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NEWS

MEDIA ADVISORY

ArtWalk

February Sponsor: The Arrangement/T&P Event Center

"You've Gotta Have HeART"

- WHAT:** ArtWalk - a major program of the Center for Contemporary Arts
- WHEN:** February 8, 2007
5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
- WHERE:** DOWNTOWN ABILENE
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Activities and Entertainment

*Enjoy free art activities, live music, and fun for everyone –
all downtown Abilene.*

Learn how you can support the arts in Abilene with a very small monthly donation to the **Abilene Cultural Affairs Council**. Visit with an ARTS representative at the Center for Contemporary Arts. HeARTS for the ARTS!

Enjoy **free carriage rides** powered by **Hardin-Simmons** white horses **Powder and Shine**. Look for them on the corner of Cypress at North Second Street weather permitting.

Look for the **Memory Men Quartet** outside the **Center for Contemporary Arts**. Let them serenade your sweetheart while you select Valentine offered by the **Cooper High School Art Club**.

The Meek Blood Center Bloodmobile will be parked in front of the Wooten between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m. Every donor will receive a 16 oz stainless steel mug.

Celebrate rich moments from our nation's past with performances from ACU's 10th annual Black History Production Logos: *That Which You Say So Shall It Be* at the **National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature**, 102 Cedar. Performances are at 6:00 and 6:45. Enjoy **free art activities** as well.

At **The Grace Museum** watch pottery demonstrations by students of **Angel Whiteside** from Potters of Hickory Street. And kids of all ages can create a **Valentine Mice** during *Make It and Take It* - a free art activity available from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

The Historic Paramount Theatre, 352 Cypress St. See *The Illusionist* at 7:30 pm. Rated PG-13 for mild sexuality and violence. Edward Norton, Jessica Biel and Paul Giamatti star in this elegant period epic about an extraordinary illusionist who uses his powers to win the love of a wealthy aristocrat. This opulent, romantic film has been nominated for a 2007 Independent Spirit Award for Best Screenplay. The Paramount Film Series ticket prices are \$5 for adults and \$4 for students, seniors, military and children.

The Cockerell Gallery is proud to host screenings of "**The Invisible Children**", February 3rd, 4th, and 8th. The show times will be 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 3rd, and 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 4th, in Suite 102 (downstairs). Though admission is free, donations are welcome. See their website at www.invisiblechildren.com. For further information, call Carolyn Cockerell at 325-829-7975.

As always, **Abilene Trolley Rides** are Free for ArtWalkers!

Galleries and Museums

The Center for Contemporary Arts, 220 Cypress St.

Jane Adams Breed Gallery: *Chiaroscuro – Linda Scarborough*

The Center for Contemporary Arts is delighted to present Signature artist member Linda Scarborough's collection of work in the Breed Gallery. Her paintings reflect the art history term "chiaroscuro" meaning shadow and light.

Gallery 2: *Expectations of Adolescence – Blake Fitch*

Chronicling the journey from childhood to womanhood, Fitch portrays the wonderment, ideals, and special moments involved in how a girl determines what type of woman she will become. Please join us for an artist reception from 6:15 – 8:00 p.m.

Gallery 3: *Satiated Between the Layers – Ash Almonte*

Almonte's paintings are extremely energetic and colorful abstracts, primarily portraits and a new series of florals. Ash Almonte is the youngest Signature Artist Member at the Center.

Gallery 4: *The Emotions-Deborah Hammond*

The Emotions, by Deborah Hammond is a stunning display of portraits that immerse the viewer into the lives of her subjects. Empathy with the subject and discovery of emotion is inevitable.

Cockerell Galleries and Studios, 1133 N. 2nd St.

See the work of Jessica Natalee Templeton in her first featured exhibition. Special exhibits outdoors will be artists Rebecca Hull and pinhole photographer Henry Morgan. Also on display will be works by Ash Almonte, Doug Hodel, Eric Krupa, Ronnie Tatom, Bud Clay Thomas and students from Cooper High School.

