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Letter from Lily

In the languid days of summer, the Arts Council usually slows down a bit to enjoy the hazy days in the Lowcountry. But this past summer, we've stayed busy planning our upcoming season and continuing to reorganize the Arts Council to stay true to our primary mission of promoting and fostering the arts in Beaufort County.

Our **Arts of the Round Table** in July was well-attended by artists, musicians, and arts groups who came to meet one another, journalists, and editors from our local media and learn about effective media coverage. Our next Arts of the Round Table will be in October and will feature a presentation on grant money: where to find it and how to get it. Call the Arts Council at 379-2787 for the location and date.

July also saw the installation of our new phone system, with a new menu featuring upcoming events. To learn what's going on in the arts any time, dial **379-ARTS** and press 1 for event listings in Beaufort, Port Royal, and St. Helena. Press 2 to listen to event listings in Bluffton and Hilton Head.

We have also renamed and redesigned our website. Log onto **www.BeaufortCountyArts.com** to find a calendar of arts events, information about Arts Council programs, grant applications, back issues of ArtNews, member-

ship information, and many links to local artists and arts groups. Add us to your Favorites list and visit us often to keep up-to-date on what's happening in the arts.

On our site, you can also find the brochure for the **2005-2006 Taste of the Arts** season. With the assistance of Kathleen Jordan and Carol Tuynman, a full season for TOTA will return in October. Taste of the Arts is a delicious selection of events to raise money for the Arts Council's programs. Brochures of all the events will be mailed in early September and an article in this issue will tell you more about a Taste of the Arts event in November.

Though it seems so far away, the holidays are just around the corner! As you make your gift list, **consider the gift of art.** Beaufort County is filled with talented artists who can create the perfect gift for anyone – and most can ship it for you, too! Or you could give tickets or season passes to the Southern Circuit Film Festival, Arts Center of Coastal Carolina, Beaufort or Hilton Head Orchestras, or Beaufort Performing Arts. Or for the person who really truly has everything, make a donation to the Arts Council in their name. Visit our website located at www.BeaufortCountyArts.com for links to artists, galleries, and arts groups who would love to help you give a gift of the arts!

On the Cover

Kyle Brazell, an actor in the Meisner Adult Acting Class, warms up in a centering exercise. 10 students, aged 17 – 60-something, from throughout Beaufort County, met for 10 weeks in the first class of its kind, thanks to a grant from the Arts Council of Beaufort County and the generosity of Beaufort Performing Arts, Inc. The class will be offered again this fall. E-mail g_westerfield@yahoo.com or call 322-1055 after September 17 for information or to register.

Photo by Lily Joplin

HHCS swings at 30th Anniversary Pops Concert

Join the Hilton Head Choral Society in their first-ever Pops Concert to celebrate their 30th Anniversary. The concert will be held October 14 at 8 PM, at First Presbyterian Church, Hilton Head Island.

This event promises a fabulous evening of musical entertainment with songs from MGM movie musicals and favorites from the pop charts. You'll tap your toes to



Hilton Head Choral Society

the music of Irving Berlin and well-loved Broadway standards from *West Side Story* to *South Pacific*.

Individual tickets are \$20. Season tickets are \$65 for preferred seating for four Choral Society concerts this season. Grand Plan Season tickets are \$95 for the four HHCS concerts plus two Chamber Singers Concerts.

Tickets are available at Burke's Pharmacy-Main Street, Port Royal Bookstore in Village at Wexford, Moonshell Art Gallery, Truffles Cafe in Belfair Towne Village, and at the door the night of the concert.

For more information, call Ann Light at 341-3818 or visit www.hiltonheadchoralsociety.org

HHO's sweet sounds of "Symphony by the Sea"

Hilton Head Orchestra Music Director and Conductor Mary Woodmansee Green has chosen the theme "Symphony by the Sea" for the orchestra's 24th season of symphonic music on the Island.

Green says, "This season, the Hilton Head Orchestra will perform music about majestic rivers, mountain lakes, babbling brooks, frozen ponds, rolling oceans and, of course, the beautiful sea which surrounds our island paradise. We will spend the year celebrating the music, the water, and our special island home."

The 2005-2006 season will mark the eighth season with Green as Music Director of the Hilton Head Orchestra. She continues to gain recognition for her innovative programming and her ability to communicate with the audience.

The Master Series will begin October 10, with a Gala Opening Concert concluding with Tchaikovsky's *Symphony No. 5*. Season highlights include the orchestra's first BeethovenFest; "Music for the Soul" with Brahms' *German Requiem*; Dvorak's *Symphony No. 9, "From the New World"*; Mozart's *Horn Concerto*; 2005 International Piano Competition winner, Di Wu, performing Beethoven's *Piano Concerto No. 2*; and Special Pops Conductor Bob Alberti leading the orchestra in a set of some of his favorite arrangements.

On Tuesdays, October 11 - November 15, meet the orchestra in six programs presented by musicians, staff, and Board members of the orchestra. Go behind the scenes and discuss what makes a 21st century orchestra "tick." Presented in conjunction with Lifelong Learning of Hilton Head Island, the sessions are from 1:30 to 3:30 at All Saints Episcopal Church, 3001 Meeting St., HHI. Cost is \$5 per session or \$25 for entire series.

Concerts are held at the First Presbyterian Church on Hwy. 278 on Hilton Head Island. Most concerts are at 8 PM. Mondays with the Maestra begin at 1:30 PM.

Concert tickets are \$20, \$25, and \$30. Mondays with the Maestra are \$15 for non-subscribers, \$5 for subscribers.

For additional information or to purchase tickets, call the Hilton Head Orchestra Box Office at 842-2055 or log onto www.hhorchestra.org



Hilton Head Orchestra

Chamber Music Hilton Head Season Opener

Chamber Music Hilton Head will present its season opening concert at 7:30 PM November 1 at Island Lutheran Church, at the corner of Main Street and Wilburn Avenue on Hilton Head Island.

Guest pianist Daphne Spottiswoode joins CMHH regulars in performances of a cello sonata by Debussy, a middle-period string quartet by Beethoven, and a selection of tangos by Piazzolla.

This program will also be performed for CMHH Friends October 30 at 3:00 PM and October 31 at 7:30 PM at homes on Hilton Head.

