

# ARTS VIEWS

A quarterly newsletter by the Medina County Arts Council

## President's Letter

Friends of the Arts,

I am very encouraged about the continual growth of the arts in Medina County. Recently, the Medina County Arts Council hosted an Arts Advisory Meeting. Our by-laws suggest every five years we host this meeting to hear the concerns, needs, suggestions and ideas from the arts community.

It has been well over five years since our last meeting, and I was not sure what to expect. We ended up with nine organizations and over 20 representatives, and we found that there is great support in making sure our youth have the chance to be involved in arts programs in and out of the classroom.

We found everyone is interested in new ideas that will bring people to Medina County arts programs and events. Organizations are willing to work together, to cross promote, sell tickets and fund raise. With this openness the arts in Medina County will continue to grow and thrive.

We will meet again on September 22. If you were not able to attend the recent meeting, I hope you can make it in September at 6:30 pm - location to be determined.

Thank you to those who attended and were willing to speak out and suggest new ideas. The arts are surviving and looking for ways to grow in Medina County.

MCAC Board President  
Dan Hostetler

## Medina County Arts Week Begins July 12

Activities lead up to popular *Art-in-the-Park* event on July 18

An Arts Council Committee has been at work since early spring organizing the popular family concerts and children's programs that take place during Arts Week on Medina's Public Square and at Brunswick's Rec Center.

Arts Week concerts and programs lead up to the highly anticipated Art-in-the-Park. Medina County Art League's widely known and juried art show and sale takes place on Public Square in Medina and draws thousands of visitors from all over northeast Ohio. This year's Art-in-the-Park will be held on July 18.

Also this year, two additional programs funded by the Arts Council will also

be scheduled for Mill Stream Park in Valley City and J.B. Firestone Park in Spencer. The committee is chaired by **Jim Gilder** in Medina and **Barb McGreer** in Brunswick. Other committee members are **Michele Cotner**, **Roger Smalley**, **Judith Parish**, **Dan Hostetler**, and **Nancy Sprowls**. All programs are free.

For information about Arts Week events, call The Medina County Convention and Visitors Bureau at

330-722-5502.



### Look inside ...

for the complete Medina County Arts Week calendar of events

## Art Works/10 Exhibition Set for June

Brunswick Art Works is planning their second annual exhibition of members' art work. "Art Works/10 Exhibition" will be held at Brunswick Community Library, 3649 Center Road in Brunswick and will be open to the public June 10 (11 am - 8 pm), June 11 (11 am - 6 pm) and June 12 (11 am - 4 pm.) Some of the works will be available for purchase, and all sales will be handled directly by the artist. Most of the pieces will be two-dimensional, but the committee, headed by Chair

**Barb Ortiz**, plans to expand the three-dimensional displays this year.

The Cleveland Museum of Art is providing Art Works with two jurors: **Joan Brickley**, Senior Curatorial Assistant of Prints and Drawings and **Robin Koch**, Curatorial Assistant of Photography and Contemporary Art.

The exhibition is sponsored by **Brunswick Community Library**, **AdArt Studios**, **Edward Jones/Mona Mims** and **Giant Eagle**.

# Medina County Arts Week Calendar

## Medina Events

### Children's Programs - Medina Public Square - 12 noon

#### *Monday, July 12*

Artist Jane Magargee lets children create a drawing based on enjoying art in nature and the out-of-doors.

#### *Tuesday, July 13*

Kelly Parks and the Medina Centre for Dance Art presents an interactive program and performance.

#### *Wednesday, July 14*

Michele Cotner provides drama through pantomime, improv, and theatre games.

#### *Thursday, July 15*

Graduate music student Jeff Wolfe facilitates a drum circle with instruments provided for children's use.

#### *Friday, July 16*

Nate "The Great" Nawalaniec, magician from Hinckley, entertains audiences.

### Evening Events - Medina Public Square - 7:30 pm

#### *Monday, July 12*

Award winning rock band "Cheyne-Stokes" does classic rock and a little hard rock. Most of these young musicians gave a concert for Arts Week in 2006.

#### *Tuesday, July 13*

Hinckley resident Bud Preston entertains with a "Woodland Melodies" concert. The finger style guitarist plays popular folk melodies and numbers from his CD.

#### *Wednesday, July 14*

Jim Gill and Doc Dreyfuss provide a

real treat for audiences - songs, comedy routines and banter.

#### *Thursday, July 15*

Dan Polk and David Parsons return with guitars and vocals that feature classic rock and entertainment for all ages.

