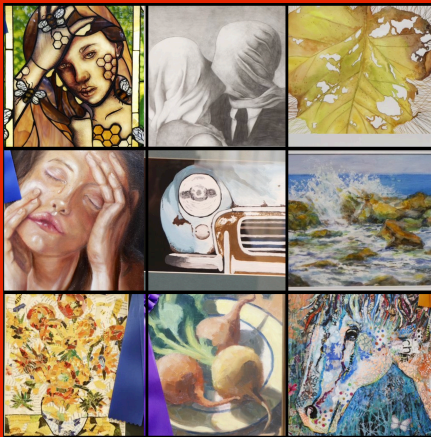


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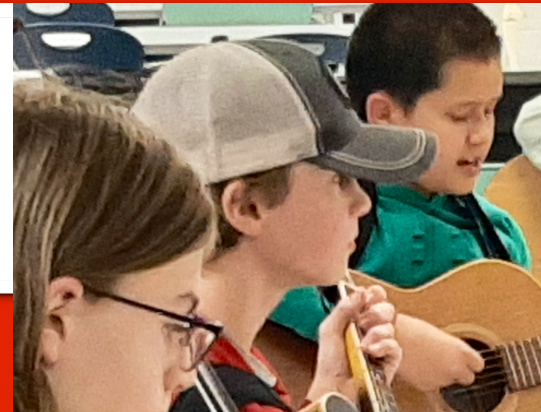


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Winners Announced for Smith Mountain Lake Council Art Show

The Smith Mountain Lake Council Art Show recently concluded with an array of exceptional artworks on display. The competition showcased a diverse range of talent, with artists across various categories. The art show was judged by Tracy Budd from the Studio School in Roanoke. The show was well attended at both the Opening Reception on Friday evening throughout Saturday and Sunday during Gallery Viewing.

Here are the distinguished winners:

Best in Show:

Mimi McHale "Wildflower"

Judith Cain Memorial Awards:

Shelley LaTreill and Dan Madar

Student Awards:

First Place C. Nininger "Sunflowers"

Second Place: Cora Perretta. "A Little Rusty"

Merit Award: Audrey Pritt "The Lovers Redrawn"

Mixed Media Category

First Place: Hannah Dunagan: "Sign of Abundance"

Second Place: Casey Weston: "Eternal Traveler"

Merit: Patricia Carr "In the Spirit of His Maker"

Watercolor

First Place: Dennis Johnson "Big Splash"

Second Place: Nancy Ostroff "Barn Shadow"

Merit: Melissa Pilkington "Dragonfly"

Acrylic

First Place: Beth Rodgers "Sisters on Mirror Lake"

Second Place: Patti Jones "I Lift my Eyes to the Mountain"

Merit: Elaine Wilson "Ole Soul"

Oils

First Place: Hannah Dunagan. "More Precious than Rubies"

Second Place: Leah Thompson "Long Line, Short Fuse"

Merit: Mark Johnson "Golden Beets"

The Smith Mountain Lake art show winners demonstrated not only technical skill, but also a deep connection to their chosen mediums, creating an inspiring and diverse exhibition that delighted! Congratulations, to all the talented artists who contributed to the success of this year's event!

Enjoy a closer look at this year's Art Show winners amazing work!





Art Judge: Tracy Budd

Art Show Chair: Marita Cheney

Showman Chris Michael Mesmerizes Audience

In an unforgettable night of laughter and astonishment, SMAC special events hosted renowned entertainer Chris Michael, a unique blend of comedian and magician, leaving the audience spellbound at the Westlake YMCA 293 First Watch Dr., Moneta. Dubbed as a "mind-bending showman," Chris Michael seamlessly combined humor and magic, creating an atmosphere of sheer amazement. The event, which took place on November 11, 2023, drew an enthusiastic crowd eager to experience the fusion of comedy and mystique.

The success of this event marks a memorable night for both Chris Michael and the Smith Mountain Lake community. As word of the mind-bending showman's performance spreads, attendees are already eagerly anticipating his return for another round of astonishment.



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Roanoke Symphony Orchestra's Maestro David Stewart Wiley Leads Annual Home for the Holidays Concert



In a musical celebration that has become a cherished tradition, SMAC Special Events presents its annual "Home for the Holidays" Christmas Concert on December 15th 2023, featuring the esteemed Maestro David Stewart Wiley.

