CELEBRATE THE CREATIVE SUMMER!

UPCOMING EXHIBITS & OPENING EVENTS

FREEMEN HEALTH SYSTEM MAIN GALLERY MAY 27 – JULY 22, 2023
FLASHPOINTS: MATERIAL/INTENT/FUSED
Opening Reception: June 16, 5:30-7:30pm, In conjunction with Quapaw Nation 151 exhibit.
Enticed by touch, four artists: Kristy Deetz, Reni Gower, Jane Nodine, and Daniella Woolf explore a wide range of materials and processes linked through craft and meaning. With a shared focus on encaustic (pigmented hot wax), Flashpoints: Material/Intent/Fused underscores where material and intent fuse. Painting, tapestry, installation and artist books resonate with a profound tactility echoed through substance, image and idea. Viewers are invited into an immersive sensory-filled experience that highlights active making through materiality.

FOUR STATES GALLERY JUNE 10 – JULY 29, 2023
QUAPAW NATION 151 PRESENTED BY QUAPAW NATION
Opening Reception & Drum Circle: June 16, 5:30-9pm, More detailed information to come regarding these events.
The story of the Okaxpa…THE QUAPAW told through art is affirmed in this installation of historical and contemporary art. In conjunction with Quapaw Nation’s 151st Powwow the exhibit honors the diversity of the Quapaw Nation through artistic expression. The display will reveal complex perspectives on Quapaw’s past and the deep significance of these artworks to the Native and non-Native four-state community in the present. As they look towards the future, the work of many Quapaw Nation members is represented, as well as many major Native American aesthetic forms: painting, photography, sculpture, traditional regalia, beading, and ceramics.
Quapaw Nation 151 is a small way of paying tribute to Quapaw ancestors; their trials, tribulations, and legacy. The exhibit pays honor to moments in Quapaw history following the American Civil War. During that time, they negotiated and fought for reservation lands which culminated in the Treaty of 1867 with the United States. The annuity payment agreed to by the federal government was delayed several years, and when the payment was finally dispersed in 1872, the people held a picnic to celebrate their survival. The Okaxpa also invited other area tribal nations as a way of thanking each of them for sharing their resources and food during their time of need. Each year, the annual picnic was held with their neighboring tribes and as cultures and traditions merged, the celebration came to be known as the Quapaw Powwow. As the longest running powwow in the state of Oklahoma, second longest in the country, it has become a source of pride, and a time to reunite as Okaxpa people.
Quapaw Nation 151 honors this continuing story through art.

JO MUELLER RESERVE GALLERY APRIL 28 – MAY 27, 2023
FOUR STATES PHOTOGRAPHY ENTHUSIASTS: THROUGH THE LENS SPONSORED BY FENIX MANAGEMENT
Exclusive to the Four States Photography Enthusiasts Club, this annual juried exhibition is presented to showcase the best of photography in the Joplin Region. Judges for this year’s exhibit were photographers Danny Wilson and Robin Keely.
MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As spring is upon us so is the flurry of activity in our new home in the beautiful Harry M. Cornell Arts & Entertainment Complex. It was this time last year it was announced that I would be joining the Spiva team, and it has been a wonderful year of growth, expansion, and learning.

As we near the end of a fiscal year I would like to extend a huge thank you to our staff, board, trustees, volunteers, members, artists, and supporters. We have accomplished so much since we moved into the Cornell Complex in November. We have had record-breaking attendance for not only exhibitions, but our events and classes as well. We have so much to celebrate. During March and April, we saw an increase of participants in Spiva in Bloom, and we celebrated poetry during 1000 Words. Our Creation Station weekly kids’ class has seen consistent growth in numbers.

The opportunities are overwhelmingly abundant. So many new exhibits, programs, classes, and initiatives are on the horizon. We look forward to celebrating our members with Art on Tap in June. Please also extend a warm welcome to Kaitlyn Summers, Spiva’s new Volunteer and Social Media Coordinator. She is doing an excellent job of building our volunteer program as we have more needs in that area than ever before. Will you join us?

