



Hotline

APRIL • 2010

APRIL ArtWorks

Creative Mixer Thur. April 8 ~5:30 pm Salida SteamPlant



Everyone's welcome at
"HippieHappyHour" for the most
inventive minds in Salida!
Join fellow artists, writers,
performers, musicians and
creative types.
Free munchies, cash bar, news,
gossip & good times!

Two celebrated poets star in Art- Works' "Poetry At The Plant" Apr. 24

Poets **Rosemerry Wahtola-Trommer** of Telluride and **Kim Nuzzo** of Aspen will highlight ArtWorks' next presentation of

"Poetry At The Plant", Sat. Apr. 24 at 7 pm in the SteamPlant Paquette Gallery.

This is the second of a popular 3-part series featuring readings by locally and nationally prominent poets. Admission is free, although donations are appreciated; and there will be a cash bar. (Last month's performance by poet **Aaron Abeyta** played to a packed house, with more than a dozen fans attending his earlier afternoon workshop.) The series will culminate May 16 with an appearance by renowned Denver Poet **Laureat Chris Ransick**.

Rosemerry Wahtola-Trommer is Poet Laureate of San Miguel County. She performs live-wire high-jinks poetry with EAR; and has published five collections of her work, including Colorado Book Award finalist *Hold-ing Three Things At Once*. **Kim Nuzzo** is President of the Aspen Poets' Society, and a performance poet/actor, co-founder and host of "Live Poetry Night" at the Hotel Lenado, Aspen's oldest live poetry event. His poems have been published in a variety of small presses, most recently *mipoesias* and *Monkey Puzzle Magazine*.

A "Poetry Open Mic" for local wordsmiths also will be held

after Saturday's performance. Signups for the open mic start at 6:30 pm; open to the first ten to sign up, limit of two poems each.

Wahtola-Trommer and Nuzzo also will conduct a poetry-writing workshop, "Walking in Two Worlds at Once", Sat. Apr. 24, 12:30-3:30 pm at the Salida Library. Cost is \$30/person to be paid (cash only) at the workshop. For complete info or to reserve your seat, email poetry-workshops@gmail.com

Farmers Market art-sale spaces now available from ArtWorks

Want to display and sell your art at Salida's popular Saturday Farmers Markets this summer--at a tiny fraction of the usual cost?!

As a service to local artists and craftspersons, ArtWorks is absorbing the usual \$100 Market membership fee and making two 10'x10' sales booth spaces avail



able on a discounted, first-come/first-served basis. The choice is yours:

--1/2 space, tent provided--\$15/day

--Whole space, tent provided--\$30/day

--Whole space, BYO tent--\$25/day

You can reserve your selling space for one weekend or several. Dates available are Sat. June 19; July 3, 17 and 31; August 7 & 21; Sept. 4 & 18; and Oct. 9. The market—in Alpine Park, 5th & E St.--opens at 6:30 am, and participants must be set up and ready to sell by 8 am. The market closes at 12:30 pm. You can sell virtually any type of your original art or crafts—no imports, manufactured stuff, etc.

Payment is required to confirm your space; and you must be enrolled on ArtWorks' online Artists' Registry to participate. (The Registry is ArtWorks' free promotional service for local talent—simply go to salidaartworks.org and sign up). Info flyers are available at the Salida Library; or call **Sue Keyes** at 539.4649 for details. (But act now—these high-demand sales outlets fill up fast!)

2nd Annual "Artists Junque Sale" is June 5 -sign up now!

ArtWorks' second big "Artists' Junque Sale" will be Sat. June 5, 9 am-12 noon at the Salida Scout Hut in Riverside Park. Last year's sale was a huge financial bonanza for bargain hunters and sellers alike; and this year's sale will be even bigger and better!

It's a glorified yard sale featuring classy, recycled creative treasures of all kinds: studio furnishings & fixtures; professional art & craft supplies' "used" art; antiques & collectibles; photography stuff; housewares and décor; musical instruments; jewelry; and...well...junque!

Sellers (artists/writers/performers/craftspersons) must be registered with Salida ArtWorks' Artists' Registry to participate. Selling table spaces inside the Scout Hut rent for \$15; an outside space (BYO table) is \$10. Deadline for signup is May 7, and payment is required to confirm your space. Setup of indoor tables is Fri. June 4; and space is limited so early reservations are encouraged.

