

Highlights

Newsletter for the Performing & Visual Arts in Central Texas

Big Event
The 38th Annual Big Event has been rescheduled for August 29. The BAC Board of Directors is monitoring the COVID-19 situation and hoping to have a summer's end celebration with the Big Event dinner and dance featuring music by Brian Barrett and Serengeti. Ticket sales will open again in August if all is clear for the event to proceed.

Evening on Safari
NEW DATE August 29

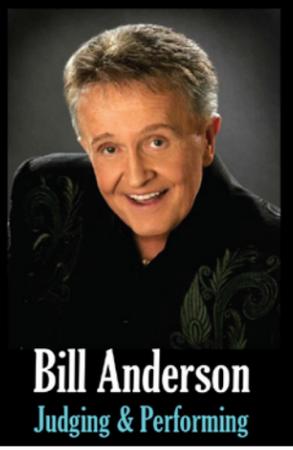


8th Annual Bosque Arts Center Texas Troubadour Songwriter Classic



Texas Troubadour
Attention, songwriters! The legendary **Bill Anderson** will serve as our next Troubadour judge. Entry deadline for the 8th Annual Songwriter Classic is August 3, 2020. Anderson will perform at the live event on November 7, with tickets going on sale in September.

Country Music Songwriting Contest
\$3,000 in Cash Prizes



Bill Anderson
Judging & Performing

TAX-FREE
e-BAC ONLINE AUCTION
Trips, Dinners, Merchandise & more!
Closing Date: **August 13**

Bidding Ends August 13
E-BAC PART 2, the sequel, is now available online!! If you missed the great items in the first e-BAC auction, don't worry, we have MORE items in this second part. Some new trips have been added for you: the Ultimate Pro Sports Fan Getaway, Salmon Fishing, Tennessee Whiskey Adventure and others. Also featured are assorted jewelry, a children's book package, photo frame, pottery dish, totes, purses, golf outings, and more items are added regularly. Auction ends on **Thursday, August 13, at 9 p.m.** It's easy to bid on your smart phone, iPad, desktop, laptop or wherever you choose. If you haven't signed up to bid, go to Bosqueartscenter.org for directions. On your smartphone or tablet, download

the Auctria Mobile Bidding App from your app store for ease. Check in periodically and see what's been added lately. Who knows what goodies you may find!! -DP *Call the BAC office if you need technical assistance.*



ALL SALES TAX-FREE!!

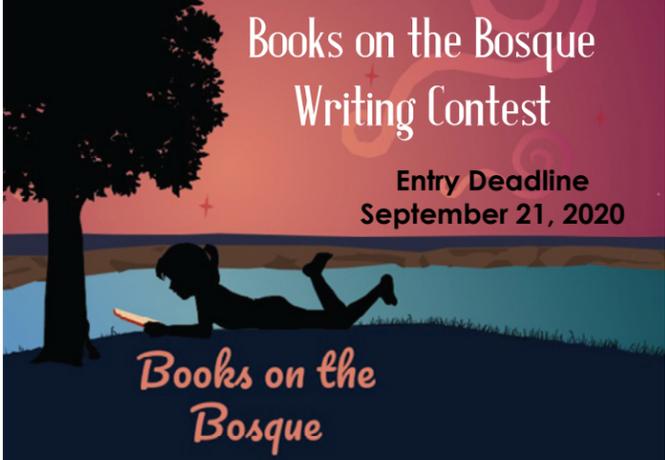


Marcia Ball Rescheduled
New Date: **January 9, 2021**

BAC Still Closed to Public
The Bosque Arts Center remains closed to the public at this time. For more information, contact the office at 254.675.3724.

Writing Contest
Entries open in July for the first Books on the Bosque writing contest, with cash prizes that total \$1,600. The contest has 4 categories: Short Story, Creative Nonfiction Essay, Poetry - Rhymed, and Poetry - Free Verse. Awards by category are \$250 first place, \$100 second place, \$50 third place. Entry deadline is September 21, 2020. Fee is \$10/entry. Contest guidelines are posted on our website, and a downloadable pdf of the entry form will be available when entries open July 1. Ages 14 and up may enter. Write away!