Tickets for the November 1 concert are \$15, and students may attend free. For more information, including how to become a CMHH Friend, is available at www.cmhh.org or phone 681-9969.

...In perfect harmony...

Lowcountry Children's Chorus is currently holding auditions for treble singers (unchanged voices) in grades four and up. The fall semester will begin on September 6.

Special projects for 2005-2006 include preparing two major concerts for the community, performing with the Hilton Head Orchestra in December, and touring to New York City to sing in Carnegie Hall in the spring.

LCCC is an auditioned, community-based treble choir which exists to artistically enrich the lives of the singers, their families, and the audiences for which they perform.

Please contact Dr. Melanie Williams at 522-9744 for more information or visit www.bcob.org/lccc



Lowcountry Children's Chorus

Pipe down! With St. Helena's Organ Concerts

St. Helena's Free Friday Organ Concerts at Noon begins its sixth season this fall. Organ concerts are performed by exceptional artists from across the United States and Europe who play on the church's 1985 Taylor & Boody mechanical action pipe organ. These musicians offer interesting information about the works performed, the composers, and the pipe organ, creating an informative yet entertaining atmosphere. Concerts are held at noon at St. Helena's Episcopal Church in Beaufort's downtown historic district and are free. Contact Gen Bolena, Director of Music, at 522-1712, ext. 214 for more information.

October 14
David Jernigan
Greenville, NC

October 21
Gen Bolena
Beaufort, SC

November 4
Gail Archer
New York, NY

November 18
Douglas Bruce
Münchenstein, Switzerland



Gen Bolena

Com' join we fo' a Gullah goodtime...

"Gullah Caribbean Celebra'shun" with Aunt Pearlle Sue and The Gullah Kinfolk will feature a live show, Lowcountry Gullah and Caribbean buffet, and dancing to the sounds of Africa with the Gullah Kinfolk's renditions of Gullah spirituals and the soulful beats of Caribbean reggae rhythms. Step back in time as the storyteller weaves you into tales of Beaufort's unique Gullah heritage with rib-ticklin' yarns.

The magic will happen at the Sea Island Conference Center, 178 Sams Point Road, on Lady's Island September 9 and 23, October 7 and 14 at 7:00PM. Admission is \$30 for adults and \$15 for children. For reservations call 522-3924 or 489-7316.

Dancing with a local star

Michelle Lombardo, a Hilton Head resident, costume designer and local dance instructor, recently finished outfitting celebrities on ABC's hit show "Dancing With The Stars." Now back in Hilton Head, she designs gowns for Designs To Shine, which specializes in ballroom dance gowns and evening wear.

Lombardo is also a local instructor of ballroom dance. With a national championship title, she has students ages 5 to 81, and finds joy and willingness to learn so rewarding. She believes that dancing is about stepping out of your comfort zone, trying something new, and interpreting the music by letting your body express what you hear.

For additional information, email Michelle at mklombardo@aol.com

Cast your gaze on "The Appraising Eye"



The popular local antiques appraisal show, "The Appraising Eye," will be taping in several locations around the area over the next three months. Producer Ron DeYoung of Beaufort-based Harlequin Productions says, "The pilot of 'The Appraising Eye' that aired on WJWJ-TV last month was so well received we are continuing production with the goal of a full 13-week season. That show was taped at Sun City Hilton Head, but open only to Sun City residents. These new taping sessions will be open to the public. If you like watching TV appraisal shows, here is your chance to not only have expert appraisers look at your antiques, but perhaps be on TV as well."

Three local appraisers, Libby Holloway, Stan Hudson, and Charles McCracken, will give verbal evaluations of patrons' antiques, furniture, gems, jewelry, books, paintings, and more. Although verbal evaluations are not accepted for insurance purposes, they will suggest whether a person should get a formal appraisal in writing, and if the item needs special care and consideration.

Among the items seen in the pilot show were a mint-condition collection of porcelain figurines from Disney's "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs", a first-day cover of the US First Man on the Moon postage stamp signed by Neil Armstrong and taken by him to the moon, a sapphire and platinum ring from the 1800's, a barber pole that spins and lights up, and an outboard motor from the 1920's.

Patrons are taken on a first-come, first-served basis at a taping session. There is a charge of \$15 per item or collection, with no limit on the number of items. All who attend must sign a release to allow the use of their face, voice, and evaluation on television. Their names will not appear on TV.

Look for further announcements of specific dates and locations in the local newspapers, on radio, and on WJWJ-TV. For more information, call Harlequin Productions at 597-1070.



Click the featured link



The Arts Council's new website: www.BeaufortCountyArts.com is filled with links to artists, arts groups, musicians, theatre groups, and more. We have a featured link each week on the website homepage and our ArtNews featured link this issue is Linda Kirsten Cole at www.lindakirstencole.com

An entirely self-taught artist, Cole relocated from New York to Beaufort to be able to live in a community filled with "the arts, historic homes, and the beauty of a coastal village." The influence of the Lowcountry is evident in her current works; her art resonates with vibrant color and light. Visit her website and experience it for yourself!

Linda Kirsten Cole recently opened her studio on Lady's Island and tours are available by appointment. Please call 322-0279 for an appointment.

The Lowcountry's Best - Art & Seafood

On October 15, the 1st Annual Historic Bluffton Art and Seafood Festival will celebrate the two things that make life in the Lowcountry so great: fantastic art and fabulous seafood.

Peggy Duncan, Jacob Preston, and Lynda Potter will host the invitational fine art and craft event from 10 AM - 4 PM. This event will take place on historic Calhoun Street. 25 professional artists and craftspeople from the South Carolina and Georgia will display their works and demonstrate their craft.

Food and beverage vendors will be alongside artisans up and down Calhoun Street, which will be closed to traffic for the day. Trolleys will run back and forth with festivalgoers parking out at the schools and being dropped off on Calhoun Street. All day, various events and demonstrations will take place at the Bluffton Oyster Factory to be topped off by a Lowcountry dinner and fireworks display over the May River. Come on down October 15th to ooo, ahh, and oohh over the great art and tasty dishes you'll discover in little ol' Bluffton.