Applications for the Junque Sale are available at the Salida Library, downtown galleries, ArtWorks' Apr. 8 Creative Mixer, and on our website: salidaartworks.org. For info contact **Hannelore Gabriel** at hanneloregabriel@msn.com or 539.7962.



2010 Salida Art Walk extends signup deadline

There's still time to be included in Art Walk 2010—Salida's premiere annual art "happening" that brings thousands of visitor to local galleries and studios. The deadline has just been extended to May 15. For info, see salidaartwalk.org

Entries invited for SteamPlant summer outdoor sculpture exhibit

Regional sculptors are invited to submit photos of 1-2 of their outdoor pieces to be juried for display at the SteamPlant Sculpture Park June 15-Aug. 31. Publicity for each selected artist will be available to visitors, and



sculptures will be for sale. Participants will be honored at a "Meet the Sculptors" reception during Art Walk, on Sun. June 27.

Application forms, photos and \$30 entry fee must be submitted to the SteamPlant by May 1; and notification of acceptance will be sent May 7. Work must be delivered on June 13 or 14, and will remain on display until Sept. 1. A 20% commission on all work sold will be donated to Friends of the SteamPlant toward the future purchase of sculptures. For more info and exhibit application, call 539.2637 or email"info@salidasteamplant.com or robertkayparker@gmail.com.

2010 Artposium will be May 21-23

Grant Pound, Executive Director of Colorado Art Ranch, has announced the group's first Artposium for 2010, to be held Fri. May 21-Sun. May 23 at the Salida SteamPlant. Titled "Wade in the Water", this creative think-fest features speakers and workshops that promise to "enliven, enlighten, and give you a fresh look at the way we see, use, enjoy, and control our water". Participants will meet, learn from and interact with distinguished presenters; and learn how sci-

entists and artists perceive the nature of water and confront the factors that threaten this critical resource. Featured speakers at this seventh Artposium are:

- Justice **Greg Hobbs** has been a member of the Colorado Supreme Court since 1996, and a practicing water, environmental, land use and transportation lawyer for 25 years before that. Hobbs is Vice President of the Colorado Foundation for Water Education, and has authored several books and articles on water and the law.
- Writer **Craig Childs** focuses on natural sciences, archaeology, and mind-blowing journeys into the wilderness. He has published more than a dozen acclaimed books on nature, science and adventure. He is a commentator for NPR's Morning Edition, and his work has appeared in the NY Times, LA Times, Outside and Orion.
- Artist **Basia Irland** is a sculptor and installation artist, a poet and book artist, and water issue

activist. She is Professor Emerita, Dept. of Art & Art History, U. of New Mexico, where she established the Arts and Ecology Program. She is a guest lecturer at many prominent universities; and describes her work and philosophy in her book.

"Wade In the Water" attendees may enjoy other enriching Artposium experiences as well, including a Japanese Fish Printing workshop led by Salida artists **Roberta Smith** and **Sherrie York**; poetry with water-themed Haiku; photography; water music; and much more.

Registration for the 3-day Artposium includes all events for \$225; and ArtWorks Hotline readers can use the code word "Nomad" when enrolling to save \$30 on registration. Student rate is \$150; and you can elect to attend one speaker's presentation only at an a la carte rate of \$35. For complete info visit colorado-art ranch.org/current.htm





GOT NEWS



Send your
arts-related
news,
announcements,
classified ads,
gossip, photos
etc. to Salida
ArtWorks
Hotline, c/o
suzy@coaldale-co.us

Deadline for May
issue is:
Fri. APRIL 23!

Colorado Art Ranch welcomes seven new Artists-In-Residence

Colorado Art Ranch, which—in conjunction with Salida ArtWorks—annually sponsors one-month Residencies for artists from around the world, will welcome this year's Residents to Salida on Sat. Apr. 24. The visiting artists will live and work in local homes and studios, pair up with local "Art Buddies" to get acclimated, and participate in a public forum on the arts' relationship to land and social issues.

This year's Art Ranch Artists-In-Residence (and their Salida Art Buddies) are:

- **Hyeon Jung Kim**, visual artist, installations; (**PJ Bergin**)
- **C. Maxx Stevens**, visual artist; (**Gloria Jean Countryman**)
- **Michael Frels**, visual artist/photography; (**Hannalore Gabriel**)
- **Sarah Henson**, visual artist/installations/eco-arts; (**Lisa DeYoung**)
- **Mary Beth Ellis**, creative non-fiction; (**Marsha & Dr. E.J. Sherry**)
- **Wendy Pabich**, environmental science writer (**John & Ann Graham**)
- **Joe Farbrook**, poet and new media artist (**Ed Berg**)

Million-plus Colorado visitors will view Salida talent at DIA

Busy Concourse A at Denver International Airport is a showcase of Salida talent from Mar. 15 through June 15, with the work of over a dozen visual and literary artists on display. Titled "33 Ideas!", the exhibit features the work of artists associated with Colorado Art Ranch, and is expected to be viewed by over a million travelers passing through DIA.

