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WELCOME!

A Word From Our Executive Director

Greetings! I am proud to say that the Arts Consortium continues to produce weekly, monthly, and annual community arts programming that is free for the general public to attend. Our greatest hope is that you, our reader, will become even more involved in all of the amazing artist opportunities and community events that we provide.

If you have not had a chance to take part in our activities, here is a short summary of the major events from our 2024-2025:

Our My Voice Media Center continues to see new participants who help us reduce the stigma surrounding mental illness through their artistic expression. Presentations by our No Stigma Speaker's Bureau are now part of the required curriculum for our local SJVC nursing program. In 2024, we traveled to the Los Angeles County Museum and this year, we traveled to the Los Angeles Museum of Contemporary Art and to the Broad Museum.

Our First Friday Art Walk saw a maximum of 14 venues featuring local artists. Our Lofts at Fort Visalia First Friday pavilions have become regular participants in our monthly event. We saw an average of over 100 people each First Friday.

Taste The Arts has seen a record high of 6,500 estimated attendees to our 2025 festival, and we hope that the momentum to showcase our local talent continues to grow well beyond 2026.

South Valley Art Tour returned in 2025 as a countywide event for both event days. We introduced a stamp rally for this iteration of SVAT, with our grand winner being Kristin Flowers. Kristin visited more than 25 of our South Valley Art Tour Stops located throughout the entire county.

Our partnerships to produce and place art within several public locations under the management of the Tulare County Resource Management Agency and the Tulare County General Services Agency continues to yield artist opportunities that provide truly competitive rates for our creative individuals. In the year 2024, the Arts Consortium paid out more than \$100,000.00 directly to Tulare County artists for their creative efforts.

We are very aware and enthusiastic about the growing number of active community organizations and community events. Our community's involvement in the arts is at a high point in recent memory and we hope that you will help us encourage everyone who shares our mission to promote artists as well as opportunities to make art. We thank our Arts Consortium members and donors for supporting our organization, along with everyone who attends and enjoys our programs!

-Ampelio Mejia Perez



Photo by Ampelio Mejia Perez

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The Arts Consortium 2025-2026 Artist of the Year MICHAEL JASSO



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The Arts Consortium's Artist of the Year designation began as a symbolic recognition of an artist's contribution to our organization. As the Arts Consortium has evolved, so has this distinction.

To be considered for the Artist of the Year designation, an artist must demonstrate excellence in their artistic discipline, strive to make the arts accessible, educate the general public about the arts, act as a mentor to new artists in our community and show their commitment to the arts.

Spoken word artist Michael Jasso calls his art, "Poetry that lets you say everything real that you wouldn't say in polite society." His specific art form is the poetry slam, which he began organizing

in Visalia when he was just out of high school. A poetry slam is a competition where poets perform before a live audience and panel of judges. Poetry is judged as much on enthusiasm and style as on content.

The subjects can be heavy, revealing inner turmoil, but sometimes they're humorous. It's an art form that is not widely known, and Michael is proud that he has been chosen the Arts Consortium's Artist of the Year, not just for himself, but for the recognition of spoken word art. "It's a major milestone opportunity, to bring poetry to the community," he said.

For the last 15 years as a spoken word artist, Michael has run the Loud Mouth Poetry Slam in Visalia and traveled across California and out of

state as a poet, emcee, workshop facilitator, slam coach and certified poet-teacher. He is currently the Loud Mouth Grand Slam Champion. But he says he was a late bloomer to poetry. He was into sports, writing and different art forms, but it wasn't until he took creative writing as a sophomore at Redwood High School that he found his niche.

The class wrote poetry, short stories and prose and shared what they wrote. They also learned about slam poetry. Michael started watching videos of well-known slam artists such as Saul Williams and Taylor Mali. "I was into sports—not the best—and worked backstage in theater productions, but I thought spoken word might be a unique opportunity. My priority was to do something different."

Unstuffy poetry

Poetry slams began in Chicago in the 1980s, designed to move poetry recitals from structured, stuffy academia to more accessible locations, using terms that everyday people could understand and enjoy. A month after graduating from Redwood, Michael started the Loud Mouth Slam. "I'd already been scouting potential venues, and Howie and Sons offered me the best deal," he said. A couple of years ago, he moved the monthly competition to Arts Visalia. In August, the group celebrated their 13th anniversary, having just come back from regional competition in Portland, OR, where their team took several awards.

Michael says he is living the whole starving artist life, and supplements his income as an Uber driver, which he says is the perfect job for someone trying to be a full-time artist because you can set your driving hours around your art. He has brought some well-known spoken word artists to his slams and has been published in several poetry anthologies, including last year's "Burn after Reading & Other Remains."

Teaches writing poetry

A certified poet-teacher affiliated with the state-wide non-profit, California Poets in the Schools, Michael does several trainings throughout the state each month, most recently in Hollister, where he was training teachers how to teach poetry. Last summer he did a four-session training to teach participants how to write poetry at the Book Nook in downtown Visalia. He will be doing a workshop for the social justice class at Redwood High School.

He uses various timed prompts to get students thinking. He often starts with one-minute mental warm-ups which he compares to athletes doing warm-up sprints. He'll give participants one minute to write on such words such as hope, disillusionment or longing. Then he'll have them do 12-word prompts. He'll say, "Write your life history in a 12-word sentence." Next he'll tell them to choose

one word from that sentence and write a 12-word sentence around that word. Michael carries a little notebook with him everywhere or jots notes on his phone to write down ideas and then lets those ideas "marinate."

"I write down ideas and concepts, but I don't go back to them for several months," he said. He spends much of his time coaching his slam team, giving critiques and feedback on both the poetry and presentation. He said speaking poetry is a balance between writing and performing. "In school I took theater and debate classes, which were as helpful as just the creative writing classes."

Catharsis

Michael has attended retreats in the mountains where you write "the poem that you never get to read. At the end, you throw it into the fire. "Poetry offers room for catharsis. It's not therapy, but it can be therapeutic."

Fellow poet Bryan Medina, who has run the Fresno poetry slam for 24 years, was an early mentor for Michael. They now consider their shows sister slams. "I saw a hunger in him and wanting to do something for Visalia," Bryan said. "He has really excelled in going to slams, and he's such a great man." The two slams sometimes share poets. "Our shows are very strong," said Bryan. "We're both affiliated with art museums and have great talent, people who talk about things they feel in their bones. Great young talent that have things to say."



Photo provided by Michael Jasso

What's next

Michael wants to use his time as Artist of the Year to bring poetry to the community. “It opens up opportunities,” he said. “I’d like to get a whole manuscript printed by a publisher.” He would also like to establish a poet laureate in Tulare County. “California has a state poet laureate, and some counties and cities have them, including Fresno. “We haven’t had

a Tulare County poet since Wilma McDaniel [known as the Okie Poet] was named poet laureate 50 years ago,” said Michael. “This area has a history in literary arts—William Saroyan, Gary Soto and Jack Kerourac.” Michael would like to see a literacy legacy by having an annual poetry event. “We currently have a regional competition in California. I would like to make it even wider.”

Where We Are From By Michael Jasso

When they ask you where you come from,
Do not respond right away
We were raised different
Mama told us we treat others with respect
Even when they don’t show you the same respect back
Even when they come to your house
Your fields
Your factories

As if you haven’t called these 4 walls a safe space
That sanctuary can be compromised over a single question

When they ask you where you’re from
Point down
That you are the first born from the soil which your accusers stand upon
Show them how your back stands straight like the corn stalks
Show them your callused knuckles sharpened by quartzite
How the sweat on your brow captures sunlight

When they ask you where you’re from
Show them the walnut trees you sit under for your lunch breaks
Teach them the secrets of finding shade
Finding a warm fire for the winter harvests
Finding a homemade meal that waits for your return
Tell your children
Your mothers
Fathers
You will return

When they ask you where you come from
Show them the pages from the history books they want to erase
As if we going to ignore history repeating itself
Turning a blind eye
Sending shockwaves
Putting the teachers
The police
The politicians on notice
That we are home

When they ask you where you come from
Look them in the eye
And speak
“Where do you think you’d be without me?”

THE ARTS CONSORTIUM INVITES YOU TO

TASTE THE ARTS



Taste The Arts is a free street festival celebrating the rich cultural and artistic heritage of our community. Enjoy a full day of art with over 100 artist,

participating in different aspects of the festival such as artist booths, interactive booths, performances at the Garden Street Plaza stage, and food vendors!

ANNUALLY, 3RD SATURDAY OF OCTOBER

Garden Street, Downtown Visalia



The South Valley Art Tour is Tulare County’s widest reaching art event, where local artists annually host behind-the-scenes tours of their workspaces and

studios. 2026 will take place on March 28th-29th from 10am-5pm, featuring all of Tulare County, including Visalia, Three Rivers, Tulare and more!

ANNUALLY, LAST WEEKEND OF MARCH

Locations will be available in our 2026 Passport booklet and our online map.

PETER N. CAREY GALLERY EXHIBITS

Since the Arts Consortium's move into the Lofts at Fort Visalia in late 2023, we have continued to exhibit works from Tulare County artists within the

Peter N. Carey Gallery. All of our exhibitions have receptions during First Friday, and are available to view during the Arts Consortium's operating hours.



Photo by Jason Clausen



Photo by Jason Clausen



Photo by Sandra Velasquez

2025 has been an outstanding year for the gallery, with six different exhibits being hosted throughout the year, each bringing unique, local voices to share their experiences and work in the space. Our first show of the year, *Walk-ins Welcome*, brought together painting, ceramics and tattoo culture into a one-of-a-kind collaborative show.

March marked the start *The Story: Camp Alexander at Fort Visalia*, a unique world of art, music and imagination for Rosalinda Verde Alexander's Artist of the Year Reception. Following this was Joy Collier's exhibit, *My Plein Aire Roots*, opening in May, showcased paintings of post-impressionistic sequoias, California deserts and Valley sceneries.



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August introduced the Tierra Mia Collective's *Voices From the Fields*, which shared photography from local artist Adam Perez and a collection of work from the 2024 Tierra Mia Festival. Afterwards, we showcased the *Members Art Show*, a collaborative exhibit of artwork from Arts Consortium Members. We closed out the year with *Walk-ins Welcome 2* in December, then we will begin 2026 with Michael Jasso's Artist of the Year Exhibit in February and Efrain Becerra's *Visalia Around the World* in May.

Receptions and events with these shows displayed during First Friday brought over 1,200 visits to the Peter N. Carey Gallery in 2025 to see local art, with many others viewing exhibits during our community meetings and operating hours! As always, we thank Self Help Enterprises for being such an accommodating partner and giving us the opportunity to bring artwork to the Lofts at Fort Visalia. We look forward to sharing more incredible local artwork with our community!



