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Art News from West Plains Council on the Arts

Gallery At the Center Art Exhibit - "Mathematical Sculptures" - Albert Carpenter-Feb.23-Mar.15, Reception Mar.5 12-2 p.m.

Missouri Contemporary Ballet Reception—West Plains Civic Center—April 9, 2016, 6 p.m.

WPCA/Gatewood Family Fine Arts Scholarship deadline—April 15, 2016

Give Ozarks Day—May 3, 2016

22nd Annual Old-Time Music, Ozark Heritage Festival scheduled for June 17 and 18, 2016

West Plains BREW FEST

4th Annual

Saturday, February 27, 2016—5:30-8:00 p.m.

West Plains Civic Center Exhibit Hall and Arena



Attendees will have the opportunity to sample from a wide range of craft beers and wines, specialty coffees and specially prepared foods, organizers said.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the West Plains Council on the Arts' efforts to promote arts in the West Plains area, as well as fund the Gatewood Family Fine Arts Scholarship. The event is being sponsored by the West Plains Council on the Arts, Great Rivers Distributing, Grellner Sales & Service, Shoe Factory Lofts, and Mulligan's Package Store in West Plains; Piney River Brewing of Bucyrus; and by McCullough House Winery of Thayer.

Missouri independent breweries and wineries who will be attending include Boulevard Brewing, Kansas City; Copper Run Distillery, Walnut Shade; Crane Brewing Company, Raytown; Crown Valley Brewery and Winery, Ste. Genevieve; Leaky Roof Meadery, Buffalo; McCullough House Winery, Thayer; Piney River Brewery, Bucyrus; Public House Brewing, Rolla; Root Sellers, Columbia; Springfield Brewing, Springfield; and Wages Brewing Company, West Plains.

Distributors will bring outstanding selections from their breweries. Great Rivers Distributing will feature Anheuser-Busch, Bells Brewery, Deschutes Brewing Co., Goose Island Beer Co., O'Dell Brewing. O'Fallon Brewery, Sierra Nevada, and Springfield Brewing Company.

Grellner Sales is providing product from Blue Moon, Kraftig, Lagunitas, Lienenkugel, Mike's Hard Lemonade, Miller/Coors, Mother's, New Belgium, Samuel Adams, Small Town Brewery, and Traveler Beer Company.

This year the group of local restaurants offering samples has grown, and will include Bootleggers BBQ, Colton's Steak House & Grill, Heroes Coffee Café, Johnny's BBQ, Ozark Café, Ozark Pizza Company, Roper's Saloon/Café 37/Wild Vine, Skillet's Family Café, Sole Café at the Shoe Factory Lofts, Spring Dipper West Plains, and The New Red Apple Grill. Water, soft drinks, and snacks will be provided by West Plains Distributing and PepsiCo.

The first 500 people through the door will receive a souvenir tasting glass featuring "Brewster," and all attendees will be eligible for door prize giveaways provided by the sponsors and attending breweries, wineries, and restaurants.

Admission is \$20 per person in advance and \$30 at the door. All attendees must be over 21 and have a valid photo ID. Advanced tickets are available, and can be purchased in West Plains at Colton's Steak House, from the West Plains Civic Center box office or Mulligan's Package Store, 47 Court Square. Tickets are also available in Bucyrus at Piney River Brewing Co.

More information about the West Plains BrewFest can be found at <http://www.westplainsarts.org>, VisitMo.com, BeerAdvocate.com, or at the event's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/WestPlainsBrewfest>

E-mail inquiries may be sent to Terri Combs at terricomb@gmail.com or by phone at 417-505-0812.

**"MATHEMATICAL
SCULPTURES"
BY
ALBERT CARPENTER
TO BE FEATURED AT
EXHIBIT**



West Plains Council on the Arts invites everyone to view a distinctive collection of mathematical sculptures by artist Albert Carpenter. The exhibit will be featured in the Gallery at the Center, West Plains Civic Center from February 23-March 15, 2016. The Gallery, on the mezzanine, is open to the public during regular Civic Center hours.

Carpenter, a resident of Tecumseh, Missouri for over 20 years, initially developed an interest in art and geometry as an undergraduate at the College of William and Mary. It was during this time, while studying under the direction of artist Lewis Cohen, that he combined his burgeoning passions and started making geometric sculptures. However, it was not until eight years ago that he began constructing novel polyhedra, three dimensional structures, based on the Platonic and Archimedean solids. Since then, Mr. Carpenter has invented seven classes of polyhedra, and contributed over 200 new shapes to geometry.