Featured in the DIA show are Richard Cabe, Susan Tweit, Roberta Smith, Gloria Lamson, Mary Ellen Campbell, Sherrie York, David Tipton, Greg Carideo, John Calderazzo, Shriley Tipping, Lauri Lynxxe Murphy, Kelly Stearns, Alex Van Arck, and Laura Pritchett. Info at colorado-arttranch.org



ARTPORTUNITIES



Think "out of the box" to decorate CCFA newspaper boxes

DECORATE NEWSPAPER BOXES:

Central Colorado Foodshed Alliance invites local artists to paint creative designs on reclaimed metal newspaper boxes, which will be used to distribute their 2010-11 "Guide to Local Foods" for 100 miles around Salida. Selected artists will be publicized on the boxes and in the full-color Guide. Deadline to finish is May 1. If interested, call CCFA's Mike Pollock at 239.0735 or Dave Ward at 539.8523.

CALL FOR ENTRIES—PLAYWRIGHTS:

Westcliffe Center for the Performing Arts is seeking submissions for its 12th annual "New Rocky Mountain Voices" play competition. Winning plays will be performed on stage at the Westcliffe Center's Jones Theater Sept. 3-4; directors and producers of other Colorado theater companies will be invited. Deadline for submissions is May 1; complete information at jonestheater.com

CALL FOR ENTRIES--ARTISTS:

Arkansas Valley Art Center has announced the first annual Fine Arts & Fine Crafts Festival, to be held Sat. July 10, 9 am-4 pm at McPhelemy Park in Buena Vista. The juried event will showcase artists and craftspersons from around the region during the popular Collegiate Peaks Rodeo weekend. Artists interested in applying should contact Karen at 719.395.8372 or email AVAC at artinfo@avacgallery.com

CALL FOR ENTRIES--ARTISTS:

Art Matters Gallery invites non-members of the gallery to apply for three juried exhibits to be held during 2010. They are: Dancing in the Moonlight (May-June); entry deadline April 3; Body Language (Aug.-Sept.); entry deadline July 7; Fiber Art Exhibit (Nov.-Dec.); entry deadline Oct. 7. Contact the gallery at 539.2383, email artmatters@earthlink.net or get info and prospectus at Events.html/artmatters-gallery.com/Events.html

CALL FOR ENTRIES—ARTISTS & POETS:

The Arts at the Library program of Salida Regional Library is holding a challenge show entitled "Beyond Words: Art of the Poem", May 8-June 30 at the library. All Arkansas Valley visual artists and poets are invited to enter. No entry fee; art may be offered for sale. For details, visit salidalibrary.org and click on "Call for Entries".

CALL FOR ENTRIES—ARTISTS:

The Courtyard Gallery, 310 E. Main St. in Buena Vista, invites artists to apply for juried inclusion in one of two upcoming Artists Showcases: May 22-July 18, and Aug. 13-Oct. 11. Deadline for application is April 23. Info at thecourtyardgallery@yahoo.com, or call Melissa Hertrich 719.395.8505; Kay Thrasher 719.395.8696, or Kate Cox 719.836.1527.





Walden Chamber Music Society performs Stravinsky April 25

The Walden Chamber Music Society will present the second in their series of Spring concerts Sun. Apr. 25 at the Salida SteamPlant. Paul Garner, clarinetist with the Dallas Symphony, and violinist Lynda O'Connor will perform with Jo Boatright in Stravinsky's "L'histoire du soldat" (The Tale of a Soldier). Also presented will be works by Cesar Franck and Alban Berg. The concert begins at 3 pm, preceded by an "informance" at 2 pm.

Sunday June 6 at 3pm in Buena Vista, violinist Jason Erwin will be featured in Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons". Also, Soprano Tina Lovejoy and baritone Keith Williamson will return in Pergolesi's Baroque one-act opera "La Serva Padrona", joined by Matt Diekman, viola; Camilla Bonzo, cello; and Jo Boatright, harpsichord. The concert will be held at 3 pm in Valley Fellowship Church, 608 San Juan Ave., and also will be preceded by a 2 pm "informance".

