

**Florida Keys Council of the Arts
Calendar of Events
November 16-22, 2006**

We want news about your event! Please fax information to Florida Keys Council of the Arts at 295-4372 or e-mail to calendar@keysarts.com. For information about additional meetings, rehearsals, classes, workshops and children's activities visit www.keysarts.com. Note: Information is subject to change. Area code is 305 unless otherwise noted.

Thursday, November 16

Arts Council: Board Retreat. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tranquility Bay Resort, 2600 Overseas Hwy., Marathon. 295-4369. keysarts.com.

Theater: YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU, a classic comedy by Moss Hart and George Kaufman. 8 p.m. \$15. Marathon Community Theatre, MM 49.5 Overseas Hwy., Marathon. 743-0408. marathontheater.org.

Film: Tropic Cinema at 416 Eaton St. shows the latest in new independent, foreign and art films daily. Check TropicCinema.com or call 295-9493 for showtimes and details.

Film: Cinema Shores Outdoor Theatre. THE KING. Gael Garcia Bernal, William Hurt. Watch a movie under the stars. Cocktail service and free popcorn. \$5. 8 p.m. Atlantic Shores Resort, 510 South St., Key West. 296-2491.

Visual Art: Key West Art & Historical Society "Artists in Season" series. Painter William Welch exhibition, "Here, There and Back Again." Paintings of Mexico, France, Cuba, Italy & New England. Opening reception 5:30-7 p.m. Refreshments, hors d'oeuvres and cash bar. Open daily. Custom House, 281 Front St., Key West. 295-6616. kwahs.org. Through January 7.

Visual Art: "Cover2Cover: Book Arts Exhibit" Opening Reception 5-7 p.m. Handmade artist books on display. 5-7 p.m. Presentation on the history of the book at 6 p.m. FKCC Library Gallery, 5901 College Road, Key West. 809-3542. Through December 15.

Visual Art: Third Thursday "Night on White" Gallery Walk. Special exhibitions and receptions (see below). 6 - 9 p.m. White Street between Catherine and Petronia, Key West. Call 295-4369 for Gallery Guide.

- Harrison Gallery, 825 White St., Key West. 294-0609. harrison-gallery.com.
New works by *Cindy Kulp* and *Charlie Gaynor*.

- Wave Gallery, 1100 White St., Key West. 293-9428. thewavegallery.com.

Underwater inspired metal sculptures by *Clayton Swartz*. Vivid Key West oil paintings by *Jeffrey Harris*.

- Coldwell Banker, 1201 White St., Key West. 296-7727.

Surreal oil paintings, pencil and pen & ink works by *Andrea Najpaver*.

Visual Art: Paradise Quilt Guild. Meets third Thursday, year around. 7 p.m. Senior Citizens Center, Key Deer Blvd/Behind fire station, Big Pine Key. Annie Lloyd 745-2603.

Friday, November 17

Theatre: YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU, a classic comedy by Moss Hart and George Kaufman. 8 p.m. \$15. Marathon Community Theatre, MM 49.5 Overseas Hwy., Marathon. 743-0408. marathontheater.org.

Music: Florida Keys Council of the Arts presents Performing Arts in the Hospital. Mike Gillis. 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Lower Keys Hospital Tropical Café, 5900 College Rd., Key West. 295-4369. www.keysarts.com

Music: Key West Pops presents Jim Trainor Cabaret Concert. Music ranging from Copland, Bernstein, Verdi, Strauss, Sondheim, Lerner and Lowe to Cole Porter. \$25. 8 p.m. Tennessee Williams Grand Foyer, 5900 College Rd., Key West. 296-6059. Keystix.com.

Music: Hosanna Praise and Worship Team featuring national recording artist, Mary Alessi. Free. 7 p.m. Glynn Archer Performing Arts Center, KWHS, 2100 Flagler Ave., Key West. For info contact Martha Wyker 304-6308.

Dance: Salsa dance lessons. Beginners at 7 p.m. – Intermediate/Advanced at 8 p.m. Paradise Health & Fitness, 1706 N. Roosevelt Blvd., Key West. After class dance with your classmates at El Meson de Pepe (410 Wall Street) to live music with Caribe. For more info call Lucy or Leon 296-6348 or 2610fog@bellsouth.net.

Dance: Line dance lessons. Fridays 2 - 3 p.m. beginner; 3 - 4 p.m. intermediate. Big Pine Senior Center, Key Deer Blvd., Big Pine. For info call 745-2383.