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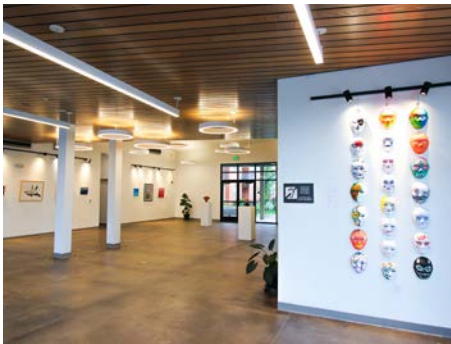


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Artwork by Kuraira Barboza

2025 Watermark Art Contest Winner **KURAIRA BARBOZA**

Every year the Arts Consortium puts out a call to artists for the Watermark Art Contest. Tulare County artists of all ages are encourage to submit an entry. The winner of this contest will be featured in the Arts Consortium's annual Watermark publication and receive \$500!

This year, we had 18 artists submit their work for the Watermark Art Contest. To decide the winner, jurors in a four person panel individually ranked all entrees. From there, all juror scores were tallied, with the highest scored artwork being the winner. Kuraira Barboza's artwork earned the highest score. Thank you to all of the entrants of this year's art competition!

If you or someone you know are interested in submitting artwork to be considered for our 2026 Watermark Art Contest, submissions start in January of 2026 and will close on May 13, 2026.

For more info about the Watermark Art Contest, visit [Artsconsortium.org/watermark-art-contest](https://artsconsortium.org/watermark-art-contest) or scan the QR code below.

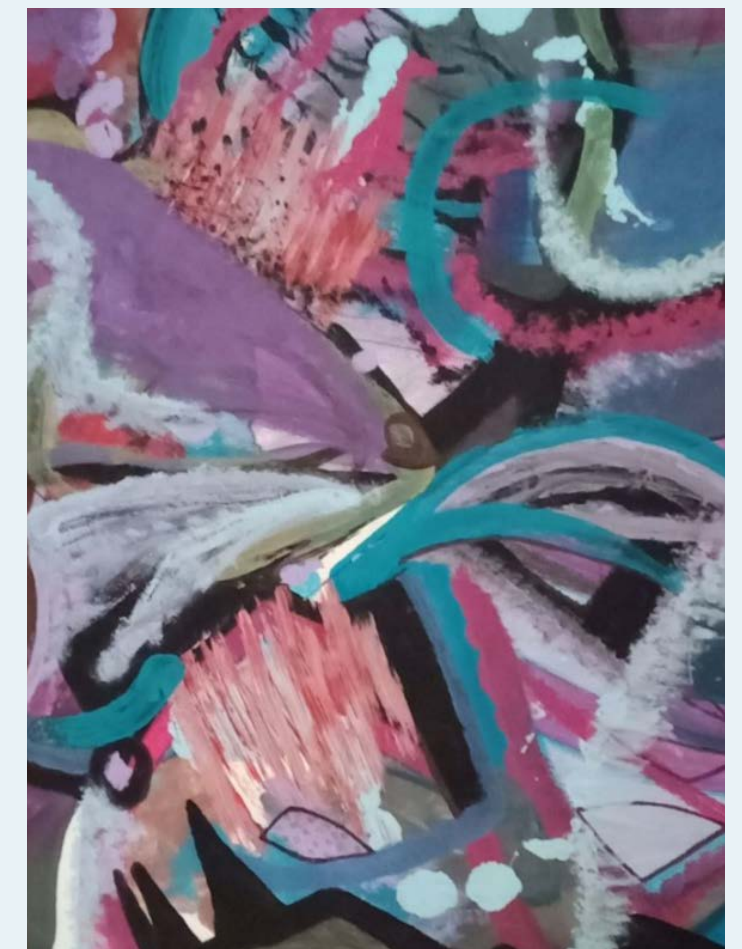


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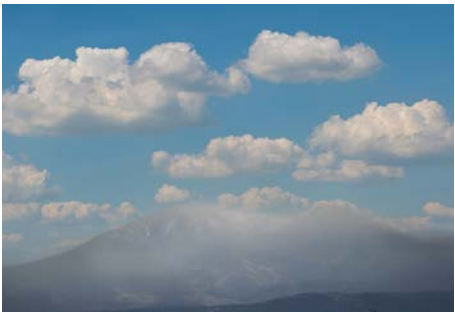
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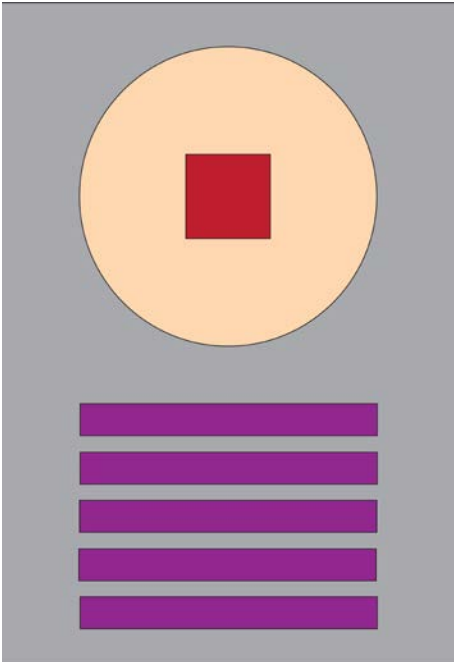
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The Future is Art

ANALI BENAVIDEZ

Every year, the San Joaquin Valley Air District calls for artists to submit drawings with clean air themes for their annual Healthy Air Living Kids' Calendar Contest. The contest is open to all K-12 students in San Joaquin Valley schools. For more info, visit: Valleyair.org/youth-resources/calendar-contest



Photo by Ampelio Mejia Perez

"My name is Anali Benavides, and I am a senior at Woodlake High School. I participated in the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution

Control District Calendar Contest and won the front cover. My inspiration came from my time in Mexico, where each house was a different color. This influenced me to use a complementary color scheme for the buildings. I drew a plant shop, an eco-friendly apartment, and a bookstore to highlight the importance of plants in our environment. I included people in front of the buildings to show how individuals can contribute to improving air quality by planting greenery."

-Anali Benavidez



Anali Benavidez, Planet Hope, 2025

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2025 Artist Spotlight

FABIANA SANDOVAL RUBIO

Fabiana Sandoval Rubio, an immigrant from the state of Michoacán, Mexico, has worked in the educational field for more than 40 years. A resident of the city of Porterville, CA. Ma. Fabiana has contributed to the local newspaper *El Sol del Valle de San Joaquín* and the magazine *La Voz Hispana*. She is the author of unpublished poems, published since 2002 in various anthologies in countries such as: Mexico, Chile, and Italy, and in some media outlets in the United States, where she has also received

recognition for her poem *Mujer Campesina y El Campesino Olvidado* (Woman Farmhand and the Forgotten Farmworker). Ma. Fabiana Sandoval has published three fiction novels and a collection of poems. She has participated in various poetry readings and radio and television interviews. She is member of the international arts association *The Cove Rincon* in Miami Florida. She is the founder of an arts and culture group called *Arte Y Quimeras* (Art and Chimeras).

2025 Artista destacado

FABIANA SANDOVAL RUBIO

Ma. Fabiana Sandoval Rubio, inmigrante del estado de Michoacán México, ha laborado en el ámbito educativo por más de cuarenta años. Residente de la ciudad de Porterville Ca. Ma. Fabiana colaboró en el periódico local *El Sol del Valle de San Joaquín* y la revista *La Voz Hispana*. Autora de poemas inéditos, publicados a partir del 2002, en diversas antologías de países como: México, Chile e Italia y en algunos medios de

comunicación en Estados Unidos, donde también ha recibido un reconocimiento a su poema *Mujer campesina y El campesino olvidado*. Ma. Fabiana Sandoval tiene publicadas tres novelas de ficción y un poemario. Ha participado en diferentes recitales poéticos, entrevistas radiales y televisivas. Es miembro de la asociación internacional dedicada a las artes *The Cove Rincon* de Miami Florida. Fundadora de un grupo de arte y cultura denominado *Arte y Quimeras*.

Woman Farmhand By Fabiana Sandoval Rubio

*Woman farmhand...
You lift your gaze at the clearing of dawn
and remain genuine, the labor
which has been entrusted to you,
your skillful hands know every corner
of the sacred sustenance, which in the process
and with your effort, to a great feast it shall arrive...*

*Woman farmhand...
Your steps firm and secure
in the furrowed land they are lost at the end.*

*Your mind remains alert,
but the heart reminds you
of those you left some time ago,
without being able to tell them "I love you!"
because they slumbered still.*

*One or two drops of salty dew,
slowly roll,
mixing with the sacred liquid,
that there is, there...below, on the ground
where your strength ends up.*

*Woman farmhand...
You sing, you laugh, and in your sonorous laughter
you dissolve the fatigue from the strenuous route,
your hands, you often hide
before the curious gaze of a multitude
who ignore the precedence of your labor
a worthy labor, that overcomes
any adversarial stigma.*



Photo provided by Adam Perez

Foto cedida por Adam Perez

Mujer Campesina Por Fabiana Sandoval Rubio

*Mujer campesina...
Levantas tu mirada al clarear el alba
y sigues genuina, la jornada
que te ha sido encomendada,
tus manos diestras conocen cada rincón,
del sagrado sustento que en el proceso
y con tu esfuerzo a un gran festín ha de llegar...*

*Mujer campesina...
Tus pasos firmes y seguros
en la surcada tierra se pierden al final.*

*Tu mente se mantiene alerta,
pero el corazón te recuerda
a quienes dejaste hace un rato,
sin poder decirles ¡te amo!
porque aún estaban dormitando...*

*Una o dos gotas de rocío salado,
ruedan lentamente,
mezclándose con el sagrado líquido,
que hay, ahí...abajo, en el suelo
donde tus fuerzas van quedando.*

*Mujer campesina...
Cantas, ríes, y en tus sonoras risotadas
difuminas el cansancio del extenuante recorrido,
tus manos, muchas veces escondes
ante la mirada curiosa de una multitud
que ignora la procedencia de tu labor
una labor digna, que supera
cualquier estigma de adversidad.*

*Mujer campesina...
Buscas ampararte bajo la sombra de una viña
mientras de prisa engulles el sustento que la
misma te prodiga a través de tu esfuerzo.
Desearías devorar el tiempo y correr
hacia donde están quienes te impulsan a luchar.*

*Quisieras prodigarles los cuidados cuando son
pequeños,
darías parte de tu existencia por ser tu rostro
el primero que viera tu descendencia al despertar,
más, esas ilusiones en el camino van quedando,
pues tu encrucijada comienza en la alborada y termina
al caer la tarde cuando hasta el alma yace cansada...*

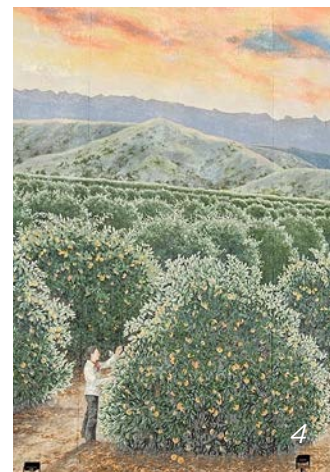
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The Tulare County Public Art Catalogue is an online map that showcases public art treasures that we live amongst, while crediting the many artists who bring beauty and thoughtfulness to our surroundings. All of the artworks featured are original, accessible to the general public at all times of the day and are free to visit. Artwork/artist/location info has been recorded to the best ability of the Cultural Connections Scholarship Winners and Arts Consortium staff.