Tickets are \$15 (adult) and \$8 (student), available at the SteamPlant, Salida and BV Chambers of Commerce, or at the door. For info, visit waldenchambermusic.org or call 395.2097

HCFAA presents "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum"

High Country Fine Arts Assn. will present the musical comedy "A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum" Fri., Sat. and Sun., April 16-18, in the John E. Held Auditorium at Salida High School. The Fri. and Sat. performances will begin at 7 pm and the Sunday matinee at 3 pm. Tickets will be sold at the door prior to each performance, and in advance at the Salida and Buena Vista Chambers of Commerce. For info, call 395.2885 or visit hcfaa.org

Go "Around the World With Salida Circus" April 17 at the SteamPlant

Salida Circus celebrates the first-ever "World Circus Day" on Sat. Apr. 17 with two wildly entertaining performances at the SteamPlant at 1 and 4 pm.

"Around the World With Salida Circus" will feature the Ukranian Flying Chestycoffs, Little River Tribe Drum & Dance, Fantastic Flying Aerial Firebirds, Italian Monday Trapeze Marionettes, Australian Jumping Stilt Kangaroos, French Poodle Dancers, Salida's own River Clowns and much more.

Tickets--\$10 for adults, \$8 for kids under 12—are available at Bus Stop Boutique, Rebound Physical Therapy, Salida Yoga Center, and by emailing info@salidacircus.com. Info at 530.1411 or salidacircus.com.





EVENTS CALENDAR

April (International Guitar Month)

1 – Wishing political dialogue could be conducted in an adult and civilized manner?

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2 – Salida Circus performance, 2:30 pm, Salida Yoga Center, 112 F St.; email @salidacircus.com or call 207.4169

2 – Opening reception, Arkansas Valley Art Center Members' Showcase, "Self Portrait; 5-7 pm, AVAC Gallery, 27900 CR 319, Buena Vista; show continues through May 15. 719.395-8372 or avacgallery.com

2 – Book signing by Westcliff writer **Annie Dawid**, author of "And Darkness Was Under His Feet"; 5-7 pm, The Book Haven, 128 F St., 539.9629

4 – Happy Birthday Muddy Waters! (1915)

8 -- ArtWorks Creative Mixer, SteamPlant, 5:30 pm; SalidaArtWorks.org

10 – Second Saturday art event, 12-7 pm, downtown Salida galleries: salidaartists.com

10 – Collegiate Peaks Forum Series lecture "The Scientific Search For ET" by **Dr. Seth Shostak**, American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics scientist; SteamPlant; collegiatepeaksforum.org; info at 395.8873 or aawaldorf@aol.com

11–International "Louie Louie" Day
16-18 – High Country Fine Arts

Assn. presents "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum", Salida High School/John Held Auditorium, 10th & D St. Fri. and Sat. at 7 pm, Sun. matinee at 3 pm. Tickets sold at the door, and in advance at Salida and BV Chambers of Commerce. Info at 395.2885 or hcfaa.org

17 – Salida Circus performance at the SteamPlant, 1 pm and 4 pm; salidacircus.com or 530.1411

17 – Community Contra Dance and dessert potluck, 7-10 pm, Salida Scout Hut, Riverside Park; \$6/adult, \$3/youth; avmad.org/dancing

17 – Poetry Reading and Open Mic celebrating National Poetry month and local poets; 7-9 pm, The Book Haven, 128 F St., 539.9629

17 – The Noteables women's ensemble concert "River of Songs", 7:30 pm, United Methodist Church, 228 E. 4th St; \$5 suggested donation; info at 539.2428

18 – The Noteables "River of Songs" concert, 3 pm, SteamPlant; \$5 suggested donation; info at 539.2428

22 – Earth Day

22 – The Book Haven Book Club will discuss "The Lace Reader" by **Barry Brunonia**; 5:30-7 pm, 128 F St., 539.9629

23 – Talk Like Shakespeare Day (talklikeshakespeare.org)

24 – Poetry Workshop by poets **Rosemerry Wahtola-Trommer** and **Kim Nuzzo**, 12:30-3:30 pm, Salida Library; \$30/person; info

& reservations at poetryworkshops@gmail.com

24 – Salida ArtWorks "Poetry At The Plant" performance by poets **Rosemerry Wahtola-Trommer** of Telluride and **Kim Nuzzo** of Aspen; 7 pm, SteamPlant Paquette Gallery; free admission.

