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NEWS

MEDIA ADVISORY

ArtWalk

April Sponsor: N Tune Music & Sound

"Music for ArtWalking"

- WHAT:** ArtWalk - a major program of the **Center for Contemporary Arts**
- WHEN:** **April 12, 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 –
in downtown Abilene.*

Music for ArtWalking features artists from the **Abilene Acoustic Music Association**. Included are Jamison Priest, Rick Diaz, David Broom, Hilltop Edition and Ridgeline. See and hear them in Minter Park from 5:30 to 8:00.

Hear classical music selections performed on the piano by **Sharla Van Cleave** from 5-6:15, and enjoy the **Celebration Singers**, an Abilene Community Choir, at the Center for Contemporary Arts starting at 6:30 p.m.

Come to the **The Elks Arts Center, 1174 N. 1st St.** for an art show and sale by local artists to kick-off the **Abilene Preservation League's** downtown street and music festival, **Founders' Day 2007** - April 13th and 14th. Hear free, live music performed by *Joie de Vivre* from 5:30 to 8:30.

The Abilene Public Library will feature a wood carving demonstration by David Bavousett of **Tin Shed Creations**.

Meet famous composers and hear their music and stories while making a book to take home. Just follow the music notes to **Inspire Greatness**, 102 Pine, Suite 2.

The Clint Hamilton Foundation will host a preview celebration for the life and work of Clint Hamilton at the Second Street Gallery, 1133 N. 2nd St. from 5:30 to 8:30.

Make a Musical Instrument to celebrate "Music for ArtWalking" in *Make It and Take It*, sponsored by Lydick-Hooks, Inc. *Make It and Take It* is a free, hands-on art activity for kids of all ages at **The Grace Museum**. *Make It and Take It* is available from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

The Historic Paramount Theatre, 352 Cypress St. The Paramount Art Film - *Tsotsi*, 7:30 pm. *Tsotsi* traces six days in the life of a ruthless young gang leader who ends up caring for a baby accidentally kidnapped during a car-jacking. 2005, color, 94 minutes. This film is rated R for language and some strong violent content. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4 for students, seniors & military.

Enjoy **carriage rides** powered by **Hardin-Simmons University** white horses, Powder and Shine, from 6-8 p.m.

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

Galleries and Museums

The Center for Contemporary Arts, 220 Cypress St.

Jane Adams Breed Gallery: *View From Here Out* – Sarabeth Clevenger. The Center is delighted to present Signature artist member Sarabeth Clevenger's new work in collage, print-making and mixed media. These works addresses the question: "What possible relationship is there between human life and the infinite starry expanse?"

Gallery 2: *Oman: Land of Diversity* – Omani Society for Fine Arts

The Center for Contemporary Arts is proud to present *Oman: Land of Diversity* in Gallery 2. This exhibit, by the Omani Society for Fine Arts is a group show revealing the landscape and people of Oman. This series of remarkable landscapes and striking portraits invites you to envision the Omani people and their surroundings. *Oman: Land of Diversity* was exhibited in Lubbock, TX prior to its opening in Abilene. *Oman: Land of Diversity* opens April 10 and continues through May 30.

Gallery 3: *Creative Arts Club* - Annual Exhibit

The Creative Arts Club was started in 1933 to help unite the creative artists in West Texas, and has been true to that mission for the past 72 years. The Creative Arts Club is proud to announce the 2007 Annual Member's Exhibit which will be held at the Center for Contemporary Arts in the upstairs Gallery during the month of April. The Judge for the exhibit will be Judy Godfrey, former Executive Director/CEO of the Grace Museum in Abilene, TX. There will be a first, second, third place and honorable mentions awarded to the Professional division and one ribbon awarded to the Non-Professional Division. This organization has a number of very talented artists and the Creative Arts Club is happy to have a part in giving them a place to show their art.

Gallery 4: *Deployed*-Hartley King

Deployed is an eye-opening metaphor of a military spouse's loneliness during her husband's deployment. Painted with bright colors and touches of assemblage, these works are small canvases that contain single, empty chairs surrounded by negative space. King is an Associate Artist member at

the Center for Contemporary Arts. She has been involved in many group exhibits at the Center and teaches for the Center's ArtReach program.

