

Highlights

Newsletter for the Performing & Visual Arts in Central Texas

BAC VARIETY SHOW FUNDS GENEROUS SCHOLARSHIPS

TO AREA GRADUATES



Brice Barrett



Lily Davis



Colby Caniford



Hayden Hewett



Marco Chavez

Hilarious skits, outlandish costumes, good music, and talented performers – plus supportive audience members that certainly did their part - the 2020 Scholarship Variety Show delivered as past ones have, entertaining while raising money to help area high school seniors make their way in the world. Committee chair and variety show producer Janet Jackson reported that this year's show generated enough money to award generous scholarships to nine deserving graduates in the Bosque County area.

Recipients of the BAC scholarships were the following students, listed with their high school and chosen university: Brice Barrett (Homeschool/Texas Tech) - \$5,000; Ella Therese Edmiston (Clifton HS/Texas A&M) - \$2,500; Lily Davis (Clifton HS/University of Texas) - \$2,500; Colby Caniford (Clifton HS/Hardin Simmons) - \$1,000; Marco Chavez (Clifton HS/Texas State) - \$1,000; Hayden Hewett (Meridian HS/University of North Texas) - \$1,000; Madisyn Hicks (Meridian HS/Texas Tech) - \$1,000; Cassidy Johnson Patrick (Cranfills Gap HS/Angelo State) - \$1,000; Riley Perry (Clifton HS/Tarleton State) - \$1,000.

In addition, Tin Building Theatre awarded a \$500 scholarship to Kaitlyn Eary (Clifton HS/Tarleton State).

We wish the best of luck to these hard-working young men and women.



Ella Therese Edmiston



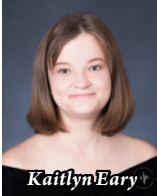
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Kaitlyn Eary



[Variety Show photos courtesy of Simone Wichers-Voss of Chisholm Country magazine]



Marcia Ball - July 11*

Please join us for the tentatively rescheduled show of Miss Marcia Ball happening on July 11. 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." Tickets will be tentatively back on sale June 22 at BosqueArtsCenter.org or you can call 254.675.3724 to reserve a seat. Please check our website for updates should it become necessary to reschedule again. -LP



*Depending on COVID-19 status and Texas reopening dates.

BAC Still Closed to Public

The Bosque Arts Center remains closed to the public, pending the governor's issuance of an open date for event centers. The staff continues to work on upcoming events and daily business. For more information, contact the BAC at 254.675.3724.

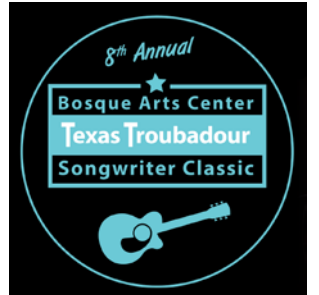
Country Music Songwriting Contest

\$3,000 in Cash Prizes



Texas Troubadour

Pass the word to all your songwriter friends: 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.



2020 EVENT CANCELLATIONS

- Student Photography Show
- 2020 Quilt Show
- Burgers & Blues with Van Wilks
- All Summer Camps (Imagination Factory, Sewing & Music Camp)

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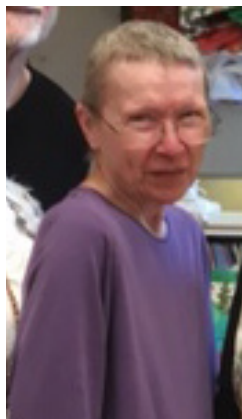
Neal McDowell

Heather Willmann

New Board Members

We would like to welcome our new first-time board members, Judith Baker and John Linn. Judith comes on board as the Art Club representative and John is the Art Council representative.

As a BAC member since 2009, Judith Baker has been active in Art Club,



Art Patrons, Artisans Guild, Culinary Club, and Book Club. She is currently Vice-President of the Art Club. She is a retired consultant to the health care industry and a health care finance textbook author.

