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Art Adventure I Sam Dalkilic-Miestowski



Arts and crafts events draw burgeoning artists in Lake County

am Dalkilic-Miestowski, owner of the Steeple Gallery and bi-weekly

contributor to the Star, has compiled a list of art-related activities taking place in the area.

Last week, she presented classes offered in Cedar Lake, and a partial list of activities in Crown Point.

Today's list includes St. John Parks Department offerings and more from Crown Point and Lowell.

St. John

Three separate art/drawing classes

Ages: 16 and up

Site: St. John Park & Recreation office

9350 Hack Street Bldg.#2 Min/max: 5/15 each class

Class fee: \$30 St. John residents; \$35 non-res-

idents; all materials included 1) Calligraphy lettering

> Calligraphy is the art of inking script letters. Learn how to letter numbers and letters of the alphabet. Be ready for the holidays with your new talent!

Day: Tuesdays

Dates: Through October 27 [no class October 13] Time: 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

2) Charcoal drawing

This well recognized medium will teach you how to work with charcoal to produce professional looking black-white images.

No experience needed. Day: Wednesdays

Dates: Through October 28 [no class October 14] Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

3) Rendering with colored pencil

Learn various techniques of colored pencil: cross hatching, blending techniques using PrismaColor pencils to create a work of art and how to draw. No experience needed!

Day: Thursdays

Dates: Through October 29 [no class October 15] Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

After School Sketching

This after school program is for boys and girls interested in learning how to sketch for fun. Learn how to measure and scale your work to proportion. Shading your drawing will also be taught. Take home your own works of art while having something productive to do with your time. Materials will be provided.

Ages: 8 to 14 years Day: Wednesdays

Dates: Session 1: Sept. 30-Oct. 21

Session 2: Nov. 4 –Nov. 25

[four weeks]

Site: Park & Recreation Office 9350 Hack Street Bldg. #2

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Min./Max.: 5/10 per session Session fees: \$15 St. John resident

\$18 non-resident All Materials included

Lake Hills Park

Coming in October

Watch for scary, creepy creatures at

the Haunted house weekends this

October. Details on times and days will be listed on the St. John Town website:, www.stjohnin.com.

St. John Fire Department Open House

Sunday October 4, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.,

11033 W. 93rd Ave.

St. John Public Library

Pre-School Story Hours

Through Oct. 28, Tues. at 10:30 a.m. or Wed. at 1:30 p.m. Pre-school age children, 3 to 5 year olds, will enjoy a variety of stories, musical activities, and crafts during this six week series. Call (219) 365-5379 to register for either the Tuesday morning or Wednesday afternoon sessions. Saturday September 19 the Steeple Gallery and First National Bank are hosting an art reception at the Steeple Gallery, Ltd., 11107 Thiel St. in St. John, from 2-6 p.m. with opening remarks at 3 p.m. The Steeple Gallery will be hosting the art exhibit through October 31. This event is free and open to the public. Art lovers of all ages are encouraged to attend. For more information call (219) 365-1014 or visit www.thesteeplegallery.com or email samowner@sbcglobal.net

Lowell Happenings

Lowell Public Library

Craft Corner

Children are invited to Craft Corner at 10:00 a.m. or3:00 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month at the LowellPublic Library, 1505 Commercial Ave. A sample ison display in the children's display case. Craft Corner is for preschoolers through fifth-graders; preschoolers must be accompanied by an adult. Please register in advance at the circulation desk for either session. Call (219)696-7704

The Art Gallery- Lowell

Art Classes for children and adults begin September 29 and continue each Tuesday through October 27 at The Art Gallery, 116 S. Nichols Street in Lowell.

Children's class times are 3:30-5:00 p.m. Adult classes run from 6 to 8 p.m. Lessons are available in watercolor, oil paints, conte', graphite, and acrylic. Cost is \$75. Registration is required. Days to register are 3:30- 4:30 p.m. Thursdays; & September 24 from 11 a.m. -12:30 p.m.; Saturdays, September 26. For more information call (219) 696-6487 or (219) 661-

Crown Point

Crown Point Library is offering Art events through South Shore Arts at the Crown Point Library.

Making Memories – A Family Enrichment Program Mondays, October 19 through November 16 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at the Crown Point Library located at 214 S. Court Street, Crown Point.

Children in second through sixth grade and their parents are invited to Create a Family Memory Book to exhibit and keep. The program is free and families are encouraged to attend all

Thursday, September 24, 2009

- Experience a different form of Arts each week!
 - Take home a new book each week!
 - Enjoy a free boxed lunch each week
- Space is limited! Register early. For more information or to register please contact Paula Newcom at the Crown Point Library at 219-663-0270.

This program is offered by South Shore Arts and their partners: Lake County Public Libraries, Books, Brushes & Bands, South Shore Chamber Orchestra and Towle Community Theater.

Crown Point Parks Department

Halloween Egg Hunt

Ghosts, princesses, vampires and everybody else are invited to our Halloween Egg Hunt! There will be plenty of candy and fun at this free

Ages 8 & under

Friday, October 30 (rain or shine) 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Sauerman Woods Park free Please call to RSVP by Wednesday, October 28 at (219) 661-2271.

South Shore Arts

The Crown Point Parks & Recreation Dept. partners with South Shore Arts to offer children's art classes. All classes at South Shore Arts (138 S. Main St.)

Creative Fingers — Colors of the Rainbow

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, Oct. 6 to Nov. 3 Wednesdays; Oct. 7 - November 4; November 10 - December 8 and Nov. 11 to Dec. 9 from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm Ages 5 - 6 Ages 3 - 4; fee: \$60/session, information at (219) 661-2271.

Turkey Day Crafts

Turkeys, Cornucopias, and Pumpkin Pie. Enjoy an afternoon of making Thanksgivingthemed crafts. All supplies are provided. Ages

Monday, November 23

5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at CP Civic Center. residents: \$5; non-residents: \$10

Registration Deadline: Friday, November 20 (219) 661-2271.

Senior Art Class

Are you interested in art? This Prismacolor ® art class is perfect for beginning artists. Prismacolor ® is a specific type of colored pencils used in many creative ways. There is a curriculum set up for artists of all skill sets and you can work at your own pace. This 6-week course is on-going so you may begin at your conven-

Wednesdays (ongoing every Wednesday) 10:00 a.m. - noon at CP Parks Office; \$42/session (please pay day of class), call (219) 661-2271.