"Deployment for a spouse means loneliness. That is what my series is about." – Hartley King

Conference Room: View the work of Bill Wright's students from his trip to Afghanistan titled *From Darkness to Light*.

Cockerell Galleries and Studios, 1133 N. 2nd St. See the work of Tracy Gand and Samantha Manski as well as new work by Ash Almonte, Doug Hodel, Eric Krup, Ron Tatom, Jessica Natalee Templeton and Bud Clay Thomas. To rid the stressors in your life, come see Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist, Christy Kahl, and Certified Massage Therapist, Carmen Money.

Gallery 174 inside Civilization, 174 Cypress St.

The grand opening of Gallery 174, an intimate gallery within Civilization, features the work of photographer Terry Hughes. Meet the artist from 6:00 - 7:30 pm. The exhibit will be on display through April.

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

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 dreamers or visionary artists. They 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 within the history of contemporary art.

Second Floor: Gallery B and C

National Watercolor Society 86th Annual National Watercolor Juried Exhibition - This exhibit features selected award-winning watercolor paintings

from the prestigious National Watercolor Society annual national competition. Those on display were judged the best examples of style, technique, and subject.

Second Floor: Children's Museum

Play and learn in *Kidsville*, a group of temporary exhibits from children's museums in Austin and Midland, while we continue construction on the new Children's Museum exhibits (scheduled to open in late-Spring 2007).

Third Floor: History Museum

Mallouf Boot Shop and Historic Period Rooms

NCCIL (National Center for Children's Illustrated Literature), 102 Cedar St. Journey into the whimsical world of David Small with the NCCIL's newest exhibit: A David Small World. Learn about adventurous explorers, famous inventors, funny presidents, and much more! Free art activities for children from 5:30 -8:00 pm. Autographed books are also available for purchase.

The 2nd St. Gallery in the Cockerell Building proudly presents its first exhibition: A two-woman show by artist Jessica Natalee Templeton and internationally-renowned artist Gay Taylor.

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.

Open 5:30 to 8:00 pm. Admission is free during ArtWalk, and free small gifts are available for children.

Restaurants

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

Cypress Street Station, 158 Cypress St. Jean King will exhibit her work all month.

McKay's Bakery, 226 Cypress St. Grab a bite to eat, and try a wide variety of treats.

Monks Coffee Shop, 233 Cypress St. Stop by for live music by Takisha Knight beginning at 7:00. Open mic is held every Thursday at 9:00 pm. Enjoy drinks by Monks until midnight.

The Warehouse in the T&P, N. 1st & Pine St. Continue the fun into the night with live music & drink specials. The Warehouse will be open 7:30 pm to midnight. 21 & up.

Specialty Shops

Cassandra's and Company, 173 Pine St. Nestled in the corner of this gift shop you will find a doll collection of over 550 dolls. See the dolls and purchase great gifts until 7:00 pm.

Civilization – A Shop of Discoveries, 174 Cypress St. See the photographs of Terry Hughes and shop until 8:00 pm.

The Honeycomb Tree, 1166 N. 2nd St. will be open!

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.

Texas Star Trading Company, 326 Cypress St., at the Hotel Wooten. Open until 7:30 pm during ArtWalk.

Street Vendors

Dream On! with free dream interpretations and encouraging words will be in front of Busch Jewelers, the **Memory Men** will be singing outside the Center for Contemporary Arts, and **Feather Bay Land Development** will be on the corner of N. 2nd and Cypress. Also look for **Avon** representative **Rhonda Davis** and Coleman High School artist **Emma Lee Dyer**. Bring a used cell

phone or inkjet printer cartridge to donate to **Operation Homefront** to support soldiers abroad. They'll also collect letters to send to troops. See carved leather pictures by **Jim Ingham** near Minter Park.

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For more information on ArtWalk, contact The Center for Contemporary Arts at 677-8389.

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