QUARTERLY CALENDAR

FALL 2021
CURRENT EXHIBITIONS

Sioux City Art Center Selects
May 21 – September 26, 2021 / Main Gallery

*Sioux City Art Center Selects* is a regional juried/curated exhibition with accompanying programing designed to create a meaningful experience for both the selected artists and the Art Center’s audiences. Nine artists, including one outstanding collaborate duo, were selected by the Art Center’s director, Todd Behrens, and curator, Mary Anne Redding, based on digital images of submitted artwork and exemplary artists’ statements. Specific selections for the exhibition were chosen during follow-up studio visits by Mary Anne in extended conversation with the individual artists to ensure that the exhibition presented not only a cohesive body of work that best representing the artists’ current thinking and creative goals, but that all the artists chosen were in powerful ways speaking to current events: climate change, species extinction, the Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic, the effects of technology and issues of global surveillance.

Sioux City Art Center Selects 2021 is supported in part, by a grant from the Iowa Arts Council, a division of the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Still Life: Dolie Thompson and Selections from the Permanent Collection
August 7 – October 31, 2021 / Jensen, Everist, and Terra Galleries

Sioux City photographer and educator Dolie Thompson is interested in memory and light. She works on extended series of collaged and arranged still lives that evoke a collective past. There are many examples of still life artworks in the Art Center’s permanent collection, a small sample of which are represented in this exhibition along with Dolie Thompson’s contemporary still life photographs, a theme she has long explored in her creative work examining the haunting universality of memory.

J. L. Goff: Watercolors
August 14 – November 7, 2021 / Community Gallery

Watercolorist Jim Goff is interested in the natural beauty of the Midwestern landscape. He focuses on interesting farmhouses, barns, the water, and trees in his exquisitely evocative watercolor paintings of the Siouxland region.
Al Harris-Fernandez: Abstracted
October 9, 2021 - January 9, 2022 / Main Gallery
Opening Reception: Saturday, October 9, 5 – 7 PM

This exhibition is the first one-person museum exhibition of paintings by Al Harris-Fernandez in Iowa. A year retired from his nearly eighteen-year tenure as the Sioux City Art Center’s director, Al Harris-Fernandez has had more daylight to devote to painting than ever. Al’s stated creative goal is “to create images that I find absorbing. By this I mean images that are ambiguous, not predictable, that are able to surprise me, and take on a life of their own. My methodology combines intuition and reflection and approaches the canvas from all directions. Literally, I paint, then rotate the canvas, then paint again, then rotate again. During this process I continually paint over areas, allowing parts of the previous image to remain, thereby creating unexpected but intriguing new relationships. At some point during the process, I arrive at the final orientation of the painting, the top and bottom of the image.” The Art Center is pleased to present the creative work of its long-time director, retired arts administrator and full-time artist, Al Harris-Fernandez.

Molly Wood: The Poison Garden
November 13, 2021 – February 6, 2022 / Jensen, Everist, and Terra Galleries

Des Moines photographer Molly Wood has an on-going fascination with the duality of botanicals – the seductive potential for flora to be toxic in one form and healing in another. A single plant might produce edible berries, medicinal roots, and poisonous seeds. Knowing which is which is critical. Wood’s years of research led her to medicinal gardens of medieval healers – all women – 16th-century grimoires, and historical accusations of witchcraft. Wood says: “In my images, I use botanicals as metaphors for personal experiences: vanitas compositions that reference the fleeting nature of time, toxic plants that stand in for poisonous relationships and glorious blooms that reflect moments of exquisite joy. My work explores the interplay between modern technologies and art history. All images are styled using natural window light and inspiration from traditional Dutch still life paintings.”
Art Center’s ArtSplash 2021 – DOWNTOWN!

We’re thrilled to be hosting ArtSplash again this coming Labor Day Weekend, September 4 and 5. We have had a year to think about the festival and how we wanted it to be for the future, and we are happy to announce we are moving the festival downtown on the Art Center campus this year!

For many of you who remember the Art Fair we held before ArtSplash, this feels like “returning home” and that is the anticipation we have for this move to the Art Center campus. We are particularly excited to showcase our facilities to all people of Siouxland: The Atrium and galleries of the Art Center, the studios of the Gilchrist Learning Center… they will all be utilized so we can have a fantastic festival! All your favorite festival folks will be there, and all the things you love about ArtSplash will be happening. We have exciting things planned for our new, vibrant location, and cannot wait for you to join us!

**HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED?**
- Make plans to be at the festival this year!
- Volunteer with us before and during the festival!
- **HELP US MAKE THE FESTIVAL FREE TO THE PUBLIC.**

Yes, you read that right. We want to make the festival free from here on out for EVERYONE who attends. But, we need YOU to help us. To make ArtSplash free, we need financial support from businesses and individuals alike. Please consider a gift to the Art Center for ArtSplash and you’ll also be giving a gift to the community: an ArtSplash that everyone can attend!

**SO MANY REASONS TO ATTEND ART CENTER’S ARTSPLASH!**
- Our Juried Art Show featuring beautiful pottery, jewelry, sculpture, painting, and more!
- Two full days of entertainment!
- Sioux City International Film Festival showing award-winning films all weekend long!
- Hands-On Art Experience – featuring Pickled Palette!
- Fun art and craft projects in the Gilchrist Learning Center!
- Fantastic food vendors offering something for everyone!
FESTIVAL HOURS: SAT 10-6 / SUN 10-5 in BEAUTIFUL Downtown Sioux City!

LOTS of Kids Activities in the Kids Fun Zone!

Performing on the ArtSplash Stage

Luigi Inc is a jazz quintet hailing from Omaha, Nebraska. Founded by the late jazz legend, Luigi Waites, Luigi Inc (short for including, not incorporated) return to the ArtSplash Stage to WOW us with their musical talent!
Saturday, September 4 at 1:00 pm

Lil Red and the Medicated Moose Band share a love for writing, music, and creativity. Watch as they try to escape the life that they are "supposed" to have and make some amazing things together.
Saturday, September 4 at 3:00 pm

Madison Avenue is Madison Zeller, Steve Lange, Jay Krehbiel, Sam Irish and Sam Irish Jr., a group of musicians known for performing throughout the Siouxland area and beyond for many years. Expect Madison Avenue to put a unique stamp on popular tunes, playing and singing a variety of great music, all while having a blast doing it!
Sunday, September 5 at 1:00 pm

Jack and Mike Langley are Sioux City Staples, and members of the Iowa Rock ‘n Roll Music Association Hall of Fame. They’ve been playing together for over 40 years and now bring Noah Langley into the band for a family jam on the ArtSplash Stage!
Sunday, September 5 at 3:00 pm

DONATE NOW!
Use the enclosed envelope or scan the QR code for quick access to our fundraising campaign!

VOLUNTEER NOW!
Sign up and choose where you want to work, and for how long!
New Website and Logo for the Sioux City Art Center

The Sioux City Art Center is pleased to unveil its new website design and logo. Thanks to funding from the Gilchrist Foundation, the Art Center has created a new logo, a new look for the website, and a clearer, more user-friendly site organization at www.siouxcityartcenter.org.

Following the opening of the Gilchrist Learning Center in the fall of 2018 and the completion of extensive renovations to the primary Art Center building in the fall of 2019, Art Center staff determined that an update to the logo was needed to convey the connection between these two buildings. The new logo maintains the emphasis on the Art Center’s signature glass atrium, but adds four rectangles as a visual nod to the Gilchrist Learning Center. For the last two years, the Art Center has utilized the tagline, “Discover. Create.” The new logo can be modified to include the tagline when the need arises.

Once the new logo design was finalized, the redesign and organization of the website began, using the logo design as the foundation for the website’s new appearance. Discover and Create are now the primary tabs under which you will find information visiting the Art Center, learning about the exhibitions and collection, and finding out about Gilchrist Learning Center activities. The two additional primary tabs lead visitors to events and the various ways in which community members can support the Art Center.

Why a new website? Two important reasons.

First, this new website will be more nimble and responsive, making sure that current and upcoming activities are always featured in prominent, easy-to-find places. New exhibitions, updated class offerings, performances, and events—the new website will always bring attention to and information about what is happening at the Art Center.

And second, the new website is designed to make certain you can participate in and support these activities as easily as possible. Finding and registering for classes in the Gilchrist Learning Center will be simpler. Updating your membership information, purchasing tickets to events, or reserving your spots for performances will now be easier than ever through the new website.