24 – Happy Birthday Willem De Kooning! (1904)

25 – Walden Chamber Music Concert--Stravinsky's "The Tale of a Soldier" plus works by **Cesar Franck** and **Alban Berg**; 3pm, SteamPlant; waldenchambermusic.org

26 – Hug An Australian Day

30 – Stage Left Theater Co. presents the Jungle Book with the Salida Circus; 7:30 pm, SteamPlant

May

(Borderline Personality Disorder Month)

1 – Stage Left Theatre Company presents "The Jungle Book" with the Salida Circus, 7:30 pm, SteamPlant

2 -- Stage Left Theatre Company presents "The Jungle Book" with the Salida Circus, 2:30 pm, SteamPlant

7 – No Pants Day (nopantsday.com)

8 – KHEN and the Central Colorado Humanists present Emma's Revolution in concert, SteamPlant



8 -- Second Saturday art event, 12-7 pm, downtown Salida galleries: salidaartists.com

11 – Happy Birthday Salvador Dali! (1904)

13 -- ArtWorks Creative Mixer, SteamPlant, 5:30 pm; SalidaArtWorks.org

15 – Community Contra Dance and dessert potluck, 7-10 pm, Salida Scout Hut, Riverside Park; \$6/adult, \$3/youth; avmad.org/dancing

16 – Salida ArtWorks “Poetry At The Plant” performance by **Denver** Poet Laureate **Chris Ransick**; 7 pm, SteamPlant Paquette Gallery; free admission.

21-23 – Colorado Art Ranch Artposium “Wade In The Water”, SteamPlant; info at coloradoart ranch.org/current.htm or 303.279.5198

23 – Alpine Orchestra concert, 3 pm, SteamPlant

29-30 – Salida Spring Fine Arts Collection, juried regional artists, SteamPlant Convention Complex

June

(Celibacy Awareness Month)

10 -- ArtWorks Creative Mixer, SteamPlant, 5:30 pm; SalidaArtWorks.org

13 – Happy Birthday Christo! (1935)

17-20 – FIBArk Whitewater Festival; fibark.net

18 & 19 – FIBArk Late Night Dance with live music, 10 pm-2 am, SteamPlant Ballroom

19 – World Sauntering Day

19 -- Community Contra Dance and dessert potluck, 7-10 pm, Salida Scout Hut, Riverside Park; \$6/adult, \$3/youth; avmad.org/dancing

25-27 – 18th Annual Salida Art Walk; salidaArtWalk.org, 877.772.5432 or 719.539.2068

25-27 – “Quilting the Fourteeners” show & sale presented by the Monarch Quilters; Salida Middle School, 520 Milford St.; info at 966.5081

25 & 27 – Stage Left Theater Co. presents “Scenes From Shakespeare”, SteamPlant

26 – Salida Art Walk miniatures art auction, SteamPlant

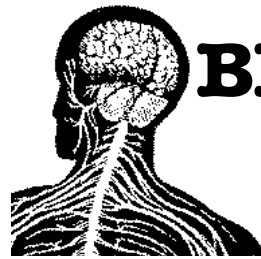
Kent Haruf autographs books for Salida charity

Need a reeely special, classy gift for someone—or for yourself—and know that the money you spend on it goes to a good cause?

Renowned Salida author **Kent Haruf** is offering to personally inscribe copies of his bestselling books to you—or any name you designate. There’s no charge beyond the cover price of the book—and Kent generously is donating all proceeds to Salida’s Sunset Home hospice. Just stop in at the Bus Stop Bou-

tique, 122 E. First St., to choose your book. Titles available include “Plainsong”, “Eventide”, “The Tie That Binds”, “Where You Once Belonged”, and “West of Last Chance”, a photo-prose book. (The nifty Boutique--a popular resale outlet that raises funds for Sunset home--is managed by Kent’s wife **Cathy Haruf**.)

The play “Eventide”, based on Haruf’s poignant novel, was performed this winter at the Denver Center for the Performing Arts; and his hit “Plainsong” has been performed onstage around the country, and made into a TV movie starring **Rachel Griffiths, Aidan Quinn, America Ferrera, Zachery Ty Bryan, and CodyArens**.



