

Coming Events in the Arts

Fall and Winter 2008-2009

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SEPTEMBER 2008

5, 6, 7 THE SPANISH TRAIL PLAYHOUSE PRESENTS STEEL MAGNOLIAS. The Spanish Trail Playhouse is in full rehearsals for Robert Harling's popular comedy/drama, "Steel Magnolias." "Steel Magnolias" is set in Truvy's beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana. Helped by her eager new assistant, Annelle, the outspoken, wise-cracking Truvy dispenses shampoos and free advice to Clairee, Quiser, M'Lynn, and M'Lynn's daughter, Shelby. The play moves toward tragedy when, in the second act, the spunky Shelby, who is a diabetic, risks pregnancy and forfeits her life. The realization of their mortality affects the others and draws on the underlying strength and love, which gives the play, and its characters, the special quality to make them truly touching, funny, and marvelously amiable company, in both good times and bad times. This production will be presented at the Chipley High School Auditorium, 1545 Brickyard Road, Chipley, Sept. 5-6, 7 p.m. Tickets go on sale to the general public on Monday, Aug. 11 at the Washington County Chamber of Commerce at 685 7th Street in Chipley or at the door if available. Tickets are \$10 each and may be purchased by calling the Chamber at 850-638-4157.

SEPT 8 - OCT 10 LIVING WATERS: AQUATIC PRESERVES OF FLORIDA. Film and photographs bring Florida's Aquatic Preserves to life. Take a magical journey into the living waters of Florida's aquatic preserves at the Chipola College Arts Center (Marianna, FL). The one-hour documentary *Living Waters: Aquatic Preserves of Florida* can be seen as part of an exhibit of twenty-nine framed Clyde Butcher photographs of Florida's Aquatic Preserves. The film showcases a dozen of the state's 41 aquatic preserves, highlighting their natural and cultural significance. "Florida is known throughout the world for its lush, watery landscapes. *Living Waters: Aquatic Preserves of Florida* emphasizes the more than two million acres of diverse water landscapes and coastal areas that are critical to Florida's future. This award-winning film and exhibit encourage us to be better environmental citizens and gives viewers an intimate look at the unique aquatic preserves of Florida" states Florida's Department of Environmental Protection Secretary Michael S. Sole. Produced and directed by the Live Oak Production Group's Elam Stoltzfus, the DVD documentary is hosted by renowned Florida artist Clyde Butcher and features original music by Floridian Sammy Tedder. The Department of Environmental Protection, National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, The Ocean Conservancy and The Gulf of Mexico Foundation supported the film's production. The Artists Guild of Northwest Florida, Inc. and the Fine and Performing Arts Department of Chipola College have joined together to bring this exhibit to the Chipola Arts Center. Exhibit open M-F, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. School and Civic group visits encouraged. (Also see Sept. 11 special evening event article). For more information or to arrange group tours, contact Joan Stadskev, 850-718-2301; Stadskev@chipola.edu.

8-9 CHIPOLA THEATRE AUDITIONS for fall theatre production of "BUS STOP" by William Inge. 6 p.m., Chipola Theatre. Contact Charles Sirmon, 850-718-2227. (See November 6 for synopsis).

11 LIVING WATERS: AQUATIC PRESERVES OF FLORIDA exhibit opening, 6-9 p.m. Chipola College Arts Center, Marianna. Local organizations have joined forces to bring an important art exhibit, documentary, and artists to Chipola College. The Artists Guild of Northwest Florida, Inc. and the Fine and Performing Arts Department of Chipola College invite the public to this special one-night only event. Through artists' presentations, photographs, and film, take a magical journey into the living waters of Florida's aquatic preserves. The one-hour documentary will be shown as part of an exhibit of twenty-nine framed Clyde Butcher photographs of Florida Aquatic Preserves. The documentary produced and directed by the Live Oak Production Group's Elam Stoltzfus will be introduced by Stoltzfus, and original music in the documentary by Sammy Tedder will be discussed and demonstrated by Florida musician Tedder. The DVD is hosted by Clyde Butcher. The public is invited to this free evening of art, film, music, light refreshments, and artists. For more information contact Joan Stadskev at 850-718-2301; Stadskev@chipola.edu.

12 LIBERTY COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL presents the 16th ART ALIVE at the Liberty County Civic Center. Contact Babs Moran at 850-643-5491.

13 THE ARTISTS GUILD OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA (TAG) will hold their meeting at the Russ House, Marianna, 9:00 to Noon. "Publishing Your Works" (Art Kimbrough). Contact Michelle at mtk4art@embargmail.com.