Film: Tropic Cinema at 416 Eaton St. shows the latest in new independent, foreign and art films daily. Check TropicCinema.com or call 295-9493 for showtimes and details.

Museums & More: Marathon Garden Club member meeting. Susan Casey of Casey's Corner in Homestead gives a talk on how/why/where to use Native Plants. Open to the public. 11:30 a.m. Marathon Garden Club, 5270 Overseas Hwy., Marathon. 743-4971. keysy.com/mgc

Visual Art: "A Celebration of Key West Folk Artists." Works of Olga Manosalvas, Mario Sanchez, Papito Suarez, Chod Stine, Tony Barcelo, and Rick Worth. Artist reception 7-10 p.m. Charest- Weinberg Gallery, 1111 Duval St., Key West, FL. 292-0411. Through Nov. 25.

Saturday, November 18

Theater: The Key West Players present "Broadway or Bust: A Concert with Bruce Moore. Musical direction by Bobby Nesbitt, Skipper Kripitz on percussion, Joe Dallas on bass. Post-performance party in the Sculpture Garden sponsored by Blake Hunter and Bob Ward. \$35. 8 p.m. Waterfront Playhouse, Mallory Square - Tift's Lane, Key West. 294-5015. waterfrontplayhouse.com.

Theatre: YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU, a classic comedy by Moss Hart and George Kaufman. 8 p.m. \$15. Marathon Community Theatre, MM 49.5 Overseas Hwy., Marathon. 743-0408. marathontheater.org.

Theater: Key West Players present CINDERELLA! – An original children's musical by Bill Wheeler & Jan Callner. \$12 adults/\$10 children. 1 p.m. Waterfront Playhouse, Mallory Square - Tift's Lane, Key West. 294-5015. waterfrontplayhouse.com. Continues every Saturday through November.

Festivals & Benefits: Key West Garden Club's Fall Plant Sale and Art Show. Featuring wide variety of plants as well as art booths, garden-related treasures. Food/beverage/bake sale. Free admission. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. West Martello Tower, Atlantic Blvd. at Higgs Beach, Key West. 292-1442.

Film: Tropic Cinema at 416 Eaton St. shows the latest in new independent, foreign and art films daily. Check TropicCinema.com or call 295-9493 for showtimes and details.

Literature: Friends of the Library book sale and membership drive. Great selection of new and used books for great book bargains. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sidewalk outside Big Pine Key Library, Big Pine Shopping Plaza, MM 30, Big Pine Key. 872-2055.

Sunday, November 19

Theater: The Key West Players present "Broadway or Bust: A Concert with Bruce Moore. Musical direction by Bobby Nesbitt, Skipper Kripitz on percussion, Joe Dallas on bass. Post-performance party in the Sculpture Garden sponsored by Lynda and Bob Frechette. \$35. 8 p.m. Waterfront Playhouse, Mallory Square - Tift's Lane, Key West. 294-5015. waterfrontplayhouse.com

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Music: Islamorada Community Entertainment presents "Sunday in the Park with Sousa." Keith Brion and his New Sousa Band. Coral Shores HS Band. Fireworks. Bring lawn chairs. Refreshments available. Free. 5 p.m. TIB Amphitheater, Founder's Park MM 87 Bayside, Islamorada. 853-5988

Music: Island Opera Theatre presents "Divas 3!" Melissa Tausche, Sandy Walters and Melody Cooper perform operatic solos, duets & trios. \$25. 8 p.m. Tennessee Williams Grand Foyer, 5901 College Rd., Key West. 294-0404. islandopera.com.

Music: Performance at St. Paul's presents pianist, Kenny Drew. Part of the Key West International Jazz Festival. The program will include highlights from, "Jazz Impressions of Chopin." \$10. Available at the door day of show. 4 p.m. St. Paul's Episcopal Church. 401 Duval St., Key West. 296-5142.

Dance: Ballroom dancing & lessons (all levels) 7 to 9 p.m. Paradise Fitness, 1706 N Roosevelt Blvd., Key West. For more info call Lucy & Leon 296.6348.

Festivals & Benefits: Key West Garden Club's Fall Plant Sale and Art Show. Featuring wide variety of plants as well as art booths, garden-related treasures. Food/beverage/bake sale. Free admission. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. West Martello Tower, Atlantic Blvd. at Higgs Beach, Key West. 292-1442.

