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From the President



"Welcome October 29" was attended by about 75 people. If you had not returned as yet to AZ we look forward to seeing you at the future concerts and socials.

Thank you to Lucienne Arnold and her team for planning and facilitating this event. It is a lot of work moving tables, washing table cloths and wine glasses, buying wine and making desserts and then cleaning afterwards. Thank you to all attendees for the delicious appetizers. Thank you to Carol Cunningham, Charlotte Martin and Deb Cleary Beatty for the silent auction and raffle. Ruffled items are contributed by artists from the Arts Festival, collected, catalogued, stored and displayed by Carol Cunningham. Enjoy your winnings. Special thanks go to Ray Cunningham for his guitar performance.

By the time this reaches you the benefit performance in Superior will have occurred. We thank the town of Superior businesses and schools. Gay Dybwad and Joy Bliss, and Jack Kukuk, Roy Fuerherm, John Nuss and team for this event.

We have hosts for all performance socials except January 12. If you would like to volunteer please let me or Lucienne Arnold know. Her hospitality team coordinates the set up and clean up of our socials. If we do not have a volunteer host then we will not be able to have a social after the January 12 performance. (continued p4)

Upcoming Arts Council Events

Nov 17, 2023 Mirari Brass Quintet

Dec 3, 2023 The Four Freshmen (**Sunday Event**)

Jan 12, 2024 The Hutchins Consort

Feb 9, 2024 Mariachi Garibaldi De Jaime Cuellar Dancers

Mar 8, 2024 Quarteto Nuevo

Mar 22, 2024 Barbara Padilla

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Smeaton Recognition

(Submitted by Chuck Cuffaro)

Don and Betty Smeaton Receive 2023 Outstanding Service Award



At our 2023 Welcome Back event, the 2nd annual Outstanding Service Award for exceptional volunteerism was given to **Don and Betty Smeaton**.

Unfortunately, Don and Betty could not be present as they permanently returned to their Fort Collins, Colorado home earlier this year.

However, while Chuck and Judy Cuffaro visited family in Colorado this Summer, they also visited the Smeatons in Fort Collins and surprised them with the award. A picture of Don and Betty proudly holding the award on their backyard deck is attached.

Following are the Smeaton's accomplishments throughout their GCAC membership:

- Canyon Sounds poster delivery for 15 years to Kings Ranch Rd. businesses.
- Don served a 3-year term as Board Director, Vice President, and Secretary.
- Don was concert "Front of the House" manager for several years.
- At our festivals, Don led erection and take down of the stage and seating
- The Smeatons recruited ticket sales volunteers for the 2021-2022 season
- During 2022-23, Don and Betty displayed our concert marketing board, interacted with patrons, and helped at Will Call.

GCAC could not have asked for more generous volunteers than the Smeatons!

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Art Supplies for Four Peaks



The Arts Council discovered that Four Peaks Elementary was reinstating their art program, but the teacher **Marina Rensulli** had very limited supplies. The Arts Board voted to contribute \$2,000 to purchase the needed materials. **Kathy Mitchell**, Chair of our Leland Wilson School Arts Program

Carole (Left), Marina (Ctr), Kathy (Right)

went shopping with Marina which turned out to be a fun day (who does not like to spend others' money). The picture above was taken at the Apache Junction School Board meeting where our "symbolic" check was presented to Marina. During the presentation, **Carole Lindemann** described the Leland Wilson Program and shared the following:

- **2012-2016**-School art projects consisted of having students work on a project to be submitted to the arts council for selecting best student art work from participating schools. Art supplies were awarded.
- **2017-First Artist in Residence Project**-Contour Drawing with pen and ink, AJHS, Pauline Conn, artist
- **2018-Cactus Canyon Jr HS, Watercolor and Ink, artist Vanessa Ortiz**
- **2019-Cactus Canyon Jr HS, Gourd Art, artist Diane Haugen**
- **2019-Desert Vista Elem School, Puppet art, artist Dr. Mary Stokrocki**
- **2020-Cactus Canyon Jr HS, Ceramics, artist Kimmerly Lone**
- **2021**-During Covid, donation of art supplies for AJHS and Cactus Canyon
- **2022-Cactus Canyon Jr HS, Weaving, artists Dr. Mary Stokrocki, Kathy Mitchell**
- **2023-Cactus Canyon Jr HS, Mixed Media Collage, artist Gail McFarland**
- **2023-Four Peaks Elem Sch, donation of art supplies**

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Annual Membership Time!!

