MISSION
The Sioux City Art Center’s mission is to enrich our region’s quality of life by bringing the excitement of the visual arts to our community through education, exhibitions and permanent collection.

VALUES
The Art Center provides a welcoming environment that encourages lifelong education, celebrates thoughtful experimentation, and offers accessible opportunities for making personal discoveries that are fun and fulfilling.

The Art Center meets the cultural needs of our community by recognizing strength in creative diversity. Arts play a vital role in the development of the creative and critical potential for everyone. The Art Center promotes opportunities for connection and learning through the arts that emerge when diverse communities come together to construct a shared cultural heritage.

The Art Center grows stronger by building partnerships within the community through collaborative efforts with key local education, social service, and cultural organizations. By bringing the arts to the community and working in united efforts with local partners, the Art Center will cultivate the growth of creativity within the community.

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cover: Teo Nguyen, Something to Remember You By / Còn một chút gì để nhớ (detail), 2016, acrylic on vellum, mounted on aluminum, 13 x 13 inches
back cover: Aaron Holz, Many in One (detail), 2022, oil on panel, 35 x 45 inches
facing page: Christina Narwicz, Shore Life (detail), 2019, oil on canvas, 54 x 30 inches, Courtesy of Anderson O’Brien Gallery, Omaha

QUARTERLY CALENDAR
SUMMER 2023

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This summer, the Sioux City Art Center invites you to revisit the sights and sounds of Facing a Changed World and see the final installment of The Briar Cliff Review Exhibition. We’re also excited to present two new exhibitions, including beautifully intricate paintings by Teo Nguyen and fascinating sculptures by Judy Onofrio.

Teo Nguyen’s solo museum exhibition invites contemplation and reflection on the Vietnamese people’s struggles toward peace and what the artist calls “the politics of worthiness.” His stories of heartbreak, optimism, resistance, and reconciliation are interwoven into Vietnamese culture and spiritualism. His photorealist paintings reference historic images by photojournalists documenting the war in Vietnam but reimagine them without violence. By eliminating the helicopters, weapons, fighting, victims, and fallen soldiers, he reveals a country of diverse natural beauty. This act of reclamation shines a light on a Vietnam beyond the war, a place of rich culture and picturesque topography.

Việt Nam Peace Project was on view at Minneapolis Institute of Art (July 30, 2022 – June 18, 2023). This iteration of the exhibition is curated by Christopher Atkins.

TEO NGUYEN: VIỆT NAM PEACE PROJECT

AUGUST 17, 2023 – JANUARY 14, 2024
Reception: Thursday, August 17, 5:00 – 7:00 pm
JUDY ONOFRIO: DEEP DIVE

Deep Dive will situate Judy Onofrio’s wall-mounted and floor sculptures in the history of the American craft and self-taught artist movements. At 83 years young, Judy continues to inspire the next generation of artists while championing the artists who paved the way for her success. Her larger than life found-object sculptures are covered with thousands of beads and intricate glass mosaics that celebrate life’s color and humor, matching perfectly with her creative energy. It is through her accumulative process that Judy continues to push the boundaries of craft, especially how she shares the history that objects contain, as she says, “The joy I derive from making art complements my love for collecting an odd assortment of curios that provoke strong memories.”

Deep Dive is generously supported in part by an Arts Engagement in American Communities grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2023 – FEBRUARY 11, 2024
Reception: Thursday, September 21, 5:00 – 7:00 pm

THE BRIAR CLIFF REVIEW EXHIBITION

The Sioux City Art Center is pleased to present the final installment of The Briar Cliff Review Exhibition. This exhibition of artworks by local and regional artists, was selected for the 2023 edition of The Briar Cliff Review, Briar Cliff University’s award-winning journal. For 35 years this long-running and well-respected annual publication has focused on poetry, fiction, non-fiction, and visual art. The artworks included in this exhibition were selected in a collaborative effort between Jeff Baldus, professor of art at Briar Cliff University, who serves as the art editor of The Briar Cliff Review, and Christopher Atkins, curator of the Sioux City Art Center. The artists represented in both the journal and the exhibition are active professional artists with connections to Iowa, Nebraska, and South Dakota, as well as art students at Siouxland area colleges and universities. The diversity of work in this exhibition is deliberate, allowing viewers a chance to see a variety of artists who are connected by their commitment to produce work of high quality.

