



President's Message...

As we move into September, starting with the holiday that recognizes the many contributions workers have made to America's "strength, prosperity, and well-being," hopefully we take the time to explore all our specialty shops, artisan villages, antique stores, and many merchants that make Smith Mountain Lake the best little slice of heaven on earth. The Smith Mountain Arts Council is doing its part to ensure the arts are well represented this fall as well. From coffeehouses, signing up new JAM students, to the annual Art Show, our membership drive, volunteering at The Coves, our Annual Meeting, and planning the winter activities including a well-known magician/comedian and the David Stuart Wiley Holiday Concert, we are busy continually rolling out programming to the community. As we enter the Fall season, know that the Smith Mountain Arts Council is hard at work planning your relaxation activities. So be sure to keep checking our website and take advantage! We have enough in the works that signing up for membership during our September membership month will be well worth the investment.

Happy Fall,

Dianna Weiner

President

Smith Mountain Arts Council



- SPECIALEVENTS
- COFFEEHOUSE
- CONCERTS

Welcome SMAC Family!

September, 16.2023, The Panini Brothers, Downtown Moneta, 1100 Celebration Ave., Suite 101, located in the rear lower level, behind Bull Docks Restaurant and Mayberry Pizzeria and Ice Cream Parlor. Tickets are on sale now.

October 21,2023, the Southwest Virginia Songwriters Association will be performing in Downtown Moneta, 1100 Celebration Ave., Suite 101, lower level, behind Bull Docks Restaurant and Mayberry Pizzeria and Ice Cream Parlor.

On November 11, 2023, we're excited to be presenting Chris Michael. a comedian and magician entertainer. He will be performing at the Westlake YMCA, 293 FirstWatch Dr., Moneta. Be sure not to miss this exciting event. "You can call him a magician/comedian if you want, but the better title is mind-bending showman."

December 15, 2023, Of course, our annual Home for the Holidays, Christmas Concert with David Stewart Wiley, Maestro of the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra, being held at Trinity Ecumenical Parish @ 40 Lakemount Drive, Moneta.

March 9, 2024, we're excited to present the Rainier Trio and the Roanoke Ballet Theatre performing at the W.E. Skelton 4H Center, at 775 Hermitage Rd., Wirtz, for a 2:00pm performance.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTINITIES

We're in search of members to help assist in promoting the Smith Mountain Arts Council. We have recently purchased a 10' x 10' SMAC Branded Pop-Up tent. We are seeking volunteers to staff our tent for concerts, festivals, and special events. If any SMAC member has an interest to volunteer send an e-mail to: info@smac-arts.com, for further details. Subject Line, SMAC Marketing Tent.



SMAC'S PARTICIPATION IN PIRATE DAYS

The SML Pavilion hosted their 1st Annual Family Fun Pirate Days event on July 14th. This event was well received by the community. SMAC was a participant, using our new Pop-up tent. We provided a Photo Opportunity, self-portrait with Pirate characters, making treasure maps in a bottle and tattoos. A BIG thank you to Dianna Wiener, Karen Debord, Marita Cheney, and Jack Phillips for participating. Of course, Dianna, Karen & Jack were decked out in their best Pirate attire. Marita and I were decked out in our civvies (support crew.) Keep an eye out for our e-Blast for events, volunteer opportunities and updates. As always, we very much appreciate your patronage and support. Stay tuned as we are looking forward to an exciting year Visit our website WWW.SMAC-ARTS.COM to purchase tickets for our upcoming events.



Your SMAC membership will expire in just 30 days. We hope this isn't the end of our connection, especially considering the exciting events planned for next year! Renewing your membership is still possible, and you have a few options:

- Renew via PayPal at smithmountainartscouncil.com/join-renew.
- Send your renewal through snail mail to: P. O. Box 70 Moneta, VA 24121

We're eager to have you continue with SMAC. Please renew by September 30, 2023. Help us expand our membership by inviting friends, family, or neighbors to join. If you have a local creative business, you can also become an Affiliate with SMAC through the link at smithmountainartscouncil.com/affiliates.

Remember the valuable benefits that come with your membership. As part of SMAC, we want you to make the most of your time with us!

Create: SMAC provides a platform for area residents to express their creativity. Through its activities and affiliates, it encourages people with similar interests to come together and support each other. It nurtures educational programs to provide opportunities for students to unlock their creativity.

- **Celebrate:** SMAC activities provide multiple opportunities to bring people together to celebrate the arts and interact with artists.
- **Connect:** SMAC connects the arts with the community and attracts visitors from surrounding areas. It helps make the arts accessible to everyone.
- **Reduced:** ticket pricing to SMAC Special Events

The SML Parrot Pan and Toucan Pan Steel Drum Bands

will perform a concert of toe-tapping Holiday favorites on Saturday, Dec. 16, at 3 PM. Like last year, the show will be a benefit for Scruggs Volunteer Fire and Rescue and will be held at their HQ building, 2130 Bluewater Drive, Moneta. Scheduled in the afternoon so as not to conflict with holiday evening plans you may have, this show is a very family-friendly event. Watch for more details on at-the-door ticket prices and expanded food/refreshment offerings being planned for this year. Hope to see you there!



