

AREA ARTS UPDATE

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GRANT FUNDS INCREASE!

Incentive funds increased from the Adams County Cultural Council for 2009!

The Adams County Cultural Council calculates their incentive funding for groups applying for SCFD funds based on a formula. That formula takes into consideration the amount of community support and other grants received by the organization.

Your generous support through your memberships and the sponsorships of businesses in our community helped us qualify for significantly more incentive funds for use in 2009.

Incentive funds can be used for administrative and promotional expenses, but cannot be used for talent or actual program related costs.

This represents a success in one of our goals. That is to demonstrate growing support from our community for the programs and services offered by the North Metro Arts Alliance.

We couldn't have done it without your generous contributions!

THANK YOU!

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STARS ON PARADE

On October 4th, an audience of close to 500 people were treated to the "best yet" showcase of local talent.

Several returning acts and some unbelievably talented new kids sang and danced their way across the stage.

EVO Stars returned for the



EVO STARS

second year with their talented crew of young people. Alexander & John Rocheleau returned with their vocal and violin talents. Gina Vitgenos and Alythea Domingues Robinson rounded out our returning vocalists.

Cheryn's Dance studio returned again this year as well as returning hip hop artist Vanessa Ramieriez. Joining them this year were a new hip hop dance group—Third Race.

We had new vocalists—Krystal Hines and Ryan Bowman as well as Zari Dominguez Robinson

(Alythea's mom!)

Some of you who have attended in the past may remember Katrina Tobar. She started with Stars at the age of 5 as a dancer. This year, she was joined by her brother Kyle who accompanied her vocal solo on the guitar.

As in past years, Rob Raleigh (Musical Director) did an outstanding job of providing both coaching and great accompaniment to really make our "Stars" SHINE!

Hereford Percy graced us as Emcee and none of it could have happened without the hard work of committee Chair Emil Rinaldi!

Visit Our Website nmarts.net for more info on:

- Colcannon—Feb. 28, 2009
- Michael & Amy—April 25, 2009
- Free Concerts in area Parks
- Free Concerts at the MAC once a month
- School Grants available for cultural assemblies
- Membership / Sponsorship Opportunities

NMAA GOALS FOR 2009—HOW YOU CAN HELP

In January the NMAA Board of Directors proposed the following goals for 2009:

- Increased attendance at our Premier Concert Series events.
- Provide more art opportunities for youth
- Increased visibility in our community.
- Add more corporate sponsors.



- Identify and implement benefits for members.
- Increase membership at all levels

SCFD—as well as many other granting organizations—are very interested in supporting those entities that can demonstrate a significant need for their programs and corresponding community support.

As members—your support has been vital to our ability to continue not only our programs, but our mission of an organization dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in the North Metro Area.

If you know of corporations who have expressed a desire to invest in the community—and their objectives are a good fit for our programs, please tell them

about us and tell us about them!

We are also interested in hearing from you about:

- *What kinds of concerts would you like to see as a part of our Premier Series?*
- *Creative ideas for partnering with youth in arts expression & education?*
- *Membership benefits or opportunities to be involved?*

Call: Vicky at 303-429-1999 or e-mail her at VickyLMKPB@msn.com with comments.



COLCANNON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2009—7:30 PM

Colcannon has developed a distinctive, inventive, and contemporary musical style while still keeping in firm touch with the heart and essence of traditional Irish music.

Colcannon's concerts are reknowned for their energy, for singer Mick Bolger's irrepressible sense of humor and sly wit, and of course, for the music; music that expresses flights of joy, deep sorrows, and an unquenchable zest for life.



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WWW.COLCANNON.COM

MICHAEL AND AMY SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2009—7:30 PM

Michael and Amy—Headline Music & Comedy Dueling Pianos Show



The recipe? Start with two multi-talented, musical and comedic entertainers who also happen to be husband and wife. Next, mix in an eclectic blend of musical genres ranging from Beetho-

ven to Billy Joel, Gershwin to Garth, Andrew Lloyd Weber to AC/DC. Add a substantial dollop of stand-up and improvisational comedy topped off with a heaping helping of audience interaction and participation.

Dish it all up on two unsuspecting grand pianos for one hilarious and unforgettable serving of what we like to call—Quirkish Delight! People are eating it up all over the world!

The audience is as much a part of the performance as are Michael and Amy. Once moment you're singing at the top of your lungs, the next doubled over in

laughter. Always fun. Always exciting. Completely entertaining.

There is quite literally something for everyone during Michael and Amy's show. Their diverse range of popular and familiar music, some of which should never have been attempted on one piano much less two and across-the-board humor will instantly bring a diverse audience together in song and laughter.

We welcome this dynamic duo to our Premier Concert Series

www.MichaelandAmy.com



COLORADO VISIONS—2009

The 12th Annual Colorado Visions juried art exhibit will be held at Westminster City Hall April 13—May 29, 2009.

This event is open to all artists residing in Colorado, 18 years of age or older. Entries will be accepted into the following categories:

Category 1—Any two dimensional fine art media including fine art photography.

Category 2—Sculpture which is decorative 3-dimensional art made from clay, bronze, wood or other approved materials.

