

ARTS/ALIVE

Art News from West Plains Council on the Arts

Gallery At the Center Exhibits: “The World of Sci-Fi and Fantasy” Multi-media Exhibit co-hosted by OzCon - Apr. 16-May 7.

Meet the Artists April 28, 2-4 p.m.

Barbara Williams Art Exhibit “Social Architecture & Foundations of the Ozarks”— Sept. 10-30. Meet the Artist Sept. 20, 5-7 p.m.

WPCA/Gatewood Family Fine Arts Scholarship deadline—April 15, 2018

24th Annual Old-Time Music, Ozark Heritage Festival scheduled for June 1 and 2, 2018

Ozarks Studies Symposium “Social Architecture & Foundations of the Ozarks” - September 20-22, 2018 Proposals due July 1, 2018.

West Plains BREW FEST 2018

Saturday, March 10 — 5:30-8:00 p.m.

West Plains Civic Center Arena and Exhibit Hall

Craft brewers, distributors, and area restaurants will highlight the 6th Annual West Plains BrewFest, set for 5:30 to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 10, 2018, in the Arena and Exhibit Hall at the West Plains Civic Center. Doors will open promptly at 5:30.

Due to last year's record crowds, the full Arena will be used to accommodate the needs of this event. The first 500 people through the door will receive a souvenir 2018 tasting glass, and all attendees will be eligible for door prize giveaways, which will include t-shirts, glasses, growlers, gift certificates, and more.

Attendees will have the opportunity to sample craft beers from a wide range of breweries, organizers said. Confirmed participating Missouri craft breweries include Boulevard Brewing of Kansas City; Crown Valley Brewing and Distilling of Ste. Genevieve; Mother's Brewing and Springfield Brewing of Springfield; Piney River Brewery of Bucyrus; Public House Brewing of Rolla; and Ostermeier Brewing and Wages Brewing of West Plains.

Great Rivers Distributing is bringing products from Anheuser-Busch, Deschutes Brewing Co., Estrella Jalisco, and O'Fallon Brewing

Grellner Sales & Service will feature products from Mike's, Miller/Coors, Samuel Adams, and Smirnoff Ice.

In addition to the craft beers and wines, attendees will enjoy a variety of locally prepared samples from many area restaurants.

Participating restaurants include: 10/40coffee, Auntie Anne's, Annie's Hot Dog Cart, Bootleggers BBQ, Colton's Steakhouse & Grill, Grumps Grub. Heroes Coffee Café, Hole N The Wall Ranch, Ozark Pizza Company, RJ BBQ and Circle J Mechanical Bull, Roma Italian Restaurant, Roper's Saloon, Ruby Tuesday's, Savor Grill, Skillets Family Café, and Sole Café at the Grizzly Lofts. GO FARM Farmers Market members participating include Basil Haven Farms, Brassfield Farms, MawGam's Goodies, Nature's Own Garden, The Backyard Gardener, Three Oaks Farm, and Wilmac Sweets.

The 2nd Annual AHA/BJCP sanctioned homebrew competition will be held prior to BrewFest. Several of the homebrewers will also be sampling products during the event as well. For information on the competition, contact Autumn and Josh Shirley at 417-293-5175. Andy Pearsall of Show-Me Brewing will be on hand with homebrew equipment, and will be available for discussion about methods and materials.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the West Plains Council on the Arts' efforts to promote arts organizations 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, Mulligan's Package Store, and Great Rivers Distributing of West Plains; Grellner Sales & Service of Rolla; and by Piney River Brewing of Bucyrus.

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FEBRUARY 2018 (BrewFest contd.)

Admission to BrewFest 2018 is \$25 per person in advance and \$35 at the door. All attendees must be over 21 and have a valid photo ID. Advanced tickets will be available beginning February 3, and can be purchased in West Plains at Wages Brewing, Colton's Steakhouse, from the West Plains Civic Center box office or Mulligan's Package Store. In Bucyrus, tickets are available at Piney River Brewery. Credit card phone-in orders can be made through the Civic Center box office. Call 417-256-8123 to place your order.

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.



The Harlin Museum calendar for Spring 2018 has been announced.

505 Worcester Ave., West Plains
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www.harlinmuseum.com/

Regular hours are Tues.-Sat. 12pm-4pm

February 1 - 24 - WP Artists Guild Show

February 2 - Harlin Gala Night - Meet the WPAG Artist & Special Music by Chris Coats

February 3 - Workshop with Rhonda Richter "Figure painting" Sponsored by WPAG

February 5, 12, 19, 26 - MASA, 4:15 - 5:15

February 24 - Meet & Greet Artists Reception for WP Artists Guild Show

February 28 - March 24 - MO Dept of Conservation Display, History of Hunting, Fishing and Trapping in Missouri

March 2 - Harlin Gala Night, Guest Speaker on the Fur Trade in Missouri, Larry Lindemann

March 5, 12, 19, 26 - MASA

March 17 - Trish Corder Workshop "Acrylic painting Techniques" WPAG Sponsored

March 24 - Workshop with Regina Willard "Painting from Your Photographs/Simplifying your color & design" 10-4 pm

April 4- 21 - Harlin Museum Spring Art Show, Entry dates - March 30 & 31 - Meet & Greet the Artist Reception April 21, 2pm

April 6 - Harlin Gala Night

April 2, 9, 16, 30 - MASA, 4:15 -5:15

April 14 - Spring Fashion Show

April 28 - Regina Willard Workshop "Painting using a limited Palette" (Animals, Landscapes or Floral), 10--am - 4 pm



Spring Activities at the West Plains Civic Center in their 25th Year!