With new opportunities come additional needs. We are always looking for sponsors for upcoming exhibits, programming and more. If you have ideas or thoughts, I would love to discuss them with you. How can we collaborate with your organization or family? We have fantastic birthday party packages and venue rental space for celebrations, retreats, and events – both professional and personal. Explore our classes and expanded offerings this summer.

It is an honor to serve you and our community. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Heather Lesmeister

ART ON TAP JUNE 10, 5-8PM

Art on Tap is back and bigger than ever this summer. This annual celebration of our members will be held outdoors and inside of the Harry M. Cornell Arts and Entertainment Complex - which means there’s more room for activities. This is a one-of-a-kind party that brings people together for delicious food, great art, music and, of course, spirits. Best of all, for the first time in many years, this event is absolutely free to and exclusive to Spiva members!

In recent years, this event has evolved to include numerous local craft brewers and winemakers, which has added excellent variety to the experience. This has also become a way for guests to sample many locally brewed beverages and treats in one location.

We will be gathering on the Leggett and Platt Green and in Spiva’s galleries while guests sample all we have to offer! The galleries will include a mixed media exhibition: Flashpoints: Material/Intent/Fused, and the Quapaw Nation 151 exhibit. With live band, Vagabond Grove, on the Green, delicious food for all, and amazing auction items, this event is truly a “must attend” for anyone looking to begin their summer right!

Admission: Free for Spiva Members. Purchase of memberships will be available night of event.

This is a 21+ event.

A big thanks to Caley Hedman and the entire Art on Tap Committee.

The MISSION of Spiva is to CELEBRATE THE CREATIVE EXPERIENCE.

Our VISION is to be a community catalyst, joining culture, community, education, business, and the arts as one, endeavoring to be a model for art centers across the nation.
UPCOMING EXHIBITS

FREEMAN HEALTH SYSTEM GALLERY EXHIBITING AUGUST 19 – OCTOBER 7, 2023
DELECTABLE: ART OF THE EDIBLE

Opening Reception: August 18, 5:30-7:30pm

Food is a part of our lives. It is everywhere we look. This exhibition seeks to look at food in a different way. What if everything in the world was edible? What if food was the basic component of every aspect of our lives? What happens when good food goes bad? Let your imagination run wild.

From whimsical to profound, pop art and low brow to classical and surrealism, this exhibit’s focus is unique takes on the subject of the edible. We are looking for the most innovative use of each medium as applied to the subjects of vegetables, fruit, dairy, meat, fish, poultry, grains and of course baked goods. If it’s food, it’s a subject. Think Dali, Arcimboldo, and Thiebaud, as well as the publications High Fructose and Juxtapoz. A master chef doesn’t just cook food, they create something delectable that is outside of the box. They understand that quality ingredients are important. Printmakers, illustrators, mixed media, sculptors, ceramicists, painters, and photographers, this is for you.

Enter now through June 17th at spivaarts.org

FOUR-STATES GALLERY EXHIBITING AUGUST 19 – OCTOBER 7, 2023
BEST OF MISSOURI HANDS: ON THE ROAD-THE WORLD WE CREATE

Opening Reception: August 18, 5:30-7:30pm

The Best of Missouri Hands is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the development and recognition of Missouri’s artists and artisans. BOMH currently has approximately 400 members representing artists, arts educators, the general public, businesses and organizations. Juried membership represents a diverse range of art forms and mediums, all of which exhibit the highest level of artistic quality and craftsmanship.

To showcase the vast and diverse talent of BOMH members, a show, “On the Road,” has been a part of an exhibition circuit for several years with shows all over the state of Missouri. Unfortunately, the pandemic put a hold on these shows. BOMH is excited to announce that the show will resume in 2023 at Spiva Center for the Arts in Joplin this fall.

“The World We Create” can hold any meaning. A quick look around in any setting showcases the vast amount of art in everything from architecture and design to color theory and arrangement. There is nothing in our lives, from building design to fine art to food to functional everyday items that didn’t start with creativity. BOMH has challenged its members to look at the title and reveal what it means through their art.

48-HOUR FILM COMPETITION
CALL FOR ARTISTS! FILMSPIVA 48-HOUR FILM COMPETITION

Filmmakers, get your teams together and prepare for a madhouse of creativity: Spiva Center for the Arts is hosting the Thirteenth Annual FilmSpiva 48-Hour Film Competition this July – with youth and adult categories.

