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Celebrating Slovenian Heritage

The BOTTLE WORKS is exceedingly proud that we can finally host a Celebration of Slovenian heritage. We are very grateful to Bill Tomaskovich and Slovenian Savings & Loan Association for their sponsorship of the musical artists and SNPJ and community members for their support of the activities. Also thanks to Marcene Glover for guidance and hanging the Show.

An exhibit of Idrija lace by Alexandria Marguccio and others, set against a backdrop of Slovenian folklife, will open at the BOTTLE WORKS on Saturday, May 16, from 2-4 PM.

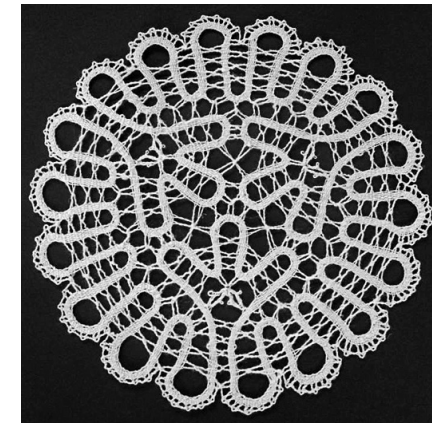
You can visit the exhibit during our regular hours, or during special events, until June 15th Please note.

Tuesday, May 20, 7 PM
Video of Slovenia and Gallery Tour

Tuesday, June 9, 7 PM
Bobbin Lace demonstration

Saturday, June 13, 10 AM
Bobbin Lace demonstration with Allie and word-turning demonstration with Tom Marguccio

Saturday, June 13, 6:30 PM
A Slovenian Evening with Bronco Toter
This event will be hosted next door at ART WORKS so you can spread out and dance



Idrija Lace and Alexandria Marguccio

The tradition of Idrija Lacemaking has its roots in the country of Slovenia, once part of Yugoslavia and Italy. That was 400 years ago. Several centuries shy of that mark, Allie Marguccio is trying to capture every pattern and nuance of that tradition. A great-granddaughter of a Slovene bobbin lacemaker, and a fan of the treasured lace gifts from her relatives, she is now consumed in research and practice of bobbin lacemaking. It started when she



received the traditional materials used to make Idrija Lace, but she felt she had to learn first hand. The latest trip to Slovenia was to complete an apprenticeship that was awarded through the PA Council on the Arts to study with Master Teachers: Metka Fortuna and Stana Freljh who developed a personalized curriculum especially for her. (See below)

Allie is an active member for the 6-county Five Rivers Bobbin Lacemakers. She has been a presenter at international bobbin lacemaking conferences and generates a newsletter to interested members.

In addition to weekly private lessons at her home, Allie has taught beginning bobbin lace at the BOTTLE WORKS and to elementary aged children at United School District where she is a librarian. Allie and her husband Tom are involved in historical demonstration of bobbin lace and bobbin turning.

Grant Workshop

Jamie Dollish from the PA Council on the Arts will offer a free workshop to artists interested in applying for the Apprenticeship or Fellowship grants. Jamie will have materials and be available for questions. The time is 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. Bring a lunch if you wish.

The deadline for application is August 3, 2009. Apprenticeships are available in Folk and Traditional arts and Fellowships in media, visual, theatre and music.

Calendar of Events

May
Mondays and Thursdays, 11, 14, 18, 21.....yoga, 6:30 PM
*Tuesdays, 12, 19th.....Samba workout 6-7 PM and 7-8 PM
*Wednesday, May 13.....Pesto Power, 6-8 PM
Saturday, May 16.....Slovenian Opening, 2-4 PM
Sunday, May 17.....10th Hat Show Gala-4:00 PM Holiday Inn
Wednesday, May 20.....Video, Gallery Tour, 7 PM
*Wednesday, May 20.....Seafood Wrap, 6-8 PM

June
Mondays and Thursdays,
1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25, 29.....yoga, 6:30 PM
Wednesday, June 3.....PRAA Workshop, 7 PM
Friday, June 5.....SIORA workshop, 6:00 Pm
.....SIORA performance, 8:00 PM
Sunday, June 7.....Drum Circle, 6:30 PM
Wednesdays.....West African Dance, 6-7 PM
June 10, 17, 24.....Youth, 7:30-8:30 PM adult
Tuesday, June 9.....Bobbin Lace Demonstration, 7 PM
Saturday, June 13.....Lace/wood turning demonstration 10 AM
.....Slovenian Music and Dance, 6:30 PM
Tuesday, June 16.....Grant workshop, PCA 11 AM - 1 PM

July
Wednesdays.....West African Dance,
1, 8, 15, 22, 29.....6-7 PM-Youth; 7:30-8:30 PM-adults

August
Sunday, August 2.....Drum Circle, 6:30 PM
Wednesdays.....West African Dance, 12
.....6-7 PM-youth; 7:30-8:30 adult
Sunday, August 9.....Opening, Harriett Goff

September
Friday, Saturday, Sunday.....Children's Ethnic Arts/Performances
September ... 4-6 At ART WORKS Church Facades by Joe Prucnal Opening, September 4, 6 PM

Remember the e-mail offer?

