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ART IOWA WORKSHOPS

Art Iowa Workshops in 2008 included: Surface Design with Dyes (March 29-30) taught by Joan Webster-Vore, Paper Collage (April 5-6) taught by Julie Bousum, Clay Workshop (June 9-13) taught by Julie Kinkade, Creative Watercolor (June 16-20) taught by Richard Dutton, and Creative Colored Pencil (June 23-27) taught by Will Hildebrandt.

In addition, we sponsored Watercolor Weekend (September 27-28) with instructors Richard Dutton and Michele Maring Miller.

The Arts Guild offers this workshop series every year in cooperation with Grant Wood AEA. Students may take these classes for teacher re-certification credits, graduate college credits, or for no credit. For information, contact the Amana Arts Guild at 319 622-3678 or amanarts@juno.com.

CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED

The Guild reminds everyone of the AMANA ARTS GUILD COLLECTION that has been formed with the Amana Heritage Society. We're in continuing need of additional Amana folk art items and traditions for study and research. We'd like to include: tinware, small woodwork, toys, baskets, quilts, carpetweaving scatter rugs, all types of needlework, pottery, blacksmithing/metalwork, novelty items, calico materials and items, and early painting. We need your help . . . please contact the Amana Heritage Society today at 622-3567 and make your contribution. Remember: your interest in sharing these treasures with those of future generations is critical.

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are plans that could benefit you, your family, and our organization.

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FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS XXXI

The Amana Arts Guild sponsored the 31st annual Festival of the Arts on Saturday, August 9, at Middle Amana Park in Middle Amana. The show and sale included folk arts and fine arts of all kinds featuring a considerable collection of local talent from the Amana Colonies. Guest artists from across the state of Iowa also brought their original work to display and sell.

Performing artists included James and Catherine Kennedy of Heart Consort Music, Mt. Vernon playing fiddle and guitar. Pat Coffie, a puppeteer storyteller from Waverley, IA entertained young and old alike. Ray Berger from High Amana received this year's Friend of the Arts Award for his interest, support, and understanding of the promotion of the arts and crafts in the Amana Colonies. The Christmas Pyramid raffle winner was Christine Sheely from Coralville.

Our thanks to all of the volunteers who helped make this event possible: the apple fritter crew, the Children's Corner volunteers, the food booth operators, the set up crew, the parking monitors, and everyone who donated baked goods. Thanks also to Hills Bank & Trust.



Deanna Kellenberger sell clay ornaments at the Fall Fibre and Clay Show

FALL FIBRE & CLAY SHOW

The Amana Arts Guild Center in High Amana hosted the annual Fall Fibre & Clay Show on Saturday and Sunday, November 1-2. Artists from Iowa demonstrated crafts and sold rugs, teddy bears, pottery, mittens, and other items. This show is held on the first weekend of every November.

The Arts Guild Gallery is also open at this time. If you are an artist and would like to participate, contact the Arts Guild at 319 622-3678 or amanarts@juno.com. All work displayed at the show must be hand made, original designs by the participating artist. Mass produced or imported items are not allowed. The artist booth fee is \$30 for the two day show.



Harvey Jeck demonstrates wood working at the Festival of the Arts XXXI

Amana Arts Guild Donations 2008

Alex and Joann Meyer

Gardening Tools
Clothes Line Reel
Lap Tray
Corn Dryer
Seed Starter
Christmas Pyramid
Old Amana Photo Negatives
Ronneburg Pictures
"Iowa Greeting" Book, circa 1953

Scott and Ursula Williams

Television

Ruth Schneider

Art Books
Art Work and Frames
Television

Elsie and Bill Oehler

Quilt Frame
Quilt Patterns

Linda Yoder

Gordon & Deanna Kellenberger
Marie Larew

Friend of the Arts award

Each year, the Amana Arts Guild presents the Friend of the Arts Award to a member of the local area community for outstanding achievements in support of the arts and crafts of the Amana Colonies. This year's award went to Ray Berger for his lifetime of interest in the art of painting. Ray was born in 1928 in South Amana and has lived all of his life in Middle or South. He was an original charter member of the Amana Arts Guild when it was founded and also served for several years on the board. His artistic career began in school at junior high in West Amana where guest artists from Iowa City came regularly to teach students on a variety of subjects. At his graduation from high school in 1946, Ray received his first set of oil paints and the rest is history. He attended classes in Marengo with Ed Bruns, and

became part of a local Amana painting club attended by people like Madeline Roemig, Rozella Hahn, and Lucille Kraus among others. Ray went on to explore acrylics, portrait painting, and studied with the Famous Artists School by correspondence course in the 1920's. He set up his own studio in Middle Amana. Dedicated to his craft, he kept a sketch book with him at all times in his car and would draw whatever he saw that was of interest to take home to his studio. Ray is currently working primarily with oils and also has a wood-working shop in his home where he makes Christmas pyramids and miniatures. He plans to keep painting all of his life and is interested in trying his hand at watercolor next. Wherever Ray Berger goes in the future, the one thing he does not plan to do is slow down.

U.S. BANK FIVE STAR VOLUNTEER AWARDS

U.S. Bank has selected the most recent recipients of the U.S. Bank Five Star Volunteer Award, which honors employees for their exceptional volunteer service in the community this year. To recognize the 136 outstanding volunteers located in 25 states, U.S. Bank will contribute a total of \$100,000 to non-profit organizations in their honor. Recipients of the U.S. Bank Five Star Volunteer Award were chosen based on criteria such as community impact and depth of volunteer service. This year, the Amana Arts Guild received a \$500 award through this program based on the outstanding efforts of volunteer Arts Guild board president Tina Hinsley. Her dedication to the preservation and promotion of Amana folk arts and folklife culture has been vital to achieving success in all of our major programs during 2008.



