

WINONA ARTS CENTER

APRIL 2024

AT A GLANCE

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The Winona Arts Center is busy with lots of opportunities to engage with the arts in our community. Check out the schedule below and add the dates to your calendar. Flip the page over for details about April events. See you soon!

April 2024 Schedule of Events

Friday	4/5	7:00pm	Four short films with Cy Dodson followed by Q&A with the Director – Winona Film Society	
Saturday	4/13	10am–12pm	Storytelling Group	
Saturday	4/13	12–4pm	Acrylic Painting Class with Barb Halvorson	
Saturday	4/13	7pm	Chris Koza Duo	
Friday	4/19	7pm	God's Slave – Winona Film Society	
Saturday	4/27	10am–3pm	The Pleasure of Pastel Painting with Betsy Midthun	
Saturday	4/27	7pm	The Swamp Poppas	

Weekly Events

Sundays	1–4pm	Art Gallery Open	
Sundays	4–6pm	Estro Jam Session 2nd & 4th Sundays	
Mondays	6–8pm	Drum Circle	
Tuesdays	6–8pm	Drawing Circle	
Wednesdays	3–6pm	Art Gallery Open	
Thursdays	4:30–8pm	Open Studio	



WAC activities are made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Southeastern MN Arts Council thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts and cultural heritage fund.

CONCERTS

CHRIS KOZA DUO SATURDAY / APRIL 13 / 7:00PM

Composer / Performer Chris Koza is an internationally-recognized Americana artist. Chris has toured the US extensively, sharing the stage with Gordon Lightfoot, Brandi Carlile, Ingrid Michaelson, Andrew Bird, Stephen Kellogg, and many others. His music appears regularly on ABC's General Hospital, 60 Minutes, and Good Morning America. His song (Rogue Valley) The Wolves and the Ravens was featured in Ben Stiller's film *The Secret Life of Walter Mitty*.



Longtime friend and guitarist Peter Sieve joins Chris for a stretch of duo dates this Spring, throughout the Midwest and Colorado.

The coffeehouse opens at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Advance tickets are available at Music Mart (formerly Hardt's Music) until 5:00pm April 12, or through Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/chris-koza-duo-tickets-796514003827>



SWAMP POPPAS SATURDAY / APRIL 27 / 7:00PM

Come join us for our first Cajun band!! We are excited to have a premier Cajun band from Minneapolis join us at the art center. The group features Jan Stroup, guitarist & vocalist with 50 yrs on his music belt, Andy Vaaler on piano, organ, accordion, and vocals, Max Ray on sax & vocals, Joe Luoma on percussion, sound effects & vocals, Tedd Halvorson on guitar & vocals, our own Winona native, Lucinda Plaisance on vocals, and finally Karl Smelker founder of Swamp Poppas on bass guitar.

Wine, Beer and Cajun treats will be available for your enjoyment. Let the Good Times Roll!!

The coffeehouse opens at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Advance tickets are available at Music Mart (formerly Hardt's Music) until 5:00pm April 26, or through Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/swamp-poppas-tickets-820068405677>

APRIL 2024 HIGHLIGHTS AT WINONA ARTS CENTER

EXHIBIT

DREAMTIME BY DAN EASTMAN

OPENING RECEPTION: SUNDAY / APRIL 28, 2024 / 1:00-4:00PM / ARTIST TALK 1:00PM
EXHIBIT DATES: APRIL 28 - JUNE 9, 2024



Artist Statement:

“The mysteries of dreaming reside in the proliferation of unpredictable sequences. For this exhibition, I have gathered such newfound paths where dreams meander by transcending far-traveled certainties with an expanding array of echoes passing both strange and wonderful. Should you find any of these diamond-shaped dream collages adhering to your dream destinies, then you may take them for your own — free as indicated at the desk. Thank you, and welcome to an entwined dreamtime where each dreams of the other.”

During normal Gallery hours, gallery attendees will be encouraged to choose one of the 60 pieces on the tables in the exhibit and they are all free; we are accepting donations only, not doing sales.

The other 30 pieces on the wall will remain on the wall through the entire exhibit. These pieces are donated without prices as well, and gallery attendees can select a piece, yet leave it on the wall until the end of the exhibit.

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FILMS

FOUR SHORT FILMS BY CY DODSON

Followed By Director Q&A

FRIDAY / APRIL 5 / 7:00PM / \$10.00



Cy Dodson, the director of the 4 short films will be present for a discussion about the 4 short films we will show. He is the owner of Minneapolis-based, Triumph Pictures, and is an award-winning, professional documentary film producer in Minneapolis,

MN. His documentary films have screened at nearly 100 festivals worldwide and have won over 30 festival awards to date. Cy combines his use of cinematography and editing to produce compelling tales of the human spirit in order to create memorable, gripping productions.

Say His Name: Five Days for George Floyd (2021) 21 minutes

Beneath the Ink (2018) 12 minutes

The Ragman: A Hobo's Story Untold (2017) 15 minutes

My Last Breath (2014) 23 minutes

The films will begin at 7:00 and we will have treats, coffee & tea available during the discussion.

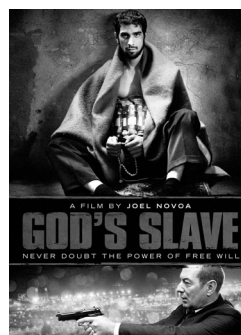
GOD'S SLAVE

FRIDAY / APRIL 19 / 7:00PM / \$5.00

Based on the actual events of a 1994 bombing in Buenos Aires, *God's Slave*, the acclaimed debut from Joel Novoa Schneider is a suspenseful cat and mouse game that leads to a deadly showdown.

The characters: Ahmed, an Islamic terrorist, and David, a cold-blooded Israeli special agent are involved in the conflict carrying suspense and intrigue.

Spanish with English subtitles, 91 minutes



CLASSES

ACRYLIC PAINTING CLASS WITH BARB HALVORSON

HALVORSON

SATURDAY / APRIL 13 / 12 - 4PM



Join us for an Acrylic Painting Class with Barb Halvorson on Saturday, April 13, 2024, 12pm to 4pm. We will be painting a yellow Finch on an actual leaf just in time for Spring!

Beginner to Adult painters are welcome no experience needed. All supplies are furnished.

Cost is \$40 for members and \$45 for non-members.

Interested individuals can register for the class by contacting Jen at jsben50@gmail.com. Registration fee, including a current email address, can be mailed to Winona Arts Center at 228 E 5th St, Winona, MN 55987.

Scholarships are available for classes at the WAC. Contact Jen Benson at jsben50@gmail.com.

THE PLEASURE OF PASTEL PAINTING WITH BETSY MIDTHUN

SATURDAY / APRIL 27 / 10 - 3PM

Join us for the Pleasure of Pastel Painting with Betsy Midthun at the Winona Arts Center on Saturday April 27, 10am to 3pm. Betsy has a double major in Art Education and Art History and was recently chosen for a one-woman show of her work at the LaCrosse Pump House! She has a passion for painting and drawing and has attended many pastel conferences and workshops.



Participants in this class will learn all about pastels and the different techniques used in painting with pastels. You will take home 3 different small paintings that you have painted!

Beginner to Adult painters are welcome - no experience needed. All supplies are furnished. This class is limited to 10 participants.

Cost is \$40 for members and \$45 for non-members.

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