Desire by Julie Gustafson - September 23
Gustafson invites a diverse group of teenage girls from New Orleans to make video projects exploring their developing sexuality and identity. *Desire* weaves together the girls' video work, the story of their changing

lives, as well as the family, social, and economic contexts in which their desires and opportunities are shaped.



War by Jake Mahaffy - October 7

War is a pseudo science fiction film that explores the interlocking routines of four characters abandoned in a barren landscape. Shot on hand-cranked black and white 16mm film, the unpredictable fluctuations in the images are central to this requiem for the industrial age. *War* aims to archive the remnants and the present decline of an America which nothing will replace.



Stay Until Tomorrow by Laura Colella - November 11

Nina, a former teenage soap star, abandoned her acting career to go to college, only to drop out and travel the world. She heads back home for a few days to stay with a childhood friend, Jim, a strong-silent type. But he is also the Actor Playing Jim—the chatty, analytical, and dreamy opposite. Through this dual character, *Stay Until Tomorrow* becomes a comic and kaleidoscopic film-within-a-film.

Preview clips of upcoming films are available at www.BeaufortCountyArts.com, then click on Southern Circuit.

All films begin at 7:30 PM at MacLean Hall at the Technical College of the Lowcountry, Ribaut Road, Beaufort. Single tickets can be purchased at the door for \$7 for adults, \$4 for students. Season passes are also available for \$35 by calling 379-2787.

**25th Anniversary
An Evening
of the Arts
Fundraiser**

The 25th anniversary celebration of *An Evening of the Arts* will be held October 1 at the Crowne Plaza Resort on Hilton Head Island. The gala Arts Auction will include a cocktail reception and dinner.

Both live and silent auctions will feature original works of art by some of the area's finest artists. All art can be previewed from September 17 - 30, at The Mall at Shelter Cove.

An Evening of the Arts raises funds for the Island School Council for the Arts. Proceeds from the event support the Artists-in-Education program in Southern Beaufort County's public schools. In the past 25 years, ISCA has raised nearly \$2 million to support arts education.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be served at 6 PM. Dinner will be served at 7:15 PM, with auctioneer Sonny Huntley opening the live auction at 8 PM.

Tickets are \$125 per person; reservations will be accepted by calling 681-5381.

Happy Heritage Days!

The 23rd Annual Heritage Days Celebration will celebrate "Preserving Gullah Traditions and Culture through Language."

November 10, an opening ceremony will feature flags of the Gullah People, an art exhibit opening, and a Penn School-era fashion show featuring more than 60 period costumes.

A symposium with breakfast will be offered November 11, followed by an afternoon and evening of entertainment, outdoor exhibits, lectures, fish fry, oyster roast, and blues music.

The Heritage parade will be November 12 at 9 AM, then a fun-filled afternoon of entertainment, art and craft exhibits, a Gullah film series, Gullah arts, and children's activities will follow.

Admission varies; many events are free. Penn Center is on Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, St. Helena Island. For more information, call 838-2432 or visit www.penncenter.com.

Artist Feature: Claudia Drake

“When I see something I want to paint, I’m not happy until I paint it,” Claudia Drake says emphatically. Visitors to the Beaufort Art Association Gallery will have an opportunity to see 18 of Drake’s works at her new show through September 10. The exhibit consists entirely of oils, and the subject matter ranges from portraits to still lifes, street scenes and landscapes. In particular, Drake’s landscapes are diverse and include, in her words, “oceans to mountains and everything in between.”

As the daughter and granddaughter of of classically trained painters, it seems that making art is in her genes. “At first, I didn’t do oils,” she says. “I was inhibited by the body of work created by my mother and grandmother.”

Composition is at the heart of her attraction to a particular image. “Color is secondary. I want to capture the mood.” Drake’s personal approach to oil painting does not include sketching first. “That cramps my style. I just lose something,” she says. She begins by roughing out the image using a light wash of burnt sienna. She then adjusts the composition to fit the canvas. “I start with the darkest darks, and I usually put in the lightest lights last.”

As an artist, Claudia is driven by the “moment” and prefers not to work from photographs — unless she paints a moving object like a boat. She feels compelled to try to freeze time by painting “one particular moment and the mood the way I felt it.” Besides moving objects, are there any other obstacles to painting for Drake? She laughs and says, “Real life, like making dinner, impinges on my focus!”

The Beaufort Art Association Gallery is located at 905 Port Republic Street in downtown Beaufort. Drake’s art can also be seen at the Frasier Gallery in Sea Pines. For more information about the Gallery or membership in BAA, call 379-2222.



Claudia Drake, Praise House

Returning from the West



Hidden XI

Equine artist Karen Keene Day’s solo exhibit, “Returning from the West” will open September 23 at The Gallery in Beaufort. An opening reception from 5 – 8 PM is free and open to the public.

Keene Day recently returned from six weeks out West documenting and studying the wild horses of the region. This is an annual ritual for Keene Day, who captures the spirit and energy of these magnificent creatures in a unique fashion.

As an artist, Keene Day has taken on the daunting task of trying to bring about awareness of the plight of the wild horses of America. These creatures are slowly being run off the land with the threat of extinction looming.

Keene Day translates the wild horses’ awesome power into lively, energetic depictions on canvas. Her bold, gestural strokes radiate off the canvas, giving the viewer a hint of the magnificence these animals command.

Keene Day will be sharing her many forms of documentation and study that go into her process of creation. Don’t miss this glimpse into the mind of an amazing artist.

The Gallery is at 802 Bay Street. For more information, call 470-9994 or visit www.thegallery-beaufort.com



In the Wild I

At the HH Art League

The Hilton Head Art League is dedicated to promoting the visual arts in the community and enhancing the art skills of its members. For more than 30 years, the Art League has sponsored art exhibitions and events, juried shows and member shows, and provides art instruction through the Art Academy and numerous workshops featuring nationally-known art instructors.

The Gallery at Pineland Station on Hilton Head island is open Monday-Saturday from 10 AM – 6 PM. For information, call 681-5060.

Fabulous Fakes



Copy of Henri Matisse by Lynn Parrot

The Art League's much-anticipated sale of "Fabulous Fakes," will be held at the Gallery and in the surrounding courtyard on

September 17, from 11 AM – 4 PM.

