West Nebraska Arts Center



106 E. 18th Street Scottsbluff, NE 69361

2017 Membership MEETING

and Volunteer Appreciation

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July 19, 2017

Dear Friends of West Nebraska Arts Center,

First and foremost, thank you for your support of West Nebraska Arts Center during the fiscal year 2016-2017. The successes within our organization are due to the vision and generosity of many individuals and businesses.

Our annual meeting not only gives our board of directors and staff an opportunity say, "thank you," but gives us a chance to reflect on the past year, review and set new goals, and inform you of upcoming events.

As you know, WNAC is a 501c3 non-profit organization committed to education, awareness and excellence in the arts, serving the North Platte Valley Region. We believe in sharing a community venue for promoting appreciation and education of the arts; encouraging diversity, creativity, and cultural enrichment; and inspiring and awakening artistic expression in all backgrounds and ages.

We so appreciate your attendance tonight and your continued support.

With sincere thanks,

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Our MISSION

The West Nebraska Arts Center is a cultural 501c3 nonprofit organization committed to education, awareness and excellence in the arts, serving the North Platte Valley Region.



WNAC Building and Grounds Improvement Projects Summary

Fiscal Year 2014-2015

\$22,020.64 Total

\$ 2,613.00 received from **Oregon Trail Community Foundation** Projects completed:

- completely remodeled kitchen/classroom downstairs
- refinished kitchen floor
- installed new track lighting in Bronson Gallery
- completely remodeled upstairs bathroom
- installed new brake shoes on lift
- tore out doors and old fixtures in both bathrooms downstairs
- painted downstairs bathrooms and hallway in prep for remodel

Fiscal Year 2015-2016

\$34541.74 Total

\$ 4000.00 received from **Oregon Trail Community Foundation** Projects completed to date:

- repair and recharge A/C unit on east side
- removed old tree on west side and pruned all trees
- laid new mulch and added flagstone paths to landscaping
- replaced 3 large outdoor light fixtures
- repaired mortar joints on top façade around entire building
- retiled both bathrooms, hallway, and landing downstairs

(made possible by donations from Stacy Bach [Nossaman Petitt Law Firm] and Clemens Carpet)

- refinished flooring, carpeted stairs, and painted in Little Theater (now the Bronson Gallery)
- completely remodeled two bathrooms downstairs
- put new doors on both bathrooms and laundry room
- refinished kitchen and utility room doors
- added three new outdoor signs (donated by Darwin Adams and Infinite Graphics)
- replaced both north and west entry doors
- replaced tile in both entryways
- repair and refinish concrete steps on north; cut concrete and lay PVC sleeve for irrigation system on north side
- install 3 new outlets in Main Gallery
- replace tile and baseboard in both north and west entry ways
- reframe/cover four pocket doors in office and Main Gallery
- installed new alarm system
- bought 28 new gallery chairs

Last Fiscal Year 2016-2017

\$2712.88 Total

\$2800.00 received from **Oregon Trail Community Foundation** Projects completed to date:

- installed timer and new irrigation system on north and west sides
- installed new plants in north and west flower beds
- repair and refinish concrete steps on west side
- painted outside trim around entire building
- bought 30 more gallery chairs for receptions and special events
- purchased 2 more pub tables (thank you Raymond & Linda Gonzales)
- temporary art installation generously provided by Roger Hill in the west "Outside Gallery" space
- commissioned Doug Hoevet to design metal panels/gate for east and west areas between the buildings
- bought new cement planter for the corner of 18th Street and 1st Avenue
- cleaned out upstairs area to create additional office space
- purchased new feather banners to use on reception days









WNAC Highlights July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

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July 2016

- Main Gallery-WNAC President's Show: A New Way of Seeing
- o Bronson Gallery-Selfies: The Faces of Mental Health Photography Exhibit
- Nebraska Arts Council 2-day workshop
- o Oil pastel class: Van Gogh's Self-Portraits; instructor Gretchen Peters
- DOVES Art Classes weekly
- The Learning Tree gallery tour ages 5-12 years
- Canvases Off Broadway Van Gogh Sunflowers; instructor Maria Lena Soto
- o Art Film Screening-Vincent Van Gogh: A New Way of Seeing; Midwest Theater
- Continuing Art w/ Mary Hunt monthly acrylics class

August 2016

- o Main Gallery-Ronda Lewis Family Art Show: Different Strokes
- Continuing Art w/ Mary Hunt monthly acrylics class
- o Intro. to Soft Pastels and Matting to Impress classes; instructor Jeanie Schlump
- North Platte Valley Artist Guild meeting
- DOVES Art Classes weekly
- Panhandle Health Group gallery tour
- Wrap-Up Party Cirrus House Exhibit (Selfies)
- After School Art Program begins for the school year; instructor Michele Denton, 4-6 grade, Mondays; instructor Charla Herbert, 1-3 grade, Tuesdays