Contestants will meet in the first floor lobby at 6pm, Friday, July 7, to receive this year’s criteria. They then have 48 hours to complete a 4-minute short film. The deadline to submit entries is 6pm, Sunday, July 9.

The cost is $25 per team.
The films will be screened at Bookhouse Cinema, 715 E. Broadway, on July 22 (show times TBA). Awards ceremony will follow the final showing. Winning films are determined by a panel of jurors as well as a people’s choice award chosen by popular vote. Anyone interested in sponsoring the competition or donating prizes should contact Shaun Conroy, sconroy@spivaarts.org. More details to come soon!
CAMPS

JUNGLE ART CAMP WITH RACRITIA HOBSON
June 13 – 14, 12 – 4 p.m.
June 15, 12 – 3 p.m.
Ages: 6-11
Cost: $100
Students will learn about jungle animals and create their own tropical animal art using clay, paint, origami, charcoal, and more!

BEADING CAMP WITH STACY HEYDT
June 13 – 15, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 6-11
Cost: $100
Younger campers will learn about sorting, colors, and patterns while enjoying the tactile experience of pony beads and pipe cleaners as they make fun and age-appropriate projects. Older campers will learn how to design their own bracelets using a variety of beads, cording, and closure methods, as well as bead weaving.

COLORS OF THE GALAXY CAMP WITH RACRITIA HOBSON
June 20 – 22, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 6-11
Cost: $100
Students will create a variety of projects utilizing a wide range of bright, bold, and expressive colors of the galaxy while focusing on universe art in a multitude of mediums!

PAPER MACHE CAMP WITH STACY HEYDT
June 20 – 22, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 6-11
Cost: $100
Campers will learn about the art of Paper Mache, Pablo Picasso, and his love of African masks while making their own wall mask and other sculptural projects.

DRAWING CAMP WITH CHRISTINA LORENZEN
June 27 – 29, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 6-11
Cost: $100
From perspective, shape, and line, to charcoal, crayon, and pastel, kids will learn the fundamentals of drawing while having fun and making friends.

PAPER COLLAGE CAMP WITH STACY HEYDT
June 27 – 29, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 6-11
Cost: $100
Learning about torn paper art, kiddos will have a blast creating one-of-a-kind portraits, landscapes, animals, and more out of newspapers, magazines, found papers, and other paper materials.

FANTASY CAMP WITH BROOKS-ELIZABETH BILLINGS
July 5 – 7, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 6-11
Cost: $100
Using all kinds of media and upcycled supplies, campers will create fantastical dragons, castles, and maps of their own imagined land!

CLAY CAMP WITH CHRISTINA LORENZEN
July 5 – 7, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 8-11
Cost: $100
Students will have a blast creating a variety of projects of their own three-dimensional art

ANCIENT GREECE CAMP WITH BROOKS-ELIZABETH BILLINGS
July 11 – 13, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 6-11
Cost: $100
Step back two thousand years in time and learn about ancient Greek art! Students will create a variety of Greek-inspired projects using techniques that have been around for millennia.

BOARD GAME CAMP WITH SAMANTHA ERVIN
July 11 – 13, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 6-11
Cost: $100
Students will unleash their imaginations by creating their own board games complete with rules, playing pieces, logic, and art!

TEEN CLAY CAMP WITH CHRISTINA LORENZEN
July 18 – 20, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 12-16
Cost: $100
Older students will learn about sculpture as an art form and create a variety of their own art to take home.

COMIC & MANGA CAMP WITH AIDAN-AVALON ALDRIGHETTI
July 18 – 20, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 12—17
Cost: $100
Interested in telling stories with your art? Have characters and are itching to tell their tales? This comics and manga creation course will go over the basics of visual storytelling, from making characters to pacing to presentation and everything in between.
GLASS CAMP WITH JANE MCCAULEY
July 25 – 27, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 8 – 14
Cost: $100
This popular camp teaches students about the art of fused glass and kids will take home multiple projects of their own!