Film: Tropic Cinema at 416 Eaton St. shows the latest in new independent, foreign and art films daily. Check TropicCinema.com or call 295-9493 for showtimes and details.

Museums & More: The Key West Maritime Historical Society hosts a Dockside Open House aboard the WWII Coast Guard Cutter Mohawk (WPG-78.) Captain Frans H. Boetes will provide a special tour of the ship with commentary about its wartime role. Free. 3 - 5 p.m. Docked at the Municipal East Quay Wall. Truman Annex (foot of Southard Street). Key West. 296-9882.

Visual Art: The City-sponsored Key West Art Center and Gallery annual members juried show. New works by some of the Keys' most accomplished artists. The three categories: Oil/acrylic, watercolor and mixed media, will be judged by James Cook. Public welcome. Light refreshments. Winners will be announced at reception. 4-6 p.m. 301 Front St., Key West. 849-1581.

Monday, November 20

Arts Council: Art in Public Places. 5 p.m. Gato Building, 1100 Simonton St., Key West. 295-4369. keysarts.com.

Film: Tropic Cinema at 416 Eaton St. shows the latest in new independent, foreign and art films daily. Check TropicCinema.com or call 295-9493 for showtimes and details.

Literature: The Lunch Bunch reading group. Noon. Hooked on Books, MM 81.9 Oceanside, Islamorada. 517-2602.

Tuesday, November 21

Music: Classical guitar concert featuring Matthew Jampol. Begin with dinner at 6 p.m. Hyatt Resort, 601 Front St., Key West. Reservations 304-1437.

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Literature: The Writer's Den group invites writers at all levels and in all genres to critique sessions held on Tuesdays, 7 - 9 p.m. at Capt. Runaground's floating houseboat restaurant at Garrison Bight, Key West. Contact Vicki Weeks at divervicki@aol.com for details.

Wednesday, November 22

Music: Performance at St. Paul's presents Thanksgiving Eve organ recital. 7 p.m. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 401 Duval St., Key West. 296-5142.

Dance: Line dance instruction 7 - 8 p.m. beginners, 8 - 9 p.m. intermediate. Big Pine Key Senior Center, Key Deer Blvd. For info call 745-2383.

Dance: Jack Kelly teaches line and country. Line Dance 7-8 p.m. Couples country 8-9. Pattern and open dance after. Cowboy Bills, 610 ½ Duval St., Key West. More info? Call Jack at 292.0910.

Film: Tropic Cinema at 416 Eaton St. shows the latest in new independent, foreign and art films daily. Check TropicCinema.com or call 295-9493 for showtimes and details.

Film: Java Studios presents "Media that Matters" – weekly film series. \$5 donation. 7:30 p.m. Atlantic Shores Resort, 510 South St., Key West. 296-2491.

Classes & workshops

Music: Bahama Village Music Program located at 727 Fort Street, Key West, offers free classes for kids ages 6 -16 in steel pan, drums, piano, guitar, clarinet, saxophone, flute, violin and gospel choir. 727 Fort St., Key West. Call 292-9628 or e-mail bvmpkw@aol.com for more info.

Dance: Theo & Ganine's Dance Center at 11450 Overseas Hwy., Suite 203, Marathon offers classes and workshops in ballroom and Latin dance. Call 743-0660 for schedule.

Dance: **Dance:** Traditional Bellydance with "Kalika." An hour of hip rolling, bumping, twisting fun. 1-2 p.m. CoffeeMill Dance Studio. Call 296-9982 or email coffeemilldance@aol.com.

Dance: Tap classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Instructors Carolyn Cooper and Bruce Moore. All levels are invited to open adult classes. 7-8:15pm. Shoes can be provided. Coffeemill Dance Studio, 916 Pohalski Lane, Key West. 296-9982 or email coffeemilldance@aol.com.

Dance: The Dance Factory offers a variety of dance classes for children and adults. 906 Kennedy Dr., Key West. Call 296-5015 for schedule.

Dance: Private dance classes available with Leon Williams and Lucy Mularz. Call 296-6348 for more information.

Visual Art: Rick Worth teaches painting Mondays-Fridays, 6 – 8:30 p.m. St. Peter's Opportunity Thrift Shop, 802 Center St. No registration. \$20. 294-3559. Through November 17.

Visual Art: Class has started but registration is still available for Continuing Ed at FKCC "The Book as Art." workshops, seminars and field trips on all aspects of making artist books. Wednesdays 6-9 p.m. Saturdays 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Through December 13. \$247 FKCC, 5901 College Rd., Key West. 809-3238 for registration. Fkcc.edu/cover2cover.

