

Canyon Sounds

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From the President



Welcome to Summer! Thank you for being a member of Gold Canyon Arts. Thank you for the opportunity to serve you with such a dedicated, energetic and knowledgeable board. Carole Lindemann is our Vice President and will lead the Arts Festival, a huge task. Roy Fuerherm is our amazing treasurer and back of the house sound-man. Marit Runyon is our secretary and has taken on the huge task of digitizing our scrapbooks. Chuck Cuffaro almost has too many responsibilities to list. He has publicity, community outreach, ticketing, programs, social media and all the extras he does for us. Dave Burzlaff is front of the house and hospitality. His team provides for the artists housing, food, etc. Maurice McCormick and Ed Butler have held other office positions but now help us wherever needed. John Nuss will be coordinating school programs: Art and Music education. Please see Kathy Mitchell's article regarding the weaving class. Hope you are as proud as I am of our community outreach as music and art do make a difference in kid's lives.

Thank you to the team that provides for the Gold Canyon arts Council. You are awesome! There are, of course, others that are not on the board such as Terry Storbakken who writes the newsletter, Carol Cunningham for the website, Lucienne Arnold for hospitality events, and Linda Storbakken for Membership-related communications and records. Then there is Jack Kukuk, our artistic director. Besides selecting and contracting our artists, Jack, along with Ray Cunningham, write the grants for our funding. Without grants we could not function.

Upcoming Arts Council Events

(See pages 5-9 for complete listings of this season's Canyon Sounds Performance Series/Performers)

Jan 28, 2023-GCAC Arts Festival

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Artists In Residence

(submitted by GCAC Member Kathy Mitchell)

Professional artists from the Gold Canyon Arts Council's Leland Wilson School Art Project worked with students in Allison Baumann's 7th & 8th grade art classes at Cactus Canyon Junior High School in Apache Junction during the weeks of April 26-29 and May 2-6.

This year's Artists in Residence are Dr. Mary Stokrocki, a Professor Emerita of Art Education at ASU and Kathy Mitchell, a retired art teacher and professional watercolor artist, are teaching a weaving class to students in Mrs. Baumann's class. For eight years, Leland Wilson Artists in Residence projects have been presented at Desert Vista Elementary School, Peralta Elementary School, Apache Junction High School, and in the schools on the San Carlos Apache Reservation.

To introduce the residency, Dr. Stokrocki presented a power point slide show on the history and types of weaving. She brought an Iranian woven carpet to show the students and discussed with them the symbols depicted in the woven carpet. The students began by drawing a simple design on paper to be used for their pattern. The students were given a 9" x 12" cardboard loom and were instructed how to warp their looms.

Throughout the week, the master teaching artists demonstrated different techniques, assisted the students in problem solving and completing their woven tapestries. A nice way to wrap things up, the last day of the weaving class, Mrs. Baumann enlisted a guest speaker, Velma Kee Craig, a Navajo weaver to come to the class and discuss the art of Navajo weaving.

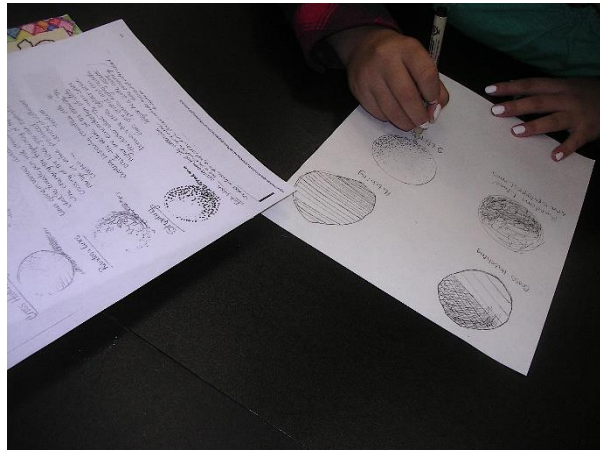
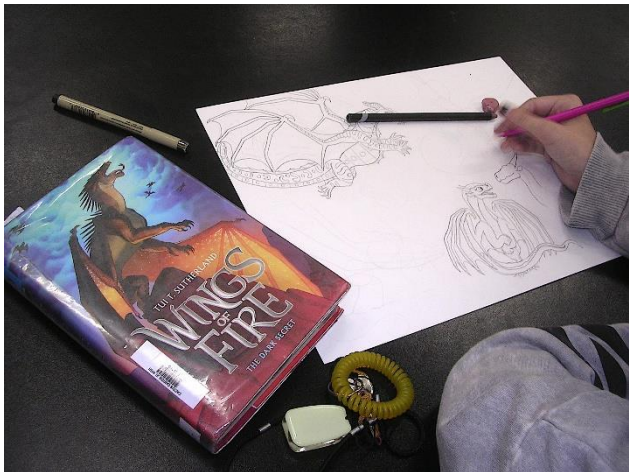
The students in Mrs. Baumann's class were enthusiastic and eager to learn something different and to interact with these professional artists. It was a rewarding and delightful experience for both the artists and students.

The Gold Canyon Arts Council thanks Ken Deloera, Principal of Cactus Canyon Junior High School, and art teacher Allison Baumann for inviting these artists into the school. We would also thank the Artists of the Superstitions for donating the yarn for this weaving class. We look forward to working with the students next school year.

The Gold Canyon Arts Council, in addition to this visual arts program, presents in-school concerts, master classes, workshops and guitar lessons to hundreds of students in Pinal, Gila and eastern Maricopa counties. The Arts Council also donated arts supplies during the recent COVID Pandemic. All programs are presented free of charge. More information may be found on the Council's website at: goldcanyonarts.org.