BRAIN FOOD

WRITING WORKSHOP IN MEXICO:

Salida author **Susan Tweit** will conduct her second small-group writing workshop, “Words to Live By”, on Isla Espiritu Santo Dec. 16-Jan. 1. It’s not too early to get on board for this popular workshop, which blends writing with desert hiking, sea kayaking, and snorkeling in the turquoise waters off Baja California. For details email susan@susanjtweit.com



POETRY WRITING WORKSHOP:

Poets **Rosemerry Wahtola-Trommer** and **Kim Nuzzo** will conduct a poetry-writing workshop, "Walking in Two Worlds at Once", Sat. Apr. 24, 12:30-3:30 pm at the Salida Library (downstairs). Cost is \$30/person to be paid (cash only) at the workshop. For complete info or to reserve your seat, email poetryworkshops@gmail.com

WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP:

A one-credit Beginning Watercolor Painting workshop will be taught by Salida artist **Donna Wagle** June 7-8, 8 am-5 pm at Western State College. Cost is \$135; for information call 800.876.5309 ext. 7, or visit western.edu/extendedstudies

PAINTING CLINICS:

Santa Fe artist **Lindy Teresi** will hold a series of "Intuitive Painting" sessions on Apr. 24, May 28 and June 27, from 2-5 pm at the Saliday Community Center, 3rd & F St. Classes limited to 15; beginners welcome. Cost is \$50 per session, or \$135 for all three, including all materials and snacks. Info at paintinginner-voice.com or 505.820.0603

DRAWING CLASS:

Artist **Linda Frances** of Four Winds Gallery is teaching an ongoing class in basic drawing techniques, Tuesdays from 6-8 pm at the gallery, 118 F St. Info at 539.6075

LANDSCAPE PAINTING:

Arkansas Valley Art Center presents "Landscape Painting with **Paul Kethley**", oil on canvas panel, Apr. 17-18, 9 am-4 pm, Colorado Mtn. College gallery, across from the airport in Buena Vista. Open to students of all levels. AVAC members \$90, non-members \$120; signup deadline Apr. 8. Info at arkansasvalleyartcenter.org; or call **Karen** at 719.395.8372. Artist info at paulkethley.com

WATERCOLOR CLASSES:

Nationally recognized artist **Nora Bushong Larimer** will conduct a landscape-focused watercolor workshop at the AVAC classroom, Buena Vista, on May 22 from 9:30 am-4 pm, and May 23 from noon-4pm. \$85 AVAC members; \$110 non-members; signup deadline May 7. Info at arkansasvalleyartcenter.org. Artist info at noralarimer.com

BREAK DANCING CLASSES:

Get in touch with your inner gangsta'. **Nate Calderone** is setting up "Don't Play With Fire, Dance With It" break dancing classes this summer, and is looking for interested participants. Call **Nate** at 221.3085

ART CLASSES:

Ongoing art classes in various disciplines are offered at Art Matters Gallery, 119A E. First St. Info at artmatters@earthlink.net or call 539.2383

PAINTING WORKSHOPS:

Study plein air and studio painting with artist **Joshua Been** at

small-group workshops in different settings: May 6-8 in Bennett Springs, MO (\$225) and Oct. 18-22 in Sedona, AZ (\$575). For info on these and other study opportunities, go to joshuabeen.com

CREATIVE DANCE CLASSES:

The Salida Dance Academy, 146 W. First St., offers adult creative dance instruction on Mondays at 2 pm. Classes are open to dancers of all experience levels; donations are requested for use of the studio. For info call **Felice Larsen** at 539.7318 or 539.5225.

TANGO INSTRUCTION:

Beginning dance classes are offered every Sat. from 7-8:30 pm at Casa Tango Salida dance hall and art gallery, at 7595 CR 150 in Smelertown. Lessons are \$10 ea., \$40 for a series of 5 lessons, \$5 for practice sessions. For info and class schedule, call 539.7595 or email dvora@casatangosalida.com

MUSIC INSTRUCTION:

The Salida School of Stringed instruments, 121 G St., offers private music lessons by appointment. Beginner, intermediate and advanced instruction is offered by **Brian Rill** (guitar and mandolin) and **William Boddy** (bass). Cost is \$30/half hr. Info at 539.4801.



OPENINGS & SHOWS

The Arkansas Valley Art Center's "Self Portrait" member challenge show will be on display Apr. 2-May 15 at the AVAC gallery, across from the airport in Buena Vista. Opening reception is Fri. Apr. 2, 5:30-7 pm. Featured are pieces AVAC members have created to represent themselves in all media. Gallery hours Tues.-Sat., noon-4pm.

