

El Morro Area Arts Council

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First Quarter 2014

FIRST QUARTER EXHIBITION

"INDIVIDUAL PERCEPTIONS"

January 31, 2014 through April 20, 2014

**A group Photography Show curated by
Alicia McCabe**

Opening Sunday, February 2, 3-5 pm

Throughout my life, I have always been intrigued by the observation that you don't need six blind men and an elephant to get diverse opinions on any event, book, or art.

I chose several friends to walk the same local area and asked them to share their unique interpretations of that area in photographs. I told these artists there were no restrictions on content, manipulation or theme - just give me what caught their eye, what impressed them, what took away their breath, or what they wanted to share.

Originally I searched for an obscure place, but finally realized that a well-known, popular location would be more appropriate, so the people who saw the photographs could compare them to their own personal impressions of that site.

Our "Individual Perceptions" will be presented for the First Artist's Quarter of 2014.

Online Fundraising with



**We raised over \$50 in 5 days.
Turn to page 3 and see how we
did it and how you can help!**



\$8 Concert

\$5 Workshop

Willson & McKee Concert & Workshop

Concert - March 1 @ 7 PM
Workshop - March 2 @ 3 PM

Willson & McKee are two voices, hammer dulcimer, mountain dulcimer, guitars, harp, accordion, bodhran, and... FUN!

Since 1990, this husband and wife duo has used vivacious invention to weave new melodies and lyrics into the weft of traditional Celtic auditory colors. Blazing instrumentals and seamless harmony vocals dance into vibrant textures, delight the senses, and guarantee audiences a lingering smile! Traditional Scottish ballads, blood-pumping Irish dance sets, traditional storytelling, songs about Mexican food... a surprise in every performance!

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2014 YOUNG WRITERS' CONTEST FRIDAY, MARCH 14TH, 5:00—7:00 p.m.

Reception, Readings, Music, and Awards

Writers of poetry and prose from elementary schools and high schools in Pine Hill, Ramah, and Zuni will give public readings of their work at the Old School Gallery. Some students will receive awards for their efforts, and all will be honored.

Musicians from local schools will also perform. Please show your support for the young people of our community. The event is free, and all are welcome. Refreshments will be served.

If you have questions, please call The Old School Gallery at (505)783-4710.

First Quarter Exhibitors Notes:

THE ARTISTS' QUARTER:

Artists' Quarter exhibits run contiguously with the Quarterly shows. We are scheduled through July, but have the 3rd and 4th quarters open. If you would like to show your work in the Artists' Quarter in 2014 or 2015 please contact Pam at 870-6245 or pamdavis@wildblue.net

FIRST QUARTER 2014

Art Submission Deadline: Monday, Jan. 27, 11-5.

Please pick up any unsold work from the Fourth Quarter Exhibition at that time, as we cannot safely store your work.

If you cannot meet this deadline, please call Pam at [505-870-6245](tel:505-870-6245) or the Gallery [505-783-4710](tel:505-783-4710) to make special arrangements.

Each exhibition has a theme/title which is chosen by the artist featured in the Artist's Quarter. The themes are meant to inspire, are open to wide interpretation and are never mandatory.

Theme for the First Quarter Jan. 31-April 20, 2014 is "Individual Perceptions" a group show featuring the art of local photographers in the Artists' Quarter. **Theme for the Second Quarter**, May-July 2014 is "Colors of The Universe".

Exhibition Openings are in a salon format and *all exhibitors are encouraged to participate*. Please bring cookies or other finger foods to share.

Thank you, Thank you

We would like to thank the following people (in no particular order)

EMAAC Member artists, Gallery Docents, Business Campaign Donors, EMAAC Board Members, Gallery Hanging Committee, Ongoing group leaders, Janko & Chan, Lisa & Dave McNitt, Mike Francis, Maqui, Standing Feather, Red Wulf, Nova Dara, Lamont, Sharron & Milani, Jill Acheson, Frank Blackmoon, Reed Anderson, Genevieve Humenay, Dana Letts, Bria Clark, Billy von Raven, Max von Raven, Spence Fisher, Nita Davis, Bob Schafer, Chris Marlow, Mike Landers, John Sisqueiros, George Steigerwald, Be Sargent, Wave Riders of the Ancient Way, Carol Macrae, Jane Chilton, Ben Leitch, Candace Lee, AWAT Harvest Fall Festival Hosts & Participants, Huilo Wonder, Zuni Mountain Sanctuary, Sophia Tripodi, Melody Matthews, Pati Hays, El Morro Traditional Crafters, Ramah & Candy Kitchen Farmer's Markets