Visual Art: Judi Bradford teaches plein air painting and drawing classes. For children: Acrylic Painting – Saturday mornings 10 – noon. For adults: Painting - Fridays 10 a.m. - noon on a continuing basis through the season. Drawing classes for adults and children, which are small and meditative, are available in late weekday afternoons. Schedule to be arranged to the greatest convenience of students and instructor. \$125 for five classes. One-time drop-ins are welcome. Scholarships available. Audubon House, 205 Whitehead St., Key West. To register and for more info call 294-8645.

Visual Art: Jim Salem teaches painting classes Thursdays. \$15. 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Sugarloaf Lodge, MM 17 Overseas Hwy., Sugarloaf. 744-9880.

Visual Art: Beadwork classes with Jean Disrud every Monday. 1 - 3 p.m. Guild Hall Gallery, 614 Duval St., Key West. 304-8377.

Visual Art: Joe Loeber teaches art classes Thursdays 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and Sundays Noon - 2 p.m. For course information and fees to register call 296-8996.

Visual Art: Strada Privata travel design and consulting for Tuscany. Leeza Lyman. leezalyman@yahoo.com. 923-6067.

Children's Activities: Key West Art and Historical Society offers "A Lighthouse Holiday ArtCamp2006" December 27, 28, 29, 2006 and January 3, 4, 5, 2007 from 10 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Decorate a Christmas tree with handcrafted maritime and lighthouse ornaments. Explore techniques in scrimshaw, nautical knots and decoupage. Send a message using morse code or signal flags. Play traditional games of the 19th century. Fees are \$75 per week with a 10% discount for KWAHS members. Cost includes all supplies. Classes limited to 10 students Grade 1-6. Key West Lighthouse Museum 938 Whitehead Street, Key West. For registration form: www.kwahs.com/art2006/formartcamp2006.htm.

Ongoing

Arts Council: The Florida Keys Council of the Arts and the Lower Keys Medical Center present "Art of the Keys." New exhibition of work by local artists in the hospital's Main Hall Gallery. Lower Keys Medical Center, 5900 College Rd., Key West. 294-5531.

Music: Organ and piano recitals featuring Joe Lowe and Auwinna Weed. Free; donations welcome. Mondays - Fridays, Noon - 1 p.m. St. Paul's Episcopal Church. 296-5142.

Museums and More: "Science Saturday." Education program for children ages 6 to 11 yrs. interested in nature, science and the world around them. \$10 members, \$15 non-members, family discounts available. 9 to 11 a.m. Crane House at Crane Point Museums and Nature Center, 5550 Overseas Hwy., Marathon. Elizabeth Moore, 743-3900. www.cranepoint.org.

Museums and More: "Solar Observations " with astronomist Dr. David Heeschen. Observe solar phenomena such as prominences and flares. Free with admission. 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Crane Point Museums and Nature Center, 5550 Overseas Hwy., Marathon. Elizabeth Moore, 743-3900. www.cranepoint.org.

Museums & More: Key West Art and Historical Society presents, "Hemingway at Home." Custom House, 281 Front Street, Key West. 295-6616. kwahs.org. Through July 2007.

Museums & More: Key West Art and Historical Society presents "In Their Own Words: The History of Key West, 1822-1940." Exhibition and related activities including seminars, walking tours, lecture series. Custom House, 281 Front Street, Key West. 295-6616. kwahs.org.

Museums & More: Key West Art and Historical Society presents "Every Picture Tells A Story" selections from the permanent collection. Custom House, 281 Front Street, Key West. 295-6616. kwahs.org. Through December 2006.

Museums & More: MAN'S QUEST TO EXPLORE THE SEA. Daily exhibition. Florida Keys History of Diving Museum, 82990 Overseas Hwy., Islamorada. 664-9737. divingmuseum.com. Monthly seminar series the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. Islamorada Library, MM 81.5 bayside, Islamorada.

Museums & More: Eco-Walking with Neil and Sharon Schoenfeld. Tuesdays. Free with Admission. Crane Point Museums and Nature Center, MM 50, Marathon. 743-9100. cranepoint.com.

Visual Art: Richard Buckheim. New Works. Lucky Street Gallery, 1130 Duval St., Key West. 294-3973. Through Monday Dec 4.

