

# NEWS of the **ARTS** in ARLINGTON

August 2022

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## **Beatles and bluegrass coming to A-town**

AAC celebrates creativity of all kinds at the annual Art in Legion Park, with members and friends offering paintings, photography, wood, textiles, jewelry and ceramics, along with live music and fun art activities in Legion Park Aug. 27 & 28. There will be a small selection of original art in a mini-auction and two raffle baskets with wine and miscellaneous art items to raise funds for AAC.

### **Participating Artists**

Sally Hudson, Candis Morth, Nan Clute  
Cara Crookston, Kathy Critchfield, Joe Wilson,  
Vicki Johnson, Tracey Crosbie, Stu Fountain,  
Ellen Dale, Dennis Heaton, Karen Lyons,  
Jacques Drapeau, Steve Dalton,  
Monica Bretherton, Kristina Yantis, Monica Yantis,  
Erika Bruss, Richie Novello, Roberta Baker

### **Entertainment**

Saturday 11 a.m. – TJ&J Trio

2-4 pm – Marley's Ghost Bluegrass

6-8 pm – The Walrus, Beatles

**Liquid Arts serves local wine, beer &  
liquor, noon to 8 p.m. Saturday only**

Sunday 12-2 – Denny & the Jeffs

2:30-4 – David Lee Howard



**AUGUST  
27-28**

**ART**

**IN LEGION PARK**

**FINE ART  
LIVE MUSIC**

**Downtown Arlington**  
**arlingtonartscouncil.net**

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**Above,** Youth Engaged in Art coordinator Mike Nordine plans lots of fun art projects for our events, and there will be more at the Art in Legion Park event. **At left,** art show coordinator Berta Baker displays photographs by herself and by her late husband Kent Baker.



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## Art at Arlington Airport

Several works of art celebrating airplanes and flight have been installed at the Arlington Airport.

The airplane sculpture by Wayne Kangass (*at right*) moves in the wind near the Airport Office.

Two airplane benches provide a place to rest on Airport Boulevard,

where Verena Schwiippert's *Going with the Flow* can be seen (*shown below*). *Eagles Come Home* (*below*), by Carolyn Sumpter and Don Frazier, was commissioned by the Gleneagle Community

Foundations and placed at the 67th Avenue entry to Gleneagle.

The *Ball of Fun* (*see below*) by Lin McJunkin and Milo White was installed near the ball fields early this year as part of the city's Complete Streets project.



The following haiku poem from the Eagle Festival will be engraved on a wooden bench this year on the airport trail near the Airport Office:

**Free stallions of fog  
gallop from my frost-tipped lips –  
let me follow you**  
*by Claire Rohde*



## In the Works 2022

AAC strives to assist the city of Arlington in finding the right art for the right place at the right time. For 2022, 15 projects were approved for funding by the city's art ordinance, using funds from construction sales taxes on development projects around town. ACC is committed to helping manage the art collection, and will add a piece of art here and there as well. The following art projects funded for 2022 should be completed this summer:

- Andy Eccleshall, of Edmonds, is painting a large mural depicting the Stillaguamish River on the south exterior wall facing the small plaza at Jim Minifie's building, 437 N Olympic Ave.
- Seattle Mosaic Arts is working on a mosaic depicting the Stillaguamish Watershed for the retaining wall at the Peace Plaza (*see above*).
- Local artist Shiela Arnold is painting a mural on a shed at Arlington Cemetery.
- Lori Angdahl is working on more wing murals for photo ops in downtown.
- GraphixCorp of Skagit County is working on a creative map of Arlington to be

placed in the kiosks along the Centennial Trail to help trail users find art and services in Arlington.

• A chainsaw carving of a raven (*at left*) that AAC bought at the Eagle Festival last year has been installed along the Centennial Trail, north of Division Street.

