

WEST NEBRASKA ARTS CENTER

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The West Nebraska Arts Center and
Western Nebraska Community College present...

Jacqueline Schwab

When:

October 29, 2009

Where:

WNCC Theater



In the words of documentary filmmaker Ken Burns, "Jacqueline Schwab brings more feeling and intensity to music than anyone I know. Her playing is insistent, physical, heartfelt and ... unusually moving." Drawing on classical, traditional folk and contemporary music roots, Chatham, Massachusetts-based pianist Jacqueline Schwab's playing is in turn elegiac and sprightly. She has been heard on a dozen of Ken Burns' PBS documentaries, including his Grammy award-winning Civil War, his Emmy award-winning Baseball, Lewis and Clark, Mark Twain and his recently premiered The War. She has been heard on a number of other PBS series, including one on Mt. Rushmore. The New England Folk Almanac wrote she plays with "the jazz/classical improvisational spirit of Keith Jarrett and the touch of George Winston" She has performed at the White House for President Clinton (celebrating Burns' Lewis and Clark series) and also, with singer Jean Redpath, on MPR's A Prairie Home Companion and CBS' Late Show with David Letterman (on May 21, 2009). She has performed solo concerts of her arrangements of vintage American music and traditional Celtic and English music throughout the US, including at the Savannah Music Festival. She has recorded and performed with many traditional musicians, including Scottish fiddlers Alasdair Fraser and Laura Risk, Scottish singer Jean Redpath and the English dance music quartet Bare Necessities. In addition to Jacqueline's solo concerts, she also currently performs Scottish traditional music in the duo New Rigged Ship (with cellist Reinmar Seidler) and spirituals and vintage American music with alto saxophonist Willie Sordillo. Jacqueline has three solo recordings: Mad Robin, Down Came an Angel and Mark Twain's America and a duo recording (Celtic Dialogue), with Scottish fiddler Laura Risk. Her latest Burns project is for his upcoming national parks documentary. Jacqueline also enjoys teaching piano and improvisation. Jacqueline is married to Rev. Edmund Robinson, minister of the UU Meeting House, in Chatham, MA.

Jacqueline's performance is sponsored by: The Nebraska Arts Council, the North Platte Valley Music Teachers, Association, Music and More, West Nebraska Arts Center and Western Nebraska Community College. A master class will be offered at 2:00 p.m. on October 29th in the Theater at WNCC for piano students and interested musicians. For more information, contact Rita Stinner at: 308-635-3606.



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YOUR WINDOW ON THE ARTS

GALLERY



It's been a great summer in the gallery with the 27th Annual IMAGE Photography Exhibit in June. July treated us to the WNAC President's Show: CHANGE which featured a variety of styles and media using the theme. Peg Fowler – and the horse she rode in on, blazed forth in an August solo exhibit with a collection of colorfully electrifying pastel and acrylic paintings. Local artists Michele Denton, Mary Hunt and Bill Vlcek will share a 3-artist exhibit in September titled, "Visions of the Untamed Soul." Christina and Ty Armstrong will share an exhibit including paintings and drawings inspired by characters, symbols and abstractions of tattoo art.

Gallery exhibits change every month, so there's always something new to see. Gallery exhibits and receptions are always free and open to the public, so visit the gallery often. You'll be glad you did!

Members of WNAC receive postcards announcing each new gallery exhibit. If you are not currently a member, call our office and donate an annual membership gift. You'll be informed of all WNAC events and you'll be supporting your community Arts Center. How smart of you!

VISITOR COMMENTS

1/3/09 - "Great collection of fine works."
- Sidney, NE

3/6/09 - "Holy Cow!!!"
- Scottsbluff, NE

3/14/09 - "Everything was spectacular. Glad we came!"
- Kearney, NE

5/6/09 - "Great Venue!"
- Bismarck, ND

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THANK YOU!

Sponsors of the West Nebraska Arts Center Gallery are helping to keep this window on the arts available within our community 6 days a week. Sponsors also contribute toward keeping the gallery free of charge – making it truly accessible to everyone.

