

Arts Experiences Abound in 2024!

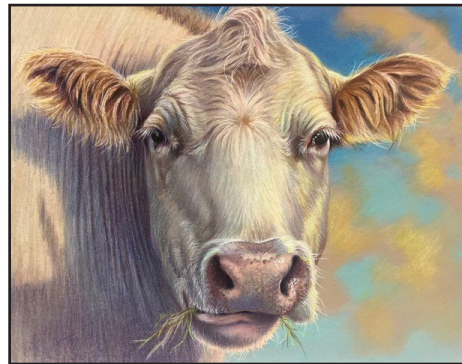
As we embrace a new year, it's also time to make plans to enjoy new arts experiences. After all, the arts help us see the world through a different lens. They inspire us to create. Our local community grows through the arts. Therefore, we hope you will resolve to savor the dynamic St. Joseph arts scene in 2024!



Charlotte, oil by Jim Lawrence

The [Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art](#) is hosting its 50th annual **Membership Exhibition**, on view from January 19 – April 14. An opening reception and awards ceremony will take place on Friday, January 19 from 4-7pm, with an awards ceremony at 6pm, announcing awards in each category as well as Best in Show.

Now in its 50th iteration, the annual Membership Exhibition



Cow, colored pencil by Wanda Taylor

showcases works exclusively by current museum members. In past years, participating artists in the Membership Exhibition have ranged in age from 9 to 90 years old.

The second exhibition opening on the evening of the 19th is **Stillness and Life in Colored Pencil: Wanda Taylor**. Wanda has worked in colored pencil for over 20 years. She regularly teaches classes at the Albrecht-Kemper and has inspired many artists to develop their skills in colored pencil. Wanda's works will be on display in the Campbell Gallery through February 18.

The [St. Joseph Community Chorus](#) and the William Festival Singers will present **A Musical Celebration of Black History** with performances featuring the music of celebrated and more obscure African-American composers. The concert will be held at the First



Presbyterian Church on February 25 at 3 p.m. A free will offering will be collected.

March 1 through the 3rd, the



[Robidoux Resident Theatre](#) presents **The SpongeBob Musical**. He may live in a pineapple under the sea, but now he's ready to ride the wave to the Missouri Theater to entertain and delight audiences in this brilliant, hilarious and brand-new Tony award winning musical. Don't miss the irresistible characters and magical music of this deep-sea pearl of a show!



Letter from the Executive Director

As retirement approaches, I must say it has been my honor and privilege to serve our community through my work in the arts. In the last 19 years I have grown in appreciation and awe of the amazing arts and cultural community in St. Joseph. I'm humbled and blessed to have been part of this vital industry

As I reflect on the accomplishments of the Council, I'm proud to have served an organization that strives to make St. Joseph a better place to live through the arts. Our efforts have been recognized state-wide. In 2008 and 2009, respectively, St. Joseph received the Creative Community Award and the Allied Arts Council received the Arts Organization of the Year Award from the Missouri Arts Council.

In 2012, the Council's strategic plan called for the creation of public art. Working with the City, we started the Traffic Box Art program, and in 2013, we kicked off the Downtown St. Joseph Sculpture Walk. Today, we have gifted 10 permanent sculptures to the City of St. Joseph.

The Council's annual Arts Fund campaign is crucial to annual arts programming. In the past 19 years, we have raised over \$4,000,000 for our funded agencies. It's a tremendous accomplishment that has made a huge impact.

In 2023, the Council started Art After School Art-Ventures to address the needs of students without access to the arts outside of school. In collaboration with the St. Joseph School District, this pilot program offers children in Title I schools free after-school arts experiences. We hope to inspire the next generation of artists!

I have loved advocating for the arts at every opportunity and I'm not done yet! As the Northwest Missouri Regional Vice President for Missouri Citizens for the Arts, I will continue to serve on the board and enthusiastically remain an ally for the arts.