Frontier Texas!, 625 N. 1st St. - Open until 6:00 p.m.

Meet people who played out their lives on the Texas frontier. Cutting-edge technology puts a visitor in the middle of attacks by Indians and wolves, stampeding buffalo and more!

The Grace Museum, 102 Cypress St.

Main Gallery: Creatures Great and Small: Folk Art from The African American Museum, Dallas - These contemporary (and primarily Texan) folk artists are self-taught intuitive people who find their own way into the making of art in an intensely personal way. This exhibition of more than 100 works by 25 artists reminds us that the work of self-taught artists continue to offer unlimited opportunities for discovery, and assures us that folk art is here to stay as a viable and influential movement.

Second Floor - Gallery A and B: *Texas Singer Songwriters: An Americana Portrait* -- Photographs by Gary Goldberg -- Photographer Gary Goldberg, art professor at Midwestern State University, has documented fifty Texas singer songwriters whose works are part of a musical genre called "Americana." Including Stephanie Urbina Jones and Ray Wylie Hubbard of "Up Against the Wall Redneck Mother" fame, each image is accompanied by lyrics written by the musician. Several will have audio components.

Second Floor - Gallery C: *Contemporary Ceramics from the San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts* -- There is a wide range of styles and imagery in these 40 creative pieces of contemporary American ceramics, many purchased from the National Ceramic Competitions held at the San Angelo museum.

Third Floor - History Museum: Mallouf Boot Shop, T&P Railroad, and Historic Period Rooms

NCCIL (National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature), 102 Cedar St.

Come by the NCCIL to see a special anniversary exhibit featuring work from over 20 illustrators that have exhibited during the past 10 years. Free art activities for children will be offered from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Studio Thirteen, 909 N. 13th St. - Open 7:30 - 10:30 p.m.

Come on down to Studio Thirteen. We'll have a late night snack, talk about art, and you can see our latest work. The coolest art co-op in town!

12th Armored Division Memorial Museum, 1289 N. 2nd St.

American small arms used during WWII will be presented by living history interpreters Tom Walke, Jason Pitcher and Alex Phillips. Open 5:30 to 8:00 pm. Admission is free during ArtWalk and small free gifts are available for children.

Restaurants

The Civic Plaza Hotel, 505 Pine St. The lobby and restaurant will be open from 5:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Cypress Street Station, 158 Cypress St. Marianne Fincher will exhibit her work all month.

McKay's Bakery, 226 Cypress St. Grab a bite to eat, and try a wide variety of treats. See works by **Tootsie' Treasures** and gift items by **Rocking Belle** all inside McKay's.

Specialty Shops

Civilization – A Shop of Discoveries, 174 Cypress St. Stop in and treat your Valentine to a free 5-minute chair massage from a licensed massage therapist. 6-8 p.m.

The Leaf, 202 Cypress St. The Leaf features an espresso bar with hot and iced espresso beverages, Italian sodas, iced tea, and sodas; tobacco, cigars, and pipes, teas and gifts.

Monks Coffee Shop, 233 Cypress St. Come see artworks by Tim Sutherland, Ewynne Caffey, and Ash Almonte and enjoy pastries, coffee, smoothies and more.

Texas Star Trading Company, 326 Cypress St., at the Hotel Wooten. Need a Texas-style Valentine idea for your sweetheart? Stop by for some suggestions. They're open until 7:30 p.m. during ArtWalk.

The Warehouse in the T&P, N. 1st & Pine St. will be open from 7:30 to midnight with live music & drink Specials. 21 & up.

Street Vendors

Dream On! with free dream interpretations and encouraging words will be in front of Busch Jewelers. Look for David Bavousett with **Tin Shed Creations** in front of The Leaf. **Avon** representative **Rhonda Young** will be in front of Monks. **H & R Block** representative **Karen Woodward-Banks** will be in Minter Park to answer you tax questions.

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