Please remember to pay your 2023-2024 membership . We appreciate your continued membership.

(From The President-continued from p1)

Besides the concert dates which can be found on our website please mark your calendars **for March 3 for our annual meeting**. New members of the Board and the budget are approved at this meeting. If you are interested in being on the Board of the Gold Canyon Arts Council we welcome you. We meet once a month at the Mission Center September or August thru April or May. We need new voices and energy. Please consider this volunteer opportunity. We do have a new Board member: Sheri Farabaugh will complete Ed Butler's term. We thank Ed Butler for his years of service to the Arts Council and Board and we thank Sheri for accepting this appointment to serve.

Deb Cleary-Beatty is our new front of the house chair along with Julie Burzlaff. She may be contacting you to usher or take tickets or collect food for the food bank. Please say yes.

We look forward to seeing you at the Nov 17 performance and the social after at Judy and Gary Duehlings.

Please have a Thanksgiving of gratitude from us for your involvement and support of Gold Canyon Arts.

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Mariachi Concert-Superior

(Submitted by Jack Kukuk)



Stage w/ Mariachi Pasion



Mariachi Pason w/Superior Mayor Mila Besich



The Mariachi Pasion concert in Superior on 11/2 was a great success, with nearly 150 people attending this very colorful, celebrative event on the eve of Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead). Mayor Mila Besich and Chamber of Commerce President, Rick Cartier were very gracious in welcoming the Arts Council to Superior and thanking us for the concert.

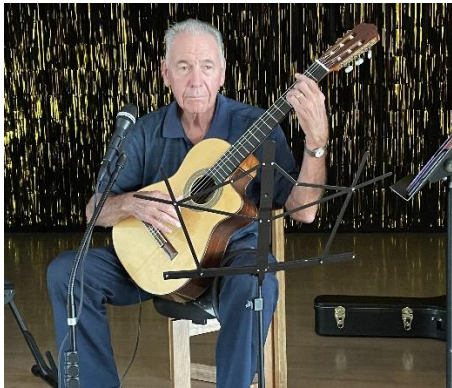
The GCAC Board authorized the presentation of the concert to thank the many advertisers in Superior for supporting our concerts and school residences.

For your calendar: Tickets are available for **the February 9, 2024 Mariachi Garibaldi de Jaime Cuellar & Lancers** performance as part of the 2023-2024 Canyon Sounds Performance Series.

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Welcome Back Season Opener

Lots of GCAC members, new members and friends enjoyed a great time with food, fellowship and drinks Sunday, Oct 29 at MountainBrook's Superstition Center. We look forward to a great 2023-2024 season.



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Volunteer Help Needed-Fall Festival

(Submitted by Carole Lindemann)

The 23rd annual arts Festival is scheduled for Saturday, January 27, 2024. Once again it will be held on the grounds of the United Methodist Church. It is always an amazing day with the beautiful art creations, live musical performances and food trucks.

This is also the time when I turn to our membership to volunteer 2 hours of your time to ensure the day is the success ALL have come to expect.

So.....

Gate Greeters: We have three gates: each requires two persons for a two-hour shift. The shifts are: 8:30, 10:30, 12:30, and 2:30. The last shift is shorter but assisting with take down & cleanup is appreciated. Gate Greeters welcome folks to the festival and hand out our Festival Program.

Hospitality: Again, two persons for a two-hour shift with the times the same as the Gate Greeters. These folks help to pick up the contributions that the artists give to our Education Programs and are available to 'booth sit' (no selling), so artists can use the rest room or get something to eat.