Letter from the President & the Executive Director

Dear Friends,

Thank you all, our wonderful community, for this beautiful year together. As we look back and give thanks for what we have all created this year, we are simply stunned by the outpouring of love and creativity that is here, woven together like rainbows in a prism. As we are giving thanks, let us take a moment to acknowledge and celebrate those who have left us behind. We are deeply grateful that both Mr. Paul Jundar and Mr. M. Allen Burnam have been part of our EMAAC community for so long, and have given so much to all of us in talent, laughter, and wonderful stories! Love and thanks to them and their families, and to the legacy that they have left behind. We also wish to convey deep gratitude to James and Chanpidor Janko, who have given countless hours in support of our Youth Programming, and are currently moving to the Midwest. Be sure to keep your eye out for Janko's newest novel, coming soon! We continue to support the creation of original works- the cornerstone of what makes us human- and are full of hope and excitement for the upcoming year. Max von Raven just released his first album, "For the Night Surely Comes", while Billy von Raven is currently recording his album at the Old School Gallery. Eden Gloria continues to work on his play(s). Area poets are putting together another book. What would YOU like to create, and how can we support you in doing it?

In solidarity,
Maqui & Genevieve

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SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS BY:

Jill Acheson (paid for Gallery heat & lights for winter)

Frank Blackmoon (Contributed Stage materials for AWAT Harvest Festival)

Sharron Dishongh & Ancient Way Café

If you would still like to join our Business Campaign, Please send your gift to: PO Box 28, Ramah, NM 87321. All Business Campaign Donations are tax deductible.

Willson & McKee continued...

We call our music "*Rocky Mountain Celtic*" ... what Celtic becomes when three generations have settled comfortably in the west! Don't expect to hear Americans pretending to be Irish or Scottish, but rather Americans doing what we do best – interpret our roots music in fresh and original ways!! The combination of our Irish/Scottish heritage plus our Montana and Colorado roots gives our audiences a cross-cultural experience between old and new, traditional and original.

The most important component of Willson & McKee is the 'fun factor'. Live performance is the corner stone of their work.... Making sure the engagement of their audiences can be measured with smile and laugh meters! Professional musicianship and warm entertainers guarantee a memorable event, small or large!

Rocky Mountain Celtic – Non-Traditional by Design!!

Bios:

Kim McKee began her musical education and performing career at the age of 5! She brings a classical background, inter-woven with her Celtic heritage to her award winning instrumentals. She is the 2002 *National Dulcimer Champion*, but moves effortlessly to folk harp, accordion, guitar, bodhran, and other unique instruments. Instrumentals are rounded out, by bringing award-winning vocal compositions to the mix. She is a **four time winner of the Walton's of Dublin-Milwaukee Irish Festival's International Songwriting Competition!**

Ken Willson has several decades' worth of performance styles that include folk, storytelling, country, bluegrass, and even (in his younger days)... rock-n-roll, blended into a contemporary folk style. In the past 18 years of touring, traditional Celtic has become his favorite genre, and he has honed his skills on stage and in the studio. He has won many performance awards with wife and touring partner, Kim McKee, and brings a driving but subtle musical conscience to his performances.

Touring for 25 years, appearing on multiple state Arts Rosters for performance and educational programming, this duo have become sought after performers for arts programming throughout the western US. Performing over 250 concerts a year, 200 dance workshops, master classes, University presentations, and over 10,000 curriculum based student contacts in 2007. They can provide a multifaceted set of performance and educational options for every size budget/community/cultural event/family event and educational format.

EMAAC ONLINE FUNDRAISER Coming Soon

We are still working on our Artist participating online fundraiser. A few smaller jewelry and/or cards would be appreciated for people making smaller donations. Remember, Artists are not donating these items, if they are chosen by the donator, they will be purchased from the artist.

We will also include artist bios on the EMAAC online fundraiser websites. Please contact Genevieve at (505)783-4710 if you wish to participate.

GoodSearch Fundraising continued...

Dear Friends,

We have registered the El Morro Area Arts Council with Goodsearch.com, a company that helps non-profits like ours raise funds through the everyday actions of our supporters. Every time you use the internet, you could be raising money for EMAAC when searching or shopping. You could even set up your credit card so that every purchase you make anywhere sends a percentage to EMAAC!! We have already received a \$53.57 check for the 5 days we used this in October (and only 4 of us were signed up at the time)! Please consider joining the effort: doing what you do online anyway, but making it "count" for the arts!

Here is how you can help:

- Use GoodSearch.com when you search the internet - they will donate a penny to us every time you do.
- Use GoodShop.com when you shop online - they work with more than 4,000 major brands, have over 100,000 coupons and donate a percentage of every purchase you make to us.
- Enroll in the GoodDining.com program - they will donate up to 6% of every dollar you spend when you eat at one of 10,000 participating restaurants.
- Download the EL Morro Area Arts Council toolbar to earn donations every time you search and shop. You can also get coupon alerts and donation reminders as you visit any of the stores in GoodShop.
- **All you have to do is SHOP THRU GOODSHOP!**

GoodSearch.com will even track the amount of money that you have raised!
Please join our community on GoodSearch.com and help us raise money to support the arts.

