

FEBRUARY
2018

Highlights

[Newsletter for the Performing & Visual Arts in Central Texas]



**Saturday
February 10
6 pm**

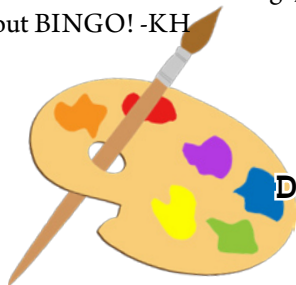
Step up your game this year with a special Valentine's Day treat for your sweetie! Saturday, February 10, the Bosque Arts Center hosts a special evening of dinner and comedy by StrayKat Shows from San Antonio. This year returning favorites Chandra Murthy and Griff Zolninger will present new comedy routines along with some newcomers, host Ryan Shields and Kim Kerley. Tickets are available two ways. VIP tickets at \$75 include prime seating, dinner, comedy show, complimentary wine and a special Valentine treat. Regular reserved tickets are \$35 and include dinner and show only. This year the event is BYOB, so be sure and bring your own favorite beverage. Doors open at 5:30. The buffet dinner will start at 6 p.m. with the comedy show beginning around 7. Reservations may be made online at www.bosqueartscenter.org or by calling the BAC office. -DP

A Texas-themed bingo will be played Tuesday night March 6 at 7 p.m. March 6 was the final day of the 13-day siege of the Battle of the Alamo. Make reservations for dinner at 6:15. Join us for some hearty Texas stew, bread, peach cobbler, and Texas sheet cake. Come celebrate our heritage and the bravery of the first Texans!! Wear your finest Texas attire, bring your own favorite beverage, and shout out BINGO! -KH



**ART COUNCIL'S
HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENT ART SHOW
DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 24**

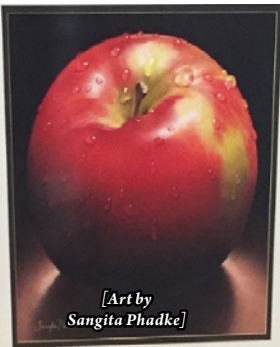
Open to high school students in Bosque County, Hico, Hamilton & Whitney



36TH ANNUAL BIG EVENT

Get your dancing shoes out and get ready for the Big Event - April 6-7. Friday night, April 6, the weekend kicks off

with "Sip, Savor and Sax," an evening of dining and dancing with Grady Gaines and the Texas Upsetters. Saturday night, April 7, is the Big Event auction and dinner: "Fly Me to the Moon." You will be receiving invitations in the mail in late February with all the details. . . so save the dates. Just to peak your curiosity, here are some exciting auction items to consider: a four-day stay in beautiful Angel Fire, custom-made



metal artwork for your home, artwork from international wildlife artist David Prescott and award-winning pastel artist Sangita Phadke, Chef Ken Patrick preparing dinner in your home for 8 people, and much more. Stay tuned for more information coming your way. -LD



Bosque County Photo Shows

Deadline: March 9, 2018

2018 Categories

1. NATURE: FLORA	4. TREKKING thru TEXAS
2. NATURE: FAUNA	5. OUT ON A LIMB:
3. DUSK TO DAWN	6. OPEN

Detailed categories & guidelines available online

Art Patron Event:

Jason Rich Art Talk - February 17
It's not too late to join the Art Patrons - read more inside!
[Left: Horseback on Coldwater Ranch by Jason Rich]

Now available

Guitar Lessons

See details inside...

Beginners Wheel Throwing Workshop
Feb. 17 | 9a-3p
Free for Artisan Guild members

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Message from the President - February 2018

When children are very young, they struggle with the concept of sharing. It always seems to mean giving up something. When they discover that sharing means giving up something leads to opportunity – a chance to play with a new toy or take a turn riding a bike- suddenly, sharing seems like a good idea.

We could probably take a lesson from children about sharing. Sharing our good fortune through donations or patron-giving allows the opportunity for us and others to enjoy the arts. Volunteering seems like giving up your personal time, but the gain is meeting new people and the pride of being part of a greater good. Sharing a particular skill or talent gives back as self-worth and validation- a nice trade-off indeed!

I am thankful for all the sharing at the Bosque Arts Center. This is how it feels to get a turn riding the bike!

Virginia Richards

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Save the Date
Big Event Weekend
April 6-7

Overnight accommodations for BAC events can be made at various hotels and B&B's in Clifton. Check our website for further information.

