



prairie arts

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

January Gallery:
Alan Stanley

February Gallery:
Photography Club

February Theater:
"Tuna Does Vegas"

March Gallery:
Marisa Boyd

April Theater:
"Leaving Iowa"



FRI
FEB21
7:30

SAT
FEB22
7:30

SUN
FEB23
2:00

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"Tuna Does Vegas", written by Jaston Williams, Joe Sears, and Ed Howard is a sequel to last season's "Greater Tuna".

Arles Struvie announces on air that he and his wife Betha Bumiller are heading to Vegas to renew their wedding vows and everyone from Tuna, Texas goes along for the ride.

The production is presented by special arrangement with Samuel French Inc., directed by Dixie Schroeder and starring Josh Bush and Fox Webber

There will be three performances on the weekend of February 21-23. Evening shows on Friday and Saturday will start at 7:30, and the Sunday Matinee will start at 2:00. Reserve your seats now.

The Prairie Arts Council is now offering a more economical way to attend all of the Theater Performances for the year

!!! SEASON TICKETS !!!

Purchase them online here:
<http://tkassistant.com/Tix/?u=PAC>

Or use the link on the front page of our website

Since its formation in 1995, the Prairie Arts Council has sponsored hundreds of successful programs, workshops, musical and theatrical productions and visual arts exhibits for people of all ages and abilities. We are dedicated to our mission of increasing the vitality and diversity of arts programming in our community.



RECENT MEMORIES



PHOTOGRAPHY
BY JIM GASSEN



JANUARY EXHIBIT

Alan Stanley



Paintings of Scottish Highlands and other Landscapes

ARTIST'S STATEMENT: My name is Alan Stanley and I am a resident of Sheffield. Having moved to the country from the suburbs of Chicago I find myself fulfilling a lifelong dream of doing my art full time.

I learned early on that I had a talent for drawing. When

I was in the 3rd grade I started winning drawing contests. As time went on I stuck with my talent and always made sure I was taking art classes in school.

In high school my art really started to flourish and that led to doing commission work for family and friends.

I went on to win the Art Award my senior year at Grapevine High in Grapevine, TX and with that came a partial scholarship to the Dallas Fashion And Art Institute. As promising and as exciting as that was, life took me in another direction. I entered the working world while attending the local community college and soon realized that my art would have to take a back seat to everything else.

So here I am today at a point in my life where I can now focus full time on my artistic endeavors. I have worked in many mediums but I really enjoy oils. At the moment I enjoy painting landscapes, medieval architecture and wildlife. I like to incorporate detail into my work. That's always been a part of my enjoyment of painting and drawing. I'm grateful to PAC for the opportunity to showcase my work and to become a part of the art community here in Bureau County.

FEBRUARY EXHIBIT

Photography Unlimited



Photography Unlimited was founded on January 12, 1978 with 9 original members and has grown to 35.

The Club's Purpose:

1. Provide diversified photographic interest
2. To give the novice and expert alike a forum in which to share and learn from each other's photographic experiences in a friendly environment.
3. To promote the many exciting facets that photography offers.

Officers:

President: John Purvis
Vice President: Andy Niewiara
Treasurer: Mike Vaughn
Secretary: Trudy Heinz

The Club meets at 6:30 PM on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Prouty Building in Princeton.

Activities:

Workshops on photographic techniques, outings for photo shoots, monthly photo challenges, programs by accomplished photographers, and interclub competition twice a year. Our annual events include a picnic in August and a banquet in December.

Membership is open to anyone at any level from Beginner to Advanced,

Guests are welcome to attend a meetings. Come Join us!

Opening Reception Friday, February 7th, 6:00-8:00
Exhibit Open Weekends from 1:00-4:00

MARCH EXHIBIT

Marisa Boyd



Marisa Boyd lives and works in Morris, Illinois, and is the Gallery Assistant & Teaching Artist at Open Space Art Gallery and Studios in Ottawa, IL. She received her BFA in Painting from Illinois State University.

ARTIST'S STATEMENT:

This exhibit will be an extension of my recent solo show at Open Space called "Passerby".

Passerby really kicked into gear ideas that I have had for years.

They are just now molding into something real.

The artworks will be a series of paintings on canvas along with shape cut-outs that are taken from a collection of drawings I have done with my eyes closed. I began drawing with my eyes closed in 2016 and have been doing it ever since.

It is my way of experiencing the world without clearly defining representation surrounding me.

I trace the shapes I see within the static behind my eyelids onto paper, then I decipher the lines, cut them away, and rearrange to make something new.

Opening Reception Friday March 6th, 6:00-8:00

Literature is one of the four pillars of the Prairie Arts Center, along with Art, Drama and Music.

This selection was written by Judy O'Brien, the daughter of Evie Farley, who was involved in ACT IV Community Theater and was one of the first to promote children's theater in Princeton over twenty years ago.

Supper

Judy O'Brien

Mama says she's a farmer's wife
And that's what she's been most all her life.

She'll feed the chickens and milk the cow,
Pick the beans and slop the sow,
And after that there's a field to plow.
She's awful tired but she can't stop now.

'cause today is Wednesday,
today we bake.

