



GALLERY NEWS

April 1, 2010



ARTS ALLEY IS ON THE WAY!:

Negotiations for are almost closed for the new downstairs space, to be known as 'Arts Alley,' and the lease will be finalized in the week following Easter. The exciting new space will add the following elements to The Community Arts Café's vision:

- A creative writing center & arts lending library- Kevin Watson will be setting up the Press 53 offices and will establish a creative writing center for the writing community. He will also oversee a lending library of arts related books that will be established in partnership with the Community Arts Café.
- Teaching Studios- One large (20x20) and three small (10x13) studios will be available for independent study or group lessons in most any area of performing arts. Students may sign up for classes through CAC or in conjunction with any of the teachers or organizations at CAC, who act as independent contractors. A separate, large conference room will also be available for meetings, workshops & private catered dining parties. All spaces will be available for rent by the hour.
- The Internet Café- Coffee, Tea, Wine, beer and baked goods will initiate CAC's culinary arts element. Featuring local products, the café will expand its menu and food & beverage offerings as the venture grows over the upcoming year.
- The Underground Theatre- A large flexible space just off of the café will feature performances of music, theatre, dance, comedy and more. Also perfect for workshops, meetings and seminars. Options for simultaneous, multiple use of the space may also be possible with movable partitions.

Arts Alley will be a great place to 'hang out' with friends or fellow arts enthusiasts. Although complete renovations of Arts Alley will take 3-6 months, the various elements will become available as they are finished.

ART TASTING:

Ever been to a wine tasting? Come to experience an 'Art Tasting' at the gallery on Saturday, April 10th at 7pm. ART TASTING is a new non-profit organization committed to giving a voice to traditionally undervalued and under-exposed artists and art by facilitating works of unlikely artists and unlikely art forms in unlikely spaces. Come and see!

EKPHRASIS: A Marriage of Two Worlds- Poetry Workshop with Valerie Nieman.

Saturday, April 17th 11am to 1:30pm. For centuries, poets have found inspiration through the visual arts. Ekphrasis is a marriage of imaginations, that of the original artist with that of the writer. In this poetry workshop, led by award-winning poet Valerie Nieman, we will discuss noted poems by Rilke, Auden, Fred Chappell, and others in connection with the art works, then use gallery works, whether painting, photography, or sculpture, as the source for new poems. Fee: \$25. Limited to 20. To register, contact Kevin Watson: kevin@press53.com or 336-414-5599.

MUSIC LESSONS AT THE GALLERY:

Instruction now available in Piano, Organ, Composition, Songwriting & Theory. More to come. Call or email for information- 336-793-8000; jim@communityartscafe.com.

SPEAK UP: The Art of Finding Your Voice

Six session workshop on public speaking with Carol Roan, author of 'Speak Easy: A guide to successful performances, presentations, speeches and lectures.' Carol Roan completed a Master's Degree Program for Executives from Columbia University Business School and teaches voice and stage presence in Winston-Salem. Her experience in teaching how to communicate with an audience began with her voice students, and expanded into the first college-level course for musicians in the United States.

The objective of SPEAK UP is to give participants the tools with which to use fear to their advantage, and to replace its debilitating symptoms with positive performance techniques.

Two workshop options – Tuesdays & Thursdays, 6:00-8:00pm or Wednesdays 6:00-8:00pm & Saturdays 2:00-4:00pm. The first workshop begins Tuesday, April 13th. Cost is \$200. Discounts available for early payment and corporate groups. Call 336-793-8000 or email gallery@communityartscafe.com to register.

PICTURE FRAMING & ART PRESENTATION: look no further than the gallery for the best prices for the highest quality framing around. Get a quote from David or Julie Barlow for your next frame job- 336-247-1705.

Upcoming Events at The Gallery of the Arts:

- April 2nd- **Gallery Hop:** 7:00-10:00pm; Joanna White, Featured Artist. Benjamin Gardener performing
- April 10th **Art Tasting:** multi-discipline performance in the gallery. \$6, students \$3
New arts organization helping to share the experience of performing arts with the community
- April 17th **EKPHRASIS: A Marriage of Two Worlds-** Poetry Workshop with Valerie Nieman.
11am to 1:30pm. \$25, pre-registration required.
- April 20th **Hope DuJour:** Fundraiser for Crisis Control. Held at the Gallery. 10% of participating restaurants' sales from May 4, 2010 will be donated to Crisis Control Ministry.
- April 23rd **Art Uncensored:** 10:00pm in the Underground Theatre of Arts Alley.
Visual and Performing Arts without boundaries. Creativity on the cutting edge. For mature audiences.
- April 24th **Words Wide Open:** Private poetry reading in the Gallery. Gallery closed to the public.



WELCOME OUR NEWEST GALLERY FAMILY MEMBERS!

Anne Marie Davis- Oils
Tommy McNabb- Hand made knives
Betti Pettinati-Longinotti- Stained Glass
Margaret Godwin- Oils
Stephanie Thomas- Graphite & Photography
Kathy Brusnighan- Oils

INTERESTED IN HELPING A YOUNG NEW ARTIST DISCOVER THEIR LATENT GIFT? CAC IS DEVELOPING A JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM AND IS SEEKING MENTORS FOR ENCOURAGEMENT. CALL OR EMAIL THE GALLERY: 336-793-8000, gallery@communityartscafe.com