#### *Friday, July 16*

Chalk Art - Preceding the 8:30 pm Medina Community Band Concert, children get free chalk to draw art work on the sidewalks around Public Square which will then be seen during Art-in-the-Park on Sunday. Host: Jim Gilder.

### Art-in-the-Park

#### *Sunday, July 18*

11 am to 6 pm Annual Juried, Invitational Art Show and Sale. Sponsored by the Medina County Art League. Medina Square. Rain or shine. Admission free.

## Brunswick Events

### Children's Programs - Rec Center Indoor Stage - 12:30 pm

#### *Monday, July 12*

Michele Cotner provides drama through pantomime, improv, and theatre games.

#### *Tuesday, July 13*

Hannah Wynne returns to tell humorous, true stories to delight all.

#### *Wednesday, July 14*

Led by Jane Magargee, children look at mosaic works of art and are inspired to create their own paper mosaics.

#### *Thursday, July 15*

With help from Lee Buether, children

create their own book or album to fill with their own story or memories.

#### *Friday, July 16*

Graduate music student Jeff Wolfe facilitates a drum circle with instruments provided for children's use.

### Evening Events - 7 pm - Rec Center Outdoor Stage (indoors in case of rain)

#### *Tuesday, July 13*

Dan Polk and David Parsons return with guitars and vocals that feature classic rock and entertainment for all ages.

#### *Wednesday, July 14*

Contemporary Irish band "Craic" will play "energy driven" rock versions of classic Irish tunes. The eight group members either went to BHS or have close ties to Brunswick.

#### *Thursday, July 15*

Hinckley resident Bud Preston entertains with a "Woodland Melodies" concert. The finger style guitarist plays popular folk melodies and numbers from his CD.

## Other Events

### Spencer - Firestone Park Children's Program - 6:30 pm

#### *Tuesday, July 13*

Nate the Great - Magic and Balloon Art

### Valley City- Millstream Park - 7:30 P.M.

#### *Thursday, July 15*

Jim Gill and Doc Dreyfuss

## More Medina County Summer Cultural Events in July and August

#### *July 23, 24, 30, 31*

"Cheaper by the Dozen"

Presented by Brunswick ACT

Brunswick Performing Arts Center

8 p.m. Tickets available at the door or call 330-558-1228.

#### *August 20, 21, 22*

Shakespeare on the Square

"The Complete Works of Shakespeare Unabridged" presented by The Stage Left Theatre Company. Medina Public Square. Information: 330-635-8690

#### *Saturday, August 28*

Medina International Fest

Music, food, arts and fun

Medina Public Square

Sponsored by Main Street Medina

## Medina County Arts Council Awards Seven Grants

The Medina County Arts Council Board of Trustees has announced grants to seven county organizations and programs for the 2010-2011 season. Grants totaling \$3,000 for the coming year cover a wide variety of activities in the arts.

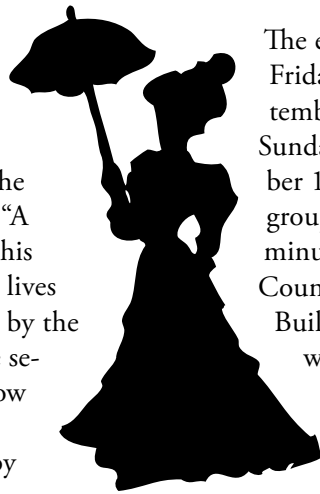
A grant awarded to The Medina Chorus will help with concert expenses and guest soloists. Three theatre companies, Stage Left Theatre Company, Brunswick Alumni Community Theatre and Medina County Show Biz Company, will receive grants to help

cover production expenses. Grants were awarded to the "World Tour of Music" concert series sponsored by Main Street Medina and to Brunswick Art Works' series of monthly presentations by artists who will discuss their work in an open forum. Hinckley's Cliffside program for artists and students also received a grant.

This year's grants are funded through the Medina County Arts Council Endowment Fund and income from the Arts Council's annual November fundraiser, The Spotlight Showcase.

## Fifteenth Annual "A Walk with Spirits of the Past"

Medina Show Biz Company, the Medina County Historical Society and the Medina County Arts Council have teamed up to present the fifteenth annual production of "A Walk with Spirits of the Past" this fall. Presentations based on the lives of local pioneers are researched by the historical society and actors are selected and rehearsed by the Show Biz community theatre group. New scripts are being written by **Joanne King, Judy Totts and Roger Smalley.**



The event will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 10 and 11, and on Sunday afternoon September 12. Guides will lead groups starting every ten minutes from the Medina County Administration Building at 144 N. Broadway in Medina. Call 330-723-2201 for ticket information.