Catalogue entries can be added and edited by emailing info to hello@artsconsortium.org. For edits, please send contact information, links, or copies of the publications that would help confirm your suggested change. For additions, please submit an image of the artwork, google map coordinates, and any artist information available to you.



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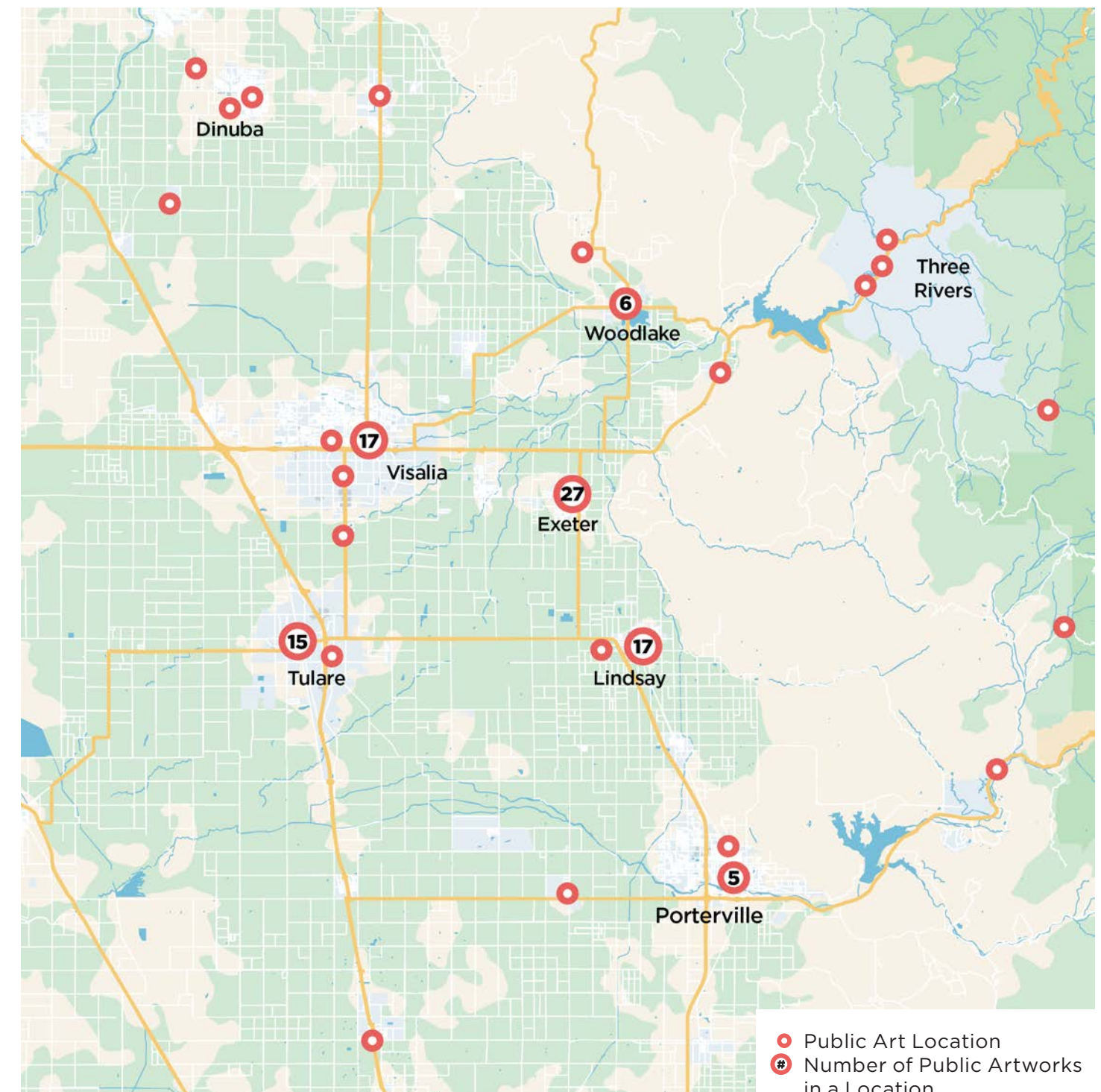
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SUSAN LEARY

My Voice Media Center Breakout Artist



Photo by Susan Leary

Susan Leary has been consistently active in My Voice Media Center sessions and has continued to grow as an artist in multiple disciplines. Alongside her artistic development in photography and videography, she has also been a prominent speaker in the No Stigma Speakers Bureau, where Susan shares her story alongside other NSSB speakers to share a firsthand perspective about living with mental illness. The Arts Consortium thanks Susan for sharing these words about herself and her journey!

“Hi, my name is Susan Leary. I am from Visalia, CA. I am a wife, mother, videographer, and photographer. Growing up in the 70’s, I was diagnosed with a learning disability. I was in Special ED all my life. I was bullied most of my school years. Being bullied made me feel ashamed. People treated me like I had the cooties.

In the 90’s, my mental illness began. Sometime after I had my daughter, I had a complete meltdown. I didn’t know what I was doing, and I had a lot of stress. I’m trying to manage the mental illness symptoms. Mental illness is just like a regular illness. Every day, I ask myself: Is this a cold, or am I having a mental illness symptom right now?

My meltdown was during college. My lowest point through it all was losing my daughter to CPS [Child Protective Services] and having to live with that guilt. My sister, who was a psychologist, noticed first. She encouraged me to speak to a doctor. The doctor gave me some samples of medication. The samples didn’t work. He referred me to a psychiatrist. And I decided to re-open my mental health case.

Today, I am doing good. I am keeping busy. I have been going to the My Voice Media Center for about 11 years. I also go to the Visalia Wellness Center. My daughter and husband go too. In both places, I have made friends and enjoyed their groups.

I picked up a camera in the year 2015. I feel like I’m walking in my granddad’s shoes – because he was an amateur photographer. I attend the MVMC Photography, Video and Photo Editing, and Art of Movement sessions. I attend Cooking and other classes at the Wellness Center. I also join the Wellness and Recovery Meetings, where different organizations and consumers meet to discuss Tulare County’s resources.

In 2023, I received an honorable mention in the Arts Consortium’s yearly magazine, The Watermark. I use the word goals now, as I get better and better. I have transitioned out of seeing a therapist or psychiatrist, but continue to take the meds that my doctor prescribes. I have reached this point by challenging myself and getting out there.

My daughter began living with me 6 years ago. She also has a mental illness. We both have taken different sessions at the My Voice Media Center. We check in with on each other to see how we both are doing and do a lot of mother-daughter time.

I plan to do more videos in videography and stay healthy, both mentally and physically. I dream to continue working with the My Voice Media Center and the Wellness Center, and my daughter’s and my relationship continues growing.”

-Susan Leary



Photo by Marcos Villarreal

MY VOICE MEDIA CENTER

My Voice Media Center (MVMC) is a collaboration between the Arts Consortium and Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency – Mental Health Branch to provide **free art sessions for adults and their support base who have lived experience with mental illness**. MVMC provides digital and traditional media in order to tell their stories and achieve their artistic aspirations.

Accomplished professional artists facilitate the creative ambitions of participants, offering weekly courses. The facilitators act as guides, **empowering artists to use digital tools to realize their own creative visions**.

To join a MVMC Session, visit 340 E Oak Ave Suite 112 in Visalia from Tuesday-Friday, 10am-3pm to sign up, then refer to the times below for specific classes.

Sessions

Art & Feelings Tues, 10-12pm	Explore and express complex emotions with 2D & 3D art.
Photo Editing Tues, 12-2pm	Learn to edit your photos using digital tools and software. <i>On Zoom</i> .
Drawing Wed, 10-12pm	Practice drawing techniques to bring your ideas to life on paper.
NSSB 2nd & 4th Wed, 12-1pm	Build confidence and empathy by sharing your mental health journey.
Visual Voices 1st, 3rd & 5th Wed, 12-1pm	Explore and express your emotions in a supportive group setting.
Photography Wed, 1-3pm	Learn to capture memorable moments using professional tools.
Painting Thurs, 10-12pm	Explore creative expression using color and brushwork.
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Poetry Out Loud is an event for high school students (grades 9-12) and is sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation. Students participating in this event will choose three pieces to recite in front of a live audience.

The Poetry Out Loud experience is now being offered to middle school students (grades 6-8) in the Poetry Out Loud Junior event. Middle School students will also choose three poems to recite.



Poet's Own Voice is an event open to middle and high school students (grades 6-11). Students will submit five original poems. Judges will determine the best portfolio in this showcase event.

Students who submit their written work can choose to recite two of their original poems in front of an audience. Judges will choose from those performers the Tulare County Youth Poet Laureate.

County Final Competition

February 6, 2026

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340 E. Oak Ave., Suite 112, Visalia

School online registrations due December 5, 2025

<https://bit.ly/PLSchoolRegister>

School champion online registration due January 7, 2026

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Poetry Live is open to all (including homeschool) Tulare County students in grades 6-12. Interested students should contact their schools first to get started.



The California Arts Council describes Poetry Out Loud as a national arts education program that encourages the study of great poetry by offering free educational materials and a dynamic recitation competition for high school students across the country. This program helps students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and learn about literary history and contemporary life.

The Arts Consortium is proud to administer the Tulare County branch of this national recitation

competition, in partnership with the Tulare County Office of Education and the California Arts Council.

Our local version of this nation-wide event is only one piece of three diverse competitions known collectively as Poetry Live. This event consists of Poetry Out Loud and Poetry Out Loud Jr., along with Poet's Own Voice, where grade 6-12 students create and preform original poetry. In 2025, Tulare County's annual Poetry Live took place on February 7th during First Friday in the Peter N. Carey Gallery.



Photos by Jason Clausen

2025 Tulare County Poetry Out Loud Winner

YAREZLY NAVARRO



Original image by Tulare County Office of Education

After three incredible live poetry recitations, the judges decided that Yarezly Navarro from Mission Oak High School was the winner of the Tulare County's 2025 Poetry Out Loud competition! She won \$1,000 for winning Poetry Out Loud, which went to help her and her poetry coach travel to the state championship held in Sacramento this March.

Poetry Performed by Yarezly Navaro:

Poem About People by Robert Pinsky

When You Are Old by William Butler Yeats

Mansplaining by Jennifer Militello

2025 Tulare County Poet's Own Voice Winner

CAYDINCE HUSTON

After reciting two captivating original poems, Caydince Huston from Porterville's Summit Charter High School was declared the winner of the 2025 Poet's Own Voice competition! As the competition's winner, Caydince was given a \$1,000 cash prize and became the Tulare County Youth Poet Laureate, an ambassador for literacy, arts, and youth expression.