Early-Bird Parking Crew: We need 6 persons to staff our three (3) entrances to the festival from 6:00 am-8:30am. This is to direct artists to their unloading area.

Friday Set-Up: On Friday afternoon we mark the artist spaces, cordon off handicap parking area, partially set up Arts Council tents & tables, etc.

Donut Pickup: We offer coffee and donuts to the artists and the early morning workers. This involves a run to Bashas' to pick up our order & deliver back to the church on Saturday. This person also gets first pick of their donut!

PLEASE SEND YOUR DESIRED TIMES TO:

Gate Greeters—Carole Lindemann 480-296-6502

HOSPITALITY—Deb Clearly Beatty 602-750-5601

EARLY-BIRD PARKING CREW- Maurice McCormick 701-371-6010

**FRIDAY SET-UP & DONUTS-Carole Lindemann 480-296-6502 or
carbills@mchsi.com**

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2023-2024 Canyon Sounds Performers



MIRARI BRASS QUINTET
Friday, November 17, 2023

Mirari Brass Quintet is one of the country's finest Brass ensembles. Their repertoire is wonderfully eclectic and engaging. The Mirari Brass Quintet brings a spirit of joyful collaboration and innovation to music spanning many centuries and genres. Mirari has performed extensively across the United States, forging connections with audiences through lively and polished performances.



THE FOUR FRESHMEN
Sunday, December 3, 2023

The Four Freshmen are America's most enduring vocal groups. From the moment they step on stage they will get your heart pounding and your feet moving. In this special "Snowfall" Concert you will rejoice in such very special Freshmen Holiday Classics as "A Winter Wonderland", "I'll Be Home For Christmas", "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas", "I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus", "O

Holy Night", and many more of your favorite holiday songs.

NOTE: Want a preview of our performers for the 2023-2024 season? To get a feel for these performers please refer to their websites shown below:

[Marari Brass Quartet Preview](#)

[The Four Freshmen Preview](#)

[The Hutchins Consort](#)

[Mariachi Garibaldi de Jamie Cuellar & Dancers Preview](#)

[Quarteto Nuevo Preview](#)

[Barbara Padilla Preview](#)

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THE HUTCHINS CONSORT
Friday, January 12, 2024

The **Hutchins Consort** plays on the eight scaled violins of the violin octet designed and built by famed luthier Dr. Carleen Hutchins. The instruments are the first successful attempt to create an acoustically balanced set of instruments that can sound truly like violins across the entire notes of written music. The Consort's musicians are among the finest in the Los Angeles area.



MARIACHI GARIBALDI DE JAIME CUELLAR & DANCERS
Friday, February 9, 2024

Mariachi Garibaldi De Jaime Cuellar & Dancers are master Musicians and Grammy Award-Winners with a 26-year history of shows that delight audiences throughout the U.S. and Mexico. The ensemble tours its own show, while also collaborating with a Who's Who of Mexican artists. They also tour with Ballet folklórico de Los Angeles, with whom their 2017 production of "Tale as old as Time" from Disney's Beauty and the Beast" went viral with over 16 million views!



QUARTETO NUEVO
Friday, March 8, 2024

Quarteto Nuevo merges western classical, eastern European folk, Latin and jazz with an organic feel that packs a wallop! Their diverse programs can be tailored to fit anywhere, from an intimate chamber music venue to a large outdoor festival. Known for engaging outreach programs that include pop-up

concerts in community venues, Quarteto's master musicians create emotionally charged soundscapes with instruments and sensibilities that represent very differ world cultures.

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BARBARA PADILLA
Friday, March 22, 2024

Barbara Padilla is an exceptional classical-crossover singer, cancer survivor, and motivational speaker. Originally from Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico, she was first runner up on **America's Got Talent** and has since performed with some of the greatest names in the industry. Join Barbara at her performance to enjoy one of the greatest voices of our time! She will be appearing with some very special musicians in a show especially designed for our audience.

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