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MUSE@MFA -- BENEFIT FOR THE ARTS

The St. Petersburg Arts Alliance presents **MUSE@MFA** on Friday, January 31st Museum of Fine Arts. The presentation of two inaugural MUSE Awards will shine the spotlight on those who inspire others. During **MUSE@MFA**, guests will be immersed in a pARTy, featuring the premiere of a commissioned interactive digital art exhibit, pop-up performances, and artful dinner courses.

Proceeds will benefit our arts community; including the Second Saturday ArtWalk Trolley; Arts Alliance services including ArtBeat, the only area e-news featuring Calls to Artists, Awards, and Grant Opportunities; and support for our city's grants awards' program.

We need your support! Please come, and if you cannot come, purchase tickets that we may give to participating artists. Tickets and more Info: **MUSE@MFA**.

FIVE ARTS DISTRICTS, ONE ARTS DESTINATION! ST.
PETERSBURG SECOND SATURDAY ARTWALK TROLLEY JAN

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It's Opening Night once a month on every Second Saturday as St. Petersburg's studios, galleries & warehouses stay open late for an ArtWalk evening of exhibits and live demonstrations. Don't miss January 11! The St. Petersburg Second Saturday ArtWalk Trolleys will provide free transportation courtesy of the St. Petersburg Area Chamber of Commerce and your St. Petersburg Arts Alliance from 5 to 9 p.m. More info and map on our website: www.stpeteartsalliance.org.



POST YOUR EVENTS ON THE ARTS CALENDAR

We have the largest listing of St. Petersburg's Arts and Cultural Events. Visit our website to post your openings and arts news: **EVENT CALENDAR**.



ADVOCACY

Funding the Arts: The Time is Now

The St. Pete Arts Steering Committee and the St. Petersburg Arts Alliance have drafted an arts advocacy platform. Also endorsing the funding request is the leadership of the Warehouse Arts District Association, the Arts Association of St. Petersburg, and the St. Petersburg's Arts Advisory Committee and the Public Arts Commission. We will be meeting with civic leaders to demonstrate the benefits of supporting our arts & cultural community. If you would like to read the platform for increased funding, please visit [Arts Advocacy Platform](#).



CALLS TO ARTISTS / AWARDS / PRIZES

CLYMER PARK, GULFPORT

The City of Gulfport is currently soliciting submittals from qualified artists to provide public art to the City. Interested artists can obtain the "Call For Artists" Request for Submissions" 2014 ARTISTIC ELEMENTS FOR CLYMER PARK" by contacting the City Clerk's Office at (727)-893-1012 or Idemuth@mygulfport.us, by downloading the RFP from the city's website www.mygulfport.us.

DEADLINE: January 24, 2014

NEW AMERICAN PAINTINGS: CALL FOR ARTISTS

To apply online you will need to prepare four jpegs of your work (no larger than 1200 pixels at their greatest dimension) and a credit card for the entry fee of \$50. All styles and media are welcome, as long as the work is singular and two-dimensional. Click here to register and submit your entries to the Southern Competition*: www.newamericanpaintings.com

DEADLINE: December 31, 2013 (Midnight EST)4

THE UNITED STATES MINT & THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

The United States Mint and the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) are pleased to announce a call for artists to participate in the Mint's Artistic Infusion Program (AIP). All U.S. citizens who are established in the fields of professional art or illustration designs are invited to submit applications for consideration. The Mint expects to select up to 20 artists to participate in the AIP, awarding each artist \$1,500 for their demonstration design of a current coin or medal program.

<http://arts.gov/news/2013/united-states-mint-and-national-endowment-arts-announce-call-artists>

CALL FOR SCULPTURE: ART FOR THE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY (AMC) SCULPTURE WALK

Art in the Mountain Community (AMC) invites U.S. artists to submit sculptures for inclusion in AMC's annual sculpture walk. This juried exhibition will feature up to 16 large sculptures in the foothills area west of Denver for one year. Sculptures must be suitable for outdoor display and any freestanding sculptures must be at least 48" tall to be considered.

www.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=1594&sortby=fair_name&apply

DEADLINE: January 15, 2014.