3/1 - 7PM John Conlee Concert

3/2-3 - Home and Garden Show

3/13-3/22 - Art Around Town The annual Art Around Town exhibit features two- and three-dimensional artwork created by kindergarten through eighth grade students in the region.

3/17 - 7PM Ronnie Milsap at the Cystic Fibrosis Concert

4/6-7 - 7:30PM Pro Bull Riding Extreme Tour



Coming to The Avenue Theatre:

WPHS Off Broadway -

Friday & Saturday, Feb. 16 and 17—7 PM

WPHS Spring Production—"The Servant of Two Masters"

Thursday-Saturday, April 5, 6 & 7 — 7 PM

April 7—11:00AM

Sunday April 8—3 PM

Fine Arts Scholarship

GATEWOOD FAMILY FINE ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

West Plains Council on the Arts has been providing support and assistance to arts endeavors in the West Plains area since 1975. Our mission is to stimulate and foster public participation in cultural activities, and to disseminate the knowledge and product of such cultural activities to the public in order to broaden the appreciation and availability of the arts in the West Plains region.

WPCA provides educational programs which support innovation and creative expression in the arts; presents artists and art forms that promote artistic and cultural diversity; provides guidance, resources and infrastructure to develop non-profit community-based arts groups; and sponsors festivals, competitions and awards to promote and support artists, and to celebrate and preserve the traditional culture of the region.

WPCA, in cooperation with the Gatewood Family, has established this scholarship to encourage students of the highest caliber to enter a career in the fine arts, with special emphasis on arts education. This scholarship will be awarded to an area high school senior (graduating 2018) enrolled in a post-secondary program, majoring in fine arts (music or art, performance or education). Education majors will receive higher consideration. Applicant must be a high school student in Howell or Ozark County.

Deadline is postmarked by April 15, 2018. Forms and instructions are available to download from www.westplainsarts.org



**"THE WORLD OF SCI-FI
AND FANTASY"
ART EXHIBIT**

West Plains Council on the Arts (WPCA) will host a multi-media exhibition, "The World of Sci-Fi and Fantasy," featuring works by Oz-Con artists. The exhibit will be

displayed at the Gallery at the Center, West Plains Civic Center from April 16 through May 7, 2018. The Gallery, on the mezzanine, is open to the public during regular Civic Center hours.

Inspired by the phenomenal growth of the Comic-Con culture this exhibit will feature works by local artists who have excelled in creating images of Science Fiction and Fantasy. The exhibit is co-hosted by Oz-Con, a two day "happening" in West Plains.

Oz-Con is a gaming, cosplay and anime convention nestled in the Ozarks. The convention is hosted by Missouri State University-West Plains Computer Graphics and Programming department as well as the local chapter of ACM (Association for Computing Machinery). This non-profit event will be held at the West Plains Civic Center. The three days of awesomeness will have a little bit for everyone including Anime, Cosplay Events, MTG, Warhammer, Warmachine, Role Playing games, and much more. Come help support a good cause, browse the vendors and meet the celebrities on April 27th - April 29th, 2018.

WPCA will host a Meet The Artists event on Saturday, April 28, from 2-4 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.



West Plains Council on the Arts is proud to announce our new board members: Kerri Jones, Dennis MacDonnell, Kris Norman and incoming President Allison Wilson. They join returning members Kathy Campbell and Terri Combs to form our working board.

The board has some exciting new projects in the works:

- ◆ Formation of an Arts Consortia for the area
- ◆ New collaborative efforts in the exhibits in the Gallery at the Center.
- ◆ Returning Imaginary Theatre performances to the Civic Center, with daytime performances for schools.
- ◆ New veterans interviews to begin this year on Veteran's Day.
- ◆ Community art projects to benefit the community.
- ◆ Storytelling sessions based around recipes to be included in the Old Time Music, Ozark Heritage Festival cookbook.
- ◆ More to come!

Please welcome our new board members!

**Traditional Artisans, Vendors and Volunteers Sought
For 2018 Old Time Music, Ozark Heritage Festival**

The Old-Time Music, Ozarks Heritage Festival in downtown West Plains, Mo., will celebrate its 24th year Friday and Saturday, June 1 and 2. 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 email 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. 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,

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 may be downloaded from the festival website: http://www.oldtimemusic.org/?page_id=100 Registrations should be mailed by May 15.

The Old-Time Music, Ozark Heritage Festival is the signature event for West Plains. 2018 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>

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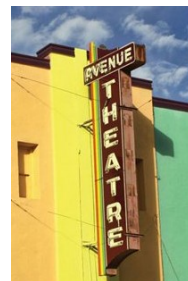
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ARTS CONSORTIA

During the last three years, groups have been working through the Community Foundation of the Ozarks to conceptualize a consortia of arts organizations in the West Plains area for many purposes – to build team capacity among the groups; to use resources strategically; and to move collectively forward in thinking, visioning and planning as a cornerstone of the creative community in the region. The consortia demonstrates support for its members in their individual work, as well as identifying opportunities for collaboration and community outreach. The consortia seeks to increase participation in the creative community through co-marketing, strategic use of resources, and listening and changing with community needs. Arts groups wanting to know more are encouraged to email info@westplainsarts.org.

West Plains Council on the Arts board members include Kathy Campbell, Terri Combs, Kerri Jones, Dennis MacDonneil, Kris Norman, and Allison Wilson. Arts Administrator– Paula Speraneo.
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