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Thank You!

→Gareth Schulte, grandson of Laura Vaughan, did volunteer work in the Pottery Studio, cleaning the pottery wheels and mopping.



[Photo by Steve Schmidt]

Two Performances

Remain for TBT Comedy

Two performances remain at TBT for the Neil Simon comedy with a timely twist, *The Odd Couple (Female Version)*.

Final performances include a regular show Friday, Feb. 2, at 7 p.m., and the run closes with a dinner performance on Saturday, Feb. 3, at 6:30. Cast for the show includes Lorana Rush, Linda Lowrance, Jo Rinewalt, Deb Phinney, Sherry Pierce, Raven Ridings, Kris Chandler, and Rich Douglas. Directing the play is Don Boysen.

Reservations may be made online at bosqueartscenter.org or by calling TBT at (254) 675-2278 or visiting the office weekdays between 10 am and 2 pm.

~Watch the TBT Facebook page for details on upcoming spring play auditions. -BD



Garden Club

Hansen Farms, a.k.a. one young Daniel Kern, has a lot to show off. He lives in an historic home in Cranfills Gap that was built in 1840 and then moved from Norway Mills. Daniel grows organic vegetables on 1/4 of an acre in a regenerative system to supply

Meridian's Bosque County Farmers' Market and is working on an underground greenhouse. Let's check his place out on February 19. If we meet at the Bosque Arts Center rock sculpture at 4:30, we can caravan over to his place and still have good light to see. -DT

MISSING!!! Five pottery stools used for wheel throwing, 19"-26" in height with blue padded cushion. If you have borrowed or seen them in building please return to pottery studio or report to office. These are essential for an upcoming workshop and will cost us \$80 each to replace. -KL

Jason Rich Art Talk

One of the perks of being an Art Patron is the annual Art Talk. On Saturday, February 17, our guest is Jason Rich, member and soon-to-be president of the Cowboy Artists of America. Jason will also be our judge for the Art Classic in September.

Here are the reasons I love our Art Talk program: It offers a small setting to meet nationally known artists and purchase their original artwork; you get to enjoy a delicious dinner with friends; the program is always interesting and unpredictable, as some artists discuss their childhood or where they grew up as an influence to their artwork or style. Some have shared their creative process and procedure to get a work out of their head and onto a canvas. Some have even entertained by guitar and song! It is not too late to join as an Art Patron. Call the Arts Center so you can be a part of this special evening. -DF

High School Student Art Show

Art Council's annual Student Art Show is set to open March 4. Our judge is Martin Grelle. Please be sure to take advantage of this opportunity to admire the talent and creativity of our young artists in Bosque County High Schools and including Hamilton, Hico, and Whitney. The prize monies are generous, with Best in Show receiving \$500, first place in each media division \$100, second place \$75, third place \$50, and honorable mentions receiving ribbons.

The opening reception is Sunday, March 4, from 2 to 3 p.m. and is open to the public. The prizewinners will be announced and the students will receive their awards at the reception. The students' works will be for sale, if they choose, and Mr. Grelle will be on hand to meet and encourage the upcoming artists. The show will hang March 4 through March 17. -DF

Drawing 101

Artist Tim Goss will teach a 4-week course in basic drawing at the BAC beginning Tuesday, March 6. Goss will offer instruction in the basics, guiding learners in practical applications of techniques and offering critiques of student sketches. Class times will be 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesdays, March 6, 13, 20, & 27. The price for all 4 sessions is \$50.00 or \$15 per individual session.

GUITAR LESSONS

Good news for new guitar owners! The Bosque Arts Center will now offer guitar lessons. Instructor Markus Miller will be teaching beginning on Wednesdays in February. Miller, a long-time performer and resident of the Dallas/Ft. Worth area, has relocated to Bosque County. He will provide private, one-on-one, 30-minute lessons for \$27.50 per session (4-lesson minimum); group lessons are available upon request. Miller plays 11 different instruments and currently has several CDs on the market, along with running his mobile recording studio. Miller and his wife Kathy live in the Iredell area. Please call him to schedule your lesson time at 214-686-4277. -DP