From these, one class has been selected for its intrinsic beauty for display here - the crown polyhedral. These objects are of particular interest, not just for aesthetic reasons, as it is speculated that they could also be synthesized as molecules. Thus conceived, they would open up new avenues of research for chemists.

Two pieces of Carpenter's art were shown last May at the 2015 Bridges Conference in Baltimore, Md.

Mr. Carpenter says, "It is through art that I hope to not only share the joys of geometry, but also to inspire present and future mathematicians and scientists to study these forms, so that one day they may be created in the laboratory."

The remainder of his polyhedral models and sculptures may be seen at <http://polyhedron100wordpress.com>

WPCA will host a Meet-the-Artists Reception on Saturday, March 5, 2016, from 12-2 p.m., in the Gallery at the Center. All are invited to attend, view and discuss these wonderful pieces

The exhibit is co-sponsored by the West Plains Civic Center and West Plains Council on the Arts, with partial funding provided by Missouri Arts Council, a state agency.

**MISSOURI CONTEMPORARY
BALLET**

April 9, 2016

Reception 6:00 PM,

Performance 7:00 PM

This professional dance company brings creative, athletic, high-quality art to any stage it graces. Dancers with this non-profit troupe are known for their charitable work with special needs children and others across the state—but for this performance, their goal is simply to "wow" the audience with their unique fusion of hip-hop, modern, traditional ballet and contemporary dance. Sit back, relax, and drink in the incredible talent, vision and strength of this Columbia-based dance company. And be sure to join us for a Meet-the-Artists reception with refreshments one hour prior to the performance. This event is co-sponsored by Missouri State University-West Plains University/Community Programs and WPCA.



Coming to The Avenue Theatre:

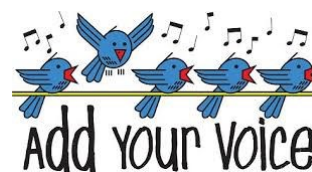
WPHS Off Broadway –

Friday & Saturday, Feb. 19 and 20—7 PM

Sunday Feb. 21—3 PM

WPHS Spring Production

Thursday-Saturday, Apr 7, 8 and 9— 7 PM



Bluebird Singers has begun rehearsals for their Spring Concert. They practice 10:00 a.m. till noon every Wednesday at the Timbers on K Highway. They sing the oldies (30's – 70's), including skits. If you like to hum, play and instrument, dance or sing, call Rose Vaughn 417-257-7003.

**3 Visual Artists—and Tricks—for Integrating the Arts Into
Core Subjects**

A teacher-written article from Education Weekly describes the benefits of incorporating arts into core subjects, and some tips to accomplish this.

"Arts integration has many benefits—whether it's helping students learn better and retain knowledge, construct and demonstrate understanding through an art form, or simply letting kids have fun and express themselves. Engaging in the creative process helps students and teachers connect art forms to other subject areas and meet objectives in both. Research has even shown that arts integration significantly reduces the achievement gap for economically disadvantaged students."

<http://www.edweek.org/tm/articles/2015/02/24/3-visual-artists-and-tricks-for-integrating-the-arts.html?r=1291793994&preview=1>



May 3, 2016 - Give Ozarks is a one-day, online fundraising event for nonprofit partners of the Community Foundation of the Ozarks.

West Plains Council on the Arts will be among them, and you are encouraged to use this opportunity to contribute using the power of the Cause Momentum crowdfunding website. Come be a part of a one-day surge in generosity across our state. Updates will be posted on Facebook. <https://giveozarks.org/>



The Harlin Museum opens for the season April 1. Regular hours are Tues.-Sat. 12p-4p—505 Worcester Ave., West Plains 417-256-7801

Spring Art Show April 1-30

The Harlin Museum announces The Spring Art Show managed by the West Plains Artists' Guild. Entry Dates are April 1 and 2. The show will run April 5-30. See original works by local artists in a beautiful gallery. This is a non-juried show open to all artists 18 and older. Cash awards and ribbons will be given for Best of Show, First Place, Second Place and Third Place entries. Reception will be held Saturday, April 30, 2016 at 2 pm.

Entry Fee: 1 painting - \$15.00, 2 paintings - \$25.00, 3 paintings - \$30.00, Payable to the West Plains Artist Guild. Five (5) Entry Categories: Oil; Water medium (includes: acrylic, gouache, regular watercolor and watercolor pencils); Mixed medium/collage; Pastel; Graphics (includes: pencil, graphite, charcoal, ink, linocut, and colored pencil).