• AAC member Erika Bruss repaired the owl mural in Terrace Park and she is burning an Eagle Festival haiku poem into the wood slats of a bench at Arlington Airport (*see haiku poem below left*). Erika will also lead an art project at Art in Legion Park, adding another image on the fence north of The Depot..

• Two artists responded to the city's call for art for two Community Transit bus shelters in the Kent Prairie area and the committee chose photographer Kevin Krieg, to



provide farm images that will be printed on metal.

- Metal banners of airplanes and a bird bench (similar to the airplane bench at the airport) have been ordered for the new 173rd Street NE in Smokey Point.



• The Wonderland Bench by Lance Carleton will be placed at the bus stop in front of the Stilly Center.

• A downtown postcard mural will be placed on the stage in Legion Park and a Smokey Point postcard mural will be placed near the transit center.

• More murals will be painted at the skate park and new winter banners are ordered.

• The city recently released a call for artists to design and build an art piece for the new roundabout that is being installed on 43rd

Avenue and 172nd Street. Four artists responded by the July 29 deadline and a Public Art Committee is currently reviewing applicants.

- The following prize-winning haiku by Michael Hofferbert will be displayed for Arlington's Stronger Together event which is set for September 17.

**Everybody is  
beautiful just as they are –  
if only we look**  
*by Michael Hofferbert*

## Planning for 2023

Now is the time to start thinking about art projects for 2023.

AAC will continue to help find the best art for our community, but local artists and community members and organizations are encouraged to make suggestions for art pieces and/or art locations around town. The city will release a call for proposals in August in preparation for the annual budget planning process. Watch for the notice in the city's enews.

Some ideas for next year include a mural for Arlington Boys & Girls Club and a sculpture in front of The Fields Senior Care Center on Smokey Point Blvd.

**Watch for calls for art at [facebook.com/ArlingtonArtsCouncil](https://facebook.com/ArlingtonArtsCouncil).**



# Live Music at Art in Legion Park

**Saturday, August 27**

11 a.m. – TJ&J trio

2-4 pm – Marley's Ghost bluegrass

6-8 pm – The Walrus, Beatles & rock

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12-2 – Denny & the Jeffs

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## The Walrus offers Beatles tunes & classic rock at the art show

The Walrus delights audiences from boomers to toddlers, with the classic rock sound that bridges generations. The Bellingham-based ensemble performs a lot of Beatles tunes but also a variety of classic rock tunes including songs by Sheryl Crow, Traveling Wilburys, Eagles, Steely Dan and many others.

In 2015, The Walrus was selected to play for pre-game festivities at the NFC Championship game at CenturyLink Field. The band features **Jamie Shea**, lead vocalist, and guitarist **Chuck Dingée** – both are hard-core Beatles fans who have been playing Fab Four tunes separately for more than 30 years. Shea wrote

a novella about the Beatles when she was 13 when she was learning to play her guitar. Dingée saw the Beatles in Comiskey Park, Chicago, in 1966 and played only Beatles songs with his first guitar. They have teamed up with other self-described Beatlemaniacs and lovers of good driving music: **Michael "Ringo" O'Neal** on drums, **Lee Pence** on a blazing electric guitar and **Walt Burkett** on bass.



## Denny & the Jeffs –

Another version of the Geezers who played last year, Denny & the Jeffs features Dennis Griffith and his brother Jeff Griffith, with Jeff Nicely, on harmonica. They play folk tunes, some rock-n-roll, blues and original tunes, one about swimming in the Stilly by Denny.



## TJ&J Trio is Tom and Jill

Hudon with John Salyer – a vocal harmony band that uses a variety of instruments including acoustic and electric guitars, mandolin, keyboard and bass, to cover a variety of styles including light rock, country, jazz and originals. They enjoy using their instrumental variety to give audiences a different sound every set, playing local clubs, wineries and dinner restaurants for several years.



**David Lee Howard** is a popular favorite at Art in Legion Park, playing a great assortment of tunes on his 12-string guitar, setting the mood for Sunday afternoon of art and fun.