In the last newsletter, we invited you to e-mail us at bottleworks@floodcity.net to receive e-grams about activities; or if you do not wish to receive newsletters, you can tell us that also, via e-mail.

www.bottleworks.org

Regular hours at the BOTTLE WORKS: Tuesday through Friday-10:00 AM-4:00 PM, Saturday-11:00 AM-3:00 PM, except for special events and programs. We welcome browsers, group visitors, volunteers. Inquire about rental of office or function spaces.

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Our mission is to preserve and celebrate our cultural diversity through the arts.

Hat Show in its 10th year!

The Hat Ladies are into Double Digits for a Terrific Tenth Anniversary Celebration. The date is Sunday, May 17, beginning at 4:00 PM., in the Ballroom at the Holiday Inn Downtown.

The book, *Crowns*, a photo journal of African American women and their hats, was the inspiration for the Hat Show back in 1999 and it has built into every Black History Celebration. But it has outgrown the BOTTLE WORKS as it grows bigger with each year. For this special Anniversary, the Show travels to the Holiday Inn where the guests will enjoy the show, plus entertainment, refreshments and the wares of local vendors.

The Show reflects the efforts of many, but the Hat Ladies, Marsha McDowell and Pat Holifield, two of the founders of *All About Us*, lead the charge with style and pizzazz.

Tickets are \$10 each, but you can save \$20 by buying a table of 8 for \$60. Invite some friends and have a wonderful afternoon.

Call 536-5399 for reservations for Sunday, May 17th.

SIORA Returns for LatinFest on Friday, June 5th

Many of you probably remember being totally captivated by the soft and luxurious music of SIORA. Using the universal language of jazz, they create a landscape that needs no translation. The musical artists come to us from Philadelphia, courtesy of a grant from PA Partners in the Arts.

There is a lot going on for LatinFest. Friday night will feature a delicious Latin menu created by Board members, Rich Uzelac and Scott Foley beginning at 5:30 PM at ART WORKS. At 6:00 PM, SIORA will offer a Latin Rhythms Workshop at BOTTLE WORKS. Learn to perform in an Afro-Cuban percussion section which others learn to dance the cha cha cha, then join in a samba batucada while others learn to dance a carnival samba.

Have a good time with your favorite Mexican refreshments and food and get ready for the concert by SIORA at 8:00 at the ART WORKS.

Get ready to party! Both events are free.

PRAA Workshop

Wednesday, June 3rd, at 7:00 PM, the PA Rural Arts Alliance will host a workshop on the process of applying for grants from the PA Partners in the Arts, a re-granting program that benefits local and community arts activities. This has been a great source of funding for eligible groups or individual artists who are looking to satisfy cultural needs through arts programming. The application is short, simple and can be done on-line if you wish. We encourage you to attend the workshop or check out PPA on the website: www.pacouncilonthearts.org

Harriet Goff – a Perennial

You can smell Spring in the air, and as you walk down your street and or into your yard, you spot flowers coming up, the ones who promise to continue blooming as long as they can. That's a perennial, and that is Harriet Goff, who at 101 is still all about Art.

We have been madly gathering Harriet's works from her home and from public and private collections for a comprehensive exhibit. The Opening is scheduled for Sunday, August 9th and the show will continue through Labor Day.

If you have one of Harriet's pieces, have not been contacted and would be willing to loan it to the Center, please be in touch with us at 536-5399.

Much of Harriet's legacy is not seen in her paintings but in the work of her students. We hope those who have been inspired will visit the Center for the show. Harriet was an honoree for last year's Artists' Hall of Fame



West African Dance classes to resume in June

Becky Bickford is one of those boomers who not only returned to town but came with the idea and the expertise to teach West African dance. The first classes were in February and the response was phenomenal. If you love rhythm, love to dance and are looking for a high energy workout, this is for you! Age and experience are not factors. The age range in February was 5 to 65.

Beginning June 10th and ending August 12th, classes will be held on Wednesdays. The first 60-minute class is for youngsters, ages 5-12, beginning at 6:00 PM; followed by the second class for adults, age 13 and up, beginning at 7:30 PM.

Live drummers will be providing music for the classes. A performance during the Labor Day weekend will be the culmination of the classes for those who wish to participate.

The cost is \$75 for the 10-week session, or \$8 per class. Scholarships are available. Call 536-5399 for reservations and information.

Out and About

That's where we find a lot of our friends and artists this summer. Just a few examples:

SONG WORKS performers at the Farmers Market:

June 19-Rachel Allen

July 10-Jackie Kopco

July 24-Sam Coco and Ernie Peterson

July 31-Ann Bourine

September 14-Denise Baldwin

Jim Donovan's Summer Rhythm Renewal, July 31-August 3, Loretto PA
www.jimdonovandrums.com

Roxbury Bandshell – a never-ending, always-pleasing array of Sunday performers www.roxburybandshell.com

Village Street in Moxham – June 14

Birthday Greetings

Another Happy Birthday to Esther Goldhaver Jacovitz, who continues to inspire us at the BOTTLE WORKS. We thank her brother, Martin, for his generous gift to the Center to honor Esther's special day. His donation is vested in the Esther Jacovitz Scholarship Fund. The Fund continues to provide opportunities to youngsters for classes and workshops.

Members! Since January, 2009

Thank you to the members and their support! We could not do it without you! If you would like to become a member, or renew your membership, please fill out the form on the back side of this newsletter.

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