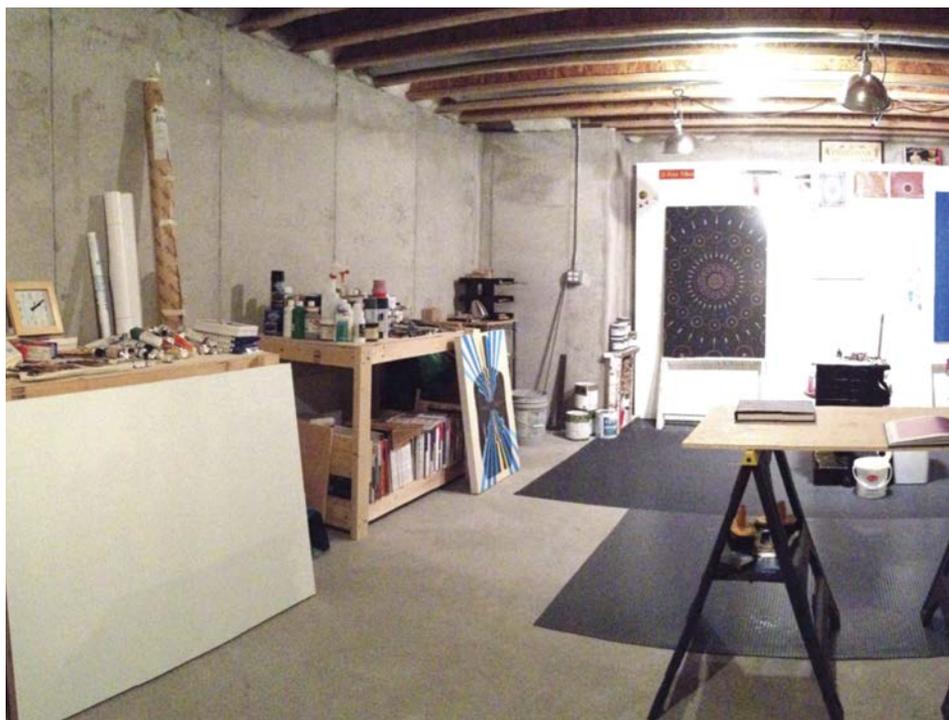


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Paisley Power. 2009, Tony Conrad. Acrylic on canvas, 30 x 30 inches



says. “You don’t have to worry about putting stuff away and getting stuff out.”

Art Underground

From the street, it’s hard to imagine anything but typical scenes of Americana transpiring within the manicured homes of north Appleton — children playing with the family dog, mothers baking in the kitchen, fathers patting their sons’ heads. But descend the basement steps in one such home and these conventions become fodder for artistic expression.

The juxtaposition of unlikely duos is the stuff of which Tony Conrad’s recent body of work is made. In his basement studio, Conrad, a painter and collage artist, ironically explores social stereotypes through opposing imagery such as antlers and paisley, doilies and bullets, mandalas and men. For instance, in *Love Study #2* Conrad fills in a decidedly masculine silhouette of an antlered buck with a colorful, textile-inspired design. A myriad of teenage girl-approved red and pink hearts explode from the stately buck’s crown.

Conrad, who is represented by the Frank Jaurez Gallery in Sheboygan, and his wife bought the home where they live with their two children five years ago. Unlike the rest of the house, Conrad’s studio has a decidedly utilitarian feel which contrasts from the almost whimsical quality of the art work hung sparsely on the concrete walls.

“I don’t really think of my studio as a place that I’ve put any effort into making nice,” Conrad says. “Which is really too bad because one of the best pieces of advice I ever got from a professor in grad school was to make a studio like a second home so you’re more likely to spend significant amounts of time there.”

Conrad, himself a lecturer of art at Lawrence University, didn’t completely eschew his well-meaning professor’s advice. There is a leather

couch against the staircase with a side table that serves as a makeshift living area. There’s even a refrigerator which is used to ferment beer. Shelves along one wall store paints, gels, brushes and varnishes along with an entire library of collage source material from books, magazines and rug catalogs. Two large tables serve as collage assembly stations.

The irony often found in Conrad’s work is mimicked throughout his studio. A kitschy, thrifted needlepoint rests above panels in progress which are mounted to the industrial concrete wall in the painting area. An overhead projector circa 1950 sits in the same corner as a sleek iPod dock.

“My work is kind of an ironic twist on cultural stereotypes and specifically the stereotypes that come to mind when I think of my upbringing in

a small farming town in Wisconsin,” Conrad says. “I always wanted to clash two different things.”

Hidden Talents

Kate Mueller has a knack for finding the diamond in the rough. Whether it’s in her paintings or her home, Mueller doesn’t concentrate too much on what is already attractive. Rather, she enjoys finding beauty in the understated.

“Lately I have all these things from the family cabin that we got rid of when my folks passed away,” Mueller says. “I’m starting to do paintings of them and a lot of them are old and worn, you know, not very attractive on their own, but I like the idea of highlighting what I think is beautiful about them.”

