

ST. JOSEPH SCULPTURE WALK

Can you believe it, a year has already passed, and seventeen new sculptures are moving in. Last year was the first year for the St. Joseph Sculpture Walk, but with more sculptures, and more community awareness, the phone calls and messages are pouring in with questions about this year's new sculptures.

The St. Joseph Sculpture Walk not only enhances our natural and cultural environment, but also reflects our community values, diversifies our neighborhoods, enhances the richness of our history, and adds promise to the future of our community. By adding pieces of art to the downtown area, the walk also promotes the vitality of our public spaces, and adds enjoyment of art

with the physical and mental health benefits of walking. When looking at a map of the Sculpture Walk, by starting at point 1, and ending at point 17, you will have walked just shy of a mile, almost 2,000 steps!

Last year the community truly embraced the addition of sculptures. **Brian Myers** and **Amy Heath**, owners

of Lucky Tiger, joined in the fun at Halloween by turning the turtle sculpture "Poco a Poco Se Va Lejos" outside their business into Donatello. They also used the sculpture in their social media advertising as a way to offer discounts. This year downtown businesses asked for sculptures outside their store fronts in hopes of doing the same.

This year's Sculpture Walk features two local artists. Local artist **Mark**



"Scribble," Bush's sculpture, placed outside the Civic Arena, is a manipulative piece that involves the ability to use one's hands and fingers with dexterity. "As I watch my oldest child at 18 months scribble his way through the first stage of childhood artistic development and know how important it is for him not only in hand eye coordination but also literacy, it caused me to question my own stages of development. I realized as a sculptor I never went through the scribbling stage of development and

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HEART FOR THE CITY

On August 21-23, Trails West!® celebrates its 23rd year with the theme "heART for the City." **Jeremy White**, Trails West!® co-chair, said

"There is a need for the community to get behind

something out of love."
Jeremy believes that the arts are one of the channels to bring our community together.

Shannen White, Trails West!® co-chair, said "Trails West!® has been a part of our community for years and is one of the reasons why we love our city so much."

The winner of the 2015 Trails West!® Artwork Competition

is **Ryan Sowers**, a creative artist from Kansas City. When creating his artwork, Sowers states, "I created the heART for the City illustration by examining the personality and history contained within the buildings and



landmarks of St. Joseph." Sowers wanted to learn more about St. Joseph while also helping support and promote Trails West!®, a festival that "celebrates expression, learning and culture," said Sowers.

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A chat with your President



As I write this letter to all of you involved in the arts, I think about the end of my first year as president. Without you, your vision and hard work, Allied Arts would not be the success it is. We have a great staff but four people can't do it all.

This year has been a great visual trip for all who travel downtown, with the traffic boxes that came to life with art and color, the murals on Edmond and more to come, and last but not least, the Sculpture Walk around town. As with most art, different people see different things expressed in each piece. That's what art is

supposed to do- make you think! All of the architecture on Felix Street Square has proven to be a great being venue since built in the mid 90's. With all of the art and related venues on almost every block downtown, we're done but we not are well on the way. Western Missouri State University has really come to life with art. They have a full program of plays, music and visual arts.

Our next big "BIG" program, activity, fun (you name it) is Trails West!®. This activity started back in January (unseen) and continues until the gates open. For three days, thousands of people will be served with arts, food and everything in between. Months of work to make three days happen.

Again, it is all of you who make this happen and we all share the pride. I try to stay out of the office during the last of July and first of August because the force tornado will breeze past you until you get with it. (I'm old and about out of "it.")

My second year has started with new sculptures, another well planned Trails West!® and ideas for "arts" activities almost every week for the rest of the year. Join us for the ride of a lifetime in the arts.

"Aspire to inspire before you expire."- Larry Stobbs

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About the Allied Arts Council



The Allied Arts Council of St. Joseph, Missouri exists "to bring arts and people together." Founded in 1963, the Council is one of the oldest in the State of Missouri and is acknowledged statewide as an arts leader. In 1990, the City of St. Joseph designated the Allied Arts Council as the City's official community arts agency. Operating with a staff of four and a volunteer base approaching 2,000, the Council takes the lead in our community in organizing, fund-raising, advocating, educating, and servicing the local arts community.