Some people's voices by Caydince Huston

*"I know they can't control it,
But some people's voices annoy me.*

*Her delicate little voice rings in my ear, speak up.
Your mouth squeaks, they bore me.
I know you yell at your mother at home,
So use that power when you speak to me.*

*Maybe I'm just jealous.
Jealous, my voice sounds like a man.
Jealous, I can't sound sweet, but you can.
Your voice sounds like a delicate flower,
While mine sounds like a shriveled cactus.*

*I wish I sounded sweet,
I wish I sounded feminine.
You have a slow, soft voice.
And when I'm nervous, I sound like Eminem.*



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*Your voice sounds like a perfectly round bubble,
Floating above, so full of love.
My voice drops like a rock,
And it's coarse like sidewalk chalk.*

*I'm jealous of your voice,
but I'll never admit that to you.
My ego doesn't have a choice,
So if I believe I hate it long enough,
It'll be true."*

Annual COS Scholarship Winner

MONMARI PRESTO

The Arts Consortium is proud to continue supporting our community's young artists through our partnership with the College of Sequoias Scholarship Program. The winner of our 2025 \$1,000.00 scholarship is Monmari Presto of Hanford, CA.

Monmari has a long history of community involvement and she has demonstrated her desire to help her community come together through her dedication to school clubs, student government, Link Crew, and Academic Decathlon.

Miss Presto's interest in the arts led her to take part in a number of clubs and activities during her time at College of Sequoias (COS). She acted as Treasurer of the Animation Production Club and helped present student-led workshops. She also played a role in the Pathway to the Museum Club, where she learned about careers in the arts and made site visits to arts organizations, such as the John Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles.

Finally, Monmari's pursuit of the arts led her to join the Printworks club at COS. Miss Presto felt an immediate desire to take part in Printworks activities, campaigning and winning her position as Secretary for the club. With the Printworks club, Monmari has participated in printmaking events in Visalia, Los Angeles and Chicago. Monmari's dedication to the arts and her plan to continue her education in the arts make her an ideal candidate for our annual award.

Congratulations Monmari!



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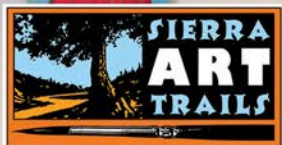
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[f](#) CreativeCenterVisalia
606 N Bridge St, Visalia
Jon Ginsburg Gallery: 410 E Race St, Visalia • Mon-Thurs
7am-3:30pm, Fri 7:30-3pm

The Creative Center is a nonprofit community arts center for adults with developmental disabilities with the mission of fostering self-expression, self-worth and personal growth through the arts, community integration, providing cultural resources to the community and recognizing the individual's value and contribution. Part of the Arts Consortium's First Friday art hop.

CULTURAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION

Chftularecounty.org
Chrism@cos.edu • 559-730-3907
[@](#) Chf_TulareCounty
[f](#) BuddysDrumCircleAndFriends
107 W Tulare Ave, Visalia

Nonprofit in Tulare County that strives to create a more connected and equitable society where cultural diversity is celebrated and embraced

D

DANCE ARTS

Danceartsvisalia.com
559-733-9414
[@](#) DanceArts242
[f](#) DanceArtsVisalia
242 E Oak Ave, Visalia
Dance Arts offers dance classes for ages three years and up in Ballet, tap, jazz, hip hop, and musical theater.



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DANCERS EDGE

Dedance.com • [@DancersEdgeCA](https://www.instagram.com/DancersEdgeCA)
[f Dancers Edge](https://www.facebook.com/DancersEdge)
Visalia: 7022 W. Pershing Ct
559-732-5327
Downtown Visalia: 113 N. Willis St
559-802-3289
Hanford: 104 E 7th St
559-585-8585

Dancers Edge mission is to make dance a rewarding, fulfilling and fun experience designed to meet the needs of any student. Classes are offered to beginners of all ages and training through pre-professional levels. Dancers at the studio are able to excel in the areas of Ballet, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Lyrical, Modern, Theater Arts and Tot-A-Lot through classes geared towards technical placement and expression.

DOWNTOWN VISALIA

Downtownvisalia.com
559-732-7737
120 S. Church Street, Visalia
The Downtown Visalians serve as a unifying force for the downtown. They host multiple events throughout the year including the Wine Walk, Brewfest, Taste of Downtown, and the Candy Cane Lane parade.

E

EAGER STUDIOS

Eagerstudios.com
Joseph@eagerstudios.com
559-627-9500 • [@EagerStudios](https://www.instagram.com/EagerStudios)
2332 W Whitendale Ave, Visalia
Eager Studios is dedicated to helping the Eager Musician thrive! Serving students from Visalia & Tulare of all ages!



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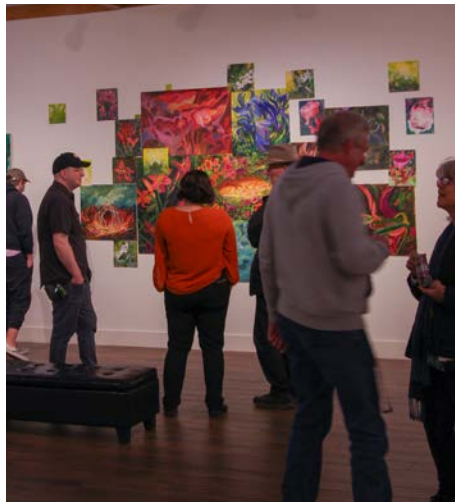


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ENCHANTED PLAYHOUSE THEATER COMPANY

Enchantedplayhouse.org
559-972-7027
The Enchanted Playhouse produces live staged theatrical productions to provide opportunities to celebrate our rich heritage of children's literature for the residents of the Central San Joaquin Valley. The Enchanted Playhouse continues to fulfill its original mission to "enchant, surprise, excite and amuse audiences, young and old!"

ENCORE THEATER COMPANY

Encoretulare.org
Encoretulare@gmail.com
559-686-1300
Call for information and tickets
324 S N St, Tulare
PO Box 1952, Tulare CA 93275
Tulare's Encore Theatre Company was founded in 1979. In addition to producing five main-stage productions annually, It is home to two performing youth groups: Encore Kids and Stages. We offer an intimate black box theater with cabaret-style seating and refreshments delivered to your table by our friendly staff.

EXETER MURAL GALLERY (EXETER MURALS)

559-592-3160
204 E Pine St, Exeter
Souvenirs and Information about Exeter Murals.

G

GONZALES DANCE ACADEMY

Gonzalesdanceacademy.com
(559) 616-0258
[@Gonzales_Dance_Academy](https://www.instagram.com/Gonzales_Dance_Academy)
[f BforGulloMexicano](https://www.facebook.com/BforGulloMexicano)
Visalia: 210 S Cain St
Porterville: 466 E Putnam Ave
At Gonzales Dance Academy (GDA), we welcome students of all ages and skill levels. Our dedicated instructors help every dancer reach their full potential in Folklorico, emphasizing culture, traditions, and heritage. We unite communities through a shared love of Folklorico, creating unforgettable experiences. Serving Porterville, Visalia, and Fresno, we look forward to dancing with you!

GRACE NOTE MUSIC STUDIO

Gracenotemusicstudio.com
559-736-4738
814 W Oak Ave, Visalia
Mon-Frid 10am-8pm,
Sat 10am-2pm
We are so excited to serve Visalia with the best opportunities in music education! We offer private one-on-one music lessons at Grace Note for nearly every musical instrument, including voice.

GREEN ROSE PRODUCTIONS (VISALIA OPERA COMPANY)

Greenroseproductions.org
Greenroseproductions.usa@gmail.com • 559-972-5798
[f GreenRoseProductions.USA](https://www.facebook.com/GreenRoseProductions.USA)
[v GreenRoseProductions1084](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCGreenRoseProductions1084)
The Green Rose Production mission is to create events to help persons with disabilities find their purpose and independence through the arts. They accomplish this by producing community events, plays, and productions.



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H

HANDWEAVERS OF THE VALLEY

Hwotv.org • Mrsjulie@gmail.com
[f Handweavers of the Valley](https://www.facebook.com/HandweaversoftheValley)
Handweavers of the Valley is a guild of fiber artists based out of Exeter, CA. The guild began with weavers and expanded to spinners, felters, and a multitude of other possibilities for fiber artists. They meet monthly on the second Saturday morning of each

HIL INK ART

Hilinkart.com • Hilink7@gmail.com
818-568-9325 • [Etsy: Hilinkart](https://www.etsy.com/shop/Hilinkart)
Hilary Williams is a watercolor and calligraphy artist living in Central California. She expanded her portfolio to include pet portraits, and also does calligraphy for wedding invitations, addressing envelopes and bible verses with beautiful watercolor flowers.

I

IMAGINE ART CENTER

Imagineartcenter.org
Info@imagineartcenter.org
559-615-1373
[@ImagineArtCenter](https://www.instagram.com/ImagineArtCenter)
[f ImagineCAC](https://www.facebook.com/ImagineCAC)
63 S Main St, Porterville
Tues-Sat 10am-8pm
Imagine Arts Center is a safe space for the community to collaborate and create inspirational works of art using the mediums desired. Provides art education to everyone: children, adults, schools, clubs, etc.

IMAGINEU: CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

Imagineumuseum.org
559-733-5975
[@ImagineU_Museum](https://www.instagram.com/ImagineU_Museum)
[f ImagineUMuseum](https://www.facebook.com/ImagineUMuseum)
210 N Tipton St, Visalia
Mon-Fri 9am-1pm, Sat-Sun 9am-5pm
At ImagineU, children are encouraged to explore their imaginations and learn through creative play. Each exhibit is designed to provide a fun and interactive experience that allows children to develop at their own pace. From hands-on activities that inspire creativity to exciting adventures that spark the love of learning, ImagineU offers a safe and welcoming environment where kids can grow and thrive. Whether your child is one or eight years old, they are sure to find something to love at ImagineU.

K

KAWEAH ARTS

KaweahArts.com
KaweahArts3R@gmail.com
559-561-2222
[f KaweahArts3R](https://www.facebook.com/KaweahArts3R)
42249 Sierra Drv, Three Rivers
Part of 1st Saturday in Three Rivers, monthly open-studio event showcasing the art and artists of Three Rivers.



Photo by Sandra Velasquez

L

LINDSAY ART ASSOCIATION

Lindsaymuseumandgallery.org/side-thumbnails-folder/2017/5/5/lindsay-art-association
Lindsayartassociation@gmail.com
559-359-6393 • [@LindsayCA_Art](https://www.instagram.com/LindsayCA_Art)
[f Lindsay Art Association](https://www.facebook.com/LindsayArtAssociation)
The Lindsay Art Association goal is to promote a local appreciation of the arts, to be responsible stewards for Lindsay's fine art collection and to provide opportunities for creating and exhibiting art in various media.