John Linn has been a BAC member since 2010. He is an Art Council member, chair of Art Council student art show, chair Art Council Scholarships, volunteer for Art Classic, variety show cast member 3 years, and member of the Culinary Club. John is a

registered Architect, retired Manager N. Am. Real Estate & Facilities for Ericsson Inc., and currently has a variety of architect projects in Bosque County area.

We also have Terry McDonald returning as TBT representative along with Kathy Harr as BCMA representative. -JS



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...

Our thanks to the following people for donating supplies to the Mask Project:
Emily Neal, Lee & Leanne Donner, Rowland & Janet Jackson, Mike Snyder, Bob & Glenda Phillips



Ruth Jameson – 5 years at BAC

That sweet voice that answers the phone at the Bosque Arts Center belongs to Ruth Jameson. She has now been here 5 years! Ruth is wonderful at cheerfully greeting visitors and giving tours when we are open again to the public, which

we hope to be soon. Happy Anniversary, Ruth! -JS

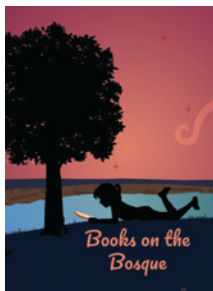
2020 Books on the Bosque

New Writing Contest!

Books on the Bosque returns this year on November 13-14. Friday night will kick off with **Radney Foster, An Acoustic Evening**. The singer/songwriter of Foster and Lloyd fame (“Turn Around,” “Crazy Over You,” “What Do You Want from Me This Time”) intermingles his country/Americana hits with lyrical short stories from his acclaimed book *For You to See the Stars*.



We are also excited to announce the 2020 Books conference will feature a writing contest with \$1,600 in cash prizes. The contest will have 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. Entries open in July; deadline is September 21, 2020. Fee is \$10/entry. Contest guidelines will be available June 1 on our website. We will also be publishing more details in upcoming newsletters. Stay tuned, and warm up those keyboards!



Lighting Fundraiser DONE!!

Thank you to our members and friends who donated to the Light Control Fund! With your help we reached our goal to raise the funds to replace the aging light control board. -LP



[BAC sound & light engineer Steve Schmidt working with the new console.]

Tin Building Theatre News

We are proud to announce the recipient of the TBT 2020 Scholarship winner, Kaitlyn Brooke Eary! Kaitlyn is the daughter of Roy Eary and Penny Culver. She has been active in One Act Play in high school and The TBT from a very young age. She has performed in *Under a Cowboy Moon* and *Dead to the Last Drop* and has been an invaluable asset on and off the stage. After graduation, Kaitlyn plans to attend Tarleton State University and pursue a Masters in Psychology, as well as participate in the Tarleton Liberal Arts program. Congratulations, Kaitlyn! We wish you the moon and stars! -LR



Bosque Civic Music Association

The Music Camp scheduled for July 27-31 is canceled due to the current situation in Texas. The next Music Camp will take place summer 2021. -DJ

QUILT GUILD

We will look with hope to meeting in June and catching up with each other! Should we actually be able to meet email notification will be sent. -LP

THE CARES ACT AND CHARITABLE GIVING

The Covid-19 Crisis has proved to be difficult for the Bosque Arts Center. We have suspended our programs, postponed our fundraisers and events, and sorely miss our volunteers. More than ever, we need the financial support of our members to continue to operate in our community. Here are some ways the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act might influence your giving.

Charitable Giving Tax Benefit: The CARES Act, which was recently signed into law, includes a \$300 per individual above-the-line-deduction for charitable giving, whether an individual itemizes or not. It also suspends recent limitations on charitable cash donations by individuals and allows for cash gifts to most public charities of up to 100% of adjusted gross income in 2020.

Qualified Charitable Distribution: The CARES Act provided for suspension of all Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs) from retirement accounts for 2020. You can still do a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) from IRAs of up to \$100,000 to a qualified charity in 2020. The direct distribution will not show up as taxable income to the individual.