The Lakeside Singers are Rockin' the 60's!

Hold on to your seats for the Lakeside Singers season! The 2024 Lakeside Singers season will begin March 5 with rehearsals at the Bethlehem United Methodist Church. We welcome back Director, Melia Garber. The Spring (June 7-8) performance will be held at the Radford Baptist Church on Radford Church Road. If you are interested in singing or even helping without singing this year, email Karen DeBord (debordk@gmail.com). She will add you to the list of participants getting updates. If you are already on the email list, no need to do so. Come join the fun!!



Watch for the SMAC Tent!

If you spot the SMAC Tent, then stop and say hi! We have been active at the Harvester, Downtown Moneta Family Pirate evening and other places! We are working to build recognition and membership!



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SATURDAY, SEPT 16, 2023
SHOW: 7pm DOORS: 6pm

WHERE: *The Celebration Room, Downtown Moneta*
1100 Celebration Ave., Suite 101
(Lower level behind Bull Docks Restaurant)
PRICE: SMAC Members \$15 / General Admission \$20
Purchase online at WWW.SMAC-ARTS.COM
Or by mail at SMAC, PO Box 70, Moneta, VA 24121

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The 34th Annual Smith Mountain Arts Council Art Show October 20, 21 and 22nd 2023

All artist entry forms will be due by October 1, 2023. All art work needs to be picked up at the close of the show at 2:00 pm on Sunday, October 22.

Rules and Entry forms are available at www.SMAC-ARTS.com

Bower Center Announces Upcoming Concerts

Bower Center for The Arts is excited to bring in two nationally recognized singers & songwriters for our September and October installments of the Bower Center Concert Series.

On Friday, September 15th we welcome Jeff Black. Jeff Black is a Grammy nominated songwriter and performer who was born in Kansas City, Missouri and now lives in Nashville, TN. His songs appear on recordings by Alison Krauss, Waylon Jennings, Jerry Douglas, John Oates, Dierks Bently, Blackhawk, Jo-el Sonnier and more. Sam Bush has championed him with recording many of his songs including "Same Ol' River" and "Gold Heart Locket". In the tradition of great storytellers, his passionate, soul-drive live performances of songs from his vast catalog are not to be missed! Doors open at 6pm, show begins at 6:30pm.

October's Concert brings David Starr on Saturday the 21st. With a name like Starr, is it any wonder? The Arkansas native has honed his decades-long career releasing over ten albums, touring internationally, sharing the stage with esteemed artists such as John Oates and John McEuen, and opening for acts like America, John Oates (Hall & Oates), Travis Tritt, Restless Heart, Karla Bonoff, The Steel Wheels, Survivor, and more. His unique mix of soulful vocals and honest lyrics create a folk/roots sound all his own; garnering him prestigious showcase performances at Folk Alliance International, AmericanaFest, and Southwest Regional Folk Alliance. In 2022, he performed over 50 dates including a two-week run in England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland. He continues to top the Colorado Music Chart and is frequently one of the most downloaded artists on Airplay Direct. Doors open at 6:30pm, show begins at 7pm.

Tickets are now on sale for both Jeff Black & David Starr concerts. They can be purchased in advance by visiting BowerCenter.org or LynchburgTickets.com. Advance tickets are \$15, while tickets purchased at the door will be \$20.



Bower Center for the Arts is a 501c (3) organization offering opportunities for the community to gather, foster creative expression, connect, learn, and gain confidence through the process of making and enjoying art.



Summer Arts Camp

The first ever youth Arts Camp was a great success for 31 participating families. Campers choose three classes of the five offered including singing, drawing/painting, acting, photography and writing. Next year, SMAC will also hold an Arts Camp so stay tuned for dates and locations.

Welcome new members!

Jean Wibbons
Susan Perry
Robyn Blair

Together our members create artful experiences and memories at Smith Mountain Lake. You are a gift to us and we value your membership. Thank you! Membership in SMAC can increase accountability for the board. Members can feel more involved in the nonprofit, which can lead to increased giving. Members are invited to SMAC Board meetings at 9:30 am the third Friday of each month at TEP Church.

Sherry Brown, VP Membership

Explore volunteer opportunities available to members of the Smith Mountain Arts Council!

Immerse yourself in the artistic and creative atmosphere, gaining exposure to diverse forms of expression, contribute your skills and passion to the arts community and make a meaningful impact. Network with fellow artists and performers and art enthusiasts fostering, valuable connections.

Affiliates

Art on 1st



Art On 1st is a gallery that features the paintings of Annie Schultz and the photography of Rick Sheridan. In addition, we feature art in a variety of media from other artists and photographers.