Organizational membership in the Council is open to nonprofit agencies who provide arts related activities. Currently fifteen arts and cultural agencies are members. As an umbrella agency, the Council assists with scheduling, funding, and marketing for all member agencies. The Council is also working with the City of St. Joseph to increase marketing for the major performing arts center in the city, the Missouri Theater.

The Council provides educational programs, art exhibits, and summer youth arts programs, as well as operating the annual Trails West!® arts festival.

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Robidoux Resident Theatre brings the 1964 Broadway classic "Hello, Dolly!" to the Missouri Theater stage July 17-19!

"Hello, Dolly!" with music and lyrics by **Jerry Herman** is based on the play "The Matchmaker" by **Thornton Wilder**, and tells an irresistible story of the joy of living. The show is glittered with happy songs, shines with loving scenes, and is alive with the personality of one of the most fabulous characters on the musical stage... Dolly Gallagher Levi!

"Hello, Dolly!" is directed by **Christopher Lake**, who is no stranger to the stage. "I have been on both sides of the table with Robidoux Resident Theatre. I have been a director as well as an actor. I am also currently on the Board of Directors for the organization. Most recently I acted in "Tarzan" as Terk, directed "White Christmas," acted in "Shrek the Musical" as Pinocchio,

directed the most recent "Always... Patsy Cline," and the list goes on,"

Lake almost did not direct this show. He was asked to read for the script and as he read, he began to fall in love with the show and the story behind it. "I get really excited when I see the work that the cast and crew are putting into the show. The vocals are sounding amazing! The choreography is looking great, and the actors are really diving into the scenes," said Lake.

The show includes new cast members. "This is Sara's (**Sara** Waters, who plays Dolly) first leading role in a musical with us and we have several Benton High School Drama Club members as dancers and chorus," said Lindsay Prawitz, Service Manager for Robidoux Resident Theatre.

"My favorite part thus far is working with a cast that has really banded together to become a small family and I enjoy watching us all work together to create this beautiful piece of art. In my opinion, working together as a theatre family to create a beautiful piece of art is what community theatre is all about," said Lake.

This golden age show is one not to be missed. To see a full cast, more information on the show, or to purchase tickets please visit rrtstjoe. org. Tickets range from \$10-30, and can be purchased at rrtstjoe.org, by calling 816-232-1778, or at the Robidoux Resident Theatre office at 124 S. 8th St. St. Joseph, MO 64501.

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Allied Arts Council Annual Meeting, Mayor's Awards for the Arts

July 16, 2015 Fairview Banquet Room 33rd and Pacific 5:30 p.m. cocktails 6:00 p.m. dinner

The night recognizes • vibrant arts community with



Beer Walk for the Arts Left: Patrons visit the Dimbleby House at 1219 Felix, owned and renovated by Jordan and • **Becky** Reilly. **Patrons** homes, enjoying beer, food the Mayor's Awards for the and local music at each location. The successful location. The successful event was a sell-out, and raised over \$6,000 for the Please RSVP by July 10 to cathy.ketter@stjoearts.org Arts Fund.

What's Happening

July

11

Imagine Eleven- Liverpool

Imagineeleven.com Coleman Hawkins Park, 6 p.m. Free

10-18 The Fantasticks

Western Playhouse The Fantasticks is a funny and romantic musical about a boy, a girl, two fathers and a wall. Kemper Recital Hall, MWSU, Spratt

July 10, 11, 16, 17, 18: 7:30 p.m. July 12: 2 p.m. 816-271-4452 \$9.50-22.50

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Parties on the Parkway

St. Joseph Chamber of Commerce Echo plays rock covers at this month's event.
S.W. Noyes & Messanie, 5-8 p.m. 816-232-4461
Free

10 Sounds of Summer Swift Kik

Downtown Association Bring your lawn chair and blanket, and join us for "Swift Kik." Coleman Hawkins Park, 6-9 p.m. Free

11 Murder in Maui

Robidoux Resident Theatre Rrtstjoe.org For years RRT has sold-out houses during their Mystery Dinners. Robidoux Landing Playhouse, 6:30 p.m. 816-232-1778 \$25

12 Imagine Eleven-Rattle and Hum

Coleman Hawkins Park, 6 p.m. Free

16 Allied Arts Council Annual Meeting & Mayor's Awards for the Arts

stjoearts.org Fairview Golf Course, 33 & Pacific, 5:30 p.m. 816-233-0231 \$25

17-19 Hello, Dolly!