VSA INTERNATIONAL YOUNG SOLOISTS COMPETITION

The Kennedy Center invites musicians with a disability, ages 14–25, to enter the 2014 VSA International Young Soloists Competition. The competition is open to international and domestic musicians, soloists, and ensembles of two to five members, and musicians of all genres. The VSA International Young Soloists Competition annually selects up to four outstanding musicians from the United States and around the world, and supports and encourages them in their pursuit of a career. These emerging musicians receive \$2,500, professional development opportunities, and a performance at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, DC.

http://www.kennedy-center.org/education/vsa/programs/young_soloists.cfm

DEADLINE: January 27, 2014

BROWARD ART GUILD PRESENTS: ART FLORIDA 2014 COMPETITION

Broward Art Guild announces a call for entries for Art Florida 2014, its juried biennial art competition and exhibition showcasing some of today's top emerging artists. This call is open to artists in the United States working in all media (painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, mixed media, computer or electronic art). A prize of \$1,500 will be given for "Best in Show."

http://www.browardartguild.org/docs/ArtFlorida_Prospectus_2014.pdf

DEADLINE: February 1, 2014

THE 2014 INTERNATIONAL ART PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES: YO SOY...JE SUIS...I AM...MY NEIGHBORHOOD

The 2014 International Art Program for Children with Disabilities is now open for entries! Children with disabilities are encouraged to create a portrait that illustrates themselves in their neighborhood. What makes their neighborhood awesome? Cool houses? Fun neighbors? A great park or playground? Student-artists are encouraged to illustrate all the important people, places, and landscapes of their local space that shape who they are and who they will be in the future. A selection of artwork from the online entries will be chosen for a live exhibition in Washington, DC. Parents or educators of children with a disability, ages 5–18, are welcome to submit! www.kennedy-center.org/education/vsa/programs/vsa_iap.cfm

DEADLINE: July1, 2014

Artist Storytellers

The Morean Art Center is looking for artists whose work has a very strong narrative quality. Does your work tell a story? If your work fits the theme, and if you would like to be considered, please submit the following information to the attention of Amanda Cooper, Curator of Exhibitions.

EMAIL: Amanda.Cooper@moreanartscenter.org

WEBSITE: <http://www.moreanartscenter.org/content.php?id=142>

DEADLINE: January 15, 2014

Exhibition: "Bite & Scratch: New Printmaking"

Exhibition Dates: May 10 - June 29, 2014

The Morean invites all printmakers to submit up to three images for this juried exhibition. The competition is open to all artists living in the US, and particularly artists who push the boundaries of traditional print techniques in their work. No photography, please. Cash prizes totaling \$1000 will be awarded.

EMAIL: Kyetan@printnik.com

WEBSITE: <http://printnik.com>

DEADLINE: March 1, 2014

NOTIFICATION: April 1, 2014



GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS: OUR TOWN GRANTS

Our Town is the National Endowment for the Arts' primary creative place making grants program. Pending availability of funding, grants will range from \$25,000–\$200,000. Our Town will invest in creative and innovative projects in which communities, together with arts and/or design organizations and artists, seek to: improve their quality of life, encourage greater creative activity, foster stronger community identity and a sense of place, and revitalize economic development.

WEBSITE: <http://arts.gov/news/2013/national-endowment-arts-releases-funding-guidelines-our-town>

DEADLINE: January 13, 2014

POSEN FOUNDATION: FELLOWSHIP FOR JEWISH SCHOLARS AND WRITERS

The Posen Family Foundation announces a call for applications for the second cohort of Posen Society Fellows, a program that supports doctoral students in modern Jewish history and culture and emerging Jewish fiction writers around the globe. The two-year fellowships are designed to provide early career support. To be eligible for the 2014–2016 class, fiction writers must be at work on a Jewish-themed novel or short story collection and should not yet have published their first book.

WEBSITE: <http://www.posenfoundation.co.il/en/contest-page-with-registration-form/>

DEADLINE: January 15, 2014

HARRIS THEATRE GRANTS FOR SMALL & MID-SIZED THEATERS

Aurand Harris Theatre Grants fund nonprofit small and mid-sized theaters in the United States. Harris Theatre Grants have served a wide variety of needs such as the premiere of an important and

promising new play for children/youth, the costs of fees and expenses of a noted guest artist, expenses to enable a playwright to participate in rehearsals and attend the performance of his/her play, and/or special production needs. Small theaters, established for at least three consecutive years, with operating budgets under \$250,000 and mid-sized theaters, established for at least 10 consecutive years with an annual operating budget of not less than \$250,000 are welcome to apply.