And the kids get to help,
what a mess we make!

With butter and sugar all over the place
and a mask of flour on every face.

Mama says that the dough won't rise
if the kids get silly or the baby cries.
So we all lie down and we close our eyes,
And it gets real quiet.
Then Mama sighs.

When I wake up, the sun's about set.
Daddy's home and the baby's wet.
There are cats to feed and the dog to pet,
But we're hungry and supper ain't ready yet.

We all pitch in and the table gets set.
Mama asks Daddy, "Are you hungry yet?"
He washes his hands
and when they're still wet,
He hugs her tight and he says, "You bet!"

As we say the blessing, I bow my head.
Then we pass the dishes and we all get fed,
And I understand what Daddy once said,
"Nothin' says lovin' like homemade bread!"



The Comedy About Family Vacations

AUDITIONS

Dave Roden will be directing performances of "Leaving Iowa" at the Prairie Arts Center Theater, April 24-26th.

Perusal Scripts available by request

Auditions: "Leaving Iowa"

January 31 (7pm) and February 1, (6pm)
Prairie Arts Center, 24 Park Avenue East

Cast:

Don Browning (lead) – male, 30s/40s. A writer on a road trip to find the perfect resting place for his father (Plays a younger version of himself in some scenes and an older version in others.)

Dad – 40s to 60s. The energetic, somewhat bombastic, but very lovable head of the Browning household.

Mom – 30s to 60s. The ever-patient mother of the Browning household. (Plays the mother in her thirties in some scenes and in her 60s in others.)

Sis – 30s to 40s, Don's slightly older sister, as annoying as any older sister might be. (Plays a much younger version of herself in some scenes and an older version in others.)

"Multi-character" Guy &

"Multi-character" Gal – Any age.

These two actors play all the crazy characters that interact with the Browning family: from drunken relatives and greasy mechanics to grocery clerks, waitresses, tour guides, civil war re-enactors, farmers and many, many others.

Preferring 2 actors, may cast more.

Staff needed: Producer, Asst. Director, Sound, Projectionist, Master Carpenter, Carpenters, Scenic Painters, Lights, Costumes, Dressers/Backstage crew

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The Prairie Arts Council would like to thank all of the volunteers who helped make our events successful last year; actors, stage crew, hosts, ushers, helpers, parents, musicians, artists and members

CONTINUING SUPPORT:

We are happy to announce more good news. We have been awarded grants from:

**Church Women United
Chamber of Commerce
and Heartland Bank**

!!! THANK YOU !!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Prairie Arts Council has decided to include
Two Free Tickets
with every new membership or renewal at the
PATRON level or higher.
and...

Thanks to the tireless efforts of

Tammy Tieman

we are now able to process
your Membership Renewal
using the online ticketing
system she created last year

Try it online here:

<http://tkassistant.com/Tix/?u=PAC>

Or use the link on the front
page of our website



Church Women United

A racially, culturally, theologically inclusive ecumenical women's movement



CONTINUING NEEDS:

If you would like to become more involved, a small time commitment to host an exhibit or usher a theater event would really help (3hrs each)

We also continually need wine and appetizers for our opening receptions,

donations for more expensive projects like building improvements are quite welcome,

and of course, one of the easiest ways to help the PAC is to keep renewing your annual membership!





Prairie Arts Council MEMBERSHIP FORM

Welcome to the Prairie Arts Council
Thank You for supporting arts programming in our community!

Name

(or) Business Name

Street address

Street address line 2

City

State

Zip Code

Phone number

E-mail

We will deliver the newsletter to your email address print & mail ☐

If you are interested in Exhibiting, Performing or Teaching, please specify:

Membership Level

- ☐ \$15 Student
- ☐ \$25 Individual
- ☐ \$35 Family
- ☐ \$75 Associate
- ☐ \$150 Patron
- ☐ \$300 Ambassador
- ☐ \$500 Corporate
- ☐ \$1000 Benefactor

You can now
JOIN or RENEW
your Membership
ONLINE!
PrairieArts.org

Willing to Volunteer?

- ☐ Gallery: Host
- ☐ Theater: Painting or Sets
- ☐ Theater: Sewing
- ☐ Mailing and Clerical
- ☐ Appetizers or Baking
- ☐ Media or Graphic Arts
- ☐ Gardening or Maintenance
- ☐ Programming & Publicity
- ☐ Other

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Membership Chairman, 24 Park Ave. East, Princeton, IL 61356**



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January 11-26	1:00-4:00pm (weekends)	Gallery Exhibit: Alan Stanley
February 7	6:00-8:00pm	Gallery Opening Reception
February 8-23	1:00-4:00pm (weekends)	Gallery: Photography Unlimited
February 21-22	7:30pm	Theater: "Tuna Does Vegas"
February 23	2:00pm	Theater: "Tuna Does Vegas"
March 6	6:00-8:00pm	Gallery Opening Reception
March 7-29	1:00-4:00pm (weekends)	Gallery Exhibit : Marisa Boyd
April 24-25	7:30pm	Theater: "Leaving Iowa"
April 26	2:00pm	Theater: "Leaving Iowa"

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