LINDSAY COMMUNITY THEATER

Lindsaycommunitytheater.com
Jrkliegl103@gmail.com
559-284-2223
190 N Elmwood Ave, Lindsay
The Lindsay Community Theater is a publicly owned, nonprofit corporation. They feature live theater performances throughout the year.

LINDSAY MURALS (THE LINDSAY MURAL SOCIETY)

Lindsaymurals.org/lindsaymurals.html
Judythd@lindsaymurals.org
The Lindsay Mural Society's purpose is to help preserve and promote the cultural, ethnic and historical roots of Lindsay, in a manner that citizens and children will have some sense of who they are and where they came from and a sense of community. To build pride in the community and to use public art as a tool to build bridges across barriers between ethnic and cultural groups. To help beautify and revitalize historical Lindsay downtown by establishing public art and promote tourism.

LINDSAY MUSEUM & GALLERY
Lindsaymuseumandgallery.org
559-310-4109

f LindsayMuseumAndGallery
165 N Gale Hill Ave, Lindsay
The purpose of the Lindsay Museum and Gallery is to expand local awareness and appreciation of Lindsay's history as well as the arts.

M

MIGHTY OAK CHORUS/BARBERSHOP HARMONY SOCIETY
Visaliamightyoakchorus.org
Info@visaliamightyoakchorus.org
559-280-5715 • Mon 7pm-9pm
1023 N Chinowth St, Visalia
Men's singing group, Visalia Chapter D-029.

MINERAL KING PRESERVATION SOCIETY
Mineralking.org
Lisa@mineralking.org
559-561-1000

MKPS exhibits its collection in the Mineral King Room at the Three Rivers Historical Museum and in the Honeymoon Cabin in Mineral King. We host a variety of annual events, lectures, hikes, and more!

MOONHAVEN HAUS
421 W Main St, Visalia
@ MoonHavenHaus
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MY VOICE MEDIA CENTER
Myvoicemediacenter.com
Myvoicemediacenter@gmail.com
559-772-0001
@ **f** MyVoiceMediaCenter
340 E Oak Ave, Ste 112, Visalia
The My Voice Media Center offers free training in visual and digital arts, audio recording, and creative writing to people who have lived experience with mental health. We do so in order to help individuals tell their stories of recovery as well as to reduce the stigma of mental illness.

O

THE ODD SHOP
559-972-2023 • **@** The.Odd.Shop
f TheOddShopThriftStore
118 S Court St, Visalia
Thrift and consignment store in Downtown Visalia with hand-crafted gifts, homemade goods and unique items. Part of the Arts Consortium's First Friday art hop.

OVAL GALLERY
@ TheOvalGallery
808 N Court St, Visalia
The Oval Gallery is a contemporary art space and print shop located in North Visalia. Part of First Friday art hop in Visalia.

P

PORTERVILLE BARN THEATER
Portervillebarntheater.com
BarnTheaterMedia@gmail.com
559 310-7046
@ **f** BarnTheaterPorterville
42 S Plano St, Porterville
Community theater that has been putting on local performances by volunteers since 1948.

PORTERVILLE HISTORICAL MUSEUM
Portervillemuseum.com
Portervillemuseum@gmail.com
559-784-2053
f PortervilleHistoricalMuseum
257 N D St, Porterville
Displaying and preserving local history.



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R

RAVE DANCE COMPLEX
Ravedancecomplex.com
Studio@ravedancecomplex.com
559-623-9162
@ **f** RaveDanceComplex
4341 W Noble Ave, Visalia
Offering various dance classes for ages 3-18. Their mission is to provide a supportive and inclusive environment where dancers of all levels can explore their creativity, develop their skills, and reach their full potential.

S

SIERRA PERFORMANCE ART CENTER
Spacdance.com • Spacpp@att.net
559-627-8277 • 114 E Oak St, Visalia
The Sierra Performing Arts Center is dedicated to providing quality dance instruction and performance opportunities for children and adults: Ballet, Pointe, Jazz, Tap, Musical Theatre/Broadway Dance, Lyrical, Contemporary, Hip Hop, Stretch/Strengthen and Turns/Jumps for Dancers, Improv, Progressive Ballet Technique using balls, Preschool Ballet and Creative Movement.

SEQUOIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Sequoiasymphonyorchestra.com
Info@sequoiasymphonyorchestra.com • 559-732-8600
@ **f** SequoiaSymphony
@ SequoiaSymphonyOrchestra4104
208 W Main St, Ste D, Visalia
Mon & Fri 9am-3pm,
Tues & Thurs 10am-2pm
Presenting nearly ten concerts a year and a rich array of education and community programs, the Sequoia Symphony Orchestra's reach into Visalia and surrounding communities of the Central Valley is broad. The professional symphony offers a repertoire ranging from the great orchestral masterworks to music from today's most prominent composers.

SHARICES
Sharice@sharices.com
559-816-6870
@ Sharices_ **f** Sharices
530 E Main St B, Visalia
A place for plants, vintage items, local art, and unique finds. Part of the Arts Consortium's First Friday art hop.

SIERRA VOCAL ARTS ENSEMBLE
559-804-7995
f SierraVocalArtsEnsemble
The Sierra Vocal Arts Ensemble is a singing ensemble in Porterville made up of local people. They are dedicated to the advancement and performance of the highest quality, diverse choral music. The group has been in existence for over 25 years.

THE SOURCE LGBT+ CENTER
Thesourcelgbt.org
Info@thesourcelgbt.org
559-429-4277
@ **f** TheSourceLgbt
109 NW 2nd Ave, Visalia
You don't have to be OUT to come IN. Our mission is to provide supportive spaces within our communities for LGBTQ+ people to learn, grow, belong, and thrive. Our vision is a Central Valley where all LGBTQ+ people are valued and celebrated.



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SOCIETY OF CHILDREN'S BOOK WRITERS & ILLUSTRATORS (SCBWI)
Scbwi.org
Canorthcentral-ic@scbwi.org
@ Scbwi_Ca_NorthCentral
The Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators is the pre-eminent membership organization for children's book creators. We are a global community of writers, illustrators, translators, publishers, librarians, advocates, and other industry professionals establishing a more imaginative and inclusive world through children's literature. Our mission is to support the creation of quality children's books, so that young people everywhere have the books they need and deserve.

SPIRIT HILL MEDITATION GARDEN AND ART STUDIO
3rtogether.org/calendar-item/spirit-hill-meditation-2/2025-06-14/Sblaircreativeplay.blogspot.com
559-561-3463
43641 Skyline Drv, Three Rivers
Come join Bruce Keller to meditate on Saturday mornings at 10 in Three Rivers. Watch an inspiring video, meditate outdoors to the sound of chimes, bubbling pond and breeze in the trees. You can also visit Shirley Keller's art studio, featuring re-purposed items made into artwork, ceramic masks and more. Keller is an author of three books that can be found on Amazon, Book Nook, Visalia and her studio in Three Rivers.

T

THREE RIVERS HISTORICAL MUSEUM
3rmuseum.org
History@3rmuseum.org
559-561-2707 • **f** 3Rmuseum
42268 Sierra Drv, Three Rivers
Three Rivers Historical Museum's mission is to preserve the past for future generations. The museum exhibits Three Rivers history, holds events, and offers educational programs each year.

THREE RIVERS PLAYERS
3rplayers@gmail.com
559-561-4154
f Three Rivers Players 3R CA
46173 N Fork Drv
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TULARE COUNTY LEAGUE OF MEXICAN AMERICAN WOMEN
Tularecountylmaw.org
@ **f** Tclmaw
Founded in 1979, this nonprofit organization is dedicated to increasing the cultural knowledge of women and our community through conferences, workshops, and public projects.



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TULARE COUNTY MUSEUM
Tularecountymuseum.org
Aking1@tularecounty.ca.gov
 559-624-7326
 @ TulareCountyMuseum
 27000 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia
 Thurs & Mon 10am-4pm

The Tulare County Museum houses a large collection that tells the story of our local history and the diverse cultures that have shaped Tulare County. The museum is home to the original museum building, a pioneer village that includes 10 structures, the Farm Labor & Agriculture Museum, and the AG Equipment Barn all of which house local history. We offer programming for school field trips, free community events, and regular hours for public visitation. During your visit you may see a Visalia Saddle, military uniforms, Native American baskets, agricultural equipment (some restored by our local high school students), and cultural displays. There is something for everyone to connect with history!

TULARE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION
Tcoe.org/StudentEvents
 Theatre Company: 559-651-1482
 TCOE: 559-733-6300

TCOE provides Student Future Ready Events that include: Theatre Company Performances & Workshops, Young People's Concerts, Poetry Out Loud, Student Art Exhibitions, Slick Rock Film Festival and much more. TCOE provides quality service and support to the students and school districts of Tulare County.

TULARE HISTORICAL MUSEUM
Tularehistoricalmuseum.org
 559-686-2074
 444 W Tulare Ave, Visalia

The Tulare Historical Museum preserves the rich history of the city of Tulare. In addition to our permanent historical displays, they also feature temporary art, cultural and holiday exhibits in their Heritage Art Gallery and Depot Gallery.



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TULARE PALETTE CLUB
Bpatton2288@comcast.net
 916-549-3499 Meets the 3rd
 Friday of Sept, Oct, Nov, Feb,
 Mar & May @6pm at the Tulare
 Historical Museum.

Tulare Palette Club is an association for artists and art patrons. They hold workshops, regular meetings that feature artist demos, and an annual spring show.

TULARE-KINGS WRITERS
Tularekingswritersca@gmail.com
 559-786-0933
 @ Tulare-Kings Writers

Tulare-Kings Writers is a networking group open to writers and aspiring writers wishing to connect with other writers. During their monthly meetings, they discuss topics relevant to the literary arts, participate in flash fiction exercises, practice reading aloud from their books, and invite guests to speak with them. They also attend events where they sell books written by members and published both traditionally and independently. They meet monthly at 10 AM on the third Saturday. They meet at Tulare County Library in Visalia, 200 West Oak Avenue, and invite you to visit their Facebook page to confirm the date and location.

TULE GEM AND MINERAL SOCIETY
Tulegem.com
 559-802-6029 (Text)
 @ Tule Gem and Mineral Society
 444 N Gene Ave, Farmersville

The Tule Gem and Mineral Society are for those who are interested in lapidary arts, geology, the preservation of nature, and would also like to learn how to cut, polish, or facet rock, create jewelry or bead work, or go on field trips to collect rock. They meet the first Monday of the month @7:30pm.



URBANISTS ART COLLECTIVE
Urbanistscollective.com
 @ Urbanists_CA

Committed to the professional expansion of urban art within the community, Urbanists Art Collective embraces the concept of redefining public space with the addition of art and public engagement through art education, demonstration, and outreach.



VISALIA ART LEAGUE
Visaliaartleague.org
Visaliaartleague@gmail.com
 559-972-0981
 @ Visalia_Art_League
 @ Visalia Art League
 PO Box 4063, Visalia CA 93278

The Visalia Art League's mission is to promote interest in art throughout Tulare County and to develop art appreciation. We believe in artists helping artists through support, mentoring, and teaching one another. We have scheduled monthly meetings, which include club updates, fun demonstrations from local artists, other useful and interesting information plus socializing opportunities with other club members.