Books on the Bosque Writing Contest
Entry Deadline **September 21, 2020**



Books on the Bosque

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BAC Ladies Trip to Miami and the Florida Keys
Ladies trip details are now finalized for this exciting trip to Miami and Islamorada in the Florida Keys on March 1-6, 2021. The cost of the trip, excluding airfare, is \$2,215. Payment options are now available: Full fee up front or half down and final half by Jan. 29, 2021; or a total of five payments with four installments of \$450 PLUS a final payment of \$415. You are responsible for making your own airfare, with a discounted group rate through American Airlines available. (Call Deb for details.) There are a few spots left out of the 30 available, all double occupancy, non-smoking rooms just waiting for you to sign up! Just imagine yourself lying on sunny beaches, walking around in South Beach, checking out the wildlife in the Everglades, and relaxing in the tropical sunshine. Accommodations are at the Miami Biltmore Hotel and the Islander Resort at Islamorada in the Florida Keys. Call your bestie, Mom, or daughter and join the fun in Florida next March. If you're interested and would like more details, please give Deb Phinney a call at the BAC. Sun, sand and seafood--you can't beat it! -DP

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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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GENERAL BAC

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In Memory of Carlos Valverde by Alma Valverde
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In Memory of Steve Watson
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 Judith Baker Lee & Leanne Donner
In Memory of James Zenner
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BCMA Director/Orchestra Fund

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Bosque Chorale

In Memory of James Zenner by Robert & Ollie Evinger

In Memory Of Steve Watson

Taylor & Rachel Hobbs James & Kay Kidd
 Ingrid Olson

BCMA Watson Memorial Fund

Bill & Betty Murdoch

IN MEMORIAM

Betty Bronstad

Our condolences go to the family of Betty Bronstad, who passed away in May at the age of 96. Betty and her late husband, Ted, were long-time BAC members, Art Patrons, and TBT patrons. They were familiar faces at plays and various other events; their son Chris, an accepted artist in past Art Classics, said his parents loved the theater and that "the Bosque Art Classic was a favorite of theirs." He added that they spoke often of the friendships they made at the BAC and praised "the many art-focused activities, shows, learning opportunities that made for so much fun and engaging time. They had a blast!"



[Drawing by Betty's son Chris]



[Images: Betty with son Chris at 2019 Classic (above); Ted & Betty with Aubrey & Virginia Richards at 2012 Art Patron Christmas (left)]



[Photo by Punky Penberthly]

Steve Watson

BAC lost a beloved and highly active member on June 2 with the passing of Steve Watson at the age of 59. Steve first became a popular actor and director at the TBT before his passion for music led to his becoming a founding member of the BCMA and the Bosque Chorale in 2009. He was BCMA's first vice-president and considered the founder of the Chorale, serving as its first and only chairman. Since its inaugural presentation of Handel's *Messiah* in December 2009, Steve had been a part of every production since. He also served emcee/performer for the annual 4th of July patriotic shows, Variety Shows, concerts, and special performances for more than a decade. His many talents were only surpassed by his abundant kindness. Our sympathies to his mother, family, many friends, and all who loved him. -BD



[Steve with Karen Thomasy before performing in a Variety Show]

"Art is a reflection of humanity, and humanity's greatest virtue is its ability to overcome adversity."
 -Christopher Zara

ART COUNCIL NEWS: BOSQUE ART CLASSIC

The Art Council is excited to announce that we have 204 pieces of beautiful art in this year's Art Classic. The 35th Annual Classic judged by Bruce Greene, CA, drew 739 entries from artists across the nation, with works from 123 artists juried into the show.



We are keeping an eye on the COVID-19 situation and making plans for the direction this year's show and sale will need to take. -KHu [Lazy Afternoon by last year's Art Patrons Purchase Award winner Tatsiana Harbacheuskaya]



Art Council's Bruce Greene Art Talk February

[AC president Karen Hughes, Bruce, & Joyce Jones]



[John Mitchell & Rodney Joy]



August 8-9

LINDA LUCAS HARDY WORKSHOP

Colored pencil and drafting film – a winning combination! The "Luminous Lustrous Colored Pencil on Drafting Film" workshop will be conducted by master colored pencil artist Linda Lucas Hardy. A twenty-year veteran of teaching and workshop instruction, Linda's work has appeared in numerous Bosque Classic exhibits over the years, and one of her pieces is present in the BAC permanent collection.