This general information is provided in the broadest terms and not meant to cover every situation. With all financial decisions, you should consult with a CPA or tax professional who is familiar with your particular situation. -VR



If you missed the first e-BAC online auction, don't miss the sequel, e-BAC PART 2, now available online. We have a new group of items for your bidding selection. We have some additional trips added like the Tennessee Whiskey Adventure, Ultimate Pro Sports Fan Getaway, Salmon Fishing and more along with assorted jewelry, children's book package, totes, bags, golf outings, photo frame, pottery dish, and more added each week. Auction ends on Thursday,



ALL SALES TAX-FREE!!



Aug. 13, with the Big Event taking place on Saturday, August 15. If you haven't signed up to bid, go to www.bosqueartscenter.org, or easily bid via your smart phone: just download Auctria Mobile Bidding App from your app store on your smart phone and sign up. Check in every Friday and see what's been added for this week, you may find something you can't live without!!! -DP



Aubrey Richards looks on while Jose and Michael, with McDaniel Yardscapers plant the tree from the Bush Ranch, an item in the first e-BAC online auction.



BAC Ladies Trip to Miami and the Florida Keys
Envision palm trees, ocean, sunny beaches, stone crab (the best), little umbrella drinks, designer shops, art and more. The BAC Ladies Trip is off to Miami and the Florida Keys, March 1 to March 6, 2021. While in Miami we'll stay at the Miami Biltmore in Coral Gables and then shift to Islamorada midway down the Keys to wrap up our tropical visit. Activities will include a food tour in Little Havana, a meal at Joe's Stone Crab Restaurant (famous for stone crabs, fried chicken and key lime pie), a tour and shopping at South Beach, a Biltmore culinary class, a trip to the Everglades, observing or swimming with dolphins, a sunset cruise, art galleries and more. Trip details are being finalized and cost and payment options will be available shortly, but if you are interested, please call Deb Phinney and we'll put your name on the list to contact you once the final details are nailed down. We have a maximum of 30 spaces available, with double occupancy non-smoking hotel rooms, and first-come, first-served sign up. So find your roomie--friend, neighbor, mother, daughter, aunt, niece, or whoever, (sorry, no guys allowed)--and call the office today at 254-675-3724 to save your place. -DP

UPCOMING DATES

June 22	Photography Guild	1p
Aug. 3	Tx Troubadour Entry Deadline	11:59p
Tentative Summer Events		
June 22	Ticket Sales Open for Marcia Ball	9a
July 11	Marcia Ball Concert	7p
Aug. 8-9	Linda Lucas Hardy Workshop	9a
Aug. 13	e-BAC Part 2 Closes	9p
Aug. 15	Big Event	5:45p
NOTE: Check with your respective subgroups for the next meeting dates.		



Linda Lucas Hardy Workshop

Luminous, Lustrous Colored Pencil on Drafting Film

New Date: August 8-9

Workshop Fee: \$275; \$260 for BAC Members



Gary P. Nunn
Tentative Date
September 5



Art Club

BCAC is sorely missing its member get-togethers. This coronavirus is taking a toll on everyone. Take heart – in time, this will be behind us.

The annual June luncheon (with election of the art club officers) may be postponed until further notice. Meanwhile, enjoy these images of our club members, and stay safe. We can do this, and remember that now is when you have plenty of time to catch up on your painting! If there are programs or demonstrations that you would like to see in the future, you may send your suggestions and ideas to me. [ldart@yahoo.com]



We were saddened to hear of Bill Austin's passing. Bill was active with our Art Club, including winning awards in our judged exhibit. He was a lovely gentleman, with many impressive accomplishments. -LLJ

Culinary Club

The Culinary Club will not meet in June, but July meeting possibility looks more promising. Members should watch for emails concerning our next meeting date. Should there be a dramatic change in the COVID-19 situation, we will reconsider future plans. -VR

Photography Guild News

The Bosque County Student Photography Show has been canceled for 2020.

Students who sent entries to the show may pick up their photos when the BAC is allowed to open its doors to the public again. (The announcement will be made on the Arts Center's home page; for more information, call 254.675.3724.)

The Photo Guild WILL have a meeting on Monday, June 22, at 2:00 at the Arts Center. -JAS

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