David Stewart Wiley, renowned for his exceptional leadership as the Maestro of the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra, boasts an impressive resume of conducting symphonies across the United States and around the globe. Having conducted orchestras in cities such as Atlanta, Buffalo, Cincinnati, San Francisco, Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Minnesota, Saint Louis, Oregon, Hawaii, and Utah, his influence extends far beyond the Roanoke community. Recently, the Roanoke Symphony Orchestra board made a significant announcement, extending Maestro David Stewart Wiley's contract for an additional four years. This decision solidifies his position as the longest-tenured Music Director & Conductor in the orchestra's storied 71-year history.

Joining Maestro Wiley on stage for this festive occasion are his son, Misha Wiley, a familiar face to many, having captivated audiences with his cello performances alongside his family from an early age.

gifted tenor, with a deeply moving, unblemished voice" has been seen in over 100 diverse operatic roles and fosters a stylistically diversified repertoire of over 300 concert works.

"Home for the Holidays" Christmas Concert promises an evening of joy, harmony, and festive cheer for the entire community. Don't miss this opportunity to experience the magic of the season with these exceptional musicians. The concert will take place 7pm at Trinity Ecumenical Parish, located at 40 Lakemount Drive, Moneta.



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Concert With David Stewart Wiley
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15th of December, 2023
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Trinity Ecumenical Parish, Moneta

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Christmas Concert

Saturday, December 16, 3:00-5:00 p.m.

- Doors open at 2:30 p.m.
- Scruggs Fire & Rescue HQ, 2130 Bluewater Drive, Moneta
- Proceeds Benefit Scruggs Volunteer Fire, Rescue and Dive
- Tickets at the Door
Adults & Teens: \$13
Kids 5-12: \$5
- Pick Up Holiday Goodies at the Bake Sale
- Light fare and non-alcoholic beverages available for purchase

Holiday Favorites Performed in Toe-tapping Island Style

John Hardy:
A CHRISTMAS CAROL
One Man Show!

SATURDAY DECEMBER 16th

AT BOWER CENTER FOR THE ARTS
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Show Begins at 6pm

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Junior Appalachian Musicians

Franklin County JAM has enrolled 35 students and we now have 5 full time teachers. One of the new teachers is one of our former students who is now 17 years old and teaches one of our two beginning guitar classes. His name is Pierce Workman. We have had 7 lessons this semester and will have a show scheduled for **December 12th** which is a Tuesday afternoon at the **Gereau Center** in Rocky Mount at **4:15**. All students will perform and the show will be about 45 minutes. **We would love to have some of our SMAC members attend.**

This is the largest group of students we have ever had and they are making exceptional progress and showing a true love for old time Appalachian music.

Thanks goes to SMAC for all their support for the last 9 and a half years but especially Marty Bowers who sends donation letter to donors, pays our teachers each month and deposits all the lesson fees each week. We could not do it without her. **THANK YOU** to all our supporters.

Jim Mullens



Steel Drum Bands to perform Holiday favorites!

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!





Welcome new members!

Christina Anglin
James Ashton
Whitney Brock
Cindy Cates
Kristin Cudd
Loni Fabian
Lisa Faist
Carla Fosbre
Yvonne Gabel
Ellen and Max Gaberdiel
Diamond Gabriel
Lauren Hefner
Milt Hobbs
Regina Hurd
Shelley Koopman
Diane Lewis
Michael Morris
Jane Murden
Cyndee Norris
Janice Norvell
Abigail Padgett
David Rakes
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CREATE ARTFUL
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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.**





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.

We're in search of members who have an interest in assisting SPECIAL EVENTS, with building stage, setting up stage lighting, sound reinforcement and on occasions setting up tables and chairs. If interested please send an e-mail to: info@smac-arts.com, to have someone contact you with additional details.

Keep an eye out for our e-Blast for events, volunteer opportunities and updates.
As always, we very much appreciate your patronage and support.





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/>

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!

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.

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

Affiliates

Alexander/Heath Contemporary



Alexander/Heath Contemporary, located in downtown Roanoke since 2015, provides local, regional, and national artists for month long exhibitions with a wide variety of work and styles.

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.

Left of Center Art Space



Left of Center Art Space has six working studio spaces, a gallery and class space. The artists who make up the center in painting, weaving, and pottery include Meridith Entingh, Miki Overcast-Kallan, Patti Kapral, Kelly Smith-Price, Susanne Sellars, and Susan Egbert.

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.

Affiliates

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"

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 wood turners 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.

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.

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.



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