PAINTING CAMP WITH SAMANTHA ERVIN
August 1 – 3, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 6 – 11
Cost: $100
Painting takes many forms and in this camp, students will focus on abstract and unique techniques while thinking outside of the box!

ILLUSTRATED STORIES CAMP WITH SARAH CLEMENTS
August 1 – 3, 12 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 8 – 12
Cost: $100
Kids will love learning about characters, plot, and storytelling while creating their own short stories and illustrations. A small book of finished stories and drawings will be published for each child to take home.

WEEKEND CLASSES
GLASS NIGHTLIGHTS WITH JANE MCCAULEY
Saturday, June 10, 10:30 – 12:30 p.m.
Ages: 8 to Adult
Cost: $35
Make your summer days last even longer with these stenciled, fused glass nightlights! Students will add stenciling to the base and then add their own glass designs for a completely unique and functional piece of art.

MIXED-MEDIA MADNESS WITH DACE YOUNGBLOOD
Saturday, June 10, 12 – 2 p.m.
Ages: 10 – 18
Cost: $25
Students will love using mixed media to create an expressive and experimental visual art piece that combines acrylic, fabric, paper and other materials!

CYANOTYPE PHOTOGRAPHY WITH MICHAEL CESSNA
Saturday, June 17, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Ages: 18+
Cost: $40
Photography literally means “drawing with light.” In this unique class, participants will be using the sun, nature, and science to create their own cyanotype photos printed on silk, paper, and more.

CLAY FOR KIDS WITH CHRISTINA LORENZEN
Saturday, June 24, 1 – 3 p.m.
Ages: 4 – 6
Cost: $30
Kids will have a blast getting messy with clay while making their own pinch pots to be fired and enjoyed for a lifetime!

RAKU CELESTIAL Faces with Christina Lorenzen
Saturday, July 1st, 1 – 3 p.m.
Ages: 14 – Adult
Cost: $40
Create your own unique celestial moon or sun face that will be raku fired with a white crackle glaze in this one-of-a-kind hand-formed clay class.

IMPASTO PAINTING WITH SAMANTHA ERVIN
Saturday, July 8, 1 – 3:30 p.m.
Ages: 12 to Adult
Cost: $30
Impasto is the painting technique of laying down thick paint that creates a three-dimensional texture. Now you can make your own impasto paint using acrylics, plaster, and a palette knife!

GOTHIC ART WITH JORDAN MURDOCK-THOMPSON
Saturday, July 15, 1 – 3 p.m.
Ages: 12 to 17
Cost: $20
Explore the history of gothic and the development of neo-gothic art in western culture. Students will then create their own gothic works utilizing the visual elements and themes prevalent in the works they’ve explored using pencil, ink, and other media.

ABSTRACT EXPRESSIONIST PAINTING WITH SAMANTHA ERVIN
Saturday, July 15, 1 – 4 p.m.
Ages: 12 to Adult
Cost: $30
Learn to paint like Zao-Wou-Ki – famous abstract artist who blended modern painting with traditional Chinese landscape painting. Using charcoal and a limited color palette, students will create their own masterpieces to take home!

FELTED CREATIONS WITH STACY HEYDT
Saturday, July 22, 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Ages: 11 to Adult
Cost: $35
Participants will learn how to sculpt their own “critter companions” using fibers and a felting needle. After mastering the basics, students will create finer details like faces, wings, or clothing. No skills are necessary, just your imagination!

GLASS SUNFLOWERS WITH JANE MCCAULEY
Saturday, August 12, 10:30 – 12:30 p.m.
Ages: 8 to Adult
Cost: $35
Learn all about making fused glass art and create your own glass sunflower to enjoy year-round!

A new program offering the art of wellness is coming in June—C.A.L.M. Today will offer self-care experiences for mindful living. Stay tuned for details.

ART PARTIES FOR ALL AGES AT SPIVA!
Want to host an ART PARTY? Guests must be at least four years old. Choose from a variety of packages that best meets your needs. You provide refreshments and decorate the space. Visit www.spivaarts.org/facility-rental for more information.