Robidoux Resident Theatre Hello, Dolly! is an ebullient and irresistible story of the joy of living, glittering with happy songs, shining with loving scenes.
Missouri Theater, Fri & Sat 7:30 p.m.; Sun 2 p.m.
816-232-1778
\$10-30

17 Sounds of Summer Soca Jukebox

Coleman Hawkins, 6-9 p.m. Free

19 Imagine Eleven The Blackbird Revue

Coleman Hawkins Park, 6 p.m. Free

24

Sounds of Summer Charlie and the Stingrays

Coleman Hawkins Park, 6-9 p.m. Free

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We are Blessed

Darcee's School of Dance presents their 31st annual dance recital. Civic Arena, 1 & 7 p.m. 816-617-2883 \$10 in advance, \$11 at the door

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Imagine Eleven- Lyin' Eyes Coleman Hawkins Park, 6 p.m.

Free

Sounds of Summer-BOCC

Coleman Hawkins Park, 6-9 p.m. Free

31 - August 16 The Great American Trailer Park Musical

Robidoux Resident Theatre There's a new tenant at Armadillo Acres- and she's wreaking havoc all over Florida's most exclusive trailer park. Robidoux Landing Playhouse, Fri.

Robidoux Landing Playhouse, Fri & Sat 7:30 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. 816-232-1778 \$19-35

August

2 Imagine Eleven- The Elders

Coleman Hawkins, 6 p.m. Free

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Imagine Eleven- Soca JukeBox Coleman Hawkins, 6 p.m.

13 Parties on the Parkway Oxy Moron

Corby Pond, 5-8 p.m. 816-232-4461 Free

20 Patrons' Party

Trails West!® 6 p.m., Beer Tent, Civic Center Park, 816-233-0231

21-23 Trails West!®

Civic Center Park 816-233-0231 \$8 in advance, \$10 at the gate

29

Rockin on the River

Dsodean and Flannigan's Right Hook will perform. Near Remington Nature Center, 4:30-8:30 p.m. 816-232-4461 Free

September

4-6

JoeStock 6 Music Festival

St. Joseph Music Foundation 3 day celebration of local live music and all things Joe. Coleman Hawkins Park, noon–11 p.m. 816-676-1112 Free

17 The Four Freshman

Performing Arts Association Saintjosephperformingarts.org This top vocal group of the 1950's formed a bridge between harmony based rock & roll and the ensembles of the 40's. Missouri Theatre, 7:30 p.m. 816-279-1225 \$12-35 cont. from pg 1



began to wonder how much better I could be if I would just crawl before I tried to run," said Bush.

Dan Ramming, a local art teacher with the St. Joseph School District, placed his sculpture "Reaching Skyward," at its new temporary home at the corner of 8th and Edmond this spring. Ramming was born and raised in Hinton, Oklahoma. "When I moved to St. Joseph more than twenty years ago, I was able to really learn about art for the first time," said Ramming.

"Reaching Skyward' is meant to evoke a sense of growth and upward movement. Its form is reminiscent of a quartz crystal, much like the ones I had as a somewhat science obsessed child," said Ramming.

Along with the new sculptures, the Sculpture Walk has added an audio tour component to enhance and enrich the experience for the visually impaired. The audio tour allows the sculptors to touch on how the sculpture looks and feels through their eyes. Funding for this new component is in part by the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). Look for this project to debut fall 2015, online at stjoearts.org!

How can you be involved? Help determine the People's Choice Award by picking up a Sculpture Walk brochure from various downtown businesses and voting for your favorite. Voting is open from now until January 2016.

If you fall in love with one of the sculptures, it can be yours! All sculptures currently on display are on loan to the Sculpture Walk for a year, but are all for sale! Many of the smaller pieces are perfect for your home or office space, and the larger pieces are great for gardens, office parks or retail

spaces. The sculptures come from all over the country and add creativity and sophistication to any property whether it be a home or business.