APRIL 20 – SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

FACING A CHANGED WORLD

Facing a Changed World is a collaborative installation between Siouxland Public Media and photographer Ron Johns. For the past few months, Studio Manager Mark Munger has been interviewing a diverse group of our regional citizens, opening a welcoming space to share and reflect on their experiences of living through the COVID-19 pandemic. Some of their stories are heartbreakingly familiar and others are intensely personal. Their recorded stories are accompanied by Johns beautifully spare black and white photographs. Together, Facing a Changed World, gives voice and presence to our community. It is an important opportunity to learn more about the pandemic that we all lived through while looking towards some of the short- and long-term changes that our neighborhood, region, state, and the world have endured.

Facing a Changed World is generously supported by the Margaret Ann Martin Everist Foundation, Humanities Iowa, Kind World Foundation, and Sioux City Lions Club.

MARCH 16 – JULY 30, 2023
The Sioux City Art Center recently lost one of its most positive and energetic supporters. Dr. Richard C. Brown, Jr. passed away in early March. The Art Center was designated to receive donations in Richard’s memory.

Richard’s dedication and passion for the Art Center over the last 20 years was unsurpassed. He joined the board of the Art Center Association of Sioux City in 2003 and served for six years. Four years later, in 2013, he returned to the board and served for eight years, the last two of which were as president and past-president. As the Art Center grappled with the shock of the COVID-19 pandemic, Richard provided consistent support, ideas, and positivity as he quickly transitioned into our first president during the Zoom era. Almost immediately after his Association board tenure ended in 2021, Richard was appointed to the Art Center’s Board of Trustees by the City Council of Sioux City and remained on that board until his death.

Richard was a supporter of the Art Center in many other ways. Since 2008, he was a member of the Blockbuster Partners, financial supporters of the Art Center’s largest exhibitions, including those of Leonardo da Vinci, Jackson Pollock, two LEGO-based exhibitions, and many more. And he was present at countless fundraisers, receptions, and events. All of us at the Art Center miss Richard deeply, as we know that all of you who had the pleasure of knowing him do.

Having a Business Partner Membership means your business is part of an organization that enriches our community. You are part of a group of individuals that strengthen our mission and increase our ability to bring the excitement of the visual arts to our community through education, exhibition and permanent collection.

For information about becoming a Business Partner, please contact Summer Amman, (712) 279-6272 ext. 3207 or samman@sioux-city.org

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Harry Gray
Leslie Kotes
Terri Porter

Piper Roupe
Justine Sponder
Nathanial Story
Lee Thorson
Debora Ulven

SENIOR
Craig R. Johnson
Elaine M. Seubert
Sue Siedschlag

Bold – New memberships
Italics – Upgraded memberships
* Association Board Member affiliation

We’re thrilled to be hosting ArtSplash again this coming Labor Day Weekend, September 2 & 3!
Thank you to GREAT SOUTHERN BANK for helping make ArtSplash FREE

JOIN US!
SEPTEMBER 2-3, 2023
FESTIVAL HOURS: SAT 10-5 / SUN 10-5
on the BEAUTIFUL Art Center Campus!

ENTERTAINMENT!

ACTIVITIES!

ART!

FOOD!

VOLUNTEER NOW!
Sign up and choose where you want to work, and for how long!
YOUR TIME IS APPRECIATED!

YOU MAKE ARTSPASH POSSIBLE!