In keeping with her artistic philosophy, Mueller





most appreciated the bone structure of her Menasha home when she bought it a decade ago.

"It was kind of a junker when I bought it," she says. "One of the main reasons I did, other than the character, was the upstairs is not divided, it hasn't been changed. I knew when I walked in that it would be a great studio."

Mueller is only the second owner of her home which was built in 1930. Her studio makes up the entire second floor and had been the bedroom of twin sisters whose family occupied the home previously. Wide, pine floor boards run the length of the space and a small bath with the original sink and toilet sits off the main room. It serves as a convenient place for Mueller to clean brushes and retrieve water for her watercolors.

Various jars stuffed with spiky paintbrushes fill bookcases. A blue chair, the kind that looks hard to get out of, sits just beyond Mueller's easel next to a west-facing window. A collected bunch of feathers protrude from a cup next to a bust of a man with a smooth, bald head.

"I like a variety of textures," Mueller says. "I like to portray that in my paintings and I definitely have that in my house."



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Alpha Delights

eat with your eyes

By Amelia Compton Wolff

Art is a vital ingredient at these local restaurants

Mexican culture is famously colorful, from its vibrant folk art to traditional China Poblana dress. It makes sense when Eduardo Sanchez, a native of Veracruz, Mexico, was planning his flagship restaurant in Menasha, that the vivid visuals would play an important role.

“So many things affect what you taste during your dining experience. Art is one of those things,” Sanchez says. “What you see affects how you enjoy the food.”

To ensure the brick-and-mortar matched his spicy Mexican fare, Sanchez called upon friend and artist Cal Jones to paint 13 tabletops for his restaurant, Solea Mexican Grill, which has become a local landmark since opening in 2006. Jones, of Menasha, hand-painted each tabletop with a different image representing Mexican culture, including a chile pepper, pinata and (of course) a margarita. In addition, Jones painted Solea’s slogan on an interior wall and created the festive lime slices that hang from the dining room ceiling.

Jones also created Solea’s signature artwork for both the Neenah and Appleton locations. Some

of the pieces, particularly the tabletops in the Menasha restaurant, require a little upkeep.

“[Jones] has to retouch them every other year because the hot items from the kitchen make some damage, but also the damage looks good because it looks a little bit rustic,” Sanchez says.

grecian (re)treat

Tucked behind North Broadway in De Pere lays the ancient Greek village of Delphi. Well, not exactly, but you might do a double take.

Mary Pappas, owner of Alpha Delights European Bakery and Cafe, was inspired by her travels to Greece and wanted to recreate its scenery in her restaurant.

“When [customers] open the door, we wanted them to feel like they left De Pere and entered a Greek village,” she says. “There are a lot of elements that influenced that. We needed to be mindful of how we touched all a person’s senses at that very critical moment.”

Pappas worked with muralist Sarah Schaller to create an atmosphere reminiscent of a Grecian street. The stone flooring mimics the cobblestones of Europe; the curved bakery cases resemble the meandering walkways; the ceiling (or sky in this case) is painted a Mediterranean country blue that matches Pappas’s travel photographs to a T.

As time passes, Schaller occasionally returns to paint some additional greenery “growing” between the rocks of an ancient stone wall in the dining room’s main mural.

“It’s really for our pleasure only, but I love that attitude that this [mural] is a living thing,” Pappas says.



Alpha Delights

where to dine



Gilligan's Bar & Grill

island art

Shortly after opening Gilligan's Bar & Grill in Neenah in the spring of 2009, owner Rich Wickesberg began contemplating how to create a unique atmosphere in his tropical island themed restaurant. It turned out that art was the answer. During the following year and a half, Wickesberg worked with Neenah airbrush artist Joe Otto to create a tiki inspired mural which stands as one of the largest in the Fox Cities at more than 5,000 square feet.

After completing the first wall, Otto began experimenting with black light reactive paint to give the mural more depth.

"Spending all that money on a mural and not having it lit up is a waste," says Wickesberg, who installed black lights around the perimeter of the room to make Otto's artwork pop.

Wickesberg's favorite part of the mural is the back bar where Otto created an airbrushed coral reef. Customers love discovering new elements in the mural which covers nearly every inch of wall space in the restaurant.

"You can literally spend hours staring at the walls, finding little details that you don't necessarily see at first unless you look real closely," Wickesberg says. "Kids are just mesmerized by it."

split personality

Art is undeniable at White Dog/Black Cat Cafe in Green Bay and the view from the street is



White Dog/Black Cat Cafe

your first hint. The building's facade is decorated with whimsical, 1960s-inspired murals beckoning a Peter Max aesthetic. Even the bike rack has been adorned with some additional flare — a multicolored, knitted "koozie." In other words, a yarn-bomb at its finest.

As an artist herself, owner Holly Hebel created the restaurant's interior art which consists of three large cat and dog portraits drawn with pastels on slabs of plywood covered in chalkboard paint.

