Heritage Arts Center Association

P.O. Box 1131, Dade City, FL 33526

Membership Newsletter

December 2010

A note from the President

Heritage Arts Center Association would first like to thank you for all the tremendous gifts of support from you, our donors, in 2009-2010. With your generosity both financially and through time and talent, we were able to give our community and young people some very special events and opportunities in the arts.

Please consider a donation this season to help us continue our work in providing scholarships to young people pursuing the arts, the Moonlight and Ivory Concert & Art Show and Spotlight on Talent. In addition to these, we continue to support Arts in Motion Youth Theater, St Leo Drama and Theater Department and Zephyrhills High School Theater.

Heritage Arts Center Association is so grateful to you in helping us continue our mission to encourage and support the arts in our area. We are part of a very special community that allows us to keep the arts alive. Take a look at the opportunities you created last year and please consider a donation for the 2010-2011 season.

Deborah LaRue

Moonlight and Ivory

Many accomplished area performers and artists gave their time and talents to our annual Moonlight & Ivory Concert and Art Show 2010. Guests were treated to an outstanding show of vocalists and musicians performing music of all genres and periods. In addition, there was an exceptional display of artwork from local artisans.

Saturday, February 5, 2011 is the date of this season's **Moonlight & Ivory Concert and Art Show.** Please come and enjoy an afternoon or evening of music, art and delicious gourmet desserts. Thank you to the community for their support of this show and to Tampa Electric Corporation for last years generous sponsorship.

Tickets will be available for purchase after the holidays from any Heritage Arts board member or from the Dade City Chamber of Commerce.

Please consider a donation to Heritage Arts Center Association for 2010-2011. Your donation will help our continuous efforts to enhance and enrich our wonderful community with both visual and performing arts experiences. In addition, you will be helping talented and dedicated young people pursue their dreams in the arts. Heritage Arts Center Association is a non-profit 501-C (3) and your donation is tax-deductible. For questions concerning donations contact Margaret Polk at 813-713-2042 or mpolk@pasco.k12.fl.us. Enclosed you will find a card and return envelope for donations.

Scholarships

In the spring of this year, HACA was fortunate to be able to award five college scholarships to deserving students in the performing and visual arts. The first scholarship was awarded at the Miss Pasco Scholarship pageant to Currie Dickerson for top score in the talent portion of the competition. Five Nereim Scholarships were awarded in May to Seniors at Pasco, Zephyrhills, Land O'Lakes and Wesley Chapel High who are pursuing the arts at the post secondary level. Those outstanding and very deserving students were Imani Harris-Pasco High, Elizabeth Acevedo-Zephyrhills High, Katie Schoenfeld- Land O'Lakes High and Jacqueline Stickney-Wesley Chapel High.

Mark Your Calendars

Moonlight and Ivory: February 5, 2011

Spotlight on Talent: Application Deadline: February 3, 2011

Preliminaries: February 19, 2011

Finals: March 26, 2011

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Spotlight on Talent 2010

Our generous corporate sponsors and outstanding patrons provided for the 27th Annual Spotlight on Talent on March 27, 2010. This well respected competition, held annually at the Wesley Chapel Center for the Performing Arts, included both performing and visual artists from grades K-12, in two superior shows.

This is a highly anticipated showcase of talent and this year we had over 200 students audition in February to be named in the final show. 152 contestants in both individual and group competition performed at the finals in an afternoon show for younger children and an evening show of middle and high school students. The students' hard work and exceptional talent was rewarded with over \$2,000 in cash and prizes. Judging was done by professionals in the areas of dance, music, voice and theater.

Thank you to all of our sponsors and patrons for your generosity in providing for the prizes and \$10,000 cost of this show. A special thank you goes to Tampa Electric Corporation. First place was awarded in their honor.

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Spotlight on Talent 2010 Winners **ACT 1 - YOUNGER STUDENTS**

Category 1

3rd - Victoria Neukom, acrobatics 1st - Minerva Nong, piano solo

2nd - Eduardo Carreno-Olivo, piano solo Honorable Mention - Allyson Worthy, vocal solo

Category 2

1st - Mary Olive Gauthier, vocal solo 3rd - Destiny Torres, vocal solo

2nd - David Singh, piano solo Honorable Mention – Rachel Graham, acrobatics

Groups

1st - Showtime, show choir Honorable Mention – Showbiz, show choir

2nd - Jessie Hart & Victoria Neukom, acrobatic duet

ACT II - OLDER STUDENTS

Category I

3rd – Kevin Hernandez, classical guitar 1^s – Shelby Martin, musical theater

2nd – Jason Nong, piano solo Honorable Mention - Katie Ruffell, lyrical dance

Category 2

3rd -Bianca Contreras, piano solo 1st – Leah Weightman, modern dance

Honorable Mention - Kathleen White, vocal solo 2nd – Amanda Smith, vocal solo

Honorable Mention – Showstoppers, show choir 1st – Star Company, lyrical dance

2nd - Bradley Cloversettle & Amanda Smith, vocal duet

Visual Arts Competition

Best of Show, High School - Elizabeth Fox

Best of Show, Middle School - Chase Youmans

Honorable Mention – Eric Maier Honorable Mention – Tayler Trudeau Honorable Mention – Cody Killen Honorable Mention – Tracy Perkins

Heritage Arts Center Web Page

Please visit our webpage at www.Heritagearts.org and find out more about our organization and its many activities. We are always looking for volunteers. especially Spotlight on Talent. Would you consider taking tickets, managing the check-in table or manning the doors? If so, please contact Deborah LaRue at 352-424-3991. We would love to have you!

In conclusion...

Please return the enclosed card with your donation to HACA. Your donation is tax deductible. Our mission of enhancing our community with visual and performing arts opportunities can only be accomplished with the resources you share with us. Thank you for helping to enrich our wonderful community.

arts in Motion

Heritage Arts Center Association continues to support our local children's theater group, Arts in Motion. Over Thanksgiving weekend, they gave an outstanding performance of the musical, "Annie" at the Eleanor Dempsey Performing Arts Center. For more information please go to their website at www.artsinmotionpasco.org.