FEBRUARY at the BAC

Feb. 2	TBT <i>The Odd Couple (Female)</i>	7p
Feb. 3	<i>The Odd Couple</i> Dinner Theatre	6:30p
Feb. 6	Art Club	10a
Feb. 6	Quilt Guild	7p
Feb.7	Guitar Lessons Begin	4:30p
Feb.10	Valentine's Comedy Night	6p
Feb. 17	Beginners Wheel Throwing	9a
Feb. 17	Art Patron Event: Jason Rich Art Talk	6p
Feb. 19	Garden Club	4:30
Feb. 22	Sew Bee Its Quilting Bee	10a
Feb. 24	High School Art Deadline	5p
Feb. 27	Photo Guild	2p

Early MARCH Events

Mar. 4	Art Council High School Art Show Opening/Reception	2p
Mar. 6	Goss Drawing Workshop Begins	6:30p
Mar. 6	Art Club	10a
Mar. 6	Quilt Guild	7p
Mar. 6	Bingo	6:15p

Weekly Events at the Arts Center

Mon.	Karate@4:40p, 5:15, 6:10; Harmonix@6:30p
Tues	Drawing 101@6:30p 3/6, 13, 20, 27 Chorale@7p
Wed	Guitar
Thurs.	Karate @ 4:40p, 5:15, 6:10; Yoga@7:15p

~SAVE THE DATE~

TEXAS A&M SINGING CADETS
Sunday, March 25
Tickets \$35



Books on the Bosque is returning!!

Saturday November 10, 2018

Stay tuned for more details...

Beginners Wheel Throwing Workshop
 Feb. 17 | Reserve space at BAC.
 Questions: contact Sally at 512-736-7390 or sgladybug@gmail.com

Art Club

For the January meeting, enough Art Club members had recovered from the flu to attend the demonstration on watercolor backgrounds, entitled "Painting the Perfect Background - every time." Participants created lovely, successful foundations for future completed works.

Jim Bennighof, Vice Provost at Baylor university, is going to give a demo and talk for the BCAC at the February 6 meeting: "Wood and Wire - creating Minimalism." It is an honor to have Jim, and every attendee should be able to learn a new approach to simple lines, and a greater use of the imagination. -LLJ

Bosque Book Club

The March selection for the BBC is *Lost in Shangri-La* by Mitchell Zuckoff: "a true story of survival, adventure, and the most incredible rescue mission of World War II." -JFF



~ Q & A ~

Q: Sometimes I prefer to use the stairs after a concert in the Frazier Performance Hall. What has been done to improve this means of exiting?



A: Because the stairs are fairly steep, we encourage using the elevator for exiting the Frazier Performance Hall. We acknowledge that the stairs are an alternative exit, so we have installed better lighting and safer handrails. The stairs are secured by our alarm system and should never be used during non-event times. -VR

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT



Congratulations to **Vickie Mitchell** nominated by the BAC and selected for a "Women of Distinction" award for Girl Scouts of Central Texas. This award recognizes women who have demonstrated leadership, initiative, and dedication with contributions to their community. Vickie's community contributions span a period of 25 years of service to the residents of Clifton. She has served on the Board of Directors and the Art Council of the Bosque Arts Center, as well as the Clifton Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Corporation. Vickie serves as Volunteer Coordinator for many community events, such as Norwegian Country Christmas and the Bosque Museum's Sporting Clay Shoot. Proud of you, Vickie! -VR

QUILT GUILD

The Quilt Guild held their regular monthly meeting January 2 with only 10 members present. Our business meeting was very brief since we were just getting started for the new year with many of our projects. After the meeting was adjourned, we enjoyed a game of bingo led by Carrie Lewis. We played several rounds and lots of prizes were given out. -BP

HAND APPLIQUE WORKSHOP

Want to learn the basic techniques of hand appliqué? Quilt Guild member Nancy Pugh will be conducting a workshop teaching this special technique on Wednesdays, March 14 & 21, from 10 a.m. to Noon. The workshop is \$65 per person and includes all materials necessary to complete the class. Class size is limited; call the BAC for reservations. -DP



[Troubadour winner Brian Barrett (left) opened for Gene Watson; (right) Steve Schmidt shows his mother's signature inside the original switch box onstage of Frazier Performance Hall. Joy (Cole) Schmidt signed her name there when she attended school at Clifton College.]



[Photo by Donna Stevens]

Gene Watson Concert

Gene Watson and the Farewell Party Band entertained a capacity crowd in January.



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