16 CHIPOLA REGIONAL ARTS ASSOCIATION. Executive meeting at 10 a.m. at the Jackson County Public Library, Marianna.

16 CHIPOLA REGIONAL ARTS ASSOCIATION. Dutch-Treat luncheon meeting and program. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Jim's Grill and Buffet, Marianna. 11:30 a.m. luncheon. 12 noon. Program: TBA Public invited. Contact shealya@chipola.edu.

22 VIENNA TO BROADWAY (Chipola College Artist Series) presents highlights of operetta, grand opera, and classic Broadway favorites performed by a quartet of gifted soloists and their superb accompanist. Titles include THE MERRY WIDOW, DIE FLEDERMAUS, LA BOHEME, LA TRAVIATA, THE STUDENT PRINCE, SHOW BOAT, and CAROUSEL, among others. "VIENNA TO BROADWAY" features musical staging reflecting the historical period of each piece, supported by seamless transitions from number to number. Stylish costumes and colorful scenic projections will add to the audience's enjoyment of this musical presentation. "VIENNA TO BROADWAY" is produced by the Jacksonville Lyric Opera in association with Opera Management Corporation, New York City. 7 p.m., Chipola Theatre. Individual tickets available in advance at the college Business Office beginning September 8, 850-718-2220 or at the box office the night of the performance. \$12.00 Adults; \$8.00 Age 18 & under. Season tickets available for \$40.00. For more information contact Joan Stadskev, 850-718-2301; Stadskev@chipola.edu.

23 "LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD" presented by the Jacksonville Lyric Opera will be presented to selected elementary school children throughout the Chipola district at 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. in the Chipola Theatre. A Chipola Regional Arts Association and Chipola College sponsored event. Reservations through Joan Stadskev, 850-718-2301; Stadskev@chipola.edu.

27 7TH ANNUAL PEANUT BOIL. Panhandle Pioneer Settlement, Sam Atkins Park, Blountstown. Gather around the open fire and listen to the picking of local musicians. Contact Sam Adkins Park at 850-674-2777.

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9 MUSIC THROUGH PERFORMANCE "FALL FESTIVAL" for students grades K-12 studying privately. Area music teachers and students. Contact Dr. Josh Martin, 850-718-2229; martinj@chipola.edu. 4:00 -5:00 p.m., Room H108, Chipola Fine Arts Building. Open to the public.

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18 GOAT DAY, Panhandle Pioneer Settlement, Sam Atkins Park, Blountstown. The settlement will have many old time arts and crafts demonstrations. Throughout the park and settlement there will be arts and crafts for sale, plenty of food and fun for all. Contact Sam Adkins Park at 850-674-2777.

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25 30th ANNUAL SUNLAND FALL FESTIVAL. Sunland Center, Hwy. 71 North, Marianna. Last Saturday in October. Parade, arts and crafts, food and entertainment throughout the day. Admission free. Contact Dawn Glover at 850-482-9373

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2 4TH ANNUAL SUNDAY AFTERNOON WITH THE ARTS at Chipola Arts Center, Chipola College from 1 to 5 PM on Sunday, November 2. This year's event will be a fun, family oriented outing featuring visiting artists, hands-on workshops for young and old, an art exhibit featuring the work of local and regional artists and authors; and artists demonstrating their work plus music, refreshments, door prizes and more. Brought to you once again by the Chipola Regional Arts Association in partnership with The Artists Guild of Northwest Florida, Inc. this year's event will prove to be a great Sunday afternoon outing for the entire family right here in Marianna - an easy drive-free admission-free parking. For more information contact Nancy Zurenda, CRAA Visual Art Exhibit Chairperson and Sunday Afternoon with the Arts Chair at 850-526-5977. To participate in the Artists Demonstrations contact Michele Tabor Kimbrough, co-chair, at 557-0655 or at mtk4art@embargmail.com; Karen Roland, co-chair, Exhibit Installation; Judy Brooten, Publicity.

6-9 CHIPOLA FALL THEATRE PRODUCTION: "BUS STOP" by William Inge. "Bus Stop" is the story of eight unlikely people holed up overnight in a bus stop diner during a raging March snowstorm. A nightclub singer named Cherie has been kidnapped by a young cowboy who is ready to sling her over his shoulder and carry her, kicking and screaming, down the aisle. Overnight, the cafe owner and the bus driver explore a long-overdue friendship, a middle-aged scholar faces his past, and a small-town girl gets her first taste of romance. November 6, 7, and 8, at 7:30 p.m. and November 9 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$7.00 adults, \$5.00 students, Chipola faculty, staff and students free. Tickets may be purchased at the Chipola Business Office, 850-526-2761, ext. 2220 beginning October 23 (two weeks prior to opening). For more information on becoming a season contributor with the ACT Fund call Charles Sirmon, Director of Theatre, at 850-718-2227; sirmonc@chipola.edu.