If you've ever dreamed of owning an original Renoir, Matisse or Chagall, now you can own the next best thing... an original copy of a great master's work by an Art League artist, and available at very affordable prices.

This year, more than 35 artists have produced the most fabulous "Fabulous Fakes" yet - works by Matisse, Monet, Van Gogh, Renoir, Klimt, Winslow Homer, Redon, Picasso, Lautrec, Vermeer, and Mary Cassatt - in oils, pastels, watercolors and acrylics.

Many of the merchants in Pineland Station will open their shops with special sales and coordinated events on that day.

Cloth, Fiber & Metal

Bluffton artists Bill and Sue McFarland's wearable art will be featured at the Art League Gallery from September 13 - October 8 in the exhibit "Cloth, Fiber & Metal." Bill's pieces are composed predominantly of silver, brass, copper, and bronze,

using a variety of gemstones. Sue works with various fibers, ranging from basketry and gourds to quilting and knitting.

Lowcountry Palette

Lowcountry artist Terry Brennan's oils and watercolors will be featured at the Gallery through September 24.

Brennan's palette is the palette of the Lowcountry; the vibrant colors of local landscapes and sea-scapes come alive under his brush.



Terry Brennan, Lowcountry Farm

In the past five years, Brennan has sold over 90 paintings and is considered a master of the Lowcountry scene. He has 30 new paintings in this exhibition.

"With each landscape and seascape, I attempt to capture the emotions and mood of a specific place at a particular moment in time," says Brennan. "Painting is an opportunity to combine color and values into a composition that gives viewers a chance to see the Lowcountry as I do."

Centuries in the making

An exhibit of fine Asian art by Dr. Virginia Bergin MacKenzie will open September 27 with a reception from 5 to 7 PM.

The techniques MacKenzie employs go back centuries. Painting surfaces in this exhibit range from fine silk



Virginia Mackenzie, Blue Poppy and Crickets

to gold paper, from glass to coffee filters. Many are executed in the finely-detailed *gongbi* technique, using ground ink and Chinese. These paintings require an Oriental sense of composition, delicate shading with the simultaneous use of two brushes, and layer after layer of watercolor and alum. The finished masterpieces often take as many as 40 hours to complete, and then they must be mounted with Chinese flour paste.

Member Show at Arts Center

The Hilton Head Art League will present its annual showing of artwork by its members at the Arts Center of Coastal Carolina from September 6 - October 1. More than 100 artists' works in all media will be on display and for sale; the subject matter, mediums, and prices are always varied.

Two special pieces will be available for a silent auction to raise funds for Art League programs. One is a collage by Irene K. Williamson.



Dizikes, In Full Bloom

During her time at the HHAL Gallery this year, she designed a collage made from materials that visitors to the gallery provided. The work is aptly titled "Anticipation," since Irene did not know what people would bring in. The second work of art is a sculpture by Sheri Farbstein.

The Walter Greer Gallery at the Arts Center is open Monday-Saturday 10 AM - 4 PM and one hour before performances in the Wallace Theater.

ARTS COUNCIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

ONGOING

Wednesday-Sunday
Ruth Wright on Piano
 Westin Hotel, HHI
 6:30-9:30 PM * 681-4000

SEPTEMBER

Through September 10
Claudia Drake Exhibit
 BAA Gallery, 905 Port Republic St., Beaufort
 379-2222

Through September 24
Terry Brennan: Oils and Watercolors
 HH Art League * Pineland Station
 Opening reception August 30
 5-7 PM * Free
 681-5060

September 2 - 30
Hilton Head Art League Exhibit
 MARS HHI * Reception September 2
 5:30 - 7 PM * Free
 379-2787

September 2 - 30
Marti & Pals Exhibit
 MARS Bluffton * Reception September 4
 5:30 - 7:30 PM * Free
 379-2787

September 8-October 3
Ed Funk Photography Exhibit
 Hilton Head Gallery * Reception
 September 15
 5-7 PM * Free
 681-8208

September 9 & 23
**Gullah Caribbean
 Celebra'shun**
 Sea Island Conference Center
 7PM * \$30 for adults, \$15 for children
 522-1934 or 489-7316

September 12
Photography Club of Beaufort Meeting
 TCL Building 22, Room 100
 7PM * Free for first time visitors
 846-9580

September 13-October 8
Cloth, Fiber & Metal * Bill and Sue McFarland
 HH Art League * Pineland Station
 681-5060

September 12-October 29
Patricia Gardner Exhibit
 BAA Gallery, 905 Port Republic St., Beaufort
 379-2222

September 13
Beaufort Writers Meeting
 Lady's Island Airport Conference Room
 5:30 PM * Free
 evanste@islc.net

September 17
Fabulous Fakes Bi-annual Art Sale
 HH Art League Gallery * Pineland Station
 11 AM - 4 PM * Free
 681-5060

September 18
Songwriters Showcase
 62 Coosaw River Dr., Lady's Island
 3 PM * Free to public, \$10 musician
 registration fee
 470-0145

September 18
Art Critique
 The Gallery * 802 Bay St., Beaufort
 2 PM * Free
 470-9994

September 18-December 30
Island Treasures Revealed
 Coastal Discovery Museum, HHI
 Opening Reception September 18
 2-4 PM * 689-6767, ext. 223

September 22
Art Expo to Benefit Alzheimer's
 All Saints Episcopal Church, HHI
 5-7 PM * Free

September 23
Returning from the West
 Karen Keene Day Exhibit
 The Gallery * 802 Bay St.,
 Beaufort
 5-8 PM * 470-9994

September 23
**Southern Circuit Film
 Festival**
Desire by Julie Gustafson
 TCL, Beaufort

7:30 PM * \$7/adults, \$4/students
 379-2787

September 27
Beaufort Writers Meeting
 Lady's Island Airport Conference
 Room
 5:30 PM * Free
 evanste@islc.net

September 27-October 22
Oriental Express * Virginia
 Mackenzie exhibit
 HH Art League * Pineland Station
 Opening reception September 27
 5-7 PM * 681-5060

September 28-October 23
Evita
 Arts Center of Coastal Carolina
 842-2787

September 30 & October 1
The Spencers Theatre of Illusion
 USCB Auditorium
 521-4145

