



Attention all Tatanka Arts Members:
We are working on a membership drive as we received a SMAHC Challenge Grant ! Help us find new members.

Artist Opportunities

Fieldstone Vineyards Show - May 3-4, 10-11, 2008

MIC Art Show-June 14

Olivia Corn Capital Daus Show-July 25, 26

Luverne Show-August

Art Barns -September

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Newsletter of Tatanka Arts

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Thrivent supports Mural Project and 2008 "Art in the Park"

The Thrivent for Lutherans was a great supporter of the Tatanka Arts mural project in 2007. Now, they have greatly assisted TA by awarding a \$500 matching grant that will help support the 2008 summer "Art in the Park" project which is a cornerstone to our summer arts educational agenda. Thank you Thrivent! Also watch for the beautification of the green space next to the mural. The summer arts schedule will soon be on the Tatanka Art website.

New Board Members Elected at Jan. Annual Meeting



Tatanka Arts held it's first board meeting on January 26 at the Redwood library. The crowd was small but enthusiastic. Dona Larkin's homemade cookies complimented the beautiful art that was exhibited by the member artists. Elaine Hagen and Chuck Brown were elected and added to the existing Tatanka Arts Board of Directors for 2008.

Chuck Brown is a writer from Olivia who hopes to add a literary discussion group to TA. He has recently published, *Barn Dance* which can be purchased through Amazon.com.

If you are interested in being a part of a literary discussion group with Chuck, Please contact Tatanka Arts at Box 282, Redwood Falls 56283.

Chuck Brown & Elaine Hagen are newTA Board members.

Elaine Hagen is an emerging artist in our region and is known for her lifetime of volunteering. Elaine participated in last years MIC art festival. We welcome both Elaine and Chuck to the Tatanka Arts Board. Ruth McKinney stepped down as president, ushering in Ramona Larson in that post. Dona Larkin is the newly elected vice president & Nan Kaufenberg remains as secretary.



Painting exhibited by member Pearl Ziegenhagen at the TA annual meeting.

Cedar Rock Ranch “Family Day Camps”

Tatanka Arts board members are looking into the possibility of starting family day camps at Cedar Rock Ranch if funding sources can be found. The camps would be designed to give families an opportunity to come together and engage in arts, outdoor and horse activities, Native American Culture and family dynamics experiences in the unique setting of Cedar Rock Ranch.

Tatanka Arts and the Suntanka Native Pride Group, who would partner to plan and direct the camps, are looking for input and funding sources. Our theme of the camps will be “Creating Family Stories” and our hope is to make the camps as affordable to families as possible, perhaps starting at \$25 for a family unit of four or less.

Family Groups (at least one adult for every two children) would rotate through sessions that include arts activities and dance/movement activities, time riding the horses and/or hiking and a family journaling and photo op session that would allow for each group to take home a “Family Story Book”.

If you would be interested in help support this endeavor or in participating



Photograph by Elaine Hagen, exhibited at our annual meeting, January 26.

Tatanka Arts Proposed Agenda for 2008

January - Applied for SMAHC local Arts Development Grant for kiosk, display equipment and other administrative needs.

February: Membership Drive begins.

May: Spring Art Exhibit at Fieldstone Vineyards first two weekends of the month with receptions each Saturday Begin work on *Thriving Park Garden* in Redwood Falls.

June: Music in *Thriving Park*. *Art in the Park* classes for children and youth at Ramsay Park. MIC Art Festival.

July & August: Tatanka Arts Show at the Olivia Armory for Corn Capitol Days July 25-26, Music in *Thriving Park*, Art Show at Carnegie Cultural Center in Luverne, *Family Day* at Cedar Rock Ranch.

November: Featured artists at Larson’s Home Furnishings to coincide with the *Business After Hours* Christmas Party.

In the works but not yet scheduled:

Redwood Falls Library Show

Morton Art Show

Mural Project #2

Art Barns Celebration

If you know of any group or organizations that would like to put Tatanka Arts on their program, please contact either Nan Karr Kaufenberg, Ramona Larson or Ruth McKinney.

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