



April 2016

# arts ON GRAND

## Exhibit Schedule

Exhibiting now:

### “High School Student Art Show”

Featuring the works of students from Okoboji, Sioux Central and Clay Central Everly

Mar 29th thru Apr 16th, 2016

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Opening this month:

### “A Sense of Place”

by Wendell Arneson

Abstract acrylic and oil paintings by Professor Arneson of St. Olaf college.

Opening April 19th!

## Gallery Hours:

Tuesday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Friday: 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

## Thank You!

Arts on Grand is grateful for all of our wonderful volunteers!

- ◆ Shirley Clark                      Polly Nelson
- ◆ Emily O’Loughlin                  Clare Wheeler
- ◆ Sky                                      Ellen Sorenson
- ◆ Nori Wilken                          Carol Cadmus
- ◆ Jay Prather

- ◆ And a BIG thank you to Mark and Karen Carey for the film selection and viewing site and unlimited popcorn for the spring series of Films for the Cinematically Disadvantaged!

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## How the Glue Gun can Improve your Psyche

by Katie Hughes

A friend recently posted a picture on my Facebook wall that depicted the classic WW2 British poster of the royal crown with the words, “Keep Calm and Knit On”. It was a cute and happy reminder that I do feel at my happiest when I have something in my hands that I’m working on, whether it’s a knitting or sewing project, a doodle, or throwing a piece on the wheel.

Recent studies on the effects of creative engagement often indicate that simply being creative in some way can decrease anxiety, stress, and mood disturbances. Other medical studies have found that even minor participation in the arts in some way, such as listening to music, reading or even viewing art can lower blood pressure!

“But, I can’t even draw a stick figure!” you might protest, but guess what?

**You don’t have to draw a stick figure.**



Pictured above: The Glue Gun, no license required. Now featuring a stress release trigger.

You don’t even have to be “good” at art to participate in the arts in some way. Go to a museum or a concert. Read a book. Start a journal. Get a coloring book. Start a crafting night with your friends. Do something! Find what helps you to “Keep Calm” and start enjoying the benefits today!



Pictured above: With the aid of her significant other, Jesse Bogenrief, Programming Director Katie Hughes has started “ahem” organizing materials to donate to the Arts and Crafts Supply Garage Sale. There is plenty to be done...

## Have You Started Going Through Your Stash Yet?

If not, there is still time! Spring Cleaning season is the perfect time to start raiding your arts and crafts supplies and start boxing up what you don’t need/want anymore to donate to the Arts and Crafts Supply Garage Sale on May 19th, 2016 at Bogenrief Studios in Spencer, IA!

### What are we accepting? Lots of things!

- Papers of all varieties and purposes
- Paints, markers and crayons
- Canvases, easels and brushes
- Tools and equipment
- Yarn, fabric, dyes, fiber and notions
- Heavy equipment like kilns
- Books and patterns
- And MORE!

Not sure if your item should be donated? Or maybe you are moving before Donation Day and need to make special arrangements?

**Call us at (712) 262-4307 and we can help!**

## Psssst! Hey!

Note the enclosed list of 2016 members of Arts on Grand. We are so thankful for the support we receive from the community. If you have not joined for this year, you may pay a membership online on [www.artsongrand.org](http://www.artsongrand.org), or mail in your donation any time.



## Letter from the Director,

In this issue is a list of current 2016 members of Arts on Grand. Your membership allows AOG to continue to offer art classes and free art exhibits every month, and we sincerely thank you for your support. For ease of joining, a person sign up or renew their membership online on our website. This month, once again, we are exhibiting talented local high school artists, please come check them out and vote for your favorite. We congratulate 11th grader, Olivia Fletcher from Spencer High school for having her piece voted best in show and winning a class being taught by Allan Servoss when he exhibits at Arts on Grand in June/July. Mr. Servoss’s instructional class will be available for the public and AOG members. As part of our fundraising this spring, you may have read about the football tickets to be raffled for \$20 per ticket, of which you can purchase from our website, we will also have a few sports-related items for silent auction at AOG for members to bid on. Please call or email us for information about these items, or stop in at AOG and check them out. If you’re die-hard fan of one of the state schools, you may be interested in these items, as they are not available for purchase anywhere. Thank you all again for your membership and support of Arts on Grand!

- Chris White, Executive Director



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## Gallery Shop News

You've asked for it... and we're pleased to say

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Chad Elliott's new  
album now in stock!



## Congrats!

Congratulations to Olivia Fletcher of Spencer High School for winning People's Choice Award at this year's Student Art Show. She will receive a free class to Allan Servoss' drawing clinic!

## Many Thanks!

We were delighted to host Evaline Froelich Day in the Gallery on Easter Sunday. Thank you to all of the wonderful people who made this day a marvelous success!

XOXO - AOG

## Hear ye! Hear ye! Tickets for Sale!

We are selling raffle tickets for a very important event! For \$20, you can purchase a ticket to put you in the running to win a pair of tickets to the BIG Game at Kinnick Stadium in Iowa City this Fall!

We also recently found out that due to special copyright laws, we can't actually print the names or logos of the respective teams in this newsletter... but let's just say that their names rhyme with "Smockeyes" and the "Shyclones". We hate to think of what those team mascots might look like...

**Buy your raffle tickets now by calling (712) 262-4307, stop by AOG in person or order them online at [www.artsongrand.org](http://www.artsongrand.org)!**

**Go Smockeyes and Shylones!!!**

Look for the answer hidden in this newsletter!

## Tell it to the Judge!

Which famous artist was considered a suspect and questioned (but later released!) for the theft of the Mona Lisa?

- A) Salvador Dali
- B) Marcel Duchamp
- C) Frida Kahlo
- D) Pablo Picasso

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## High School Exhibit: Part Deux!

Arts on Grand is pleased to present high school student artwork from Sioux Central, Okoboji, and Clay Central Everly, sponsored by Farmers Bank of Spencer, IA. Art teachers Bruce Tepfer, Rhonda Saunders, and Laura Turner are instrumental in the artistic success of their students, some of whom received statewide accolades for work completed this year. It is fitting that these students have a central gallery to showcase all their work. Parents, teachers, and the public from Clay, Buena Vista, and Dickinson and surrounding counties are encouraged to support their students by a visit the gallery.

A pizza and punch reception honoring the artists will be held at Arts on Grand at 408 Grand Ave in Spencer, Iowa on March 31 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. The event is free and everyone is cordially invited. The student exhibit will be on display until April 16th.



Pictured: Examples of artwork from students of Sioux Central High School.

## Coming soon to the Gallery... Wendell Arneson!

Wendell Arneson from Northfield, MN. will be having his second show at Arts on Grand! Over the years Prof. Arneson has taught art at St. Olaf College. His first show was in 1993, and since that time his work has undergone a huge transformation, so we encourage everyone to come and see this collection of bold abstract art, "A Sense of Place".

This show opens April 19 with an evening reception from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm. Professor Arneson will give a gallery talk at 6 pm. Refreshments will be served and the public is welcome to join us in the gallery!

### Interested in being a sponsor?

Be a sponsor of an exhibit or an event for Arts on Grand and help the arts stay alive and well in Spencer, IA! Call (712) 262-4307 today for more information.



Pictured above: "Lazarus' Staff" by Wendell Arneson. (2013) 46" by 46"