While we launched the website on July 1, 2021, this is just a start. We will continue to expand what is available. For example, the permanent collection listings will grow steadily throughout the future. But you will be able to depend on the website to bring you up-to-date information about everything that is happening. We hope you like the changes to the website and we look forward to seeing you see at the Sioux City Art Center!
AGES 5-8

ART EXPLORERS
September 25 – October 23
Saturdays, 12:30 – 1:30 pm
Tuition: Member $36 – Non-member $45

ART 101
September 21 – November 2
(No class September 28)
Tuesdays, 4:30 – 5:30 pm
Tuition: Member $48 – Non-member $60

A BUNCH OF ANIMALS
September 21 – October 26
Tuesdays, 4:30 – 5:30 pm
Tuition: Member $48 – Non-member $60

AGES 9-12

MIXED MEDIA ART CREATIONS
September 25 – October 23
Saturdays, 10:30 am – 12:00 noon
Tuition: Member $56 – Non-member $70

AFTERNOON CLAY CLASS
September 23 – November 11
Thursdays, 4:30 – 6:00 pm
Tuition: Member $96 – Non-member $120

AGES 13-15

DRAWING AND PAINTING
September 20 – November 8
Mondays, 4:00 – 5:30 pm
Tuition: Member $108 – Non-member $135

HIGH SCHOOL – ADULT

PAINTING
INTERMEDIATE & ADVANCED WATERCOLOR
September 21 – October 19
Tuesdays, 10:15 am – 2:15 pm
Tuition: Member $160 – Non-member $200

ABSOLUTELY ABSTRACT
September 21 – October 19
Tuesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Tuition: Member $96 – Non-member $120

PAINTING W/ACRYLIC & ALCOHOL INK
September 23, 30
Thursdays, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm
Tuition: Member $56 – Non-member $70

INTERMEDIATE & ADVANCED DRAWING
September 20 – November 8
Mondays, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Tuition: Member $148 – Non-member $185

COLLAGE AND PAINTING
September 21 – October 26
Tuesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Tuition: Member $108 – Non-member $135

GLASS
STAINED GLASS FOR THE EXPERIENCED OR BEGINNER
September 21 – November 16
(No class September 28)
Tuesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Tuition: Member $148 – Non-member $185

CERAMICS
BEGINNING/INTERMEDIATE WHEEL THROWING
September 20 – October 14
Mondays & Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:30 pm
Tuition: Member $108 – Non-member $130

INTERMEDIATE & ADVANCED WHEEL THROWING
October 18 – November 11
Mondays & Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:30 pm
Tuition: Member $108 – Non-member $130

SLAB SCULPTURE
September 21 – November 9
Tuesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Tuition: Member $167 – Non-member $204

MIXED MEDIA
MAKING MIXED MEDIA ART
September 23 – October 28
Thursdays, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Tuition: Member $108 – Non-member $135

MINI-BOOK MAKING
September 29 – October 20
Wednesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Tuition: Member $72 – Non-member $90

WORKSHOPS

ALCOHOL INK
SILK SCARVES
October 16
Saturday, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm
Tuition: Member $32 – Non-member $40

INKY CHRISTMAS
November 13
Saturday, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm
Tuition: $56 – Non-member $70

PAINTING: REGIONAL LANDSCAPES
October 2, 9, 16
Saturdays, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
Tuition: Member $60 – Non-member $75

SATURDAY ART LESSON
Every Saturday Morning
10:30 am – 12:00 noon
Tuition: $7 per child each day

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

FREE FALL FEST
Saturday, October 9

FREE HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS
Saturday, December 4
Did you know that by including a charitable gift in your will or estate plan you can help continue the Art Center’s work well into the future? It’s easier than you think. A simple directive in your will can bring welcome support, and what may seem like a small amount to you can make a big difference. Consider what just 1% of your assets could accomplish!

What can YOU do to support the Siouxland community and the organizations that serve it?

You Can Start Today

• Make sure you have an up-to-date will (or living trust) that reflects your charitable objectives.
• Contact your financial advisor (financial planner, lawyer or accountant) and ask for help in establishing a charitable gift.
• Make your favorite charity a beneficiary of your life insurance, pension plan or IRA. If you designate the Art Center, be sure to use “Art Center Association of Sioux City” as the name of the beneficiary.
• The end of the year is a perfect time to review documents and policies to make sure they reflect your wishes.

Organizations you support today, like the Art Center, will be creating your vision for a better world long after your lifetime. Their work, and the lives they touch, can be the message you leave.

The Sioux City Art Center is a proud founding member of Leave A Message Siouxland.

If you would like more information on planned giving activity in Siouxland, visit www.leaveamessagesiouxlnd.org or contact Erin Webber-Dreesen, Development Coordinator, at (712) 279-6272 ext. 3232 or at ewebber@sioux-city.org.

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Dolie Thompson, Don’t Worry, 2002, Archival pigment print, Courtesy of the artist
From the exhibition Still Life: Dolie Thompson and Selections from the Permanent Collection

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