OCTOBER

October 1
An Evening of the Arts
 Crowne Plaza Resort, HHI
 \$125 per person
 6 PM * 681-5381

October 2 - 31
Sister Act * Group art exhibit
 MARS Bluffton * Opening
 reception October 9
 5 - 8 PM
 Free * 379-2787

October 2 - 31
Island Artists featuring
 Laura Cody
 MARS HHI * 379-2787

October 2-November 12
Kathy Tortorella Exhibit
 Opening reception October 2
 SOBA Gallery
 48 Boundary Street * Bluffton
 3 - 5 PM * 757-6586

October 6-October 27
Helen Evans Exhibit * Hilton Head Gallery
 Opening reception October 6
 5 - 7 PM * Free
 681-8208

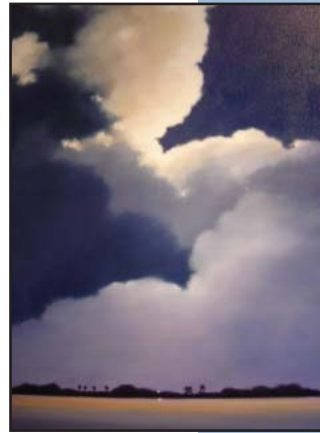
October 7
Southern Circuit Film Festival
War by Jake Mahaffy
 TCL, Beaufort
 7:30 PM * \$7/adults, \$4/students
 379-2787

October 7-8
Annual Shrimp Festival
 Downtown Beaufort
 986-5400, ext 31

October 7 & 14
Gullah Caribbean Celebra'shun
 Sea Island Conference Center
 7 PM * 522-3924 or 489-7316

October 10
Gala Opening Concert
 Hilton Head Orchestra
 First Presbyterian Church, HHI
 8 PM * 842-2055

October 10
Photography Club of Beaufort Meeting
 TCL Building 22, Room 100
 7 PM * Free for first time visitors
 846-9580



Lana Hefner, Lowcountry



Ed Funk, Egret Elegance



Karen Keene Day, Wild Horse I

October 11
Beaufort Writers Meeting
Lady's Island Airport Conference Room
5:30 PM * Free
evanste@islc.net

October 14
30th Anniversary Pops Concert
Hilton Head Choral Society
First Presbyterian Church
341-3818

October 14
Friday Organ Concerts
St. Helena's Episcopal Church * Beaufort
12 PM * Free
522-1712, ext. 214

October 15
1st Annual Historic Bluffton Art & Seafood Festival
Old Town Bluffton
10 AM – 9 PM

October 16
Art Critique
The Gallery * 802 Bay St., Beaufort
2 PM * Free
470-9994

October 18
Amelia Bedelia
USCB Auditorium
7 PM * 521-4145

October 21
Friday Organ Concerts
St. Helena's Episcopal Church * Beaufort
12 PM * Free
522-1712, ext. 214

October 21-November 12
"What a Relief" * Linoleum block prints
by Dan Brown, Melba Cooper & Scott Gordon
Charles Street Gallery, Beaufort
521-9054

October 22
OktoberFest
Downtown Port Royal
Free * 524-3163

October 22
Parris Island Officers' Spouses' Club Craft Fair
Parris Island Lyceum
9 AM – 4 PM * 524-7882

October 22
Bluesology: Concert & lecture on the blues
by J. Howard Duff * MARS Bluffton
7 PM * Free
379-2787

October 23
The Zephyr Brass Trio
Fripp Island Friends of Music
838-4666

October 24
Sound the Horn
Hilton Head Orchestra
First Presbyterian Church, HHI
8 PM * 842-2055

October 25
Beaufort Writers Meeting
Lady's Island Airport Conference Room
5:30 PM * Free
evanste@islc.net

October 27 & 30
Autumn Classical Concert
Beaufort Orchestra
USCB Auditorium
521-4145

October 29
7th Annual Fall Art Walk
Downtown Beaufort
5 - 7:30 PM * Free

October 30
Kitchen Tour
Sponsored by Society of Bluffton Artists
\$30 per person
11- 4 PM * 757-6585 or 837-5165

NOVEMBER

November 1
Chamber Music Hilton Head Opening Concert
7:30 PM * \$15 per person, students free
681-9969

November 2 - 30
Claudette Humphrey Exhibit
MARS Bluffton
379-2787

November 4
Friday Organ Concerts
St. Helena's Episcopal Church
12 PM * Free
522-1712, ext. 214

November 8
In the Mood
USCB Auditorium
8 PM * 521-4145

November 8
Beaufort Writers Meeting
Lady's Island Airport Conference Room
5:30 PM * Free
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November 10
Super Scientific Circus
USCB Auditorium
7 PM * 521-4145

November 10-13
23rd Annual Heritage Days Celebration
Penn Center on St. Helena Island
838-2432 * www.penncenter.com

November 11
Southern Circuit Film Festival
Stay Until Tomorrow by Laura Colella
TCL, Beaufort
7:30 PM * \$ 7/adults, \$ 4/students
379-2787

November 12
What's Really Crackin'
A Taste of the Arts event
Crackpots Gallery * St. Helena Island
\$35 * 379-2787

November 13
Art Critique
The Gallery * 802 Bay St., Beaufort
2 PM * Free
470-9994

November 14
An American Thanksgiving
Hilton Head Orchestra
First Presbyterian Church, HHI
8 PM * 842-2055

November 14
Photography Club of Beaufort Meeting
Presentation by Eric Horan
TCL Building 22, Room 110
7 PM * 846-9580

November 14 - December 24
D.J. Murray exhibit
Society of Bluffton Artists
48 Boundary Street, Bluffton
757-6586

November 18
Friday Organ Concerts
St. Helena's Episcopal Church
12 PM * Free
522-1712, ext. 214

November 18-December 10
Paintings by Carol Henry
Charles Street Gallery, Beaufort
521-9054

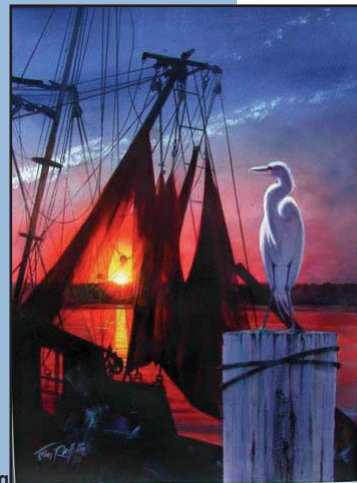
November 19
Fripp n' Friends Art Show and Sale
Benefiting the Arts Council
Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club
Lady's Island
379-2787

