



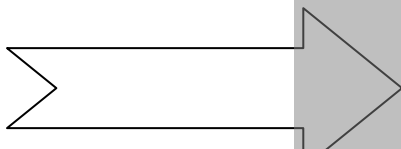
FCAA FALL NEWS

COME JAM WITH DYLAN!



*Photo courtesy of Dylan McNutt

NOVEMBER 12, Mark your calendar for t ***Jammin' with Dylan***, our new monthly jam session with Dylan McNutt. Look for it every 2nd Saturday of the month at 7pm. Please tell anyone you know that is interested in having fun jamming! All are welcome to either listen or participate!



7 PM – SATURDAY-NOV. 12TH
CULTURAL ARTS CENTER
100 RUSK, Mt.Vernon 903-305-
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FRANKLIN FOLLIES ARE BACK!

7 PM, DECEMBER 3RD SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

THANKS TO RON BARKER and his crew including GAIL REED/WRITER AND LISA LOWERY/M.C.&MUSICIAN, the Franklin Follies are being resurrected to help the Franklin County Arts Alliance survive. *Eye of the Beholder*, a production in the spirit of small town Mayberry is well on its way to becoming a classic Mt. Vernon production that promises to amaze and dazzle. So far, helping pay expenses for the event, **our thanks** go out to Mike & Janet Jordan, B.F. Hicks, and First National Bank.

RON BARKER, director/writer and his crew that were all part of the six 1980's Follies and the Key Club were instrumental in helping make the Franklin County Library into the viable institution it is today. Also back by popular demand are cast members like Dr. Dan Hoke who played Black Bart. Who is he this year? You will have to buy a \$10 ticket and come see. Larry Scott (Tom Scott Lumber) and Cade Hohenberger (Brookshires) have key parts. The Courthouse Quartet alone is worth the price of admission. Members are County Sheriff Ricky Jones, local Dentist Dr. Don Huffstetler, Dairy Queen maestro Joe Scally and County Judge Scott Lee. With the help of Linda Hammond, the Wheelchair Dancers will be breathing new life into a creative dance routine. And Stephen Marshall will be helping produce a video musical tribute to thirteen 1980's cast members watching from heaven.

The Follies answer a real need in the life of the FCAA to raise funds in support of the 2017 Art Alliance Art programming and Cultural Art Center expenses. Director Ron Barker needs help from the whole membership. Please volunteer. Call Ron (903) 466-3456 or email franklincountyarts@gmail.com to become a part of this fantastic event. A come and go "Putting on the Ritz" cast party will be held at the Cultural Arts Center following the Follies.

DAVID STINSON- Art Exhibit

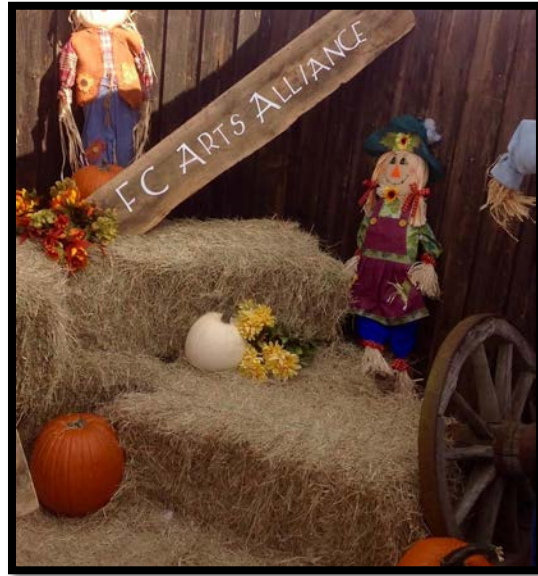
(Join us – Dec 2, Friday -11 am for Brunch @ the CAC in
David's honor)

Next exhibit for your viewing pleasure is the
JACQUE STEMPEL – Art Quilt Exhibit



The *Drawings by David Stinson Exhibit* has garnered a number of visitors including some of his class members who were in town for a class reunion. A young viewer that had come to the *Jammin' with Dylan* session was particularly taken by David's extreme attention to detail. On December 2, Friday morning, 11 a.m., fans are invited to attend a brunch held in David's honor at the Cultural Arts Center. The exhibit will be replaced the next week with *Art Quilts by Jacque Stempel*. We continually get compliments on Jacque's *Japanese Fan Quilt* that is on permanent display at the CAC. Visitors will not be disappointed to see her other work. Cloth is her canvas and multicolored fabric her art media.

SELFIE BACKDROP-A SUCCESS AT COUNTRY-FEST & TRICK OR TREAT ON THE SQUARE



What fun Keitra Stoker (Children's Chair), Ron Barker, and Linda Hammond provided for Country Fest goes this year! A selfie-backdrop was a marvelous idea and initiated interest in the Franklin County Arts Alliance and also provided a place for families to record their day. Thank you to all the other volunteers as well, including Dylan McNutt, who made a special appearance and charmed the folks with his music. Look for the selfie booth, also coordinated by Keitra, Ron, and Linda, at *Trick or Treat on the Square* this Monday. FCAA events that reach out to the children and families in the community are partially paid for by the St. Clair Endowment Grant dispersed by the Franklin County Historical Association.

CULINARY SCAVENGER HUNT & DINNER



Our Culinary Scavenger Hunt & Dinner was fun and fabulous! A thousand "Thank You's" to Chef Donna Copeland for facilitating the scavenger hunt and for the phenomenal dinner of Salad with Handmade Vinaigrette, Butternut Squash Lasagna, and Crostini's with Strawberries & Balsamic! A big "Thank You" to Brookshires for allowing us to do our Scavenger Hunt in their produce section. Thank you to everyone who participated!

Watch for Christmas on the Square Activity

Check out—Santa Claus is Coming to Town

A Mount Vernon Christmas on Facebook

**New classes coming in January
to the Cultural Arts Center on Rusk Street**