• 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

Please consider a gift to the Art Center for ArtSplash.
You’ll also be giving a gift to the community: an ArtSplash that everyone can attend!

DONATE NOW!
Your gift makes a HUGE DIFFERENCE!

Thank you to
As the Art Center’s facility was transformed into a whimsical wonderland for the Through the Looking Glass Gala on Friday, we hosted a Mad Hatter Tea Party the following Saturday! One hundred and fifty children of all ages joined us for this event as we shared tea and lunch, created art, and celebrated imagination.

The Art Center brought Wonderland to Siouxland this spring! THANK YOU for joining us and participating as we raised funds to benefit exhibitions and education programs. Check out many more photos on our website!
SUMMER CLASSES

HIGH SCHOOL - ADULT CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

CALLIGRAPHY
CALLIGRAPHY with Brenda Thelen
Saturdays, 10:00 – 12:00 noon
(Twice a month)
June 10 | June 24 | July 8 | July 22 | August 5 | August 19
Tuition: $125 Member | $150 Non-member for up to 2 guests.
$5 for each additional guest, for up to a total of 20 people.
Reservations include exclusive use of the party room for 90 minutes; we’ll provide a 50-minute hands-on art activity led by our talented staff.
Reservations accepted for Saturdays from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm. Please allow a minimum two week notice; early booking is encouraged.
Reservations are scheduled on a first come, first serve basis.

PHOTOGRAPHY
BEGINNING TO INTERMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHY AND COMPOSITION with Katie Olson
Saturdays, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
(3 weeks) June 10 | June 17 | June 24
Tuition: Member $50 | Non-member $65

PAINTING
ACRYLIC PET PORTRAITS with Lex Wurth
Saturdays, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
(3 weeks) June 10 | June 17 | June 24
Tuition: Member $63 | Non-member $78

BEGINNING TO INTERMEDIATE WATERCOLOR with Glenda Drennen
Fridays, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
(5 weeks) June 23 | June 30 | July 7 | July 14 | July 21
Tuition: Member $72 | Non-member $94

ACRYLIC PAINT POUR with Katie Olson
Saturday, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
(1 day) July 15
Tuition: Member $28 | Non-member $37

DRAWING
EXPERIMENTAL DRAWING with Jodi Whitlock
Saturdays, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
(5 weeks) July 1 | July 8 | July 15 | July 22 | July 29
Tuition: Member $95 | Non-member $120
For a complete list of classes and workshops, visit siouxcityartcenter.org and click the “CREATE” tab.

MIXED MEDIA
PAINTED PAPER COLLAGE with Chello Sherman
Mondays & Thursdays, 5:00 – 7:00 pm
(4 weeks) June 5 | June 12 | June 19 | June 26
Tuition: Member $60 | Non-member $90

SHADOW BOX ASSEMBLAGE with Jodi Whitlock
Thursdays, 5:00 – 7:00 pm
(4 weeks) June 8 | June 15 | June 22 | June 29
Tuition: Member $60 | Non-member $90

“ALCOHOL INKED” SILK SCARVES with Paula Crandell
Saturday, 12:30 – 3:00 pm
(1 day) June 24
Tuition: Member $40 | Non-member $48

ARTFUL PARTIES
Our spacious Gilchrist Learning Center is ready to welcome you for your next party.
Celebrate a birthday or other special day with a fun age appropriate art project for kids or adults.
Fee: $125 Member | $150 Non-member for up to 12 guests.
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SUMMER YOUTH ART CAMPS
Art Camp encourages kids to explore new ideas and create art that is unique to them. Under the guidance of professional instruction, children—regardless of their art backgrounds—will have a lot of fun! Class sizes are limited to ten children assuring much interaction with the art teachers. Classes fill quickly and early enrollment is highly encouraged.