November 22
Beaufort Writers Meeting
Lady's Island Airport Conference Room
5:30 PM * Free
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November 30-December 24
A Christmas Carol
Arts Center of Coastal Carolina * HHI * 842-2787



Melba Cooper, *Fertilization of a Fiddler*



T. Ratcliffe, *Sensation*



"Celebration", Trish Weeks, The Gallery

Trippin' the art fantastic

The Guild of Beaufort Galleries is pleased to present the 7th Annual Fall Art Walk. The event is Saturday, October 29 from 5 - 7:30 PM. The galleries will open their doors on a beautiful fall evening to offer you the best art and artists the Lowcountry has to offer.

Artists will be on hand at each of the 13 galleries to offer insight about their works and art in general, with several galleries featuring artist demonstrations throughout the day. Each gallery will feature a specific exhibit with focus on a particular artist or subject matter.

Visitors will discover an array of visual masterpieces including original paintings, drawings, photography, and antique prints. Additionally, galleries will feature pottery, jewelry, handcrafted furniture, sweetgrass baskets, and so much more. Those interested in sculpture will be pleased with the display of wood, metal, stone, ceramic, soft, and glass pieces.

"This is a fantastic opportunity to start your holiday shopping," said Deanna Bowdish, owner of The Gallery. "Whether you are in search of a

traditional landscape, folk art, or abstract painting, sculpture, or unique jewelry, you'll find something fabulous in one of our galleries."

Art Walk coincides with the Historic Beaufort Foundation's Annual Fall Tour of Homes, October 28 - 30. Visitors and residents can come and enjoy the art offerings of our historic coastal town and tour local homes. For information and tickets for HBF's Fall Tour of Homes, call 379-3331.

Art Walk is free and open to the public. Galleries are all over

downtown Beaufort, from Bay Street to Port Republic Street to Charles Street. Maps are available in each participating gallery displaying the purple and white guild logo in their front windows. Purple and white banners and balloons will also mark Guild members. Refreshments will be served at the galleries. Grab a friend and we'll see you at Art Walk!



"Sun-Washed 3", Mary Grayson Segars, Art & Soul



"Hunting Island Series 13", Susan Graber, Bay St. Gallery



"May River Evening," Lana Hefner, Bay St. Gallery

Taste of the Arts Presents: What's Really Crackin' at Crackpots



St. Helena Island Potter Julie Milazzo crackin' open her outdoor kiln

Create some pots at Crackpots Gallery & Studio with resident potter, Julie Milazzo, or just relax and enjoy beer, wine and tasty edibles provided by Heather D. Bosworth Catering. *What's Really Crackin'* will feature a primitive-style pit firing as guests learn about the intricacies of clay and the suspense of pulling a finished piece out of the fire. Milazzo will crack open her kiln during the event, and guests will have the first look at a fresh body of her work; weather permitting, a raku firing may also be part of the fun.

Julie Milazzo's artistic style is innovative. She recently developed a new series of pottery and glazes reminiscent of the shapes and colors found in the books of Dr. Seuss and is a 2005 recipient of the Arts Council's

Individual Artist Grant. Milazzo is also a master of throwing large-scale bowls and sinks which are found in homes throughout the United States.

Dress to play in the clay on November 12. Tickets are \$35 and include supplies. Reserve your space today by calling 379-2787.

Orbit over to MARS

Marti & Pals

Original art by award-winning artists will be on display and for sale at the Arts Council's Bluffton Gallery at MARS, The Real Estate Store September 4 - 29. Three artists, Elaine Hruska, Sandy Compoli, and Marti Hughes, became friends at a recent Art Academy workshop and formed a plein air painting group. These three artists exemplify how good pals can help each other grow.

Elaine, a retired executive, Sandy, a court reporter, and Marti, a graphic designer, all bring something special to this show. Each artist, with her own viewpoint and interpretation, has developed a unique style and sense of color. Many of the works exhibited will be landscapes of the Lowcountry, but you'll also find some still life, pen and inks, and a few modern art pieces.

The wine and cheese opening reception for Marti & Pals will be September 4 from 5:30 - 7:30. It is free & open to the public.

Sister Act

From the North and from the South (of the Broad River, that is) comes The Sisterhood with the collective exhibit



Gertrude Palmer,
Gullah Princess

Sister Act at the Arts Council Gallery inside MARS, The Real Estate Store in Bluffton. *Sister Act* will open October 9 with the live blues jams of J. Howard Duff filling the air.

The artists represent a variety of styles and mediums.

Sue McFarland is a basket weaver and "needle artist"; Molly Carrington calls her work "assemblage junque art" and uses found objects to create new and amazing forms. Lily Joplin is a photographer and paints on discarded windows and over old canvases. Deanna Bowdish's abstract interpretations of the Lowcountry have a cult following. Louise Coleman uses deep

texture and form to create her paintings. Dawn Duff is a painter and also uses polymer clay to create her popular Prayer and Wedding Bowls. Gertrude Palmer is known as *The Wedding Artist* and specializes in creating portraits on site at weddings, but her work also includes figure paintings and abstracts.

Sister Act will hang for the month of October. The opening reception is October 9 from 5 - 8 PM. The reception and the exhibit are free and open to the public.

More MARS on HHI

In September, the Hilton Head MARS will feature 75+ works of art by Hilton Head Art League members with an opening reception on September 2 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM.

October brings Island Artists into the Hilton Head MARS Gallery, featuring the work of the prolific Laura Cody and a few of her compatriots.

As the cold winds begin to blow in November, come warm up with a cup of coffee surrounded by the works of Nova Iannuzzi and her sister.

For information on exhibits and events at MARS, the Real Estate Store, call 379-2787 or www.BeaufortCountyArts.com



The Apple Pie Painters

Dig those "Island Treasures"

The Apple Pie Painters will exhibit their works Sept. 18 - Dec. 30 at Coastal Discovery Museum. The opening reception will be at the gallery on September 18, from 2 - 4 PM.