If you are interested in sponsoring a gallery exhibit, please call our office: 308-632-2226. There are many opportunities for sponsorship within our yearly programming. WNAC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, making your gift of sponsorship tax-deductible. Sponsors are acknowledged in every form of marketing we do including gallery postcards, posters & flyers, our newsletter, marquee and our website: www.nebraskARTS.com.

SUMMER / FALL WNAC GALLERY

August 2-29, 2009:

Peg Fowler (pastel, acrylic)

Opening Reception:

Sunday, August 2nd, 2-4pm

September 11-26, 2009:

Michele Denton, Mary Hunt, Bill Vlcek

Opening Reception:

Friday, September 11, 6-8pm

October 2-31, 2009:

Ty and Christina Armstrong
(colored pencil, painting)

Opening Reception:

Friday, October 2nd, 6-8pm

November 6, 2009 – January 2, 2010:

North Platte Valley Artist Guild
Holiday Art Show & Sale

Opening Reception:

Friday, November 6th, 6-8pm



A Guadalupean Dancer poses in front of her portrait by Russ Finch.



09 President's Show judge Cortney Boyd stands next to her selection for Best of Show, *Bear Mountain Sunset*, an acrylic painting by Julie Nighswonger.

WNAC JURIED EXHIBIT

entries accepted: Dec. 28, 29, 30, 2009 and Jan. 2, 2010

The 2010 Juried Exhibit will open Friday, January 8, 2010, and will continue through January 30th. The juror of this exhibit will select artwork for exhibition from entries received based on concept, use of medium and overall impact. An opening reception will be held in the gallery Friday, January 8, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Open to artists 18+. No theme. All entries will be juried from actual artwork. We estimate this exhibit will include 50-60 juried entries.

Entry forms are available at the West Nebraska Arts Center.



Richard Schaneman, Cheryl Wilkinson and a student from WNCC have a conversation during Virginia Harimon's reception.

Hiram Scott visits the gallery as part of Platte Valley Attractions Backyard Tourist program.



THANK YOU NORTH PLATTE VALLEY ARTIST GUILD

Many of the opening receptions at WNAC are catered by members of the NPVAG.

Thank you for being such an active part of our organization. We're glad you're here!

- WNAC Board & Staff

MEMBERSHIP

WNAC is a non-profit organization supported by those who believe in its mission (THAT'S YOU!). Through assistance from national and state arts organizations and our memberships we are able to provide artists a lively public venue to share their talents with our community. Admission to the gallery is kept free of charge thanks to our patrons' memberships. With the declining economy, our nonprofit organization needs your continued support.

As you may know, membership includes discounts on tickets to select events, a 5% discount on gallery and gift shop purchases, newsletters, notice of all activities, and a good connection to the Arts in our area. Memberships make a great gift! To establish a gift membership, call the office: 308-632-2226.



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We wish to thank everyone who gives a membership gift to help strengthen West Nebraska Arts Center.

If you are not a current member, we would love to have you join our organization. Call 308-632-2226.

WNAC MEMBER EMAILS

Our office is trying to increase paperless communication with our members. We will continue to send out postcards and continue contact with those who prefer hearing from us via regular mail. For those who feel comfortable with email, we would like to obtain email addresses. Your address will never be shared with another organization. Please be sure and fill out the email section on your membership renewal form, or instead send us a quick email at: joann@nebraskarts.com and we will add you to our membership list. Thank you for your help in keeping our operating costs down and for making WNAC a little "greener!"



above:
Photographer Bill Clark discusses his artwork with Brent and Joy McKay at the IMAGE Photography Exhibit's opening reception.

VOLUNTEERS

We would like to thank the following individuals for volunteering their time to help strengthen our programming.

Our staff appreciates the help you've given us in the gallery, help in our office, at performing arts events, classes, Art Camp and during Monument Children's Theater. We just can't thank you enough.

Our heroes (in alphabetical order):

Mary Allison, Frank and Betty Balderson, Shirley Burford, Ron Charles, Lyn Dietrich, Robyn Flori, Nancy Forney, Peppi Gutierrez, Sandy Harrach, Jo Haslow, Judy Hinze, Doug Hoevet, Mary Hunt, Leslie Jordan, Doug Keder, Tami Lippstreu, Marj Mandujano, Shirley May, Kathy Richardson, Christie Shaver, Cricket Simmons, Jeanie Stanko, Bill Vlcek, Dayle Wallien, Cheryl Wilkinson and Barb Williams.