Visual Art: "Deja Views" Paintings pastels & prints. Florida Seascapes & Landscapes by John David Hawver. John David Hawver Gallery at the Rain Barrel, 86700 Overseas Hwy., Islamorada. 852-9958. Through December.

Children: Art-4-Kids is a community recreational center of the arts providing free art projects for children ages 6-12. Mondays - Fridays, 2:30 - 5 p.m. and Saturdays 10 - noon. 727 Fort Street (corner of Fort & Petronia) in Bahama Village. For more info please call 292-6873, or e-mail Itsjust4kids@aol.com.

Children: Healthy Start hosts Mothers' and Babies Group for new moms, babies and expecting mothers. Free. Tuesdays, 1 - 3 p.m. Gato Building, 1100 Simonton St., Key West. Call Sandi 293-7516 or Lilia 293-7511 for more info.

Children: Key West Library, 700 Fleming Street, 292-3595 programs:

"Toddler Storytime." Stories, songs and rhymes for children ages ten months to two years and their caregivers. Wednesdays. Free. 10:30 a.m.

"Preschool Storytimes." Stories, songs and creative activities for children ages two to five and their caregivers. Tuesdays & Fridays. Free. 10:30 a.m.

"Family Hour." Movies, arts and crafts and special programs for children of all ages. Saturdays. Free. 1 p.m.

"Teen Meet" Reading, activities, movies for kids ages Eight and older. Saturdays. Free. 3:30 p.m.

Children: Stories & Crafts for pre-schoolers every Friday. 10:30 -11:30 a.m.

Islamorada Library, MM 81.5 bayside, Islamorada. keyslibraries.org 664-4645.

Children: Five and under reading session. Sundays. 10 – 10:45 a.m. Cover to Cover Books, 91272 Overseas Hwy., Tavernier. 853-2464.

Selected venues

Key West & Lower Keys

Custom House (Key West Museum of Art & History), 281 Front St. 295-6616.

East Martello Museum, 3501 S. Roosevelt Blvd. 296-3913.

Florida Keys Community College (FKCC), 5901 College Rd., Stock Island. 296-9081.

Fort Zachary Taylor State Park, end of Southard Street. 292-6713.

Glynn Archer Performing Arts Center, KW High School, 2100 Flagler Ave. 293-1549.

Harry S. Truman Little White House Museum, 111 Front St. 294-9911.

Heritage House Museum, 410 Caroline St. 296-3573.

Key West Garden Club, West Martello Tower, Atlantic Blvd. 294-3210.

K.W. Tropical Forest & Botanical Garden, 5210 College Rd., Stock Island. 296-1504.

Lighthouse Museum, 938 Whitehead St. 294-0012.

Mel Fisher Maritime Museum, 200 Greene St. 294-2633.

Red Barn Theatre, 319 Duval St. 296-9911.

San Carlos Institute, 516 Duval St. 294-3887.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 401 Duval St. 296-5142.
Tennessee Williams Theatre, 5901 College Rd., Stock Island. 296-1520.
Tropic Cinema (Key West Film Society), 416 Eaton St. 295-9493.
Waterfront Playhouse, Mallory Square. 294-5015.

Marathon

Marathon Community Theatre (MCT), 5101 Overseas Hwy. 743-0994.
Marathon Garden Club, 5270 Overseas Hwy. 743-4971.
Museums and Nature Center of Crane Point, 5550 Overseas Hwy. 743-3900.
San Pablo Catholic Church, 112th St., ocean. 289-0636.

Upper Keys

Coral Shores High School Performing Arts Center, 89901 Old Hwy., Tavernier.
TIB Ampitheatre, Founders Park, MM 87, bayside, Plantation Key. 853-1685.
Island Community Church (ICC), MM 83, Islamorada. 664-2781.
San Pedro Catholic Church, 89500 Overseas Hwy., Tavernier. 852-5372.
St. Justin Martyr Church, MM 105, Key Largo. 451-1316.

Calls to artists

Do you need an artist, a group of artists, or arts-related personnel? Please fax information to Florida Keys Council of the Arts at 295-4372 or e-mail to calendar@keysarts.com. For information, call us at 295-4369, or visit our web site at www.keysarts.com. Information is subject to change. Area code is 305 unless otherwise noted.

Arts Council

Florida Keys Council of the Arts reminds Keys artists & arts groups that the deadline for the January – April issue of the WHO WHAT WHEN & WHERE calendar brochure is **November 28, 2006**. E-mail calendar@keysarts.com or fax 295-4372.

