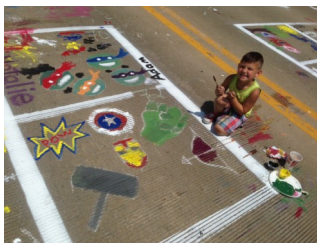


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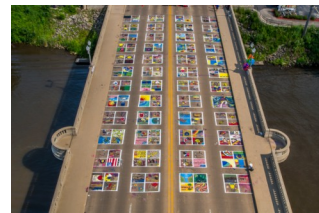
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“Paint on State” — Art Council’s New Heritage Days Event: An Overwhelming Success



On June 27th, BCAC partnered with the City of Belvidere and local business sponsors to present “Paint on State.”

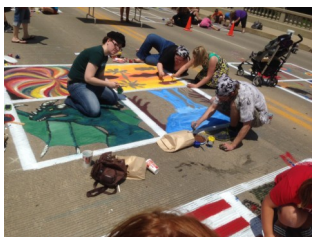
As part of Heritage Days weekend, we wanted to give people an opportunity to be an artist for the day, and the response was wonderful.



The City of Belvidere lined the State Street bridge with 200 squares that were 4 feet by 4 feet. There were so many painters that we had to add additional squares as the day went on - ending with a total of 272 squares of artwork beautifying the bridge!



For \$5 painters received a bag that included brushes, 5 cups of tempera paint (red, yellow, blue, black, white), and a guide for mixing colors. The results are posted online at www.facebook.com/paintonstate.



People of all ages – families, friends, groups and individuals – came out for this event. Some stayed for hours and created intricate pieces. The bridge was a masterpiece of creativity that people were able to walk over and enjoy throughout Heritage Days weekend. Even at night, when the street had cars driving on it, people could be seen walking the sidewalks of the bridge to catch a glimpse of the art they had been created that day.



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Letter from the President

It's almost here! The annual Fifth Grade Arts Festival will be held on October 20, 21, and 22, at the Community Building. Once again the fifth graders of the county will be treated to a day-long adventure exploring different areas of the arts. This year we have chosen a theme – Puppetry – so the classes will relate to that theme. Norm Knott will teach “Art From Recycled Materials” by having students make puppets that they can keep. “Story Writing” will be led by Connie Kuntz and Jeff Doty who will talk about writing different kinds of stories, but concentrate on dialog. The student groups will write a skit that can be performed by puppets. Puppeteer Gary Tate will pull it all together by teaching technique and having the students perform in his puppet theater. Although it does not fit the theme, the ever popular pottery class will again be taught by Kit Scheidenhelm and Dee Santorini. For the third year Mark Dvorak will start each day with an interactive musical performance highlighting the evolution of American folk music.

Are you are a sewer or crafter or other creative type? Maybe you have some scraps of yarn or material or glitter glue, pipe cleaners, cotton balls, or cupcake papers that you'd like to get rid of. Norm Knott could use them for the puppets.

If you have the time and inclination and would enjoy a day of fun, we can use volunteers to assist the artists. Arts council provides a light lunch for the artists and volunteers, so it gives you a chance to meet and mingle. Call Sherry Lindquist (815) 332-8900 or Karen Shifo (815) 885-3360 and let us know which day and class you would like.

Also to supplement funding we are doing a Support an Artist for a Day campaign. It costs \$200/day for each of the 6 artists. A donation can be sent to The Boone County Arts Council at P.O. Box 311, Belvidere, and specified for that purpose.

Hope you can join us for the day or just stop by and see what a great program this is.

Sherry Lindquist



Little Beth's brush is missing. While a replacement is being sought, someone thoughtfully gave her a pen!

2015 Student Art Show

The many artistic talents of Boone County's Kindergarten through 12th grade students were on display in the lobby of Belvidere North High School during the Student Art Show April 27 – May 1. All of the pieces chosen by the teachers were winners and each student received an award certificate. The Best of Class winners for each grade were as follows:

Kindergarten	Alexander Valenzuela	Lincoln
1 st	Lauren Young	Seth Whitman
2 nd	Jenna Denhof	Caledonia
3 rd	Mya Potter	Lincoln
4 th	Raul Delatorre	Washington
5 th	Brian Flaherty	Seth Whitman
6 th	Samantha Thomas	Belvidere Central Middle
7 th	Madison Diercks	Immanuel Lutheran
8 th	Mariah Morse	Belvidere Central Middle
9 th	Roberto Avila	Belvidere North High
10 th	Jordan Andrews	Belvidere North High
11 th	Ryan Johnson	Belvidere North High
12 th	Alicia Govea	Belvidere High

The annual Heidi Benzel Best of Show in the High School Division was awarded to Kelsey Heimer, a Senior at Belvidere North High School. This monetary award has been given from a Memorial Fund established in 2012 by Mrs. Loreen Benzel in memory of her daughter Heidi who was a serious art student at Belvidere High School. Its purpose is to help students in their further pursuit of the arts.



2015 CONCERTS IN THE PARK

The BCAC has completed the 25th season of the Summer Concerts in the Park series. We presented seven concerts beginning on Sunday, June 7 and ending on Sunday, July 19.

We want to thank our sponsors AARP, Alpine Bank, Byron Bank, Candlewick Lake Association, NDK American, Poplar Grove State Bank, Swedish American Foundation and Swedish American Hospital/Belvidere.



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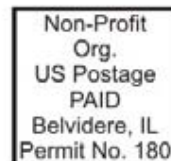
Sunday June Band

We also want to thank the Belvidere Park District and the Community Building staff for their help. Our program was partially sponsored by the Illinois Arts Council Agency. We are already looking forward to another wonderful series of concerts in 2016! If you have comments about this summer's concerts or suggestions for the future, please call us at 815-544-6242.



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If you would like to support the Boone County Arts Council by becoming a member, please fill out the form below and mail to the Boone County Arts Council @ P. O. Box 311, Belvidere, IL 61008

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Family	\$25.00	Patron	\$250.00
Friend of the Arts	\$50.00	Sustaining	\$500.00
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We welcome your suggestions of new ideas, as well as your donation.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Concerts in the Park – Summer Series (sponsorship/promotional opportunities available) | |
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