September 2016

- o After-School Art Program, Mondays & Tuesdays grades 1-6
- Main Gallery-Ingram Family Show: The Twin Grandmothers, Kisses from the Junkyard, and Hung Out to Dry
- o Bronson Gallery-End of Summer Art Sale fundraiser to benefit WNAC
- DOVES Art Classes weekly
- o Material Girl mini-classes; a focus on materials usage-instructor Traci Wilkes
- Continuing Art w/ Mary Hunt monthly acrylics class
- Mixed Media Garden workshop instructor Martin Vargas
- o North Platte Valley Artist Guild meeting
- Art in the Courtyard at Barn Anew Bed & Breakfast fundraiser for WNAC

October 2016

- o After-School Art Program, Mondays & Tuesdays grades 1-6
- o Main Gallery-Kit Watson & Whitney Tewahade: Bit by Bit
- o Bronson Gallery-Artfully Undead Exhibit
- Secrets of Gross-Out Gore & Zombie Apocalypse Make-Up Classes; instructor Jeff Ferrari
- DOVES Art Classes weekly
- Continuing Art w/ Mary Hunt monthly acrylics class
- North Platte Valley Artist Guild meeting
- Gering High School Art students tour gallery
- Dancing w/ the Dead presentation; Father Sorensen & Los Guadalupanos Dancers
- o Boos and Brews a Dia de Los Muertos beer tasting celebration/fundraiser

November 2016

- o After-School Art Program, Mondays & Tuesdays grades 1-6
- o Main Gallery-North Platte Valley Artist Guild Art Show & Sale
- o Bronson Gallery-Old West Balloon Fest Photography Exhibit
- PEO Lunch Program and Tour
- DOVES Art Classes weekly
- Homemakers Association Lunch Program and Tour
- Continuing Art w/ Mary Hunt monthly acrylics class
- Scottsbluff High School Humanities students gallery tours
- North Platte Valley Artist Guild brunch and Open House



December 2016

- Main Gallery-Ken Pledger: Transistions
- o Bach's Dinner featuring WNCC Collegiate Choir directed by Dr. Imguy Kang
- Leyton High School Tour
- DOVES Art Classes weekly

January 2017

- After-School Art Program, Mondays & Tuesdays grades 1-6
- Main Gallery-Juried Show 2017
- o Bronson Gallery-WNCC Student Art Exhibit opened
- Volunteer training for annual fundraiser
- DOVES Art Classes weekly
- o Uncork Your Winter Blues: Carnival Rio annual wine tasting fundraiser
- North Platte Valley Artist Guild meeting

February 2017

o After-School Art Program, Mondays & Tuesdays - grades 1-6

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- o Main Gallery-IMAGE 2017 Photography Exhibit
- Bronson Gallery, WNCC Student Art Exhibit reception
- NEXT Young Professionals Lunch Meeting and Program
- o Jr. Duck Stamp painting class with Mary Hunt
- DOVES Art Classes weekly
- Continuing Art w/ Mary Hunt monthly acrylics class
- o 50th Anniversary Event: Vintage Valentine's; instructor Michele Denton

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March 2017

- After-School Art Program, Mondays & Tuesdays grades 1-6
- Girl Scouts ArtVenture 50 students, 5 instructors
- o Main Gallery-Adam Brass & Tiffany Schank: Ebb and Flow
- o Bronson Gallery-2nd After School Art Program Student Art Exhibit opened
- Jr. Duck Stamp painting class with Mary Hunt
- Continuing Art w/ Mary Hunt
- Leadership Scottsbluff Tour
- DOVES Art Classes weekly
- o 50th Anniversary Event: Chamber of Commerce Award Presentation Irish Coffee
- o Digital Art Painting Demo Adam Brass & Tiffany Schank FREE presentation
- Intro. to Comics & Sequential Art 6 week series instructor Matthew Reese
- North Platte Valley Artist Guild meeting

April 2017

- o Main Gallery, Visionaries Student Art Exhibit
- o Getting Your Values Right and Painting with Intensity Class w/Mary Hunt
- Lincoln Heights School tours 4 classes
- DOVES Art Classes weekly
- o Intro. to Comics & Sequential Art instructor Matthew Reese (6-wk series)
- Continuing Art w/ Mary Hunt
- Gering High School Art Students Tour
- Tiger Scouts Tour
- o Canvases Off Broadway: Butterfly; instructor Maria Lena Soto
- North Platte Valley Artist Guild meeting
- o 50th Anniversary Event: KMOR and KNEB Live Remote Broadcast

May 2017

- o Main Gallery-David Dorsey, Michele Denton & Mary B. Hunt
- Art Film Screening-An Artist's Garden; Midwest Theater
- North Platte Valley Artist Guild Meeting
- o 50th Anniversary Event: Bronson Gallery- Seeing Our Voices reception
- o Lincoln Heights Elementary School Tours and Art Activity
- \circ $\,$ Artist Demo: Michele Denton and Mary B. Hunt FREE presentation



June 2017

- Main Gallery-Traveling Light: Cynthia Cochran and Charla Herbert 0
- Art Camp I ages 10-15 0
- Art Camp II ages 6-9 0
- North Platte Valley Artist Guild Meeting







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Restaurants participating in our chips & salsa contest: El Charrito, La Bonita, Taco Town, and Rosita's

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We value each and every one of you!



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