Signing up with GoodSearch/GoodShop is EASY!

Go to our website...www.theoldschoolgallery.org and click on the El Morro Area Arts Council Toolbar link.

Follow the simple installation instruction and when your browser restarts you will have an unobtrusive search toolbar powered by YAHOO that is linked to the El Morro Area Arts Council.

Take another second and click the "Track" button on the toolbar and you can log your toolbar in using Facebook or create an email log in.

It simple and rather fun. Share it with your friends and family members. Encourage them to join. It's a great way to huge companies like Amazon and Target to donate money to our little gallery and all it cost is a couple minutes of your time.

Bookmobile

Times:

El Morro National Monument 9:30 - 10:45
Pine Hill Market 11:30 - 1:00
RAMah Post Office 2:45 - 4:15

Book Club:

**The third Tuesday of each month
7:30 PM at members' homes**

New Readers always welcome!

Tuesday, January 21, 2014

At home of Joanne Snowden (call [\(541\) 261-3482](tel:5412613482) for directions)

The Root of Wild Madder: Chasing the History, Mystery, and Lore of the Persian Carpet by Brian Murphy (2006)

Every Persian carpet has a story to tell -- from the remote villages of Afghanistan and Iran, down the ancient trade routes traveled for centuries, to the bazaars of Tehran and the markets of the Western world. Carpet-making is an art form that transcends religious and political turmoil. Part travelogue and part exploration into the meaning and worth of these carpets, *The Root of Wild Madder* explores the artistic, religious, and cultural complexities of these enigmatic lands. (Used paperbacks available)

Tuesday, February 18, 2014

The Mapmaker's Wife: A True Tale of Love, Murder, and Survival in the Amazon by Robert Whitaker (2004)

At home of Susan McNabb (call 783-9019 for directions)

In 1735 a decade-long expedition to South America is launched by a team of French scientists racing to measure the circumference of the earth and to reveal the mysteries of a little-known continent. From this extraordinary journey arose an unlikely love between one scientist and a beautiful Peruvian noblewoman. Their destiny unfolds in the Amazon's unforgiving jungles, and Isabel's quest to reunite with Jean after a twenty-year separation captured the imagination of all of eighteenth-century Europe. (Many available at one cent on Amazon)

Book Club continued..

Tuesday, March 18, 2014

The Stone Angel by Margaret Laurence (1964)

At home of Fran Anderson (call 783-4067 for directions)

This novel by renowned Canadian author Margaret Laurence has been consistently called one of the best Canadian novels ever written. Hagar Shiply is a 90-year-old woman who reflects on her repressed life in the remote Canadian west. The novel alternates between her life in the 1960s and vignettes from earlier years. 318 pages. (Available used at 1 cent on Amazon)



Spinning Get-Together
11 AM - 3 PM
@ Inscription Rock Trading
\$5 for beginners

Jan. 18th, Feb. 8th & March 8th

Join us for these fun, informal Get-Togethers where we enjoy each other's company as we spin the hours away. You are welcome to bring a different craft (knitting, rug making, crochet, etc) to work on at this time if you are not interested in spinning.

Beginners are welcome but instruction will cost \$5. There will be drop spindles and wool for purchase. Questions: Call Kate Wilson 783-4704 (please leave a message).

Herb Loft Workshop

@ Inscription Rock Trading & Coffee

Friday, February 7th, 6 PM



Winter is here and once again the Herb Loft at Inscription Rock Trading & Coffee Co. is offering workshops.

On Friday February 7th, 6:00 pm. the workshop will be "Healing Salves". Participants will learn how to prepare a basic salve recipe. All materials and containers will be provided.

Come enjoy a cozy evening in the Loft.

*\$20.00/person * limited class size *
Call for reservations. Phone:505-783-4706

ON GOING GROUPS & EVENTS

Chanting Circle

@ Yurt in the back of Ancient Way Campground
2nd and 4th Wednesdays @ 6PM

Learn and sing chants from around the world with-
Genevieve and RedWulf.

African Dance

On the following Saturdays @ 9:30 AM

1/18, 2/8, 3/1, 3/15 & 3/29

Wellness Tai Chi

with Reed

Sundays 9:30 AM

Traditional format Wellness Tai Chi

New-comers are always welcome. Practices include meditation and Tai Chi / Chi Gung movement and breathing. Sessions every Sunday 9:30 - 11:00AM at the Gallery. Call Reed at 505-783-4067 for more information.