Paintings must be original and not copied from any copyrighted material or

photographs, except those taken by the artist. No computer art, gicleé prints or nudes will be accepted. Collage materials must be painted by the artist. Artist signature should appear on the front of the painting. An individual artist may submit up to 3 slides of original works for a fee of \$20 for NMAA members (\$30 for non-members).

Be sure to join us at Westminster City Hall on Thursday, April 16th for an artist's reception 5:00—7:00 pm

Deadline for slide entries—
March 7, 2009.

Notification of acceptance will be sent by March 31, 2009.

If accepted—paintings / artwork must be delivered to Westminster City Hall on April 13th between 9—11 am.

Show Judge—Carole Barnes

Carole Barnes will also be conducting a workshop April 22—24, 2009

For an entry form, a complete set of entry rules and any additional information, contact:

Becky Silver (303) 466-2512

Betty Gibson (303) 451-0379



Wednesday—Feb. 11th at 10 am

Mr. Shine. Join this Singer/Songwriter for a magical, mystical and musical program. Lots of fun, laughs, participation and a little magic. This show is for all ages.

Sunday—Feb 15th at 3 pm

Jimmy West This versatile singer/pianist features an incredible range of styles from swing to easy-listening, from honky-tonk to sing-alongs.

FREE CONCERT SERIES

Wednesday—Mar. 11th at 10 am and Sunday—Mar. 15th at 3 pm.

Wick School of Irish Dance. The Wick School of Dance is one of the largest Irish Dance Schools in Colorado and has thrilled audiences across the state for over 20 years with rousing performances of traditional Irish Dance. On Sunday, Mar. 15th—Gob's O Phun joins the Dance School for that afternoon's performance. This musical trio interacts with the audience, inciting laughter, sing along, clapping and good natured camaraderie.

Wednesday—Apr. 15 at 10 am—Connie and the "Hip Hop" Magic Show. performs a lively magical review featuring Mr. Little, Fairy Bunny Princess, Frosty,

Precious and Wanda the Wonder Chicken.

Sunday—Apr. 19th at 3 pm—Hawaiian-Way Ohana. John Coelho, with his incredible vocals and guitar playing, along with two dancers, provides authentic, quality entertainment.

Sunday—May 17th at 3 pm—After Midnight! Join us for this centennial tribute to Benny Goodman—the King of Swing!

Wednesday Concerts are at 10 am and are held at the Perl Mack Community Center—7135 Mariposa St. Denver. 303-650-7580.

Sunday Concerts are at 3 pm and are held at The MAC—3295 W 72nd Ave. Westminster. 303-426-4310

NMAA BOARD OF DIRECTOR UPDATES!

NEW MEMBER - CLARA BURNS

Newly appointed to represent the Front Range Community College is Clara Burns.

Clara is the Library Director at the College Hill Library in Westminster. Clara is familiar with North Metro Arts Alliance through many of the public art collection pieces that are displayed in her library and she has a love for the arts and sees this as an opportunity to serve her community.

NMAA ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR AT-LARGE MEMBERS TO OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NMAA currently has openings for one AT-LARGE MEMBER with a second position opening up before the end of this year.

Appointment to this position is by application. Forms may be downloaded from our website:



www.nmarts.net. To request a form, call 303-429-1999 or e-mail Vicky Marshall at VickyLMKPB@msn.com

As a member of our Board of Directors, you should plan to serve as a member of one of our sub-committees and attend one meeting a month—held on the first Thursday of each month at 4pm.

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THE BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP IN NMAA

You can become a member of NMAA!

Support the arts in the North Metro area by becoming a supporting member of the North Metro Arts Alliance! We are a non-profit organization and while we partner with many local organizations including the City of Westminster, Hyland Hills Park and Rec. District and Adams County School District 50—we welcome individual and corporate support as well.

Our mission is to serve the Westminster and North-Metro communities in the areas of performance and visual arts, including cultural entertainment. Ultimately, NMAA strives to enrich awareness, education and access to the arts for North Metro residents throughout the calendar year.

Supporting members are not required to attend meetings, but are listed in all our concert programs. At all levels of membership, you will be able to purchase unlimited tickets to our premier

concert series at the reduced Senior/Student rate. You will automatically receive future issues of this newsletter. Best of all, you will help our organization to grow and we will be able to bring more cultural opportunities to the north metro community.

Season Tickets for the 2008-2009 Premier Concert Series— \$50 ea. (\$80 value)

Call 303-429-1999 to Order Season Tickets. Individual Concert tickets will be available at www.ticketwest.com or at the door.

2008 –2009 Board of Directors:

Becky Silver—Pres.	Betty Grace Gibson
Peggy Bocard - V.P.	Pam Gonzoles
Rick Fuller— Treas.	Andy Holmes
Emil Rinaldi—Sec.	Kevin Massey
Clara Burns	Monte Quintana
Chris Dittman	Don VanArsdale
Rev. Robert Dallenbach	Bryan Watkins

Executive Director—Vicky Marshall

\$25—Individual membership
\$35—Group (family, business, etc.)
\$50—Patron (= one season pass)
\$100—249—Benefactor (= two season passes)

Corporate Level Sponsorships:

Bronze \$250—\$999
Silver \$1,000—\$2,999
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