"Reigning Cats and Dogs", a fanciful exhibit of oil paintings by **Sally Mather** and **Padgett McFeely**, continues through Apr. 20 at the SteamPlant's Paquette Gallery.

Artists' reception Sat. Apr. 10, 4-6 pm.

20% of proceeds go to Ark Valley Humane Society.

Pueblo watercolorist and instructor **Randy Ford** will be featured in a one-man show April 1-30 at Art Matters Gallery, 119 A E. First St. Gallery reception April 10, 3-6 pm. New works from traditional landscapes and florals to his fun "pun" works. Also featured during April is collage artist **Susan Askey** of Pueblo and her "Four Corners Series".


Painter and Virtuosity Gallery owner **Joshua Been** will exhibit at the Colo. Governor's Invitational Art Show, Apr. 25-May 30 at the Lovel and Museum/Gallery; info at governorsartshow.org

Landscape paintings by **Sally Mather** are on display through Apr. 30 at Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center.

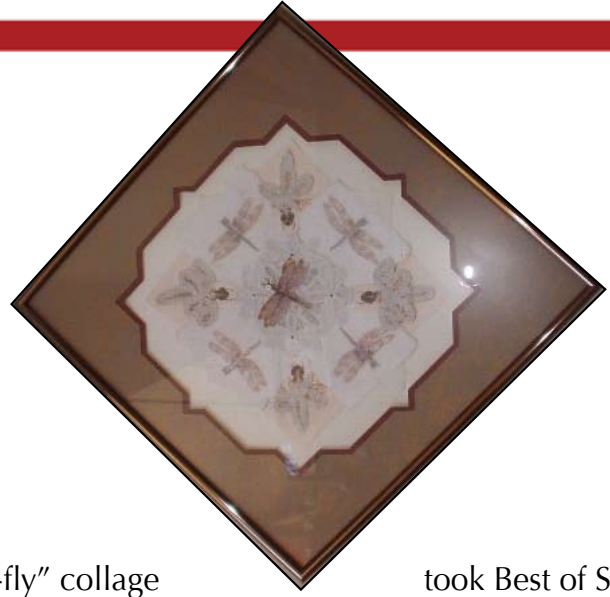
Salida artist **Fay Golson** has a show at Colorado Mtn. College Timberline Campus in Leadville through Apr. 15. For info contact efayg@wildblue.net

Jan Clemens is exhibiting her work at the Salida Regional Library through Apr. 15.

Four Winds Gallery at 118 F St. is celebrating Spring with a show of colorful pottery, paintings, prints and cards featuring images of birds and flowers by **Gloria Brown**. Info at 539.6075, fourwindsgallery-colorado.com and statetreeprints.com



WHO'S DOIN' WHAT.....



Congrats to artist **Sue Keyes**, whose “See the Dragon-fly” collage Mixed Media at the recent “Holes & Knots: A Modern Interpretation of Lace” exhibit at TACtile Arts Center in Denver. Sue’s winning collage, hailed by Denver’s Westword newspaper as “stunning”, combines battenburg lace with handmade paper and colored pencil drawings....**Sue Mills, Michael Varnum, April Prout, Paulette Brodeur** and **Tara Gayle** were among those who attended the Governor’s Art Awards in Denver on Feb. 26. Salida was one of 13 Colorado cities and towns nominated for the award—which was won by Telluride and Creede (dang!)....But nevermind: thanks to Artworks Facilitator/President **Sue Mills**, Salida ArtWorks was just awarded a “Small Steps” development grant by the Colorado Council on the Arts. Woohoo!....Ever-inventive Coaldale photographer **Scott Engel** has not one but TWO new books out: “2009/Used” (on sale at The Book Haven) and “Infinite Regress”, an intriguing study of random patterns, available at Tribal Rugs.Check out four original pix from the latter, now on exhibit at Tribal....Bravo to **Judy** and **Earle Kittleman**, who helped the local classical music scene take a big step forward by bringing the Veronika String Quartet here for a sensational SteamPlant concert on March 28. Formed in 1989 in Moscow, the talented Quartet has toured around the world—and now Salida!....At their Feb. annual meeting, the Colorado Press Assn. named **Merle Baranczyk**, editor and publisher of the Salida Mtn. Mail, as their 2010 “Newspaper Person of the Year”.