ArtReach grants are available to Monroe county artists and arts organizations seeking to extend their typical audience by reaching out to a new population. Annual deadline is June 30 of each year. Traditionally, awards are up to \$1,000. However, there will also be a special December 31, 2006 deadline in which applicants may request any amount according to their needs. \$25,000 is available. See www.keysarts.com Grants & Links section or call the Arts Council at 295-4369 for details.

All Genres

Reef Relief invites artists to be a part of the second annual *Reef Relief Holiday Online Auction*, to run from November 10th through December 15, 2006. For more info: contact Reef Relief at www.reefrelief.org, email reef@bellsouth.net or call (305) 294-3100.

Beginning January 2007, The Studios of Key West opens its doors to artists and writers world-wide with a series of on-going workshops led by accomplished, prize-winning instructors. The premier winter season at The Studios of Key West includes six workshops—three in visual arts and three in creative writing, with Design workshops up and coming. Visual arts workshops feature Skip Lawrence, Allison Stewart and William Welch and writing workshops feature Robert Stone, Michael Mewshaw and Roxana Robinson. Call 305.296.0458 or visit www.tskw.org to register.

Theatre

Red Barn Theatre will hold open auditions on Sat. and Sun., Nov. 18 and 19 from 3 - 6 p.m. for this season's Sunday & Monday Night Special production, THE EXONERATED by Jessica Blank and Erik Jensen. The actors recount the stories of six Death Row inmates who were eventually exonerated. Director Carole MacCartee is seeking three African-American actors, ages 30 to 60 and one black woman in her thirties. There are also four white men ages 40 to 60 and two white women from 40 to 60 in age. All performers will be paid. Rehearsals begin on January 3 with performance dates of February 12, 13, 19, 20, 26 and 27. Anyone interested in the acting process, with or without experience, is invited to attend. For more information call director Carole MacCartee at (305) 296-5587.

Music

Big Pine Community Choir is seeking singers for their annual Holiday performance at Big Pine United Methodist Church on December 12. Rehearsals begin Sunday, November 5 at 5:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary. For more info call 872-2470.

Keys Chamber Orchestra meets every Sunday on Cudjoe Key. Qualified musicians always welcome. Call 744-0508, 304-7544, or 872-5609 for rehearsal info.

The Educational Coalition for Monroe County (ECMC) and the Community United Methodist Church is seeking new, reconditioned, and good condition, used instruments to be used for the NEW Mid-keys community band. Brass, woodwinds, percussion instruments, and guitars needed. No organs or pianos please. The ECMC is a non profit 501(c) 3 organization, all donations are tax deductible. Instrumental as well as financial donations greatly appreciated!

The Educational Coalition for Monroe County (ECMC) and the Community United Methodist Church is seeking adult musicians (all levels) and high school students (with at least two years music experience) to form a community band and to instruct in the JAM youth program. Please call 743-6215 for more information.

Monroe County Nutrition Office seeks paid and volunteer entertainers and artists to visit senior clients in Key West, Big Pine, Marathon, Plantation Key. 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call Janice Drawing at 292-4522 for more information.

Unity of the Keys is seeking a music director. This is a part-time paid position. For more information, contact the church office, relocated to the cottage in the back of the church property at 909 Flagler Ave., Key West, or call 296-5888.

Keys Community Concert Band invites local amateur musicians to participate in its 2006-2007 "Pops in the Park" concert season. All level of ability welcome. 7 p.m. Key Largo Middle School band room, MM 105. For more information call 853-7294.

Literature

The Key West Players is soliciting submissions for a play-reading series scheduled for May 15, 22 and 29. All Monroe County playwrights are invited to submit their work. Three of these works will be selected for reading on the Waterfront Playhouse stage. Submissions should be full-length or one-act comedies or dramas (no musicals or children's shows), maximum of eight

characters and no previous professional production. One script per author. Submissions must be postmarked no later than Dec. 15. For more information, call 293-9166.

Robert Haru Fisher, formerly editor-in-chief of the Fodor Guides will be offering two identical writing workshops entitled, "Learn the Secrets of Travel Writing." The first is January 26 to 28, 2007, the second is February 2 to 4 and is limited to 14 students. \$275 for two days of instruction (four hours per day on each Saturday and Sunday), an evening reception (on Friday evenings) and optional tutoring and critique sessions (between classes or on the Monday following). . Fisher presents his Travel Writing 101 Workshop in the museum gardens and in the Frost Cottage at the Heritage House Museum, 410 Caroline St, Key West. To register contact the Heritage House at www.heritagehouse.org or call 296-3573. Course questions can be directed to Bob at bobharu@aol.com

"the secret of salt: an indigenous journal" invites writers and artists to submit work to their publication. please check their website at www.thesecretofsalt.com for submission guidelines and deadlines. Copies of the journal can be found at galleries and retail shops in the Keys, including The Lemonade Stand Art Studio in Key West. 296-4763.