WEBSITE: <http://www.childrenstheatrefoundation.org/page3/page14/index.html>

DEADLINE: January 15, 2014

MUTUAL OF AMERICA FOUNDATION 2014 COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AWARDS

The Mutual of America Foundation, the charitable arm of the Mutual of America Life Insurance Company is accepting applications for the 2014 Community Partnership Award. The annual award recognizes outstanding contributions made by nonprofit organizations, in partnership with public, private, and other social sector organizations to society. Ten partnerships will receive awards. The national award-winning partnership will receive \$25,000 and a documentary video with the goal of raising public awareness of its work and attracting additional partners and new sponsors.

WEBSITE: <http://www.mutualofamerica.com/about/cpacompetition.asp>

DEADLINE: April 1, 2014

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS: THE BIG READ

The Big Read, a program of the National Endowment for the Arts managed by Arts Midwest, aims to restore reading to the center of American culture. The program provides competitive grants ranging from \$2,500 to \$20,000 to support innovative reading programs in selected communities. Applicant organizations for The Big Read must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit; a division of state, local, or tribal government; or a tax-exempt public library. Eligible organizations include literary centers, libraries, museums, colleges and universities, art centers, historical societies, arts councils, tribal governments, humanities councils, literary festivals, and arts organizations.

WEBSITE: http://www.neabigread.org/application_process.php

DEADLINE: January 28, 2014

SUNDANCE INSTITUTE: NATIVE AMERICAN FILMMAKERS FELLOWSHIP LAB

The Sundance Institute's Native American and Indigenous Program has created a fellowship to provide direct support to emerging Native American, Native Hawaiian, and Alaskan Native film artists

working in the United States. The program is designed to support filmmakers working to strengthen their craft, develop their voice, and advance current projects toward production. The Native Lab Fellowship is a two-stage development opportunity for filmmakers with short film scripts.

WEBSITE: <http://www.sundance.org/programs/native-lab-fellowship/>

DEADLINE: February 3, 2014

CHAMBER MUSIC AMERICA: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR NEW JAZZ PRESENTERS GRANT PROGRAM

Chamber Music America announces a Request for Proposals for the 2014 Presenter Consortium for Jazz, a pilot grant program to provide support to consortiums of U.S. presenters that collectively engage up to three professional U.S. jazz ensembles to perform at each presenter's venue. The program will fund up to 75 percent of eligible expenses up to a maximum of \$10,000 per consortium partner/\$30,000 per consortium.

WEBSITE: www.chamber-music.org/programs/jazz/grants#I35373

DEADLINE: February 7, 2014

DORIS DUKE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION: FUND FOR NATIONAL PROJECTS IN DANCE, JAZZ, AND THEATER

Organizations are encouraged to submit letters of inquiry for projects that strengthen the national infrastructure of the professional nonprofit dance, jazz, presenting and/or theater fields, or that improve conditions for the national community of performing artists in dance, jazz and theater. The Fund will award a total of up to \$1 million in grants to support key national projects in the professional nonprofit dance, jazz, presenting and/or theatre fields. Grants range from \$60,000 to \$200,000 and cannot exceed 50 percent of a project's total cost.

WEBSITE: <http://www.ddcf.org/Programs/Arts/Initiatives--Strategies/National-Sector-Building/Fund-for-National-Projects/>

DEADLINE: February, 28, 2014



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Creative Movement Company

Creative Movement Company needs volunteers for various events and activities in Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties.

CONTACT: Jennifer Rosoff at 727-265-1229 or jennifer@CreativeMovementCo.com.

Morean Art Center

To learn about the current volunteer needs at the Morean Arts Center and Glass Studio & Hot Shop, please email Cory.Adler@MoreanArtsCenter.org, or 727.822.7872 x2123.

To learn about the current volunteer needs at the Chihuly Collection, please email Irina.Moldovan@MoreanArtsCenter.org, or call 727.896.4527 x2427. To learn about the current volunteer needs at the Morean Center for Clay, please email Valerie.Scott.Knaust@MoreanArtsCenter.org, or via telephone at 727.821.7162.

Florida Craftsmen

If you like working with people and love to be surrounded by beautiful artwork, consider volunteering at Florida Craftsmen. There are opportunities to work in the gift shop on a weekly basis, help sporadically with mailers or be a part of the volunteer crew for events. If you have questions about volunteering, contact us! More Info: <http://floridacraftsmen.net/volunteer/>



The St. Petersburg Arts Alliance strives to be the community voice for the arts -- empowering artists, arts organizations and creative businesses to work collaboratively. We advocate for the arts, facilitate the growth of the arts community, and drive arts-related economic development in St. Petersburg.

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