For information contact: Charlene Brooks, WPAG President, 417-274-9735, ccb Brooks2@yahoo.com; or Gladys Morris, 417-255-0920, gmorris@centurylink.net

OLD-TIME MUSIC *Ozark Heritage Festival*

Traditional Artisans, Volunteers, and Vendors Sought For 2016 Old Time Music, Ozark Heritage Festival

The Old-Time Music, Ozarks Heritage Festival in downtown West Plains, Mo., will celebrate its 22nd year Friday and Saturday, June 17 and 18. The two-day festival seeks to celebrate, preserve, pass on and nurture an appreciation of the old-time music and folk life traditions distinctive to the Ozark Highlands.

ARTISANS/DEMONSTRATORS - The festival has featured many different traditional art and craft genres throughout the years. Area artisans and demonstrators who are keeping these traditional crafts alive and would like to share their talents with festival goers are encouraged to contact coordinator Kathleen Morrissey at 417-293-7751, or email to info@westplainsarts.org, or download a form from the website at http://www.oldtimemusic.org/?page_id=3205

VOLUNTEERS - Organizers come from many different areas of the community, volunteering their time to assure a successful event. There is no paid staff, never has been; and the festival committee spends many hours over the year preparing for it. Volunteer participation is a critical element of the success of the Festival.

Because of the festival's continued growth, more volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs, organizers said. Those interested in helping in any way should contact the West Plains Council on the Arts at info@westplainsarts.org, or call Volunteer Coordinator Dee Lewis at 417-257-5563 or 417-256-6919. Deadline for volunteer sign-up is June 1, 2016.

Volunteers from previous years are encouraged to call or e-mail to confirm they will be participating again this year, organizers said. Volunteer sign-up forms are available on the festival website, and information is available at: http://www.oldtimemusic.org/?page_id=1222

VENDOR/BOOTH SPACE AVAILABLE - Organizers said they welcome booths from vendors, non-profit groups, businesses, school fund-raising efforts, churches, civic groups, public officials, and individuals; however, in the event of duplicate offerings, first consideration will be given to early registrants. Applications will be juried by festival committee members for final approval.

Booth registration forms are available from Terri Combs, terricombs@MissouriState.edu or 417-255-7988, or they may be downloaded from the festival website: http://www.oldtimemusic.org/?page_id=100 Registrations should be mailed by June 1, 2015.

Organizers plan to provide this year's attendees once again with a diagram/map of the festival grounds, which will be available at the festival information booths and online. All on-time registrations will be listed on the diagram with the booth name and specific location on the grounds.

The Old-Time Music, Ozark Heritage Festival is the signature event for West Plains. 2016 Festival partners include the West Plains Council on the Arts, the City of West Plains, the Ozark Heritage Welcome Center, West Plains Civic Center, and Missouri State University-West Plains. Partial funding for this event is provided by the Missouri Arts Council, a state agency.

For more information on the festival e-mail info@westplainsarts.org, visit the website at <http://www.oldtimemusic.org>, or "like" the Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Old.Time.Music.Festival>

Missouri State University WEST PLAINS

Tenth Annual Ozarks Studies Symposium – September 2016

Theme: "Isolation and Connections in the Ozarks" – Call for Proposals (due by April 30, 2016)

The Ozarks Studies Committee of Missouri State University-West Plains seeks proposals for its tenth annual symposium to be held in September 2016.

The theme of the 2016 symposium is "Isolation and Connection in the Ozarks."

Details available at <http://ozarksymposium.wp.missouristate.edu/call-for-proposals.htm>

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22nd OLD-TIME MUSIC, OZARK HERITAGE FESTIVAL

SAVE THE DATES!! JUNE 17 and 18, 2016

Watch the website and Facebook pages for updated information as the date approaches:

<http://www.oldtimemusic.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/Old.Time.Music.Festival>

Contact information:

Email—info@westplainsarts.org

Performers/Artisans—Kathleen Morrissey—417-293-7751

Vendors/Booths—Terri Combs—417-255-7988

Volunteers—Dee Lewis—417-257-5563

General Info—Paula Speraneo—417-293-2325

West Plains Council on the Arts board members include Cathy Profitt-Boys, Carol Bruce, Kathy Campbell, Terri Combs, Judy Harden, Paula Speraneo, and Arts Administrator Kathleen Morrissey.

Website: <http://www.westplainsarts.org>

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