Latitude 25 writing group meets last Wednesday of the month 7 - 9:30 p.m. generally at the Key Largo Library, Tradewinds Shopping Ctr, MM 101.4, Key Largo. Call Steve Gibbs 853-7277 for more info.

"For Writers Only," a read-aloud writing support group meets on the first and third Wednesday of every month from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Big Pine Key Library. Meetings are free and open to the public. Call Katherine Vaccaro at 872-7564 for information.

The Writer's Den group invites writers at all levels and in all genres to critique sessions held on Tuesdays, 7 - 9 p.m. at Capt. Runaground's floating houseboat restaurant at Garrison Bight, Key West. Contact Vicki Weeks at divervicki@aol.com for details.

Key West Writers Guild. Meets 2nd & 4th Saturdays of each month. All newcomers welcome. 10 a.m. - noon Kelly's Caribbean Bar, 301 Whitehead St., Key West. 296-3646.

Key West Poetry Guild. Meets first Sunday of each month. Open to all interested in poetry. 8 - 10 p.m. Sea-Story Press. 305 Whitehead St., Key West. 296-5762.

Museums and More

The Oldest House Museum and Gardens is looking for Docents. Docents open and close the museum, welcome visitors, collect admission fees, collect payment for retail items on sale at the museum, and help with light cleaning when possible. People interested may contact John Giuliano, Executive Director, Old Island Restoration Foundation at 294-9501.

Visual art

Island Arts Co-Op Gallery, nestled among some of the oldest & most prestigious galleries on Duval St., now has openings for local Keys artists in all media. All work must be juried in. You will work one 8 hour shift per week, share rent & gallery expenses in exchange for Duval St. display space to showcase your art work. Act now, during our special trial membership deal. Call (305) 872-7385 for more details or check us out at 1128 Duval St.

The *Anne McKee Artist's Fund Art Auction* will be held on January 27, 2007 at the East Martello Museum. Fifty percent of each sale at this premier auction goes to the artist and fifty percent is awarded to Lower Keys artists in the form of grants. Keys visual artists wishing to participate are requested to contact alsachs@bellsouth.net or call 296-0573 for 2007 rules, calendar and entry procedure.

Artist M. Ann Lynch of Marathon will be conducting an 8-week watercolor class in Marathon beginning in January. Ann is an award-winning artist, is the President of the the Bougainvillea House Gallery in Marathon. Call Ann for details of the class. 743-7513 or 731-8683.

Lemonade Stand Art Studio invites artists to submit artwork in any medium, any format -- photography, drawing, painting, sculpture, etc. -- for the juried "Small Works" exhibition to take place December 15 - 31. Entries can be no larger than 14 x 14 x 14" (finished, framed size). Submissions may be delivered to the gallery at 227 Petronia Street in Key West anytime during the month of November 2006. Call 295-6873 or e-mail penny@lemonadestandartstudio.com for entry form and more information.

The Key West Art & Historical Society seeks artists and writers who are interested in teaching classes for the Fall/Spring 2006/2007 sessions. We are looking for visual art teachers to instruct in painting, collage, photography, sculpture, jewelry, mosaics and more. For consideration, interested teachers should have examples of work to submit. For more information, contact Suzanne Pereira, Education, Key West Art & Historical Society, 295-6616, Ext. 27 or Spereira@KWAHS.org

The Bougainvillea House Gallery has an opening for a new artist. Artist must be at least a part-time resident. Interested artists can receive criteria and further info by visiting the gallery at MM 53.5 Gulfside in Marathon or by calling 743-0808. The diversified work of the gallery's thirty artists can be viewed at www.bougainvilleahousegallery.com.

Art Behind Bars seeks volunteer artists to share their skills with this art-based community service for inmates. Art Behind Bars' mission is to give inmates an opportunity to contribute to society through the creation of artwork and donating it to non-profit organizations locally and nationally. Interested artists should contact Lynn Vantriglia for more information at 294-7345.

