



Sampson County Arts Council—Victor R. Small House
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Big News at the Small House

October-December 2010

Dear Art Patrons,

I can hardly believe my time as interim director is over, but it is with excitement that I help in welcoming Kara Donatelli as our new executive director. I want to say a special thank you for all the support, encouragement, and assistance as I served in this position. It continues to thrill me to see our community grow in our love for the arts. I look forward to serving on the board and working with Erica Jackson on programming. Please feel free to offer suggestions, ideas, or areas of interest for the upcoming year.

With Love,

Megan Scronce

I would like to thank the board for giving me this opportunity to serve the citizens of Sampson County. A special thank you to Megan Scronce, Debbie Roberts and Erica Jackson for all their support and extra efforts helping me in my transition to the role of Executive Director. It is an honor to represent the Sampson Arts Council and the citizens of the county where I grew up and first discovered my love of the Arts.

We have many exciting exhibits and activities planned for the months ahead! In our collaborative efforts, the council is proud to provide grassroots grant funding to support and help other community organizations offer theatrical plays, poetry readings, public art projects and visits from guest artists. More new ideas and future plans - to be continued!!

The "Small House" will always be a hub of creative activity with its doors open to the public, welcoming ideas, participation and involvement. The Sampson Arts Council needs your support to develop and promote the Arts throughout our community. I am so excited about the future of the Arts in Sampson County. Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to serving you.

Make sure to come by and view our current exhibit "Fur, Feathers or Fins," on display through October 29th. Outstanding art work from many local adults and children is currently showcased. Thank you to Tram Road Animal Hospital for sponsoring this event and congratulations to our winners!

During the month of October, we also have the Student Art Show on display. Please stop by and see all the creativity our budding Clinton City and Sampson County Art students have to offer!

Kara Donatelli, Executive Director

October Events

7th Student Art Show and Reception: 5-7pm, Free and Open to the Public! Thanks to all the teachers, parents and students who participated and made this a special event for all!

9th Downtown BBQ Cook Off and Craft Fair: 10-4pm. Stop by the Sampson Arts Council tent to view winners from Student Art Show, sign up for membership and learn more about the Arts Council!

20th Student Art Club! Join us from 4-5:30 pm to make a spooky Halloween craft! Members \$5/Nonmembers \$10.



24th Sunday Happening! Fall Festival with the Sampson Early College. 3-5 pm. Old fashioned fall festival games & Refreshments! Open to the Public!

24th and 31st GHOST TOURS! 7-10pm

Back by popular demand! Join us each Sunday night as we enchant you with local lore and tails of ghostly mischief! Tour the Victor Small House and learn more about the history of the home and the hear tails of actual ghostly encounters. Tickets at the door
Members \$7/ Nonmembers \$10.

November Events Gallery Hours: 10am-2pm Tues-Friday

1st Interested in sponsoring a Holiday Tree? Only Four Spots Available! Promote your club or organization with a personalized holiday tree! Be creative! First come first serve, please contact Arts Council at 596.2533 for reservations.

3rd 4-H Arts and Crafts Reception: 5-7pm, Free and Open to the Public.
Sponsored by the NC Cooperative Extension.

4th Artist Reception 6:00-8:00 pm. Free and Open to the Public

Mystery Dinner Theater! Rescheduled for 2011

15th Student Art Club! 4-5:30 pm. Join us as we make a nifty Thanksgiving craft! Members \$5/Nonmembers \$10. All Ages!

21st Sunday Happening, 4-5:30 pm. Living History, come and learn more about the American Indian families in our community and their heritage. Free and Open to the Public! Refreshments to be served.

Reminder: The Sampson Arts Council will close for the Thanksgiving Holiday on November 25th and 26th.

December Events Gallery Hours: 10am-2pm Tues-Friday

5th Holiday Tree Decoration: 1-6pm: Set up and decorate you civic group's tree to promote peace and greetings of joy!



6th Holiday Floral Arranging Class with Nancy Olsen! Create a beautiful center piece just in time for the holidays! Members \$30/Nonmembers \$40. Cost includes all materials and flowers needed. Please bring your own vase, and other personal decorative items to incorporate in if you'd like. 6-8pm.

12th Sunday Happening! *Lee's Chapel Original Freewill Baptist Church Hand Bell Choir*, 4-5:30 pm. Free and open to the public. Come and hear beautiful Christmas hymns sung to the tune of hand bells!

14th Student Art Club! Join us to make a beautiful holiday craft! 4-5:30 pm. Members \$5/Nonmembers \$10. All ages!



19th Christmas Caroling! Come sing Christmas carols and enjoy fellowship and hot cocoa Charles Dickens Style! Free and open to the public! 4-5:30 pm.

*The Arts Council will be closed for the holidays on the following dates:
24th & 25th , and the 31st.*



Meet the Board of Directors

Dr. Rue Lee-Holmes - President
Dr. Theodore Thomas- Treasurer
Debbie Roberts – Facilities/Fundraising Co-Chairperson
Dee Rackley Winkler – Membership/Fundraising Co-Chairperson
Erica Jackson – Programming/Gallery Co-Chairperson
Megan Scronce – Programming/Gallery Co-Chairperson
Ray Jordan – Policy and Procedures Chairperson
Nancy Heath – Hospitality Chairperson
Carol Mirelez-Marketing Chairperson
Kara Donatelli – Executive Director