Thank you to everyone who has helped me on this journey. With the support of the staff, the board and countless volunteers, the Council has helped secure a vibrant, creative community. I'm confident that as the Allied Arts Council moves into a new phase, there will be positive steps forward for St. Joseph. I'm excited to see what the future brings.

Teresa Fankhauser

Member Agencies

- Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art
- American Guild of Organists
- Creative Arts Productions
- Junior League of St. Joseph
- Performing Arts Association
- RiverSong
- Robidoux Resident Theatre
- The Runcie Club
- St. Joseph Community Chorus
- St. Joseph Figure Skating Club
- St. Joseph Historical Society
- St. Joseph Museums, Inc.
- Saint Joseph Symphony
- St. Joseph Youth Chorale

About the Allied Arts Council

The Allied Arts Council of St. Joseph, Missouri, exists to "bring arts and people together." The Council takes the lead in our community in organizing, educating and servicing the local arts community.

Currently 15 arts and cultural agencies are members. As an umbrella agency, the Council assists with scheduling, funding and marketing for all member agencies.

The Council provides educational programs, art exhibits and summer youth programs, as well as special events.



Teresa Fankhauser,
Executive Director



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CAP Announces Theater Camp for 2024!

Creative Arts Productions (CAP) has announced that their summer theater camp for 2024 will feature **Disney's The Lion King Jr.** 2024 will be their 44th year of providing students the opportunity to explore the world of theatre. Camp will be held in July and is open to students from St. Joseph and surrounding areas in 3rd -12th grades. CAP is dedicated to bringing students of all skill levels to the stage, no prior experience is required. Students receive over 80 hours of instruction from a professional staff, students develop their acting, singing, dancing skills and so much more. Camp offers the opportunity to learn all facets of a theatre production by performing in a live-stage production at the Missouri Theater. CAP's goal is to engage students in a positive learning environment that will foster a love of theatre for years to come!

Registration for The Lion King, JR. opens March 1st. For more information please visit www.capstjoemo.org. There are limited spots available so register early. You can also stay updated by following CAP on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CAPStJoe.

Arts Experiences Continued...

Saint Joseph Symphony Presents Symphoni Minis

Mini II, the second concert in the **St. Joseph Symphony's** Symphoni Minis series will feature Eman Chalshotori (cello) and Melody Smith (piano). The concert will be held at the Ashland United Methodist Church on January 28 from 3 to 4 p.m.



Mini III of the Symphoni Minis series will be a percussion recital by Ken Eberhart, Bryan Busby and Roger Caliman. The recital will be held at the Ashland United Methodist Church on February 25 from 3 to 4 p.m.

"Amadeus! Amadeus!" with Guest Flutist Lory Lacy

Join the **Saint Joseph Symphony** at the Missouri Theater on March 16 for a performance of Mozart's gorgeous **Concerto in D major** for flute and orchestra and Mozart's **Symphony No. 41 "The Jupiter,"** which was the composer's final symphonic work.



Enjoy dinner and a dynamic performance courtesy of the **Performing Arts Association**. With a flair for the wild and unexpected, the genre-defying trio, **TAKE3**, brings the refinement of a rigorous classical music background and infuses it with rock-star charisma. This special presentation will begin with dinner at 6 p.m. and the performance will follow at 7:30 p.m. It will be held at the Scottish Rite Temple on March 9.



Brass Transit's sole purpose is to pay tribute to one of the world's greatest and most successful pop/rock groups of all time, **CHICAGO**. This is the group's second visit to the Missouri Theater, and they will bring hits like: Saturday In The Park, 25 or 6 To 4 and If You Leave Me Now. Brass Transit goes far beyond just imitating the songs, they embody the music fans love (and some of us grew up on). So, make plans to catch this performance on March 23 at 7:30 p.m.



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**Buchanan County
nonprofit arts
and culture
organizations
generate
\$20,216,877
in the economic
impact study**

Go to <https://stjoearts.org/>
to learn more about the study

Arts & Economic Prosperity 6 (AEP6) Study Results Show the Impact of the Arts!