(Sample photos of the activity follow)

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Facebook Ideas

(Submitted by Jean Buckborough)

Our Gold Canyon Arts Facebook page is growing! At this time we have close to 300 followers. If you are not already a follower of the Gold Canyon Arts page please go to our page and increase our follower numbers!!

I put the concerts on the page this past year, and for next year the Board has provided some funds to boost the coverage of the posts. One other way you, our membership, can help get our information out via Facebook is to comment when you see a post. It doesn't have to be long—just something like “I am looking forward to this concert”, “I am loving the concerts series”, “The Arts Council rocks”. With Facebook, the more interaction, the more the Posts are seen by the public.

The Fall time is our Membership Renewal time. I am focusing on Facebook to assist reaching out to potential new members. It would be most helpful to have some short statements by our current members to post on FB about what you love about being an Arts Council member.

If you could complete this statement, “What I love about being a member of the Arts Council is _____” Or “The Arts Council is my favorite organization because _____.” Or make up your own statement. Email it to me at Jean@newvisionhealing.com. I will post it with your first name, last initial, so you will be anonymous, unless you would rather have your complete name used. Let me know that.

Thanks for your assistance in helping to expand our membership and promoting our Concert Series via FB. If you have any questions, you can reach me via email, or phone/text at 602-295-1808

Blessings,

Jean Buckborough

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Watch For Your Renewal Notice

(Submitted by Membership Chair Linda Storbakken)

It will soon be time to renew your GCAC membership for next year (2022-2023). Notices will be sent to members via email during the last two weeks of September. Please keep an eye out for it.

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2022-2023 Canyon Sounds Series



John O'Connor, Concert Pianist November 18 & 19, 2022

Through his recitals, concerto appearances and critically acclaimed recordings, the Irish pianist John O'Connor has earned a reputation as a masterful interpreter of the Classic and Early Romantic piano repertoires. He has been praised for his formidable technique, mastery of keyboard color, and in particular his unique sound. He has been called a true 'Poet of the Piano'.

Prof. O'Connor is regarded as one of the most important concert artists and piano teachers in the world today. He is Distinguished Artist in Residence, Professor of Music and Chair of the Piano Division at Shenandoah Conservatory in Virginia, International Visiting Artist of the Royal Irish Academy of Music and Visiting Professor at Showa University in Japan. He will present a Friday evening concert and on Saturday, a masterclass and a lecture recital in cooperation with the Arizona Piano Institute.

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The Folk Legacy Trio-Experience the Great Folk Era **January 13, 2023**

The Folk Legacy Trio sings the songs of the great Folk Era from the '50s through the mid-'70s, including songs from The Weavers, The Kingston Trio, The Limelinters, Peter, Paul & Mary, The New Christy Minstrels, The Brothers Four, The Chad

Mitchell Trio, Tom Paxton, Judy Collins, Joan Baez, Gordon Lightfoot, Simon & Garfunkel, John Denver, and many others. It is a journey through American Musical History with their signature dynamic harmonies enriching some of the most beloved songs ever.

The members of the Folk Legacy Trio are George Grove, formerly with the **Kingston Trio** for 41 years, Rich Dougherty, former member of the **Limelinters** and **Kingston Trio** for 25 years and Jerry Siggins, former lead singer of **The Diamonds** for 27 years.



Black Market Trust **February 10, 2023**

The Black Market Trust is an American traditional pop/vocal Jazz group from Los Angeles who combine the sounds of the legendary American crooners and vocal groups with the fire and energy of Gypsy Jazz guitarist Django Reinhardt.

Consisting of five world class musicians who have traveled the globe recording and performing on the world's biggest stages and with music's most renowned artists, **The Black**

Market Trust delivers a high energy, crowd pleasing performance filled with some of the best songs ever written.

The show features material from The Great American Songbook infused with Django's romantic and virtuosic flavor. Be transported as they meld two distinctly different vibes-one of a gypsy campfire, the other a slick metropolitan nightclub-into a cohesive, stylish sound.

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The Fitzgeralds Canadian Fiddle and Step Dance Ensemble

February 24, 2023

The members of The Fitzgeralds have been performing and touring since 2005. Featuring three-time Canadian Grandmaster Fiddle Champions and Ontario Open Step Dance Champions, The Fitzgeralds have a proven track record for providing an inspirational and upbeat show

with wide audience appeal.

The Fitzgeralds present an eclectic program, which blends traditional jigs and reels, bluegrass, jazz, Celtic and show-stopping Ottawa-Valley step dancing. Vocal arrangements, novelty routines and friendly family banter make this a truly unforgettable musical experience.



Black Oak Ensemble

March 24, 2023

Praised for their insightful and masterful performances and their fierce eloquence, the **Black Oak Ensemble** is one of the most innovative and exciting chamber ensembles on the international stage. Black Oak presents exciting programs from Bach to the music of today. Passionate advocates of new works, they have commissioned and premiered string trios from several

renowned contemporary composers.

In addition to their active performance schedule, the Black Oak Ensemble has also put down roots in the south of France, co-founding [Musique Dans Le Gers](#), a musical festival that provides an opportunity to work with young artists and share their experiences and music with the community. The ensemble is named for the black oak, a beautiful tree native to its home state of Illinois.

NOTE: Each of the artists scheduled will present in-school concerts, masterclasses and workshops.

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