We strive to support established, emerging and aspiring artists through exhibitions and classes. The gallery space can also be rented for photo shoots, critiques, art lectures, and other related activities.

Bald Knob Artists



An art collective from Rocky Mount, Virginia. Blue Ridge Mountain artists in every medium!

Bower Center for the Arts



At the Bower Center for the Arts our mission is to make visual and performing arts available to all residents in our region. We foster creative expression and encourage our community to gather, connect, learn new skills and gain confidence through the process of making and enjoying art.

Friends of the Moneta/SML Library



We are a small group of volunteers looking for more community members to join us in fulfilling our purpose to support the library financially with programs, books and supplies.

Goose Creek Studio



Goose Creek Studio offers quality custom framing and hospitable exhibition space featuring regional artists and artists working at the intersection of faith and creative expression. Our gallery features a wide variety of art and crafts from over 30 local and regional artists. We also have an art lover's vintage shop on the second floor.

Harvester Performance Center



The Harvester Performance Center is an indoor, mid-sized music venue serving Rocky Mount, VA, and surrounding areas with great live performances in all kinds of genres.

Lake Quilters Guild



We are a nonprofit organization dedicated to bringing good fellowship and the interchange of ideas to those interested in the art and craft of quilting.

The Let's Dance Band



Captivating Big Band Sounds – Crossing the Generations with Music

The Let's Dance Band is comprised of professional musicians ages 17 – 93. The group's repertoire consists of popular music from the 1930s to now including Big Band Swing, Jazz, Latin, Funk, and Rock.

LinDor Arts

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LinDor Arts is a fine arts gallery, bringing you the latest works by our better regional artists.

LinDor Arts is involved in our community and participates in or with Roanoke City, Taubman Museum, WBRA TV, Roanoke Sidewalk Art Show, The O. Winston Link & History Museum, Art by Night, Downtown Roanoke Arts Collective and the Eleanor D Wilson Museum at Hollins University.

Little Town Players



"Our Mission is to provide live theatrical productions for the education and enrichment of the community"

Affiliates

Smith Mountain Lake Center



The Smith Mountain Lake Center, Inc. is a non-profit organization working to develop a centrally located, multi-use facility and gathering place for education, entertainment, and community and tourism events.

Smith Mountain Lake Harmeneers



The Harmeneers' Mission is to sing four-part Barbershop harmony of a caliber that gives enjoyment to our members and audiences while promoting a true spirit of fellowship within our Chapter.

Smith Mountain Lake Woodturners (SMLW)



The Smith Mountain Lake Woodturners is a chapter of the **American Association of Woodturners (AAW)**. We are a group of woodturners that have joined together to share ideas and techniques and to use our knowledge to educate others in the art of the lathe and woodturning. Through our **meetings and events**, we promote, demonstrate and teach woodturning skills at all levels.

SML Steel Drum Band



Steel Drums took root at SML over 10 years ago after a Roanoke-based steel drum band performed a SMAC-sponsored concert here. Fascinated audience members jumped at the chance to practice and perform at SML. Since then a "beginner" band has formed, and ukulele and marimba ensembles. Performances benefit local charities – over \$100,000 has been donated. Contact Jerry at 540-420-0900 for more info.

Southwest Virginia Songwriters Association



We are an association of approximately 50 members from varying musical backgrounds who like each others' company enough to meet once a month to socialize, talk about songwriting, and critique each others' songs, all in the interest of becoming better songwriters.

Smith Mountain Arts Council Affiliates are independent organizations that share the mission of supporting the arts. SMAC and its affiliates seek opportunities to engage in mutually beneficial activities which further each organizations, mission and vision.



MEMBERSHIP

Members get advance e-mail notices of opportunities and ticket sales, as well as discounts on tickets and entry fees. Don't lose out! You can join/renew on our website. We look forward to seeing you at SMAC events!

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SMAC WEBSITE

Don't forget to check it out! Not only can you find the latest Upcoming Events, you can also purchase tickets and find our latest Newsletters.

[https://
smithmountainartscouncil.com/](https://smithmountainartscouncil.com/)

E-BLASTS

Did you Know? The more you share and like our eBlasts the more our events are attended and the more SML artists are kept alert on what's happening through SMAC.

SPONSORSHIP

The Smith Mountain Arts Council is seeking event sponsors. Contact Karen DeBord (debordk@gmail.com) if you are interested in sponsoring an event. Amounts from \$20-\$2000 are accepted!

** If your loved one loved the arts, SMAC can set up a memorial fund to receive contributions in their name.*

SMAC MEMBERSHIP FORM

FOR USE BY NEW MEMBERS ONLY

Name(s) _____

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City & State _____ Zip _____

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Email _____

Interest: ☐ Art ☐ Photography ☐ Singing ☐ Theatre ☐ Writing ☐ Music

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PLEASE CHECK ONE

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