For a full list of sculptors and a map for the Sculpture Walk, please visit www. stjoearts.org.

The Allied Arts Council extends a huge thank you to those who made the Sculpture Walk possible. The **St. Joseph Downtown Community Improvement District** recognized that this was a unique opportunity to promote the downtown area, and bring art into the downtown community. We also thank our Sculpture Walk sponsors and Friends of the Sculpture Walk donors. For more information on how to donate, or to become a Friend of the Sculpture Walk, please visit our website, www.stjoearts.org.

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David H. Morton Memorial Fund for the Arts recipients

The Allied Arts Council is pleased to announce the David H. Morton Memorial Fund for the Arts recipients. Recipients chosen by the David H. Morton trustees include: **Performing Arts Association** for "The Wellington International Ukulele Orchestra Workshop & Performance" and **St. Joseph Museums** for "Confluence: The Great Flood of 1993."

Fall 2015 Traffic Box Project Call to Artists



Calling all artists! It's already time to send in your submissions for the 4th traffic box painting in St. Joseph. The fall 2015 traffic box will be located on the corner of 6th and Edmond near Ground Round.

Interested artists can visit the Council's website, www.stjoearts. org for an application. Artists need to send in a resume, reference contact information, a template for each submitted design (if more than one), and an artist statement for each design, postmarked by July 31, 2015 to the Allied Arts Council office. The chosen artist will receive an honorarium of \$1,500.

Photo Above: Artist Grace McCammond of St. Louis, MO paints the third traffic box located at 10th & Felix.

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carries over to the artist in action piece. Festival attendees can tell why they love St. Joseph as they help create a paper mache heart. **Robbie Morton**, Fine Art chair, noted we all love our city for different reasons and he believes this will be a fun way to bring everyone together in expressing their love for the same place.

Seeing familiar faces while enjoying live music brings the community of St. Joseph to one place. Friday night kicks off with favorite classics from **Resurrection**, **A Journey Tribute**. Known for their famous hit "We Built this City," **Starship featuring Mickey Thomas**, ends

the night. Saturday, up and coming artist **Kelsea Ballerini** opens with her new hits like "Love Me Like You Mean It," along with more of her fun, relatable country music. Following Kelsea is the Grammy winning **Charlie Daniels Band**, famous for their number three hit on the Billboard Top 100 "The Devil Went Down to Georgia." Sunday the festival opens at 11:00 a.m., with a community worship service followed by Christian artist Sanctus Real at 1:00 p.m.

Trails West!® continues to grow and change each year. This year includes a booth offering sangria and wine, and also a craft beer option. New vendors include **All Fired Up** pizza and local **'Brewer's BBQ**.' Traditional favorite festival foods are also available.

This year features new folk and fine artists. **Second Life** makes the old look new with "new" necklaces, bracelets, and pocket watches created from vintage pieces. Also new is **Barnboard Creations** with beautiful handmade bird houses, feeders, and benches made out of wood. **Cynthia Schmidt** features thrown bowls and vases with carved patterns at her **Discover Art** fine art booth.

Returning this year is the community worship service. **Rev. Bryan Gregory**, **Pastor Scott Hawkins**,

and **Pastor Robert Warren** will speak on Sunday, with music from **MidCity Excellence Choir**. The service will be followed by a full concert by **Sanctus Real**. If you don't already have a button, the festival is just \$2 on Sunday, and wristbands may be purchased at the gates.

Admission to Trails West!® is by souvenir button or t-shirt. Buttons are good for admission all three days. Buttons are \$10 at the gate or \$8 in advance. All guests over the age of 10 must have a button for admission.





SAVE THE DATE for the 2015 Trails West!® Patrons Party

When: August 20, 2015 Where: Civic Center Park Time: 6 p.m.

Invitations to follow!



Trails West!® t-shirt pre-order

People are falling in love with the new "heART for the City" Trails West!® t-shirts. Shirts are available for pre-order only! Visit trailswest.org to pre-order yours by July 16.



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