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Jazz Breaks on the Plaza



People with “sunbrellas” or caps, pooches and even a few cool cats have paraded our grounds for Jazz On The Plaza during the last nine years. It’s an annual celebration that features main-stream jazz in all of its glorious forms. Along the way you may run into a lot of characters, hear some great jazz solos and toast the beautiful evening sunsets of North Texas in June. There is plenty of shade for everyone in front of the Arts Center and not a bad seat on the green. And besides all of that, it’s free!

Bring your own chairs, blankets and coolers and enjoy the big band sounds of the Mesquite Jazz Repertory Ensemble on June 6th and 27th. Each year the big band plays the first and fourth Tuesdays in June with this year’s line-up featuring Greg Waits and his jazz quintet on June 13th and Julie Bonk, with singer Sarah Renfro on June 20th.

Start time is 7:30p with the music going until around 8:30p. Some folks stay and visit a bit longer than that.

Look for an expanded Jazz on the Plaza for 2007 with a couple of “blues nights” to compliment the already popular series, and, a possible grant from the National Endowment for the Arts to support...

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June 6 - NJRE
June 13 - Sarah Renfro with
The Julie Bonk Trio
June 20 - Greg Waits Quintet
June 27 - NJRE

FREE JAZZ CONCERTS every Tuesday night in June (7:30 PM) at the MESQUITE ARTS CENTER

Bring your picnics, pets & lawn chairs!

Friends & Relatives Honorariums....

The following are but a few of the phrases found on the benches and chairs which are located in the Jeann & Ralph Wisenbaker Courtyard.

- *In Honor of the Mesquite Woman's Club*
- *In Memory of Dorothy Sherrell, Zeta Upsilon* Beta Sigma Phi*
- *In Honor & Memory of Mary Fay Porch Iwanski*
- *In Memory of Lorna H. Collins*
- *Gift presented by the Members of the Triskelions Club*
- *Because Love & Friendship endure; married 50 years October 11, 2003 Rodolfo & Celia Tamez*
- *Since all is passing, let us make fleeting melodies which will refresh us; let's sing songs that will leave us with love & art*



As a permanent legacy, these remembrances mirror the lives of those whose work and passion continue at the Mesquite Arts Center. In song, volunteerism, love and life, they bring joy to all who come our way. Take a moment on your next visit to see the courtyard in bloom and remember these good friends.

Arts Council, Chamber & CVB host reception for new General Manager of Town East Mall



*Sandy LaClave, general manager Town East Mall
and Glenda Lee of Christian Care*

A month into her new job as general manager of Town East Mall, Sandy LaClave was greeted warmly at a reception at the Mesquite Arts Center. City leaders from the arts, business and community were on hand to meet Ms. LaClave and offer friendship and resources. All were in agreement that, with major road construction at I 635, I 30 and Hwy. 80, getting to know your partners is an important consideration.

Her most recent appointment has been in South Carolina and before that in Arlington, Texas.

Amy Mallet, marketing director for the mall, accompanied Ms. LaClave to the reception and committed her office to continuing the work with partners such as the Convention & Visitors Bureau, the Arts Council and Historic Preservation.



*Valerie Bradley, Jeann Wisenbaker, Cliff Keheley,
Tom Palmer and Dr. Linda Henrie — all guests at the reception*