NEED A SCHOLARSHIP?
Scholarships are available to adults and kids alike who want the experience of art without the financial barrier. Funds are raised through generous donations from the community. The application is quick and easy. Stop by Spiva at 212 West 7th St, email spiva@spivaarts.org, or go to spivaarts.org/classes to download.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION
The Board of Directors is pleased to present this slate of proposed board members for the 2023-2026 term. We appreciate that these community leaders have offered their time and talents to support and grow Spiva. We have an exciting few years ahead of us, as we settle into our new home in the Harry M. Cornell Arts & Entertainment Center, with expanded galleries and opportunities for a new level of exhibit excellence.

Please return the enclosed ballot by mail, or drop it off at Spiva, no later than June 30, 2023.

LYNN HEMPEN
Lynn Hempen is a past president of Spiva and served on the Harry M Cornell Arts & Entertainment Complex Joint Executive Committee. Member and past chairman of the Friends of St. Avips. Member and past president of P.E.O. Chapter Fl and Wednesday Study Club. Graduate of MSSU, retired from UMB as Sr. VP and served 12 years on the Joplin Schools Foundation Board.

FREDRICK NJOROGE
Fredrick Njoroge currently serves on the Spiva Board of Directors and works at Leggett & Platt as a Director of Human Resources. He received a bachelor’s degree in business management and MBA from Pittsburg State University in Pittsburg, KS. Originally from Nairobi, Kenya, he now lives in the Joplin area with his wife, Meaghan, and three children. Fredrick loves art in all its forms and is passionate about helping the arts flourish in our area and beyond.

ANGELA VORHEES, J.D.
Angela A. Vorhees is a past president of Spiva and served on the Harry M Cornell Arts & Entertainment Complex Joint Executive Committee. She was appointed Family Court Commissioner of the 29th Judicial Circuit in January 2019. She served as a Family law mediator as well as an adjunct instructor for Missouri Southern State University for more than ten years. Vorhees received a bachelor’s degree in psychology from Missouri State University. She went on to complete a J.D. at the University of Missouri School of Law in 2000. She is a member of the Missouri Bar Association and the Jasper County Bar Association.

BRANDON DAVIS
Brandon Davis is a current board member and founder of Davis CPA Group, LLC. Brandon is a member of the AICPA and the MO Society of CPAs. He has over 10 years of experience in public practice working for a top 10 national CPA firm. Brandon has broad experience in several industries working with clients in construction, manufacturing, medical and dental offices, and professional individuals. Brandon is a graduate of Missouri Southern State University and actively involved in the community serving on several boards.

MATT McCONNELL
Matt McConnell currently serves on the Spiva and Cornell Complex Boards. He is the owner of MacCo Builders and has served on various Joplin non-profit and community boards in the past. He believes that the arts are key to a successful community, and he is glad to serve Spiva as they continue to grow.

JO ENSCOE, PH.D.
Dr. Jo Enscoe, a current board member, is the Assistant Vice Provost of Student Services for the KCU-Joplin campus. She has been a passionate leader within higher education for over three decades. Her goal is to positively impact as many lives as possible!

HELP US REACH OUR ANNUAL FUND GOAL
With new opportunities come additional needs. As this year’s annual fund comes to a close, will you consider giving a gift to support our big dreams? We have not yet reached our goal, and together we can make it happen.


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Sincerely,

Heather Lesmeister | Executive Director
AN ICONIC 2023... SO FAR!
TAKE A PEEK WHAT WE’VE BEEN UP TO THIS YEAR

Poet, Steve Head, recites his poem for our annual 1000 Words event

Area Third Graders and teacher Sandra Pemberton en route to work on their collaborative project

Reception for Holly Wilson: The Thread that Connects

Spiva in Bloom Workshop students show off their creations

Spiva in Bloom Best in Show Winner, Courtney Smith from Webb City Florist

Florist, Justin Thomas, presents a live floral demonstration to the guests at the Spiva in Bloom Luncheon

Spring Break Camp students hard at work on their sewing projects

Participants enjoy LEGO Structures built for the Iconic Joplin Landmarks LEGO exhibit.

PhotoSpiva Kids student, Yul Ko, presents his exhibited photos

PhotoSpiva 2023 Juror, Jennifer Thoreson, at the exhibit's opening

We Can Do It!

Students working alongside teacher, Sandra Pemberton, to complete our new classroom murals
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