We always appreciate volunteers at WNAC. You can share as much (or as little) time as you wish. Some areas volunteers are needed: planning receptions, Christmas decorating, yard work, ushering for performing arts events and various activities throughout the year. You may also have a talent or see a need we haven't addressed. Please email or call us if you are interested in helping - your volunteer time is greatly appreciated! Email Joann Keder, joann@nebraskarts.com or call 308-632-2226.

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www.nebraskARTS.com

The shared website of the West Nebraska Arts Center, The Midwest Theater and Theatre West is back and better than ever! The three organizations have worked together to bring the site back and make improvements to make the site much more user friendly.

WNAC ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

Join us in the gallery Monday, August 17th at 6:00 p.m. for the Arts Center's annual members meeting. We want to year from you!

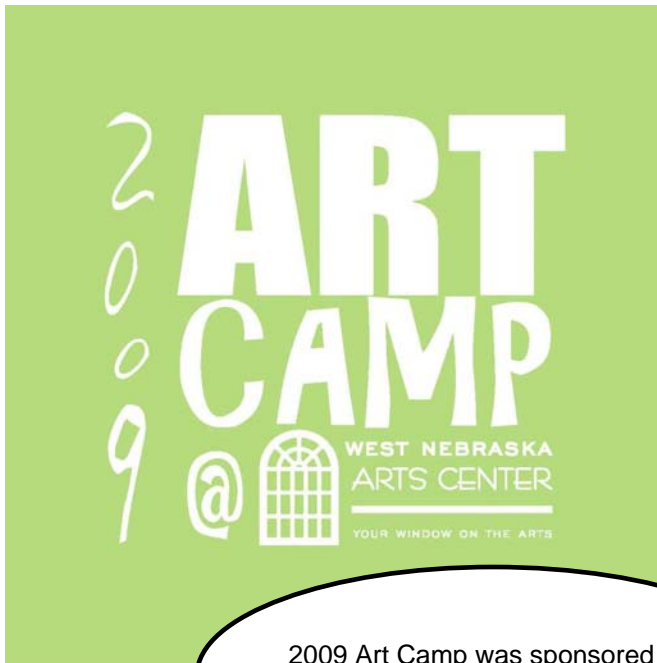


Monument Children's Theater

Our fall Monument Children's Theater production is "Beanie and the Bamboozling Book Machine." Beanie Boren is a science wiz who has designed a book reading machine for the science fair. Unfortunately, the machine has a few glitches. When Beanie turns it on, lights flash, thunder booms and some familiar fairy tale characters appear. The witches from Snow White, Hansel and Gretel and The Wizard of Oz, are all determined to wreak havoc in Beanie's world. Beanie must get them back into the books with the help of other characters from the same stories.

The school performance dates are October 14th, 15th and 16th and the public performance will be on October 16th. All performances will be held at the Historic Midwest Theater in downtown Scottsbluff. This production will be co-directed by Christie Weis and Julie Meister. For more information, find us on facebook, username: wnac1 or our website: www.nebraskarts.com.

Would you like to help the Arts Center with Children's Theater? We could use volunteers to help us with ushering during the school performances. We could also use additional help in the office during the school performances, help with creating and painting the set, and help with striking the set after the public performance. Contact Joann Keder if you would like to volunteer: joann@nebraskarts.com or call 308-632-2226.



above: Art instructor Christie Shaver assists Austin Rhamy with his project during *CLAYWORKS*, one of six workshops in WNAC's 2009 Art Camp.

2009 Art Camp was sponsored by:
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left:
 Bethany Case makes a ceramic pinch pot.



above:
 Campers and instructors of 2009 Art Camp (not pictured, art instructor, Gretchen Peters).

below:
 Art instructor Jo Haslow and campers Adam Scanlan and Austin Rhamy paint during the *Explore Watercolor* workshop.



left:
 Participants in the *j.doe revisited* workshop have an outing with their self portraits.

below:
 Kim Ward and her *j.doe* portrait.



below:
 The Artist Behind the Brush workshop.





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