VISALIA COMMUNITY PLAYERS
Visaliaicehouse.com
Visaliaplayers@gmail.com
 559-734-3900 • @ VisaliaPlayers
 410 E Race Ave, Visalia, CA

The Players have been performing for nearly 60 years. Having established a home in the Old Visalia Ice House, they are dedicated to entertaining Valley residents with a mix of all types of theater.

VISALIA FOX THEATRE
Foxvisalia.org • Info@foxvisalia.org
 559-625-1369 • @ VisaliaFox
 308 W Main St, Visalia
 Ticket Office: Mon-Fri 10am-5pm

The historic Fox Theatre has been entertaining the community since 1930. As a non-profit, our mission is to preserve this treasured venue while providing exceptional live entertainment and cultural experiences that inspire, educate, and unite our community. From concerts and comedy to film and community events, you'll find it all here!

VISALIA'S PODCAST
Visaliaspodcast@gmail.com
 @ VisaliasPodcast
 @ VPSocialMedia

A podcast dedicated to Visalia's health, wealth, & community.

VISALIA TALKS
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Visaliatalks@gmail.com
 559-429-5898
 113 N Church St, Ste 308, Visalia

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Quickly Bunch AUG 8 - 24 The Bunch Musical Co-Directed by Charles Hickokotham & Jennifer Cannella	EVENT CANCELLED SEPT 12 & 13 Mean Boys & Jersey Girls Music Fundraiser	BUZZARD FESTIVAL OCT 4 18th Buzzard Festival Live Music Outside	THE SHAI ONES OCT 10 - 28 The Shai Ones Play Written & Directed by Todd Mathews
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EVENT CALENDAR

Recurring Events

First Friday | 1st Friday of every month
5-8pm • [Artsconsortium.org](#) • 559-772-0001
Downtown Visalia's art hop. Visit a variety of art exhibits, interactive art activities and more at participating downtown art stops.

1st Saturday in Three Rivers | 1st Saturday of every month
11am-5pm • [1stSaturdayTR.com](#) • 559-799-1473
A different featured artist every month. Art studios, galleries, restaurants, and merchants open their doors and invite you to join in a town-wide celebration.

Cuppa Jazz | Every Saturday
10am-12pm • [210 W Center Ave, Visalia](#)
Enjoy live Jazz music every Saturday along with a cup of your favorite coffee at the 210 Café Lounge.

Loud Mouth Poetry Jam | 3rd Sunday of the month
4-7pm • [214 E Oak Ave, Visalia](#) • 559-667-5650
[f LoudMouthPoetryJam](#)
The Central Valley's growing slam poetry community, hosted at Arts Visalia.

Handweavers of the Valley General Meetings | 2nd Saturday of the month
Socializing at 9:30am, meeting at 10am • [Hwotv.org](#)
[324 N Kaweah Ave, Exeter](#) • 559-561-4048
Programs are open to all. Some programs are followed by workshops that require pre- registration and may include fees for materials. Each meeting is a hybrid and can be attended in person at the Exeter Veterans Memorial Building or on Zoom.

Squeekie Wheels | 3rd & 4th Friday of the month
9am-1pm • [230 E Chestnut St, Exeter](#)
[Quailhaven@protonmail.com](#)
Meeting group for new and experienced hand spinners from around the valley. Show and tell items are encouraged to see what you have been spinning, weaving, knitting, or crocheting!

Kaweah Konnection | 2nd Wednesday of every month
10AM • [Hwotv.org/calendar](#) • [143410 Sierra Dr, Three Rivers](#) • [Saddleblankets@haydenrances.com](#)
Kaweah Konnection is a group of weavers in Three Rivers. The group welcomes weavers of all abilities and focuses on learning, support, and sharing.

Mighty Oak Chorus Meetings & Rehearsals | Mondays
7-9pm • [Visaliamightyoakchorus.org](#)
[3315 N Akers Street, Visalia](#) • 559-280-5715
Men and Women singing group, Visalia Chapter D-029.

Veterans Drumming Circle | Every Sunday
6pm • [107 W Tulare Ave Visalia](#) • [@CHF_TulareCounty](#)
[Buddy.jones24@yahoo.com](#) • 559-799-6436
Open to veterans of all backgrounds, this event encourages self-expression, stress relief, and camaraderie in a supportive, community-driven environment. No drumming experience is necessary, all are welcome to join!

Ancestral Drumming Circle | 1st & 3rd Monday
6pm • [107 W Tulare Ave Visalia](#) • [@CHF_TulareCounty](#)
[Buddy.jones24@yahoo.com](#) • 559-334-8594
Join us for an ancestral drumming circle led by Tino Rayos where we connect through rhythm, tradition, and community. This powerful gathering honors cultural roots and shared heritage, inviting everyone to experience the healing and unifying energy of the drum.

African Drumming Circle | Every Thursday
6pm • [107 W Tulare Ave Visalia](#) • [@CHF_TulareCounty](#)
[Buddy.jones24@yahoo.com](#) • 559-799-6436
Join us in a sacred African drumming circle where the beat of the drum connects us to our ancestors, our roots, and each other. Through rhythm and shared intention, we release what no longer serves us and tap into the healing power of community and tradition.

SCBWI Monthly Chapter Meeting | 2nd Wednesday of every month
6-7pm • Virtual • [Scbwi.org/regions/canorthcentral](#)
Interested in writing or illustrating for kids? Join SCBWI's monthly regional meetup to connect with fellow creatives, ask questions, and learn about the world of children's publishing.

Tulare County Libraries
[Tularecountylibrary.org/calendar](#)
Across 17 branches, Tulare County Library hosts a multitude of free programs for all ages! Check out what is happening at your branch by visiting their website.

2025

October

Pigments of Perception | Tuesday, July 1st - Friday, Oct 24th
[915 S. Mooney Boulevard, Visalia](#) • 559-737-4861
Works by Krista Fulbright, Anne Pearce and Shawn Michelle Smith.

Adam Perez - Voices from the Fields | Aug 1st - Oct 31st
[Artsconsortium.org](#) • [340 E Oak Ave Ste 112, Visalia](#)
559-772-0001
Adam Perez's gallery show at the Peter N. Carey Gallery. Voices from the Fields is a collection of work from the Tierra Mia Festival and focuses on the farmworker communities in the California Central Valley. Visit [adamgperez.com](#) to learn more about Adam and his work.

Hispanic Heritage Month Exhibit | Sept 4 - Oct 18
[Tularehistoricalmuseum.org](#) • [444 W Tulare Ave, Tulare](#)
559-651-3003
The Tulare Historical Museum presents Hispanic Heritage Month in the Depot Room.

Cardboard Challenge | All of October
[Tcoe.org/CardboardChallenge](#) • [Juliana.davidian@tcoe.org](#) • 559-651-3003
The Cardboard Challenge is an opportunity for children to play and learn by using simple materials to build the things they imagine while learning skills like critical thinking, resourcefulness, perseverance and teamwork. During the month of October, TCOE encourages schools to host a local Cardboard Challenge, or join us for a mini Cardboard Challenge at the STEAM Expo held March 7, 2026 at the TCOE Mooney Conference Center.

Dracula | October 9th - 18th
[Cos.edu/theatre](#) • [915 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia](#)
559-651-3003
A drama production by the College of the Sequoias Performing Arts.

The Shai Ones | October 10th - 26th
Oct 10th, 11th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 24th & 25th at 7pm, October 12th, 19th, & 26th at 2pm • 559-310-7046
[portervillebarntheater.com](#) • [42 S Plano St, Porterville](#)
An original play written by Todd Mathenia and produced by the Porterville Barn Theatre.

TEDx Visalia | October 12th
Doors open at 12pm, show starts at 1pm • [Foxvisalia.org](#)
[308 W Main St, Visalia](#) • 559-625-1369
Join TEDx Visalia for an unforgettable afternoon of bold ideas, local voices, and community transformation. This independently organized TED experience will feature a powerful line-up of visionary speakers, live performances, and thought provoking storytelling design to inspire, challenge, and empower. From mental health and forgiveness to innovation, agriculture, youth advocacy and the arts, TEDx Visalia brings together change makers and everyday heroes who are deeply rooted in the Central Valley and beyond. This year's theme, "Rooted in Change: Growing Ideas, Cultivating Impact," highlights the resilience of our community and the power of planting bold ideas in fertile ground.

Tulare County Historical Society Fundraiser | October 12th
3:30-6pm • [Tularecountymuseum.org](#)
[27000 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia](#) • 559-624-7326
For more than 70 years, the Fabulous Studio Band of Porterville High School has been entertaining audiences throughout the United States. Come discover why this talented group has gained nationwide acclaim. Proceeds from the tickets sales will support the Tulare County Historical Society and the Tulare County Museum.

The Graduates - The Sound of Simon & Garfunkel | October 15th
Doors open at 6:30pm, show starts at 7:30pm
[Foxvisalia.org](#) • [308 W Main St, Visalia](#) • 559-625-1369
From the ethereal Scarborough Fair to the upbeat and unforgettable Mrs. Robinson, the mysteriously provocative Sound Of Silence to the anthemic Bridge Over Troubled Water, *The Graduates* is an energetic and heartwarming salute to the music of Simon & Garfunkel. With a backdrop of stunning multi-media, "Paul & Art" escort us through an evening filled with beautiful renditions of some of the most beloved folk songs ever written.

Taste the Arts | October 18th
10am-5pm • [Artsconsortium.org/events/tta](#) •
[Garden st, Visalia](#) • 559-772-0001
The 15th anniversary of the Arts Consortium’s free arts festival in Downtown Visalia! Featuring the art-work of local Tulare County artists, live music, performances, food vendors and interactive activities for all ages. From Garden St Plaza to E School Ave.

Mariachi Los Camperos | October 18th
[Doors open at 7pm, show starts at 8pm](#) • [Foxvisalia.org](#)
[308 W Main St, Visalia](#) • 559-625-1369
Mariachi Los Camperos – led by Jesus “Chuy” Guzman and considered by many to be among the finest mariachi ensembles in the world, invites you for an evening celebrating the Golden Era of Mari-achi music with composers and singers such as Agustin Lara, Maria Grever, Javier Solis and Manuel M. Ponce to more contemporary musicians like Juan Gabriel, Vicente Fernandez and many more.

Monarch Murder Mystery Benefit Dinner Theater | October 25th
[4-8pm](#) • [Cach-exeter.org](#) • [125 S B St, Exeter](#)
[559-592-5900](#)
B Street closes for an interactive whodunit with live music, ribs, scandalous drinks, auctions, and a new pioneer exhibit. Tickets at CACHE or online. Tickets are \$75 each, \$800 for a table of 8. All tick-ets can be purchased on our website.