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## Marley's Ghost plays free for the community

Marley's Ghost is steeped in everything from gospel to bluegrass to old-time to Celtic to country – even reggae, thus the name. With more than 20 years performing together, what makes Marley's Ghost survive the test of time is its members. The showmanship and unique sense of humor of **Dan Wheetman** (vocals, bass, rhythm guitar, fiddle, harmonica, banjo, Dobro, lap steel), combined with his resonant baritone, provides the focal point for the group's upbeat performances.

**Mike Phelan** (vocals, lead guitars, fiddle, Dobro, bass, lap steel), has played, recorded and performed in many styles, including bluegrass, rock, folk and blues, and is himself a deft and prolific songwriter.

**Jon Wilcox** (vocals, mandolin, rhythm guitar, guitar, bouzouki) has solo recordings and has toured internationally as a performer of traditional American and British Isles music.

**Ed Littlefield Jr.** (vocals, pedal steel guitar, Highland bagpipes, keyboards, mandolin, Dobro, lead guitar) toured extensively with the well-known Seattle Western swing band, Ranch Romance, before founding Sage Arts, one of the Northwest's premier recording studios, located near Arlington ..

**Jerry Fletcher** (keys, accordion, vocal arranging) lays down a thoughtful groove that grounds the band and completes the musical puzzle.

Marley's Ghost marks its silver anniversary with the release of its tenth album, Jubilee, produced by Nashville's legendary Jack Clement, and featuring performances by such greats as Emmylou Harris, Old Crow Medicine Show and Marty Stuart.



## Legends of the Blues IX

Nominated for a Grammy in 2019, Teresa James and the Rhythm Tramps from LA will be featured at AAC's annual blues celebration is set for Saturday, Nov. 19 at Byrnes Performing Arts Center. The show opens with local prize winner Polly O'Keary.



# Membership is open to all

- AAC meets monthly at the Arlington Boys & Girls Club, 18513 59th Ave. NE, Arlington, on the second Tuesday each month. Doors open for set up at 5 p.m. and art demonstrations and/or activities begin at 5:30 p.m.. A short meeting follows at 6:30.
- Everyone interested in art of any kind is welcome to attend AAC meetings. Membership dues remain at \$20
- AAC members and friends are invited to lead projects at monthly meetings. For information contact Vicki Johnson at vljfrog@gmail.com.
- Members can link their own website with the AAC website at Arlington Arts Council.net by contacting Sarah Lopez, at arlingtonartscouncil.outlook.com.
- For more information see ArlingtonArtsCouncil.net or Facebook.com/ ArlingtonArtsCouncil



## Meeting Programs

- **In June**, Judy Zugish (above) spoke to the AAC about her basket making using materials she collects or grows in her nursery at Bouquet Bank in Marysville.
- **In September**, we welcome Cathy Schoenberg, who has lived on Guemes Island for over 20 years and has a studio in Anacortes. She has been involved in the Skagit Valley art community since the early 1980's, taking part in many events, shows and art happenings that have come and gone throughout the years. She was a featured artist at Arts Alive in LaConner, and at the Anacortes Arts Festival.
- **October** — Dotty Burton will demonstrate contemporary abstract painting.
- **November** — The artist who is painting a large mural on Jim Minifie's building, Andy Eccleshall, of Edmonds, will speak about his process for designing and painting very large murals.
- **December** — Potluck Party with a hilarious White Elephant Art Gift Exchange.

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Snohomish County commissioned the sculpture 'Reverence' by Don Frazier and Carolyn Sumpter, to commemorate Snohomish County residents lost to the Global War on Terror. It is located along the Centennial Trail, north of Haller Bridge on the Stillaguamish River.

## Donation form

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Anyone interested in joining the board of directors should contact any board member before the end of October when nominations will be entertained.

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Jean Olson, Treasurer, 1003 E. First St., Arlington, WA 98223

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