Opening for a serious local artist at Island Arts Co-op Gallery. Artwork, paintings, photography, jewelry, sculpture and crafts are welcome, but must be juried in. Share rent and work one six hour shift/week in exchange for exhibit space. For more information, please call 292-9909 or drop by Island Arts at 1128 Duval Street. Hours: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Joe Loeber teaches art classes Thursdays 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and Sundays Noon - 2 p.m. For course information and fees to register call 296-8996.

Judi Bradford teaches plein air painting and drawing classes. For children: Acrylic Painting – Saturday mornings 10 – noon. For adults: Painting - Fridays 10 a.m. - noon on a continuing basis through the season. Drawing classes for adults and children, which are small and meditative, are available in late weekday afternoons. Schedule to be arranged to the greatest convenience of students and instructor. \$125 for five classes. One-time drop-ins are welcome. Scholarships available. Audubon House, 205 Whitehead St., Key West. To register and for more info call 294-8645.

Jim Salem teaches painting classes Thursdays. \$15. 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Sugarloaf Lodge, MM 17 Overseas Hwy., Sugarloaf. 744-9880.

Art 4 Kids is a community art center providing free art classes and projects that build self-esteem and self-expression to school children ages 6 and up. We would like to see the art center grow with a "guest artist" series of specialized classes that would be held after 5 p.m. during the week or after 12 on Saturdays. We are seeking painters, jewelers, potters, sewers, knitters, paper mache artists or any other type of art form to volunteer to teach a single class or a series of classes at the center. You decide how many students and what age range you want in your class. We will promote your class to the kids and have only the ones who are interested sign up. Make a difference and help the art center grow! For more information, contact Elizabeth Calleja at Elizabeth@potterybygrace.com or Andrea Comstock at info@keysarts.com; 295-4369.

Artists and crafts people -- find out how to participate in the nightly sunset celebration at Mallory Square in Key West by visiting www.sunsetcelebration.org or calling 292-7700.

The White Street Healing Arts Center invites Keys artists to submit their work as part of the monthly Walk on White exhibition. Present your work in their beautiful space and enjoy the support of the visual and healing arts communities while doing so. Please call 292-7222 for more information and submission guidelines.

Monroe County Nutrition Office seeks paid and volunteer entertainers and artists to visit senior clients in Key West, Big Pine, Marathon, Plantation Key. 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Mon.-Fri. Call Janice Drewing at 292-4522 for more information.

The Florida Keys Council of the Arts announces the opening of a new exhibition area for art at the Monroe County Health Dept. in Tavernier, contact Freda Vaughn, 853-1907, Freda_vaughn@doh.state.fl.us.

Artwork sought in all media for revolving exhibitions at the following public Monroe County locations:

- Gato Building, county and state office complex, Key West, contact Ranny Fitzgerald, 292-4453, Fitzgerald-ranny@monroecounty-fl.gov;
- Marathon Government Center, contact Rich Jones, 289-2805, jones-rich@monroecounty-fl.gov;
- Key West Airport, contact Hal Bromm at halbromm@gmail.com;

- "Artport" at Marathon Airport, contact Marianne Motches, 743-2744, mgm-art@peoplepc.com;
- The Lower Keys Medical Center Main Hall Gallery, contact Emily Sorkin at emcorrespond-keys@yahoo.com. 295-0674
- Historic Key West Courthouse, contact Isabel DeSantis, 295-3130. idesantis@monroe-clerk.com.
- Monroe County Courthouse Annex, contact Janis Jo Stevens, 294-3099, janis@e-isle.com;
- American Cancer Society, contact Carrie Helliesen, 292-2333, ext. 111, carrie.helliesen@cancer.org;
- Care Center - Tavernier, contact Anna Gavlinski, 853-3284, anna.gavlinski@care-center.org;
- Social Security Administration Office, contact Carmen Turner, 292-9535, ext. 201, Carmen.Turner@ssa.gov;
- Monroe County Health Dept. in Tavernier, contact Freda Vaughn, 853-1907, Freda_vaughn@doh.state.fl.us.

The Wave Gallery seeks fresh, fun & fine art in all media including sculpture & jewelry for upcoming shows www.thewavegallery.com . Please email wavegallery@earthlink.net for a submission guideline. No walk-ins please.

Guild Hall Gallery offers space for artists, craftspeople. Must be local residents, work weekly 4.5-hr. shift. All media, no business experience necessary. 614 Duval St., Key West. 296-6076.