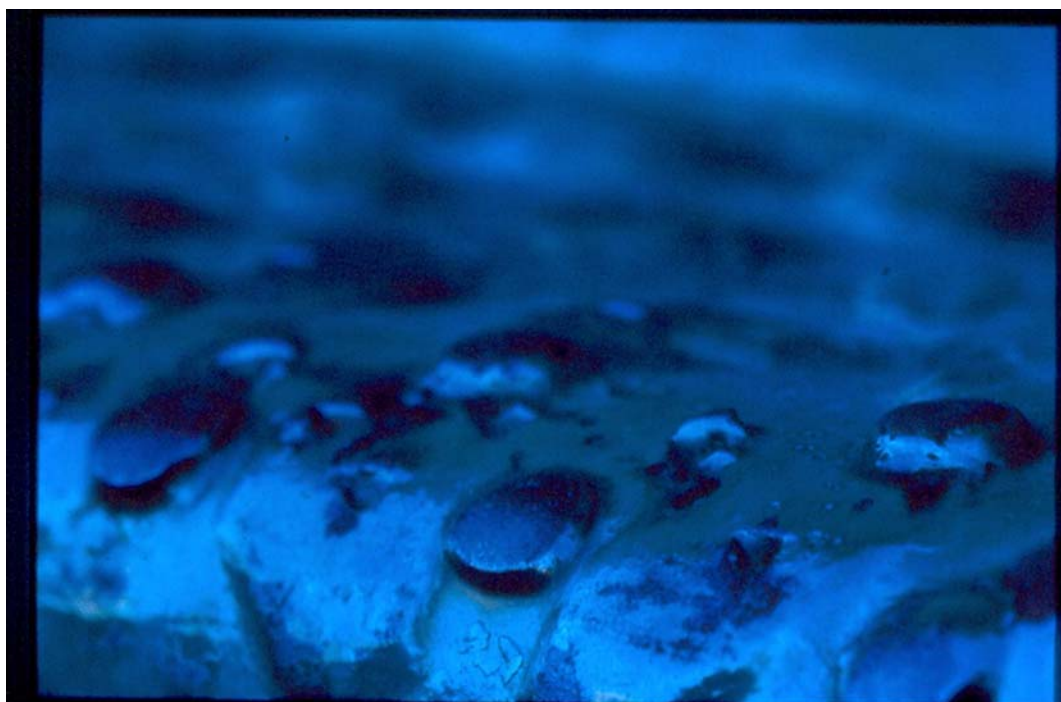
Dick Clintsman — “Carbon Faces”

Exhibit May 8th through June 2nd

Crocodylus 2005 (pictured at right) is one of 10 large works that are on exhibit at the Mesquite Arts Center. Over time there is a natural transformation of everyday objects that are made all the more surreal by artist Dick Clintsman.

His “camera eye” is able to capture the most unusual forms and transform them into idyllic, almost soothing, visually topographical statements.

Mr. Clintsman says, “My work comes from a process of searching for the flow. A journey to find excitement that leads me on a visual adventure, not much different than that of a child’s discovery of the world around him.”



Renee Gick — “The Uncertain Hours”

Exhibit June 2nd through 30th



“This is my experience with light and space, with shape and color, with moment and time. This is the bright morning and the soft afternoon. This is the thickness of night. This is the space between paint and brush, oil and wood, window and wall. This is what I see. Everyday. This is the brief moment. This is a shadow in the doorway. This is a stripe of light. This is the mundane. This is a dirty dish and a lone shoe. *This is the temporal.* This is what I see. Everyday. This is my experience.”

Tote Bags & More

Treat yourself to a gift. On sale at the Arts Center are stylish tote bags (\$12) and mugs (\$7) that highlight the work of the community arts in Mesquite. Nineteen arts organizations, including the Grants Review Committee and the Public Art Committee are listed on the merchandise.

For information please call 972-216-6444



Mesquite Arts Center – TOTE Bags & MUGS

Courtyard COLORS

MAY

20 Texas Voices presents a concert at 8p. Call 972-801-2532 for tickets and information.

JUNE

2-30 artist Renee Gick exhibits "The Uncertain Hours"

6 Join us for a reception featuring artist Renee Gick from 6:30 to 8:30p in the Main Gallery. FREE!

6 JazzBreaks on the Plaza with the MJRE begins at 7:30p

9-24 "The Heiress " is presented by the Mesquite Community Theatre – call 972-216-8126 for tickets and reservations.

12 The Monthly Paint-In begins at 10a.

12-16 John & Alta Nichols Art Camp is from 1:30 to 4:30 each day.

13 JazzBreaks features the Julie Bonk Trio at 7:30p – FREE!

19-20 a free staged reading of "Hound of the Baskervilles" begins at 7:30p.

20 JazzBreaks features the Greg Waits Quintet – FREE!

For information on these events please call the Mesquite Arts Council during business hours at 972-216-6444 or 972-216-8122 for recorded information

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