Theatre Company’s War of the Worlds | October 24th - 25th
[Tcoe.org/theatreco/callboard](#) • [11535 Ave 264, Visalia](#) • 559-651-1482
Each fall, a small cast of students performs a reen-actment of the infamous 1938 radio broadcast, War of the Worlds. The Theatre Company offers classes and performance opportunities to all Tulare County youth. There are minimal course fees for classes and productions (scholarships are available).

Handweavers of the Valley Show and Sale | October 25th
[10am-3pm](#) • [Hwotv.org](#) • [324 N Kaweah Ave, Exeter](#)
[559-561-4048](#)
The Handweavers of the Valley Guild promote public awareness of the fine art of handweaving and spinning as well as to support guild programs with this annual event. It serves as an educational expe-rience for those wishing to share and learn more about one of the ancient arts.

Village Halloween at ImagineU | October 31st
[3-6pm](#) • [Imagineumuseum.org](#) • [210 N Tipton St, Visalia](#) • 559-733-5975
ImagineU Kid’s Museum hosts a fun and safe Hal-loween event for children. This free community event offers a great alternative to traditional trick-or-treating, with a trick-or-treat village set up in the backyard of the museum. Each door is decorated by members of the community, so you can be sure that your child will have a safe and enjoyable experience. Don’t forget to bring a trick-or-treat bag and your best costume!

Prolonged Events
Arts Visalia: Jose Soria | Oct 1st - Nov 1st
[Reception Oct 3rd from 5-7:30pm](#) • [Artsvisalia.org](#)
[214 E Oak Ave, Visalia](#) • 559-739-0905
Works by Jose Soria “I am split between two exis-tences: in Fresno, as a bisexual artist and in Sanger, a son in the closet. I grew up navigating my sexual-ity under the scope of religion so it has become a core part of my development and perception of the world.”

Group Photography Art Exhibition | Oct 4th - Nov 29th
[Cach-exeter.org](#) • [125 S B St, Exeter](#) • 559-592-5900

Perpetual Shifts | Oct 7th - Nov 21st
[Opening Reception Oct 9th from 12-2pm](#)
[915 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia](#) • 559-737-4861
Works by Steven L. Anderson, Cori Champagne, Chenhung Chen and Liz Ensz, exhibited at the Col-lege of the Sequoias Art Gallery.

Fall Musical: Young Frankenstein | Oct 24th - Nov 3rd
[Oct 24th, 25th & Nov 1st at 7:30 PM, Oct 27th & Nov 3rd at 2pm, Oct 31st at Midnight](#)
[Lindsaycommunitytheater.com](#) • [190 N Elmwood Ave, Lindsay](#) • 559-284-2223
Lindsay Theater’s fall musical. Admission for adults is \$15 (\$10 online in advance), \$5 for students.

The Fantasticks | Oct 24th - Nov 9th
[Oct 24th, 25th & 30th at 7:30pm, 26th at 2pm, Nov 1st, 7th & 8th at 7:30pm, 2nd, 9th at 2pm](#)
[Visaliaicehouse.com](#) • [410 E Race Ave, Visalia](#)
[559-734-3900](#)
A musical that focuses on two young lovers and their meddling fathers. Preformed, produced, and directed by local central valley talent.

November

Winter Impressions | Date TBA
[Tularehistoricalmuseum.org](#) • [444 W Tulare Ave, Tulare](#) • 559-686-2074
Christmas Train Exhibit and Senior Studio Art Show.

Day of the Dead | November 1st
[4-8pm](#) • [1300 W Goshen Ave, Visalia](#)
[f GreenRosePrvvoductions.USA](#)
Green Rose Presents Day of the Dead at the Visalia Cemetery Mausoleum. Arts - vendor booths - altars - food honoring the ancestors ceremony. Featuring sound therapy, drums and face painting.

Pictures at an Exhibition | November 1st
[7:30pm](#) • [Sequoiasymphonyorchestra.com/season](#)
[308 W Main St, Visalia](#) • 559-625-1369
Our classical season opens with a majestic cele-bration of some of the most beloved masterworks. International sensation, Sterling Elliott, brings his remarkable artistry to the stage as he joins us for Tchaikovsky’s elegant Rococo Variations. Then, the orchestra takes the spotlight, showcasing its full virtuosity in Mussorgsky’s colorful and imaginative Pictures at an Exhibition, a powerful musical journey through art and storytelling.

Arts Visalia: Andrew Turner | November 6th - 15th
[Reception Nov 7th from 5-7:30pm](#) • [Artsvisalia.org](#)
[214 E Oak Ave, Visalia](#) • 559-739-0905
Works by Andrew Turner: “This exhibition Violence at first glance starts with iconography of a large scale meant to envelop the viewer. The aesthetic subject matter on the surface appears inspired by armored warfare of the Middle Ages, yet is sym-bolically intended to represent the human crisis of violence and its psychological effects. Some details are carefully rendered while others are not, meant to aid the sense of movement and guide the viewer through the chaos while in the midst of battle.”

Mouse Trap | November 7th - 22nd
[Nov 7th-9th, 13th-16th & 20th-22nd, Times TBA](#)
[Encoretulare.org](#) • [324 S N St, Tulare](#) • 559-686-1300
Encore Theatre’s holiday show: As news spreads of a murder in London, a group of seven strangers find themselves snowed in at a remote country-side guesthouse. When a police sergeant arrives the guests discover, to their horror, a killer is in their midst!...This record-breaking murder mystery fea-tures a brilliant surprise finish from Dame Agatha Christie, the foremost mystery writer of her time.

Arts Consortium Members Art Show | November 7th - 26th
[Tues-Fri 10am-3pm](#) • [Reception Nov 7th from 5-8pm](#)
[Artsconsortium.org](#) • [340 E Oak Ave, Ste 112, Visalia](#)
[559-772-0001](#)
Artists who participate in this show are part of the Arts Consortium Annual Membership Program. Two prizes will be awarded: Best in Show and People’s Choice.

Judy Collins with Special Guest Tom Rush | November 12th
[Doors open at 6:30pm, show starts at 7:30pm](#)
[Foxvisalia.org](#) • [308 W Main St, Visalia](#) • 559-625-1369
Judy Collins has inspired audiences with sublime vocals, boldly vulnerable songwriting, personal life triumphs, and a firm commitment to social activ-ism. In the 1960s, she evoked both the idealism and steely determination of a generation united against social and environmental injustices. Five decades later, her luminescent presence shines brightly as new generations bask in the glow of her iconic 55-album body of work, and heed inspiration from her spiritual discipline to thrive in the music industry for half a century.

One Night of Queen | November 13th
[Doors open at 7pm, show starts at 8pm](#) • [Foxvisalia.org](#)
[308 W Main St, Visalia](#) • 559-625-1369
For over 20 years Gary Mullen and The Works have been performing their world renowned One Night of Queen live concert. Gary Mullen & The Works featur-ing Gary Mullen on vocals, David Brockett on guitar, Malcolm Gentles on keyboards, Jon Halliwell on drums and Alan McGeoch on bass guitar will have you dancing in the aisles during their show, while the band pays tribute to the stage theatrics, show-manship, and music of Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inductees: Queen.

The Cottage | November 13th - 22nd
[Cos.edu/theatre](#) • [915 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia](#)
[559-730-3822](#)
College of the Sequoias Performing Arts.

Tales of Exeter and Beyond with Dwight Miller | November 17th
[Cach-exeter.org](#) • [125 S B St, Exeter](#) • 559-592-5900

NUTCRACKER! Magical Christmas Ballet | November 20th
[Doors open at 6pm, show starts at 7pm](#) • [Foxvisalia.org](#)
[308 W Main St, Visalia](#) • 559-625-1369
Give the gift of NUTCRACKER! Magical Christmas Ballet to the whole family. Celebrate America’s favorite Christmas tradition with an international all-star cast that blends world-class ballet with whimsical puppets, lavish costumes, and stunning acrobatics! Share the tradition of pure Holiday magic and Tchaikovsky’s timeless score with friends and family of all ages. Don’t miss this chance to create memories of a lifetime.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
| November 20-22

Evening Show at 7pm, Sat matinee at 2pm
Tcoe.org/theatreco 330 S Dollner St, Visalia
559-739-0905

The TCOE Theatre Company's fall musical. One of the most enduring shows of all time, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat is a reimagining of the Biblical story of Joseph, his father Jacob, eleven brothers, and the coat of many colors.

Holiday Bazaar | November 22nd

9am-4pm • 43490 Sierra Dr, Three Rivers
559-799-1473

Arts & Crafts Festival - Music, Food, Fun!

Prolonged Events

Double Take | Nov 4th - Feb 20th

Reception Nov 5th • 915 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia
559-737-4861

Works by Eric Zeigler & Aaron Ellison and the College of the Sequoias LRC Gallery.

Arts Visalia Annual Holiday Show and Sale

| Nov 20th - Dec 24th

Reception Dec 5th from 5-7:30pm • Artsvisalia.org
214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905

This winter, Arts Visalia transforms into a holiday boutique filled with locally crafted gifts for everyone on your list. Dozens of local artisans will be showcasing what they create. Support local this holiday season by shopping Arts Visalia's Holiday Show & Sale!

December

Exeter Downtown Christmas | December 4th

5-8pm • Cach-exeter.org • 125 S B St, Exeter
559-592-5900

CACHE takes part in Exeter Downtown Christmas after hours. Exeter downtown business are open late for holiday shopping and holiday fun!

Elf - In Concert | December 5th - 6th

7pm • Sequoiasymphonyorchestra.com/season
308 W Main St, Visalia • 559-625-1369

Buddy was accidentally transported to the North Pole as a toddler and raised to adulthood among Santa's elves. Unable to shake the feeling that he doesn't fit in, the adult Buddy travels to New York, in full elf uniform, in search of his real father. This holiday season, relive this heartwarming holiday classic on a giant screen as every note of John Debney's wonderful score is played live in Elf - In Concert!

The Children's Nutcracker | December 5th - 7th

Dec 5th at 7pm, Dec 6th at 4pm & 7pm, Dec 7th at 2pm
Lindsaycommunitytheater.com • 190 N Elmwood Ave, Lindsay • 559-284-2223

Lindsay Community Theater's Christmas show. Admission for adults is \$15 (\$10 online in advance), \$5 for students.

Lion King Jr. | December 5th - 21st

Dec 5th, 6th, 12th, 13th, 19th, & 20th at 7pm
Dec 7th, 14th & 21st (matinees) at 2pm
Portervillebarntheater.com • 42 S Plano St, Porterville • 559-310-7046

Disney's The Lion King has captivated the imagination of audiences around the world, and now you have the opportunity to view this one-of-a-kind musical in your community. Bring the African savanna to life with Simba, Rafiki and an unforgettable cast of characters as they journey from Pride Rock to the jungle and back again in this inspiring, coming-of-age tale.

The Annual Holiday Cabaret | December 12th - 14th

Dec 12th & 13th at 7:30pm, Dec 13th, 14th at 2pm
Visaliaicehouse.com • 410 E Race Ave, Visalia
559-734-3900

Directed by Charlotte Garcia Da Rosa, performing at the Ice House Theater.