Instructor Kathy Ballard at the Knitting and Crochet Class

CLASSES 2008

The Amana Arts Guild sponsors a variety of classes throughout the year for children and adults. In 2008, tinsmith Bill Metz taught a one day Easter Cookie Cutter workshop at his home in Middle Amana. Gordon Kellenberger taught his annual winter/spring Painting Studio at the Arts Guild Center. Other classes offered were Rug Weaving (six weeks beginning October 9) with Deb Hawkes, Knitting and Crochet (October 8-29) with Kathie Ballard, Handkerchief Doll Angels (November 22) with Kathie Ballard, and for children, the Children's Summer Workshops which included Making Art (July 21-25) taught by Susan Macumber and Fun with Amana Folk Arts (August 4-8) taught by Gordon and Deanna Kellenberger. Each year, the Arts Guild sponsors these classes taught by local instructors. If you have an artistic skill or craft and would like to teach, contact the Arts Guild at 319 622-3678. All children's classes are supported by a generous grant from the Amana Community Chest.

Current Arts Guild Members

Individuals

Harry Ackerman
William Ackermann
Midge Albert
Jon Andelson
Terry Babor DDS
Kathie Ballard
Henry & Irene Baust
Benny & Madeline Bendorf
Bob & Marti Bennett
Ray & Katie Berger
Harriet Bierman
Phil & Bev Birk
Robert Brost
Mary Burchett
Celia Burger
Thomas & Mary Burgher
Ithiel & Jenise Catiri
Joan Chadima
Barbara Disterhoft
Emma Ditttrich
Renee Driscoll
Richard & Bertina Eckman
Arlene Ehrmann
George & Ruth Ehrmann
Bruce Eichacker
Peggy Eichenberger
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Mary Ann Fels
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Betty Graesser
Melvin & Harriet Graesser
Kay Hagarty
Michele Hahn
Henrietta & Don Hale
Denny Hanson
Linda Hardin
Deb Hawkes
Kate Hawkins
Willard & Joan Hegewald
Sue Heldt
Keela Herr
Reynold & Jean Hertel
Stan & Bonnie Hertel
Steve & Tina Hinsley
Charles & Barbara Hoehnle
Jack Hoehnle
Bernita Howe
Joel & Kathi Huebner

Margo & John Jarosz
Harvey Jeck
Jim & Karen Jenkins
James & Traci Johnson
Gordon & DeAnna Kellenberger
Patrick & Kathy Kellenberger
Annie Kephart
Donald & Eileen Klenk
Jeanne Knappe
Ruth Kolp
Lucille Kraus
Marvin & Lilian Krauss
Charles & Luella Lear
Harry Leonhardt
Rose Leonhardt
Dwayne & Joan Liffing-Bourret
Susan Macumber
Mark Marz DDS
Don & Nancy Mashuda-Pohnl
Elsie Mattes
Sandy Jo Messingham
William Metz
Alex & JoAnn Meyer
Henry and Mildred Meyer
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Michele Miller
Margery Mintle
Mike Mintle
Don Misel
George Mittelbach
Marietta Moershel
Karen Moline
Darlene Morrison
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Barry Oehler
William & Elsie Oehler
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Jean Quinlan
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Diane Rattner
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Henry & Emaline Ruff

Jennifer Sandersfeld
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Norman & Joanna Schanz
Florence Schuerer
Harold & Helene Schuerer
Del Sec or
Lial & Helen Selzer
Linda Selzer
Mildred Setzer
Majorie Sherman
Mike & Susan Shoup
Gilbert & Marie Staman
Judy Ann Stanerson
Troy Thomas
Dorothy Trumpold
Susan Turnbull
Robert & Carol Van Cleave
Joanne Ward
Guy Wendler
Scott Williams
David & Gladys Winter
Ekhard & Wendy Ziegler
Carroll & Janet Zuber
Connie Zuber
Dennis & Elaine Zuber
John & Julie Zuber
Marlin Zuber

Businesses

ACCVB
Amana Holiday Inn
Amana Print Shop
Amana Society
Broom & BASKet Shop
Colony Inn Restaurant
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Destinations
Hahn's Bakery
Heritage Designs
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Ronneburg Restaurant
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Lifetime Members

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4th annual Christmas Tour of Homes

The Amana Arts Guild will sponsor its 4th annual Christmas tour of homes on December 6-7. Tour private homes decorated for the holidays and take part in the ambience of Christmas in the Amana Colonies, Iowa's own National Historic Landmark. Visit with homeowners and get to know the colonies in a whole new way while you visit homes with stories as remarkable and varied as the colonies themselves.

Date: Saturday, Dec. 6th & Sunday Dec. 7th

Location: throughout the Amana Colonies

Time: 10am-4pm Sat., 4pm-8pm Sun.

Admission: Tickets are \$10, children under 12 are free

Tickets can be purchased at each individual home during the days of the tour or in advance from the Amana Visitors Center or the

Amana Arts Guild beginning November 20
Information: 1-800-579-2294, www.AmanaColonies.com

2008 Homes

1- Tom and Meg Johnson Haus (Lower South Hotel) 409 220th Trail, South Amana

2- Norman and Joanna Schanz Haus 501 7th Avenue, West Amana

3- Brad and Amy Yoder Haus 716 12th Avenue, High Amana

4- Amana Arts Guild Center 1210 G Street, High Amana

5- Scott and Urusla Williams Haus 1111 26 Avenue, Middle Amana

6- The John and Ruth Kolp Haus 2788 Highway 6 Rural South Amana