The Buchanan County nonprofit arts and culture industry generated \$20,216,877 in economic activity in 2022, according to the newly released Arts & Economic Prosperity 6 (AEP6), an economic and social impact study conducted by Americans for the Arts. The Arts & Economic Prosperity® series is conducted approximately every five years to gauge the economic impact of spending by nonprofit arts and culture organizations and the event-related spending by their audiences.

That economic activity—\$9,889,974 in spending by nonprofit arts and culture organizations and \$10,326,903 in event-related spending by their audiences supported 374 jobs and generated \$1,637,537 in local, state, and federal government revenue. Spending by arts and culture audiences generates valuable commerce to local merchants, a value-add that few other industries can compete with.

“The study shows that even as we adjust to a post-COVID world, the arts and cultural institutions are contributing to the social and economic well-being of Buchanan County residents,” shares Allied Arts Council Executive Director, Teresa Fankhauser.

“Audiences demonstrate appreciation for the impact of arts and culture. In Buchanan County, 91% of survey respondents said the activity or venue inspires a sense of pride in our community. The arts are an economic engine and a cornerstone of tourism, but more importantly, the arts and cultural non-profit organizations in Buchanan County lift up our community, providing important creative opportunities for expression and exploration. With that in mind, we look forward to launching the Arts Fund and being successful in providing financial assistance to our eight funded agencies so they can continue to provide affordable arts programming for us all,” she added.



Find Your Art-Venture!

Arts Fund 2024

Thank you for your continued support of the arts in St. Joseph! As you prepare your 2024 budget, we hope you will include the Arts Fund of the Allied Arts Council in your plans!

The Arts Fund strengthens the arts in the region by raising and responsibly allocating funds to promote artistic and organizational excellence. Our mission is to make the arts accessible to all, but we need your help to achieve that! Your donation to the Arts Fund campaign keeps the arts affordable and ensures our eight funded agencies can provide quality programming and educational experiences in St. Joseph.

[Donate online now!](#)

or mail your donation to the Arts Fund to 118 South 8 Street, St. Joseph, MO 64501.

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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

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Full Payment Attached Partial Payment Attached: Amount Paid: _____

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Bill Me: In Full Monthly Quarterly

Thank you for your tax deductible donation. Individual Corporate/Business

Does your employer offer matching funds? Yes No

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Thank you in advance for your kind and generous donation!



New After School Art-Ventures Provide Arts Experiences

Kids love the arts! So, in November, 2023, the Allied Arts Council and the St. Joseph School District kicked off After School Art-Ventures, which is a new pilot program taking artists into three Title 1 elementary schools, Hosea, Edison and Lindbergh for visual art, dance and music arts experiences.

Janell Becerra, chair of the Allied Arts Council Arts Education Committee, said,

“I have the pleasure of chairing the education committee of the Allied Arts Council. The vision of the Allied Arts Council sponsoring Art-Ventures within the schools for an after school art experience began November 2 at Hosea Elementary, and continued November 9 at Edison. These experiences started with guest artist Mrs. Rathbun and ended at Lindbergh on November 30. The students had a great experience!!!”

For this initial year, there will be three sessions per school provided. It is our hope that we can expand this program to include additional sessions in more schools in the future.



Student Groups take Guided Sculpture Walks



It was an exciting fall with 325 St. Joseph School District elementary students and 41 Savannah High School students taking guided tours of the Sculpture Walk in Downtown. The Allied Arts Council staff and Arts Council volunteers were the guides for the experience. The students were able to get hands-on with the artwork, ask questions and get a feel for what inspires sculptors. They also took the opportunity to vote for their favorite sculpture for the People’s Choice award!

Students from Savannah High School took a guided tour of the Sculpture Walk as part of a class on creating 3-D projects.



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Act 1: You wanted to be an actor...run lights or sound for a play... move the sets...but you didn't have the time or opportunity.

Act 2: Your children are grown and on their own...your career is secure...you're enjoying retirement...