ART CAMP EXPLORERS for ages 4-6
Fridays, 9:00 – 11:30 am
June 9 | June 16 | June 23 | June 30
Tuition: Member $75 | Non-member $95
(Additional sibling 10% discount)

ART CAMPS for ages 7-12
Tuesday, Wednesdays, Thursdays
Morning session: 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Afternoon session: 1:00 – 4:00 pm
Morning and afternoon snacks provided.
Full day campers must bring a sack lunch!
Tuition: Members $130 half-day ($260 full-day)
Non-members $160 half-day ($320 full-day)
(Additional sibling 10% discount)

• Camp 1 – June 6-8, 13-15
• Camp 2 – June 20-22, 27-29
• Camp 3 – July 11-13, 18-20
• Camp 4 – July 25-27, Aug 1-3
• Camp 5 – Aug 8-10, 15-17

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10:30 am – 12:00 noon
(Except September 2 for ArtSplash)

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Painting—pointillism nature scene
Sept 30

Mixed media—rolled paper trees
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Bring your friends and dress to be messy.

Average lesson and workshop time is 45 – 75 minutes, but students are welcome to stay a full 90 minutes to work on their art! No pre-registration is expected...pay as you go...come on the Saturdays you can. $7/project

Projects are designed with youth 7-12 in mind, but anyone is welcome! “Children under 7 years may participate but should have an adult helper with them to assist with making the project.

June 3 Mixed media—Bauhaus paper quilt
June 10 Watercolor tea painting—landscapes
June 17 Painting—Paul Cézanne inspired art
June 24 Clay—celestial wall hanging
July 1 Printmaking—music-themed art
July 8 Drawing—pixel-themed art
July 15 Mixed media—cityscapes
July 22 Mixed media—“RAGBRAI” bike-themed art
July 29 Painting—Andy Warhol inspired Pop Art
Aug 5 Mixed media—cardboard and yarn animals
Aug 12 Mixed media—tissue paper globes
Aug 19 Mixed media—paper airplane mobile
Aug 26 Mixed media—bean mosaic
Sept 2 SPECIAL EVENT/ARTSPLASH 2023
Sept 9 Clay—self portrait
Sept 16 Drawing—Zentangle posters
Sept 23 Mixed media—rolled paper trees
Sept 30 Painting—pointillism nature scene

Saturdays, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
(Except September 2 for ArtSplash)
JUNE

SATURDAY FAMILY ART LESSONS
Gilchrist Learning Center
10:30 am – 12:00 noon
3, 10, 17, 24

ART CENTER ASSOCIATION MEETING
Sioux City Art Center
5:00 – 7:00 pm
24

JULY cont’d

ANNOUNCEMENT
ARTWALK in Downtown Sioux City
5:30 – 7:30 pm
13

ART CENTER CLOSED
INDEPENDENCE DAY
4

EXHIBITION OPENS
Teo Nguyen: Việt Nam Peace Project
Opening Reception
5:00 – 7:00 pm
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Judy Onofrio: Deep Dive
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5:00 – 7:00 pm
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JULY

SATURDAY FAMILY ART LESSONS
Gilchrist Learning Center
10:30 am – 12:00 noon
1, 8, 15, 22, 29

EXHIBITION OPENS
Facing a Changed World
30

EXHIBITION OPENS
The Briar Cliff Review
3

AUGUST

SATURDAY FAMILY ART LESSONS
Gilchrist Learning Center
10:30 am – 12:00 noon
5, 12, 19, 26

ART CENTER CLOSED
LABOR DAY
4

EXHIBITION OPENS
The Briar Cliff Review
3

SEPTEMBER

ARTSPLASH
10:00 am – 5:00 pm
Art Center Campus
2, 3

CALIFORNIA REVIEW
3

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Facing a Changed World
30

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The Briar Cliff Review
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HOURS
Mon: Closed
Tues-Wed: 10am-4pm
Thurs: 10am-9pm
Fri-Sat: 10am-4pm
Sun: 1pm-4pm

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