"Island Treasures Revealed" will focus on the artists' view of nature's beauty, relics of the past, Island neighbors, and local pathways and waterways. Paintings as well as prints and cards will be for sale.

The Apple Pies have discovered facets of the Island that most tourists and residents may never see. The artists are Marilyn Dizikes, Vickie Bailey Ebbers, Peter

P. Hadfalvi, Mary B. Kelly, Judy McElynn, John Norlander, Liz Rufenacht, Alexandra Sharma, and Barbara Snow.

On October 18 at 9:30 AM, a trolley tour will visit the sites of paintings in the show. These places are often unexplored, so they provide an unusual view of the island. The final stop of the tour, led by Alexandra Sharma, will be at Fish Haul Creek Park, where the Apple Pies will be having their weekly painting session.

On November 15 at 2 PM, Mary B. Kelly will give a gallery "walk and talk" on the exhibit. Using video, Kelly will describe painting sites, media used, and highlights of the exhibit.

On December 13 from 1 - 3 PM, the Apple Pie Painters will demonstrate their skills using various mediums throughout the afternoon.

Reserve trolley tour tickets for \$25. The gallery talk and painting demonstrations are free and open to the public.

Coastal Discovery Museum is located at 100 Hwy. 278. For more information, call 689-6767, ext. 223.

At the Hilton Head Gallery

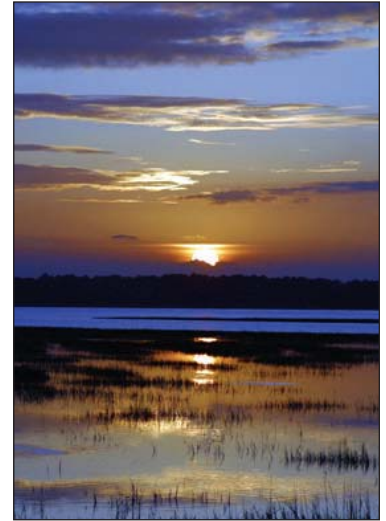
The Hilton Head Gallery is located in the Garden Atrium at Pineland Station, Hwy 278, Hilton Head Island. For more information, call 681-8208.

Funk's photos

September will feature a solo exhibition of photography by Ed Funk, well known for his photographs appearing in several newspapers and magazines, most recently *The Bluffton Breeze*.

Funk's love of photography shines through in his depiction of the various scenes of the Lowcountry. He sees objects, people, and places with a positive and studied eye. He started out with a one-dollar Kodak Brownie camera, purchased at a flea market at age 13, and has branched out to the present day, where he has transformed his hobby into a flourishing enterprise.

Funk's photography will be on display from September 8 – October 3. The reception for the public will be September 15, from 5 – 7 PM.



Ed Funk, *Rhapsody in Blue*



Helen Evans, *Cattails*

Evans' encore

The Hilton Head Gallery will present an encore exhibition of the works of Helen Evans from October 6 – 27.

She is an artist unafraid of taking on new challenges, including working in different mediums. She has worked with watercolors, pastels, ceramics, and now oils. Her diverse palette offers a range of experience: scenes of Italy, scenes of solitude, and beautiful florals.

Evans' life experiences and extensive travels have influenced her art, taking the art enthusiast along on her journeys. The subjects of her paintings are from Hilton Head, Haiti, Illinois, Italy, Puerto Rico, England, France, and Mexico.

Evans will be present for the opening reception, October 6, from 5 – 7 PM.

Competition seeks entries

Hilton Head Gallery is pleased to announce the inaugural Winterfaire Artists Competition.

Wayne Chambers, noted Savannah artist and instructor, will judge the show.

The artists will have their work exhibited at the gallery's Garden Atrium December 4-10. The opening reception will be December 4 from 2 – 4 PM and cash prizes, ribbons, and certificates of participation will be awarded.

Pre-registration is required by midnight, October 14. The first 100 acceptable entries will be entered in the show. The registration fee is \$25 per piece submitted. The competition is open to artists 18 years or older. Only original works will be accepted. All works must be for sale. The Gallery will take a commission fee of 20%.

For complete guidelines and information, contact Karen or Chris at 681-8208.

Bluffton Gallery Expands Programs

The Society of Bluffton Artists have added a new dimension to their gallery at 48 Boundary Street in historic Old Town Bluffton.

Beginning this fall, one gallery wall will be dedicated to exhibiting 15 - 20 paintings from their "Featured Artist." The public is invited to the opening show, which will feature their 2005 judged show winner, pastel artist Kathy Tortorella. Her opening reception is October 2 from 3 – 5 PM.

In addition to Kathy's work, another 80 original pieces by local artists will be available for viewing and purchase. Refreshments will be served and many of the artists will be present.

The Featured Artists Schedule for 2005 is:
October 2 – November 12: Kathy Tortorella
November 14 – December 24: D.J. Murray
December 27 – January 30: Bette Caffrey

Building upon the tremendous success of last year's "Kitchen Tour," the Society is conducting a second "Kitchen Tour" on October 30 from 11 AM – 4 PM. Eight elegant Bluffton and Moss Creek homes will be serving delicious delicacies prepared by chefs from Bluffton's top restaurants.

Tickets are \$30 and only 200 will be sold. Refreshments will also be served at the Gallery during a silent auction featuring several original paintings.

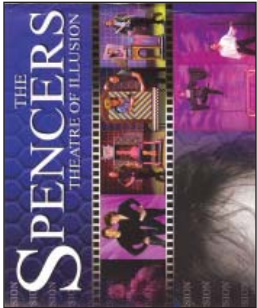
Call 757-6586 or 837-5165 for tickets and more information.

BPA's 2005-2006 Season

Beaufort Performing Arts has announced its impressive new season, with something for everyone.

This year, BPA has added a new program just for children ages 3-12, "PJs & Play." Children can wear their pajamas, see the performance, get Steve Brown's legendary cookies, and then go home to bed. At least one adult must accompany every four children.

For ticket information for all BPA events, call the box office at 521-4145 Monday - Friday from 10 AM to 5 PM.