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Q. *It's soup season! How do you correct a creamy soup when it has become too watery?* —Jessica, Cleveland

A. Watery cream soups can come from a couple of different reasons. One of them is that the thickener that was utilized (be it a fat and flour roux or a liquid and flour or corn starch slurry) was inadequate. By inadequate I mean that there was not enough starch to hold the liquids in the desired thickened suspension. The solution to this problem is to either utilize more of the roux or slurry, or to utilize a roux or slurry that contains more starch.



Another reason that cream soups can become watery is that the vegetables or other ingredients in the soup continue to emit moisture through the cooking process. Mushrooms and potatoes are prime examples of vegetables that continue to “weep,” or lose moisture as they cook further, especially from a raw state. A solution to this is to initially over-thicken the soup in anticipation of

the additional moisture. In that way, when the additional moisture presents itself, the soup will essentially thin itself to the desired consistency.

Yet another reason cream soups can become watery is if they have been frozen. The freezing process seldom enhances the quality of foods, mostly because as foods freeze their moisture expands and damages the cells of the foods. Often soups and other food products that have been frozen and thawed will need to have a small amount of thickener added to help tighten them back up to the desired consistency.

I hope this helps! Happy cooking, Jessica!

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Chef Jeffrey Igel is the chair of the Culinary Arts & Hospitality Department at Fox Valley Technical College, Appleton. “Chef Jeff” has spent his entire career in the restaurant and hospitality industry, serving in many capacities.



DRINK OF THE MONTH

*Recipe courtesy of:
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Manager Kim Janken says this colorful mixed drink featuring sloe gin is as much a treat for the eyes as it is for the taste buds. Sloe gin is a tart liqueur made from sloe berries and trickles down in red streams reminiscent of the stripes on a candy cane.



EFFEN-ME-CRAYZEE-CANE

4 oz Effen Black Cherry Vodka
1 oz Amaretto
1 small can pineapple juice
1 oz Sloe Gin

Pour vodka, amaretto, and pineapple juice over ice in a pint glass. Slowly add gin last, so it trickles down to add a red color to the drink.



White Dog/Black Cat Cafe owner Holly Hebel created the restaurant's interior art.

Besides creating the common house feel Hebel strives for at her restaurant, the art, both inside and out, seems to pull customers in.

“It draws curiosity,” Hebel says. “Some people will open the door, peek inside and say, ‘Wow, this is really different in here. This is really nice,’ then they’ll venture in.”

tribute to heritage

A restaurant's art needs regular updating just as its menu does. At El Azteca Mexican Restaurant in Kimberly, diners can sample recently added menu items, such as the Tex Mex enchiladas and tortilla soup, as they check out the new sights.

The restaurant's interior decor is undergoing some changes including the addition of a new mural being created by server Francisco Nevarez. Nevarez's masterpiece will pay tribute to more than 500 years of Mexican history.

“From the Aztecs and the Mayans to Columbus and the heroes of the Mexican revolution, [Nevarez] is making a mural

showing our history from 500 years ago to today,” says Manager Marco Manuel Montalvo.

The mural, which is being created in a series of panels, has been in the works for the past several months with hopes to have it installed shortly after the new year. The panels will be placed over an existing mural in the rear of the restaurant.

“He's putting in so much time and effort, that we want to put it in like at the museums,” Montalvo says. “He's putting it up in panels so when you want to take it down and do something new, you don't have to destroy it.”



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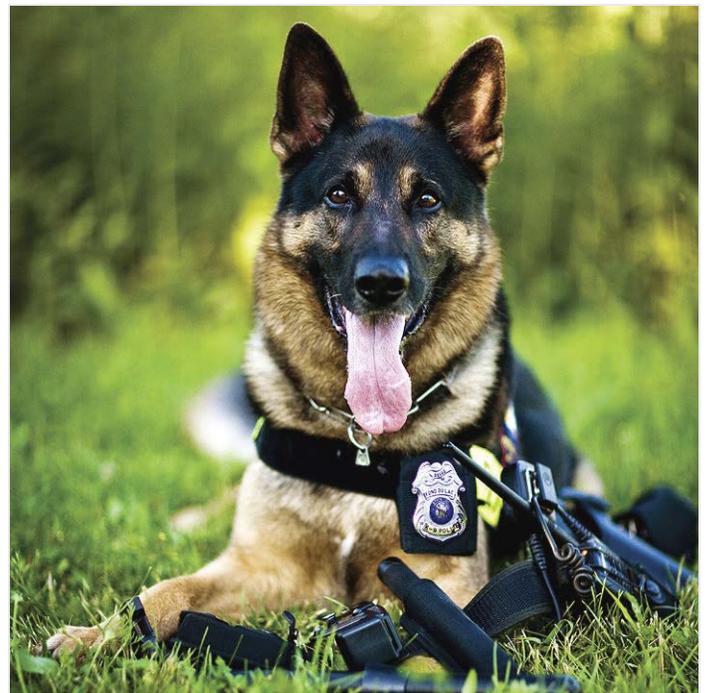
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