Linda has selected a gorgeous cactus bud to draw during this 2-day workshop. Her step-by-step method of instruction is especially suited to working on the drafting film's translucent surface, and this image will be particularly stunning.

A supply packet will be provided including the drafting film, with a printed template, two 5x7 reference photos, a palette guide, and instructions. Discover another dimension to colored pencil with this intriguing surface!

Note the date: August 8-9, 2020. Times: 9 a.m. -4 p.m. Sat.-Sun. Fee: \$275; \$260 BAC Members – DUE JULY 15 (includes lunch for both days and cost of the supply packet) Call 254-675-3724 or go online at BosqueArtsCenter.org for complete details. -JB

Bosque Civic Music Association

The death of Steve Watson was a blow to every member of BAC, but the loss was perhaps felt most deeply within the BCMA and Bosque Chorale. While Steve willingly shared his talents wherever asked or needed at BAC, it was music that was always his first and most heartfelt passion. He was a major player in every aspect of the BCMA and BC since their organization in 2009. Therefore, Steve's family named BCMA for memorials. Our board has formed a committee and is actively pursuing the best means to recognize Steve's contributions and to keep his memory alive. A fundraising drive will begin soon and the Christmas portion of Handel's *Messiah*, which served as our first Bosque Chorale production ten years ago, will be presented this December and dedicated to Steve Watson. We welcome your involvement in the Christmas concert and ask that you remember Steve by contributing to the Watson Memorial Fund, c/o BAC, Box 373, Clifton, Texas 76634. -BD

Tin Building Theatre News

Tin Building Theatre mourns the loss of our talented friend Steve Watson. Steve first joined TBT in 2007 as a pianist for the musical *Nunsense* then had a similar role in the 4th of July skit, *Went With the Wind*. He then took the stage in a big way and delighted audiences in both comedy and dramas. His acting credits included *Daddy's Dyin' (Who's Got the Will?)*, *Welcome to Mitford*, *Dearly Beloved*, and *Tuna Does Vegas*. He also directed two shows (*Steel Magnolias* and *Tuna*) and served two terms on the TBT Board of Directors. His is a loss that is heavy, but each of us are thankful and blessed for our time spent with Steve. His smile, laughter, and talents remain in our hearts. -BD



[Photo by Steve Schmidt]

JULY

July 1	Books on the Bosque Writing Contest Opens	9a
July 15	Hardy Workshop Balance Due	5p

AUGUST

Aug. 3	Tx Troubadour Entry Deadline	11:59p
Aug. 8-9	Linda Lucas Hardy Workshop	9a
Aug. 13	e-BAC Part 2 Closes	9p
Aug. 29	Big Event New Date	5:45p

NOTE: Check with your respective subgroups for the next meeting dates.

Gary P. Nunn Tentative Date September 5



SAVE the DATE

Friday, October 16, 2020, Van Wilks returns to the BAC for part two of Burgers and Blues. Tickets go on sale September 1, 2020. SAVE the DATE. Watch for more details. -DJ

Marcia Ball
 SHINE BRIGHT
 January 9, 2021

Please plan to join us for the rescheduled show of Miss Marcia Ball, moved to January 9, 2021. Come ready to have a rocking good time listening to some sweet jazz and foot-tapping boogie woogie! Influenced by Zydeco, country, Tex-Mex and the New Orleans style of blues, Marcia has regaled audiences with her lively sound across the nation. Several of her more recent songs are "Sing Me Back Home," "I Can't Get New Orleans off My Mind," and "Shine Bright." -LP



Art club members have kept in touch recently via texts, emails, and phone calls. President Barbara Moore has kept us going. We very much appreciate the BAC newsletter. It keeps us in touch during this isolation time.

The BCAC members extend our congratulations to our own Judith Baker for her election to the BAC board.

Art Club members are looking forward to programs such as "Repurposing Watercolors" and "Perspective: Keeping It Real." We hope to begin our monthly meetings at BAC soon!



Here are a few favorite throwback photos. We surely do miss all our BAC friends! -LLJ

Culinary Club

Members should watch for emails concerning our next Culinary Club meeting date. Should there be a dramatic change in the COVID-19 situation, we will reconsider future plans. -VR

Photography Guild News

Photography will NOT meet in July. -JAS

Quilt Guild

Meetings at this time are TBD. Email notification will be used to advise when we can meet. -LP



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