Now it's time for YOU to fulfill that dream of being on stage or working behind the scenes with theater classes for adults 50 years +. Recognizing the limited opportunities for mature adults to pursue their interest in theatre, Robidoux Resident Theatre has developed the 2nd Act Workshops for those with no to limited theatrical experience.

For more information, visit www.rrtstjoe.org.

Let's be Social! Follow us for updates.



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Thank you for your support of the Allied Arts Council programs. Your generosity allows us to provide arts education, public art experiences and to support our member agencies.

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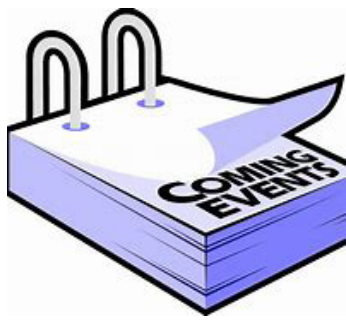
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What's Happening in the Arts!

Exhibitions

January 13 through - February 18

Stillness and Life in Colored Pencil: Wanda Taylor

Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art

www.albrecht-kemper.org

January 13 through April 14

Annual Albrecht-Kemper Membership Exhibition

Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art

www.albrecht-kemper.org

Events

January

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Princess Tea Party

This Royal Tea Party will include tea or apple juice, finger snacks, a coronation and time with a few your favorite Royal Princesses.

Ruby Theater

RRT

1 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

www.rrtstjoe.org

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Symphoni Mini II

Eman Chalshotori (Cello) & Melody Smith (Piano)

Ashland United Methodist Church

Saint Joseph Symphony

3 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

www.saintjosephsymphony.org

February

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Super Science Saturday

Science Educators from MWSU and area high schools present

interactive science experiments for children of all ages.

MWSU Remington/Agenstein Hall

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

<https://www.stjosephmuseum.org/>

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A Musical Celebration of Black History

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3:00 p.m.

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March

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Scottish Rite Temple

6:00 p.m. Dinner

7:30 p.m. Performance

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7 p.m.

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Brass Transit, the Musical Legacy of Chicago

Brass Transit's sole purpose is to pay tribute to one of the world's greatest rock groups of all time.

Missouri Theater

Performing Arts Association

7:30 p.m.

<https://performingarts-saintjoseph.org/>

Ongoing Arts and Culture Opportunities

Allied Arts Council

Sculpture Walk

Sculpture Walk Brochure/Map

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Art Classes

Art Classes for All Ages and Beginners through Advanced

Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art

www.albrecht-kemper.org/classes/



Sculpture Artists Wanted!

The Allied Arts Council along with the City of St. Joseph invite regional, national and international sculpture artists to enter a sculpture for the 11th annual St. Joseph Sculpture Walk!

The selected sculptures will be displayed Downtown for the June 2024-May 2025 exhibition. Artists selected receive a \$750 honorarium per sculpture selected and compete for up to \$15,000 in cash prize awards. Each sculpture is for sale to the public. Additionally, one sculpture is purchased to become a permanent part of St. Joseph's public art collection.

The deadline for submission is February 13, 2024. Click [here](#)



Don't Forget to Vote for Your Favorite Sculpture!

Show the sculptures some love and vote for your favorite! The students who took a guided tour of the Sculpture Walk have spoken. Now it's your turn to vote for your choice for the Sculpture Walk People's Choice Award. The deadline to submit your vote is January 31, 2024. The winner will be announced in February 2024. To participate and cast your vote pick up a brochure at one of the Downtown ballot boxes. Download the OTOCAST app and meet the artists too!

For questions and more information, please contact the Allied Arts Council at 816-233-0231, or stop by the office located at 118 South 8th Street, St. Joseph, Missouri, 64501.

Save the Date!

**Beer Walk for the Arts
2024**

Saturday May 11, 2024

2 to 5 p.m.

Spice up your Saturday!
Take the afternoon to enjoy
sample craft beers and local
bites!

Enjoy live music by area
musicians!

Tour historic homes in the
Museum Hill Neighborhood!



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