3-13 VISUAL ART EXHIBIT featuring area artists. Sponsored by the Chipola Regional Arts Association in partnership with the Artist Guild of Northwest Florida, Inc. This 4th Annual Exhibit will be held at the Chipola Arts Center. To view the exhibit please see Anita Shealy in the McLendon Fine Arts Building located directly behind this building. Gallery Hours Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sunday, November 4, 1-5 p.m. for "Sunday Afternoon with the Arts" to meet and greet

the Artists. Open weekdays. Group visits are encouraged and may be arranged by phoning 718-2277. For more information phone: Nancy Zurenda at 850-526-5977, or visit www.chipola.edu.

8 THE ARTISTS GUILD OF NORTHWEST FLORIDA (TAG) will hold their meeting at Chipola College Arts Center. 9:00 - Noon. Contact Michelle at mtk4art@embargmail.com.

16 ST. LUKE'S RECITAL SERIES presents FSU College of Music Baroque Ensemble (harpsichord, flute, cello, violin). St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Marianna, 4:00 p.m. All welcome. Free Will Offering. Following concert, a "Meet the Artists" reception hosted by ladies of the church.

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20 THEATRE SHOW CASE. Vingettes presented by Chipola Theatre Majors. 7 p.m. in the Chipola Theatre. For more information contact: Anita Shealy at 850-718-2277. Charles Sirmon, Director of Theatre, 850-718-2227; sirmonc@chipola.edu.

22 ANTIQUE TOOL SHOW & SALE. Vendors from surrounding states will bring in tools for sale or trade. Sam Atkins Park, Panhandle Pioneer Settlement, Blountstown. For more information Contact Sam Adkins Park at 850-674-2777.

24 CHIPOLA COLLEGE FALL ENSEMBLE CONCERT featuring Chamber and Community Chorus under the direction of Lenore Hample and Rock & Jazz Ensemble under the direction of Daniel Powell. 7:00 p.m., Chipola Art Center. Free. Public invited.

29 CANE SYRUP MAKING DAY. Panhandle Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown. For more information Contact Sam Adkins Park at 850-674-2777.

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6 MUSIC THROUGH PERFORMANCE CHRISTMAS RECITALS for students grades K-12 studying privately. 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the Chipola Arts Center. Contact Dr. Josh Martin, 850-718-2229.

7 LIBERTY COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL PRESENTS THE NUTCRACKER at 3 p.m. EST at the Liberty County Civic Center. Contact Babs Moran at 850-643-5491.

8 AN APPALACHIAN CHRISTMAS (Chipola College Artist Series) presented by the Atlanta Pops Orchestra. The Atlanta Pops Orchestra's 2008 holiday tour of "An Appalachian Christmas" creates the feeling of a small community atmosphere at Christmas time with a diverse program including traditional and not so traditional holiday favorites ranging from "The 12 Days of Christmas", "Little Drummer Boy", "In Dulci Jubilo", "Deck the Halls", and featuring music from the Appalachian region using flute, harp, dulcimer as performed by Gentle Rain and Scott Douglas. The audience will join in with some surprises toward the end of the show. Come early and hear their brass section playing on stage or in the lobby starting at 6:30 p.m. Concert 7 p.m., Chipola Theatre. Tickets available in advance at the college Business Office beginning November 24, 850-718-2220 or at the box office the night of the performance. \$12.00 Adults; \$8.00 Age 18 & under. For more information contact Joan Stadskev, 850-718-2301.

13 CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION. Panhandle Pioneer Settlement in Blountstown. For more information contact Sam Adkins Park at 850-674-2777.

14 ST. LUKE'S RECITAL SERIES presents The Baptist College of Graceville Womens' Choral Ensemble presenting seasonal music under direction of Dr. Buford E. Cox. St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Marianna, 4:00 p.m. All welcome. Free Will Offering. Following concert, a "Meet the Artists" reception hosted by ladies of the church.

JANUARY 2009

12-13 CHIPOLA SPRING MUSICAL THEATRE AUDITIONS for "BACK TO THE 80's...THE TOTALLY AWESOME MUSICAL!" 6:00 p.m. nightly, Chipola Theatre. Contact Charles Sirmon, 850-718-2227; sirmonc@chipola.edu.

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26 THE MUSIC AT THE CROSSROADS (Chipola College Artist Series) presented by Celtic Crossroads. Celtic Crossroads has been critically acclaimed as one of the best live music concerts to come from Ireland in over 20 years. This magical display of music incorporates 7 world-class musicians, playing an array of both traditional and non-traditional instruments on stage, creating a truly incredible and unforgettable musical experience. View www.celticcrossroadsmusic.com. 7 p.m., Chipola Theatre. Tickets available in advance at the college Business Office beginning January 15, 850-718-2220 or at the box office the night of the performance. \$12.00 Adults; \$8.00 Age 18 & under. For more information contact Joan Stadskev, 850-718-2301.