September 30 at 7 PM & October 1 at 3 PM
The Spencer's Theatre of Illusion
 Much more

than a magic show, the Spencers create "theatre" in the truest sense of the word. Original theatrical elements, cutting-edge illusions, audience interaction, dramatic lighting, special effects, beautiful scenery, music, movement and stage magic, propel the age-old art of magic into the 21st century.

October 16
University of South Carolina Beaufort Festival Series with Charles Wadsworth

The renowned conductor returns with an array of talented musicians to USCB for the popular chamber music series.



production of the holiday classic, which *The State* raved "is as refined as any big-time ballet company in New York or San Francisco."



October 18 at 7 PM

Amelia Bedelia

The beloved character of Amelia Bedelia comes to life in

this delightful stage play.

November 8 at 8 PM

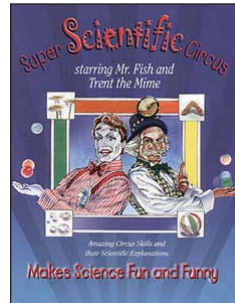
In The Mood

Come and remember the 1940's with this dynamic show featuring singing, dancing, and the sensational String Of Pearls big band orchestra.

November 10 at 7 PM

Super Scientific Circus

This circus proves that science can be fun, using boomerangs,



bubbles, beach balls, bullwhips, magic, and mime. Children will learn about friction, inertia, centrifugal force and aerodynamics,

sonic booms, air pressure and ultraviolet light.

December 3 at 7 PM

The Nutcracker

Columbia City Ballet will perform their first-class

Oldies but goodies

Coastal Carolina Senior Theatre is a touring theatre company committed to nurturing the abilities of older residents while providing enrichment, knowledge, and opposing viewpoints for the audience through the medium of theatre arts using senior themes.

The company was developed to provide a creative outlet for seniors. Actors, directors, and crew are all over 50 years old; one or two are over 70. The touring company has performed for retirement residences, nursing homes, small towns in the tri-county area, and in Hampton under the auspices of the Hampton Arts Council.

In the upcoming season, Coastal Carolina Senior Theatre will present two memorized scripts and three script-in-hand Old Time Radio productions. Old Time Radio productions are not fully memorized scripts, but are performed as they would have been when first aired during the War years.

In September, CCST will present the Old Time Radio show, *Baby Snooks*, which starred Fanny Brice from the late 1930's through the 1940's. As a special Halloween treat, they will present the program that terrified the country one day in 1939, Orson Welles' *War of the Worlds*, as it would have been done 66 years ago.

December will bring Christmas shows from *The Great Gildersleeve*, which first aired in 1943 and 1944. So, step into yesterday and join CCST for a nostalgic trip to a time that was more innocent, less extreme, and just plain fun.

If your group would be interested in booking a show, or for information, call 706-3461.

Attaining new Hites in the arts

Don Hite – formerly a music and theatre teacher at Hilton Head Preparatory School for five years before he landed a career on Broadway, in national tours, and as an executive producer in Los Angeles – has come home to head up a new performing arts department at his old haunt.

Focusing on the performing arts and fusing music and theatre, up-to-date acting for film, TV, and the stage, Hite will help Prep offer top-notch performing arts education and performance instruction.

In 1990, Hite started Hilton Head Youth CentreStage Productions and gained island-wide fame. Students drove from as far as Charleston and Savannah to be a part CentreStage.

Prep plans to use Hite's many professional resources to create excellence in arts education. He has multiple Broadway and national touring credits, many producing achievements, conducting, and musical direction.

Hite states, "I intend to give students a real view of the world of entertainment and the performing arts. I am not one to do the ordinary. In this setting, my expectations are high for the school and my students...I am very thankful for Hilton Head Prep's head of school, Dr. Sue Groesbeck, for knowing what we have to do here to create the best performing arts program for people who want careers in the arts, or simply just want to enjoy learning about the arts. I have to create that spark and then the community will definitely see that this is the place for the best daily instruction in the performing arts."

At the Arts Center...

For tickets and information
about Arts Center of Coastal Carolina events, call 842-ARTS.

Evita

September 28 - October 23, 2005

Eva Peron's colorful, compelling story comes to life in a gripping mega-musical by Britain's theatrical masters, Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice. Winner of seven Tonys, six Drama Desk awards, and the Laurence Olivier award for Musical of the Year, *Evita* is a modern opera teeming with soaring choruses, delicate arias, and exuberant Latin, pop, rock, and jazz-influenced tunes.



Tee Off for the Arts

October 24

Enjoy a day of golf at the Willard Byrd-designed Wexford Golf Club while helping raise money for the Arts Center's Education and Outreach programs. The second annual special benefit golf tournament will feature teams of four competing for top gross and net score, as well as hole-in-one and closest-to-the-pin prizes.

A Christmas Carol

November 30 - December 24

Bah! Humbug! Charles Dickens' tight-fisted, ill-tempered, Christmas-bashing curmudgeon returns in this holiday classic adapted for the stage by best-selling novelist and playwright John Jakes, whose acclaimed rendition features new music, beautiful costumes and spectacular special effects.

Community Holiday Tree Lighting

November 26, 3:30 - 5:30 PM

Celebrate the start of the holiday season with an afternoon of carols, crafts, refreshments, music, and, of course, a visit from St. Nick. At sundown, we'll gather together to light the town's official Christmas tree.



Thank you, members!

Actors thank you; Ballerinas thank you; Composers thank you; Dancers thank you; Drummers thank you; Filmmakers thank you; Guitarists thank you; Painters thank you; Producers thank you; Photographers thank you; Poets thank you; Potters thank you; Sculptors thank you; Singers thank you; Weavers thank you; Writers thank you; Violinists thank you; and most of all, the Arts Council thanks you for supporting all the amazing arts of Beaufort County.

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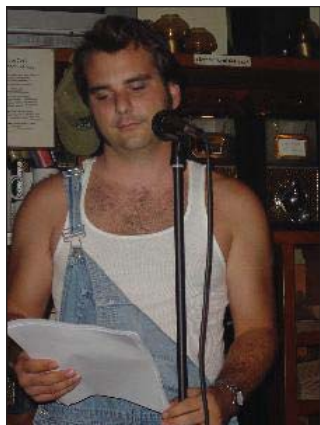
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