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## Brunswick Community Band Summer Concerts

The Brunswick Community Band has expanded their summer 2010 schedule by adding the "First Annual Brunswick Music Festival" on Friday, June 18 at the Rec Center stage. The Community Chorus, organized in 2009, will perform with the band and is directed by **Kristi Piper**, the high school chorus director.

The band will also play for the third year at the Patriot Party on Saturday, July 3, also at the Rec Center. Director of the band is **Jay Wardeska**, who

is also the Brunswick High School band director. Call 330-273-8200 for information.

### SAVE THE DATE 2010 Spotlight Showcase

See the Best Performers  
in Medina County

Friday, November 19, 8 pm  
Broadway Hall, 144 N. Broadway,  
Medina

## Spencer Village Concerts

Spencer Village Council's Parks Committee is pleased to announce the 2010 Summer Concerts Series.

Free concerts at J.B. Firestone Park in Spencer have been scheduled following collaboration between the Village Council's Parks Committee and The Medina County Arts Council. The concerts, which feature music for adult and family audiences, are sponsored by a grant from the J.B. Firestone Trust.

All concerts begin at 7:30pm. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy a delightful evening in a beautiful outdoor setting.

*Thursday, May 20*

**Craic** – contemporary Irish band

*Thursday, June 17*

**Jim Gill** – Contemporary Folk,  
followed by **The Sunlighters** –  
Bluegrass

*Tuesday, July 13*

**Tony Rump** – Jazz

*Thursday, August 19*

**Polk and Parsons** – Classic Rock

*Thursday, September 16*

**Pilgrim** – Rock and Blues

The J.B. Firestone Park Concert Committee includes **Jim Stangel** and **Dan Derossett** from the Spencer Village Council and **Nancy Sprowls** and **Judith Parish** from the MCAC. For concert information, contact Jim Stangel at [jimstangel@hotmail.com](mailto:jimstangel@hotmail.com) or 330-648-2883.

## More Outdoor Concerts

**Brunswick Community Band**

Concert dates and times vary.  
Call 330-273-8000.

**Medina Community Band**

Fridays in June and July  
Holiday Concert on July 3  
Medina Public Square. 8:30 pm.  
Information: 330-725-8198.

**Litchfield Town Band**

Friday evenings June, July, and August  
except Fair Week. Call 330-723-6966.



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**PROGRAMS IN THE ARTS**

## **Children's "Art Buzz" Class in July - Just for Kids Grades 3 - 6**

The Medina County Arts Council will offer summer Art Buzz classes with "Drawn to Art." Designed for children entering grades 3-6 in the fall, the class is taught by professional artist **Jim Gill**.

Children will work on basic drawing skills, building characters from geometric shapes, rendering emotions with drawn facial expressions and more.

Classes will be held on July 6, 8, 13, and 15 from 10 am - noon at the Medina Library at 210 South Broadway in Medina. Registration fee is \$55 per student. The cost is kept low thanks to a donation received by the Council two years ago.

Class size is limited to 20 students. Early registration is advised. For registration, call 330-725-6443 or 330-723-4611.

Registration forms are available at the Medina County Convention and Visitors' Bureau at 32 Public Square in Medina. A form can be mailed to parents by calling 330-725-6443.

Arts Council Committee for the project includes Arts Council Trustees **Judith Parish**, Chair, and **Cindy Allman**.

## **Summer Production and Fall Classes at Buckeye Community Theatre**

Buckeye Community Theatre will stage the Rogers and Hammerstein musical comedy "Once Upon A Mattress" on June 18, 19, 25, 26 and 27 (Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 pm and Sunday at 3 pm.) Based on the classic children's story "The Princess and the Pea", the show will be performed at Buckeye Elementary School at 3180 Columbia Road in Medina. Tickets (\$12 for adults and \$8 for seniors over 65 and children under 12) can be purchased at both Medina

Buehlers' stores or at the door prior to show time. Groups of 10 or more can reserve seats at 330-725-7530.

Registrations for children's fall theatre classes at Buckeye Elementary School are currently being accepted on a first come, first served basis. Registration continues through Wednesday, September 8 or until full, whichever comes first. After school and evening classes are available for ages 5-17 and will begin Monday to

Wednesday, September 13, 14 and 15. For information, call **Sue Becks** at 330-725-7530.

### **Have a Hot Dog - Support the Arts**

Medina County Arts Council members will sell hot dogs outside Buehler's Forest Meadows store on Friday, August 27 from 11 am-4:30 pm. Proceeds support art camp at Camp Paradise, Society for Handicapped Citizens.