Tai Chi Chuan

Mondays, 5 PM

\$50 / month

Taught by Monika & Urs Gauderon

For information call 505-775-3045

Yoga

Mondays & Thursdays @ 9:30 AM

These groups begin anew each time. Bring a mat, blanket and strap, if you have them.

Call 783-4710 for more information

So you think you can't dance!

New Schedule:

Once a month on the First Fridays, beginning January 3, 7:30 PM at the Belly Button Ballroom.

Impromptu, informal dancing and dessert. Lessons for non-dancers, or bring your favorite dance to teach us all. Call Will with questions or for directions 783-4138.

Wu Family Style

Long-Form Tai Chi Tuesdays @ 7 PM

Beginners especially welcome. Weekly classes. See calendar for details and call Instructor Reed Anderson if you have questions or need more details:

505-783-4067.

Poetry Group

Most Sundays at 11 AM

Poets at all levels of development meet to share poetry and support each other. Call Jack at 783-4007 for location and info.

Open Mic Night!

March 22nd 7 PM

What do you want to do on stage?

\$5/ Free to Performers

Singer/Songwriter Night

January 26th, 6 PM

\$5/ Free to Performers

Come and sing or just listen & enjoy.

Slow Kung Fu

By Jon Marshall

Mondays @ 7 PM

Traditional and modern Kung Fu Martial Arts utilizing the slower motions of Tai Chi Chaun. Great controlled exercise for everyone forty and over. Self-defense movements at Tai Chi speed.

Unless otherwise noted, Ongoing Events and Groups meet at the Old school Gallery are FREE and open to all levels of experience. Participants at the Gallery are asked to donate \$1 per session when possible to help with basic operation cost.

Thank You.

Calendar Notes

Docent Schedule 11 AM - 5 PM

First Saturday of the Month.....Deer
Second Saturday of the Month.....Sue McNabb
Third Saturday of the Month.....Jane
Fourth Saturday of the Month.....Melody
Fifth Saturday of the Month.....Carol

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Second Sunday of the Month.....Candace
Third Sunday of the Month.....Alice
Fourth Sunday of the Month.....Linda
Fifth Sunday of the Month.....Carol

Substitute Docents:

Brianna, Reed, Jill, Judy, Chris, Susan A., Pam, D'vorah, Diana, Pati, Kristi

Wanna Docent?

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT DOCENT TRAINING
on February 22nd at 11 AM.**

*Italicized events, workshops or classes are ones
Not held at the Old School Gallery. Please Check
The newsletter for location and other information.*

January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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5 9:30 AM Wellness Tai Chi 11 AM <i>Poetry Group</i>	6 9:30 AM Yoga 5 PM Tai Chi 7 PM Slow Kung Fu	7 <i>Bookmobile</i> 7 PM Wu Style Tai Chi	8 6 PM <i>Chanting</i>	9 9:30 AM Yoga	10	11 11 AM <i>Spinning Get-Together</i>
12 9:30 AM Wellness Tai Chi 11 AM <i>Poetry Group</i> 5 PM Art talk w/ Melody	13 9:30 AM Yoga 5 PM Tai Chi 7 PM Slow Kung Fu	14 4 PM Board Meeting 7 PM Wu Style Tai Chi 7:30 PM <i>Book Club</i>	15	16 9:30 AM Yoga 1 PM Calligraphy WKSP	17	18 9:30 AM African Dance 11 AM <i>Spinning Get Together</i>
19 9:30 AM Wellness Tai Chi 11 AM <i>Poetry Group</i> 2 PM <i>Wave Riders WKSP</i>	20 9:30 AM Yoga 5 PM Tai Chi 7 PM Slow Kung Fu	21 7 PM Wu Style Tai Chi 7:30 PM <i>Book Club</i>	22 6 PM <i>Chanting</i>	23 9:30 AM Yoga	24	25
26 9:30 AM Wellness Tai Chi 11 AM <i>Poetry Group</i> 6 PM Singer/Songwriter	27 Art Pick-up & Drop-off 9:30 AM Yoga 5 PM Tai Chi 7 PM Slow Kung Fu	28 7 PM Wu Style Tai Chi	29	30 Gallery Hanging 9:30 AM Yoga	31	

February

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EMAAC MEMBERSHIP FORM

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The El Moro Area Arts Council is A vibrant organization that celebrates diversity, thrives on the sharing of creative ideas through programs, exhibitions and workshops, and supports a community-centered activity hub for the traditional and contemporary arts. EMAAC membership is open to all artists and individuals who share our love of the arts and the El Morro Community. Please Join Us!

Full Name _____

Email Address _____

Street Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone # _____ **Receive Newsletter** **Postal** _____ **Email** _____

Membership Level

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One year **Two years** **Three years** Interested in volunteering Yes/No
How? _____

Mail this form with your comments or suggestions to:

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