In accepting the award, Baranczyk stressed the need for “News that is balanced; news that is fair, accurate, objective, timely and complete”Expatriate **Michael Parry** reports from his new studio in Asheville, NC, that he’s got some hot fresh Raku pottery coming out of the kiln there. Salida friends and brewpubs still are mourning Mike’s departure; Asheville ladies as yet remain ambivalent....Don’t be surprised if **Jimmy “Rocketman” Descant** (Salida’s answer to Salvador Dali?) figures prominently in Denver’s upcoming “Biennial of the Americas” international cultural event. The unique Denver apartment building at 1778 Gilpin St. in Denver--decorated inside and out with Jimmy’s kinky, rockety sculptures--is among the installations celebrating what organizers call “the power of ingenuity and the imagination of the Western Hemisphere”.





Kindred Spirits

PLEIN AIR PAINTERS:

Plein air artists are invited to join the "Tuesday Painters", a group of oil, acrylic, watercolor and pastel enthusiasts that gets together at outdoor locations throughout the Valley. Most outings are held during the warmer months, but some winter paint-outs or paint-ins are anticipated. To get on their email announcement list, contact **Cary Carlson** at edandcary@salida.net

SALIDA WRITERS:

"Salida Writers" meets at The Book Haven, 128 F St., on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 7 pm. The group is dedicated to exploring the craft of writing: insight, inspiration, commitment.

For info contact **Eduardo** at 539.9332.

ARTISTS' CRITIQUE GROUP:

Artists are invited to bring 1-2 pieces of their work for a free, informal critique and mentoring at Art Matters Gallery, 119A E. First St. The critique group meets the second and fourth Wed. of every month from 9:30-11:00 am. No fees; open to the public.

CLASSICAL GUITARISTS:

The Classical Guitar Society of Chaffee County meets the third Thurs. of every month at 7 pm in the meeting room of the Salida Regional Library, 405 E St. Info at 539.3709.

LIVE DRAWING GROUP:

The Salida Art Guild invites artists of all abilities to an open drawing/painting/sculpting session Wednesdays from 10-2 at the Studio Garage on 12th St. between H and I. The session is uninstructed with a live model either nude or costumed. Cost is \$10 per 4-hr. session. For info email **Jennifer** at jenld68@yahoo.com or call 207.4169.

BALLROOM DANCING:

Ballroom dancing is held the 3rd Friday of each month from 7:30-10 pm at the Dance Studio in Salida, near Kentucky Fried Chicken. Info at avmad.org

OLD-TIME MUSIC JAM:

Arkansas Valley Music & Dance sponsors an open music jam the last Tuesday of every month, 6:30-8:30 pm at the Salida Café. Fiddler **Andrea Earley Coen** will lead the jam--bring your instrument(s).

All abilities are encouraged to join in. Info at 221.2074



CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE:

Laundry basket full of dried gourds, 5-24" diameter, great for craft projects; \$10. 942.3980

FOR SALE:

Sleeper sofa, cream with light pastel brocade print, low back and loose cushions; \$50. Lazy Boy rocker/recliner, navy blue, in good condition; \$25. You haul. 539.0834

"STUFF" DONATIONS WANTED:

Seeking clean, thick particle board for another FREE sign art installation. Also looking for old wood crutches for a series of new art pieces. Kindly drop off at 221 Palmer or email Jimmy Descant at soul47@aol.com

FOR SALE:

Office furnishings. Small metal file cabinet with one file drawer, one desk-type drawer; \$5. Canvas directors chair; \$5. Clamp-on desk lamp with adjustable arm; \$5. 942.3980

FOR SALE:

Treadmill in good working order. Displays time and mileage. \$75. Call Laurie at 221.0834

FOR SALE:

Antique primitive cabinet for art supplies; 12 drawers with brass pulls, \$175; office chair with arms, light sage green faux suede, \$75; 5x7' area rug in sage green pattern, \$45. 539.4649

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: "Art Walk" 2010 urgently needs help with all aspects of staging this year's event—scheduled for June 25-27. Everyone in Salida's creative community is urged to volunteer--make phone calls, help with fundraising, deliver flags, brochures, etc. For more info, email Susan Bethany at susanbethany@hotmail.com or call 221.3214.

STUDIO FOR RENT:

Light, roomy Sandusky Bldg. artist/writer studio in center of downtown Salida; great light, privacy, free internet, utilities and exhibit space; no deposit, no lease. \$250/month. Susan Mayfield, HYPERLINK "mailto:susanmayfieldart@gmail.com" susanmayfieldart@gmail.com



SAY WHAT...?!

"Art is making something out of nothing and selling it."

Frank Zappa (1940-1993) American musical satirist



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