An Irish Christmas | December 14th

Doors open at 1pm, show starts at 2pm • Foxvisalia.org
308 W Main St, Visalia • 559-625-1369

Experience the joy of An Irish Christmas as seen on PBS! Enjoy all the holiday carols you know and love plus a spectacular high-energy display of Irish dancing at its very best.

Prolonged Event

Walk-Ins Welcome 2 | Dec 5th - Jan 25th

Tues-Fri 10am-3pm • Reception Dec 5th from 5-8pm
Artsconsortium.org • 340 E Oak Ave, Ste 112, Visalia
559-772-0001

Ceramicist Antonio Cuellar once again partners up with local tattoo artists to create one of a kind pieces. The gallery will display a mix of ceramics that show the art of a collaborating tattoo artist.



Photo by Jason Clausen

2026 January

Arts Visalia: Mark Robinson | January 1st - 31st

Reception Jan 2nd from 5-7:30pm • Artsvisalia.org
214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905

Mark Robinson works across several types of media, but for several years he has most enjoyed working in stone and wood. Artwork created from stone and wood are durable. These pieces invite people to reach out and touch them. In sharing a retrospective of my work, Mark invites viewers to see where he began my artistic pathway. These pieces display moments of his life, perspective, and how he has grown as an artist over the 70 years of his life.

Hadestown | January 16th - 25th

Jan 16th, 17th, 23rd & 24th at 7:30pm, Jan 18th & 25th at 2pm • Lindsaycommunitytheater.com
190 N Elmwood Ave, Lindsay • 559-284-2223

Lindsay Community Theater's high school musical. Admission for adults is \$15 (\$10 online in advance), \$5 for students.

Community Design Challenge | January 29th

4-7pm • 6200 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia • 559-302-3670
Emilia.wade@tcoe.org

The Community Design Challenge is an architectural design competition where Tulare and Kings county high school students research, understand, and design a solution to a challenge in their own community. These challenges can be functional, civic, climatic, or structural challenges. The goal is to identify the problem and then design a solution following an architectural and engineering design process.

Romeo & Juliet | January 31st

7:30pm • sequoiasymphonyorchestra.com/season
308 W Main S, Visalia • 559-625-1369

January's concert is a celebration of some of history's greatest love stories - and the music that brought them to life. Ravel's Daphnis and Chloe is a luxurious score that beautifully captures the blossoming of young love in a pastoral setting. Romeo and Juliet has inspired unforgettable music from many composers, from Tchaikovsky to Bernstein. This time, we turn to Prokofiev, whose energetic and exotic score vividly expresses the passion and tragedy of these iconic, star-crossed lovers.



Photo by Jason Clausen

February

RENT | February

Encoretulare.org • 324 S N St, Tulare • 559-686-1300

Encore Theatre's winter show: Rent is a powerful rock musical that follows a year in the lives of struggling artists in New York City's East Village, grappling with love, loss, and the pursuit of dreams against the backdrop of the AIDS crisis. With an electrifying score and unforgettable characters, this Tony Award-winning phenomenon celebrates resilience, friendship, and the enduring spirit of "La Vie Bohème." Experience the story that has inspired generations with its raw energy and passionate message of hope.

Arts Visalia: Merry Miller-Gass | February 5th - 28th

Reception Feb 6th from 5-7:30pm • Artsvisalia.org
214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905

Celebrate the release of illustrator Merry Miller-Gass' two new children's books Duck, Duck, Groove and No Love Potion with an interactive exhibition for all ages. In her artistic journey, Merry is drawn to the delightful fusion of interactive art and picture book illustration. With the upcoming release of "Duck, Duck Groove" and "No Love Potion," she is inspired by themes of acceptance, creativity, kindness, and community.

Poetry Live! | February 6th

6-8pm • Tcoe.org/PoetryLive • 340 E. Oak Ave, Ste 112, Visalia • Paula.terrell@tcoe.org • 559-651-0565

Poetry Live! is a series of events that offer students in grades 6-12 the opportunity to not only recite poems written by great poets, but to write and recite their own original works as well. Poetry Live! will feature three events that students can choose to participate in: Poetry Out Loud, Poetry Out Loud Junior and Poet's Own Voice. Students the arts of master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, improve English fluency and reading comprehension. The Poetry Out Loud program begins with classroom and school-wide competitions, with winners advancing to the county, state, and national level competitions.

Summer Night City: ABBA Spectacular!

| February 20th

Doors open at 6:30pm, show starts at 7:30pm

[Foxvisalia.org](#) • 308 W Main St, Visalia • 559-625-1369

Combining stellar vocals with flawless musical performances into a show complete with costume changes and choreography have resulted in experiences that keep people engaged and most of all, delivers the magic of ABBA to audiences spanning multiple generations. Each of the members of Summer Night City bring a wealth of musical and performance experience. A collection of well-seasoned professional touring and studio musicians back two charismatic singers who bring the voices of ABBA to life for each unforgettable performance.

From Brass to the Blues | February 28th

7:30pm • [sequoiasymphonyorchestra.com/season](#)

308 W Main St, Visalia • 559-625-1369

Celebrate America’s rich musical melting pot with great works from some of our finest composers. The first half features Duke Ellington’s evocative tone poem and Artie Shaw’s rarely performed Clarinet Concerto. Then, Gershwin’s iconic An American in Paris shows us how American musicians blended jazz and classical elements in ways that make this unique fusion feel both natural and inevitable.

Prolonged Events

She Kills Monsters | Feb 20th - Mar 1st

Feb 20th, 21st, 27th & 28th at 7:30pm, Feb 22nd &

Mar 1st at 2pm • [Lindsaycommunitytheater.com](#)

190 N Elmwood Ave, Lindsay • 559-284-2223

Lindsay Community Theater Hot Dog Melodrama Theater. Admission for adults is \$15 (\$10 online in advance), \$5 for students.

Michael Jasso - Artist of the Year | Feb 2nd - Apr 24th

Tues-Fri 10am-3pm • [Reception Apr 3rd from 5-8pm](#)

[Artsconsortium.org](#) • 340 E Oak Ave, Ste 112, Visalia

559-772-0001

Michael Jasso is a spoken word artist from Visalia, CA. He has traveled all across California and the country as either a poet, emcee, volunteer, workshop facilitator, slam coach, or a combination of all the above. He has been lead organizer of Visalia’s Loud Mouth Poetry Jam for the last 12+ years bringing out the world’s most talented poets, as well as showcasing the talent of the Valley’s poetry community back to the world.

March

Tulare County Student Art Exhibition: Virtual Art Gallery | March

[Virtual](#) • [Tcoe.org/artgallery](#) • 559-651-3003

Open to students in grades PK-12, the annual Student Art Exhibition showcases the county’s gifted young artists. Beginning in March, student artwork is displayed in a public online gallery viewable above. Entries are judged by local artists and select pieces receive a Best of Show award.

Arts Visalia: Ruth Soderlund with Nancy Youdelman

| March 5th - 28th

[Reception Mar 6th from 5-7:30pm](#) • [Artsvisalia.org](#)

214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905

A collaborative exhibition between emerging artist Ruth Soderlund and Feminist icon Nancy Youdelman that aims to explore the regular frustrations that women face in a male-dominated society. Ruth states, “As a resident of a very small town, I have seen women recoil at the mention of ‘Feminism’ and I think that art might be an effective tool to break through the negative impression that Central Valley women may have through being a symbolic mirror that brings light to oppression.

STEAM Expo | March 7th

10am-3pm • [Tcoe.org/steamexpo](#) • 6200 S Mooney

Blvd, Visalia • 559-651-3003 or 559-651-0565

Free to the public! Science & engineering Fair, Planetarium Shows, Robotics, Art Projects, Makerspace, Cardboard Challenge, Food Vendors, Community Exhibitors. The STEAM Expo provides students with fun, engaging activities to build knowledge about STEAM, including the Tulare County Science & Engineering Fair, Robotics Activities & Exhibition, Hands-On Art Activities and MakerSpace. Participants, coaches, and the public can visit vendor and exhibitor booth and attend a free planetarium show during the STEAM Expo.

Rodgers+Hammerstein’s Cinderella | March 12th -21st

[Cos.edu/theatre](#) • [Kaweah](#), 915 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia

559-730-3822

A production by the College of the Sequoias Performing Arts.

Mad Ones | March 20th - 29th

Feb 20th, 21st, 27th & 28th at 7:30pm, Feb 22nd &

Mar 1st at 2pm • [Lindsaycommunitytheater.com](#)

190 N Elmwood Ave, Lindsay • 559-284-2223

Lindsay Community Theater Hot Dog Melodrama Theater. Admission for adults is \$15 (\$10 online in advance), \$5 for students.

Overtures & Interludes | March 28th

7:30pm • [Sequoiasymphonyorchestra.com/season](#)

308 W Main St, Visalia • 559-625-1369

Come and experience some of the greatest music from the world of opera. Overtures, dance suites, and entr’actes - from beloved classics to exciting new favorites - offer a glimpse into the rich musical worlds of some of opera’s most iconic works. Conductor Bruce Kiesling will introduce each piece with his signature charm, wit, and humor before leading the orchestra in performance of this colorful and compelling music.

South Valley Art Tour | March 28th - 29th

10am-5pm • [Artsconsortium.org/events/acsvat/](#)

559-772-0001

Celebrate the arts with Tulare County artists from Three Rivers, Porterville, Springville, Tulare, Exeter, Visalia and more opening their studios for this two-day event! Visitors will be entered into an opportunity drawing to win a prize by visiting artists during this two-day event.

April

Young Authors’ Faire | April

[Tcoe.org/YoungAuthorsFaire](#) • 559-651-3003

Young Authors’ Faire offers budding writers in grades K-8 an opportunity to showcase their work at the county level. Ten exemplar submissions per school are displayed in an online gallery, where the public is invited to read and comment on them.

Arts Visalia: Cheryl Coon and Angel Lesnikowski

| April 2nd - 25th

[Reception Apr 3rd from 5-7:30pm](#) • [Artsvisalia.org](#)

214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905

Works by Cheryl Coon. The Symbiosis installation was started during the Covid pandemic period of isolation. The work is inspired by science and microscopic organisms such as viruses, cells, spores, pollen, and other biological creatures that have the power to affect our physical well-being. Some of the pieces are an homage to Ruth Asawa, because Cheryl Coon thought about her life during the isolation period that we all experienced during the pandemic. Works by Angel Lesnikowski. “The Cigarette Box Project series is a collection of over 400 landscape oil paintings, each meticulously described/ rendered/painted on the front of disposed Seneca Silver 100s cigarette boxes. The series explores themes of consumerism, waste, and the transformation of discarded objects into art.”



Photo by Ampelio Mejia Perez

Poetry & Prose | April 14th - 24th

9am, 10:15am, 11:30am & 1pm • [Tcoe.org/pnp](#) • 6200

S Mooney Blvd, Visalia • [Brookk@tcoe.org](#) • 559-733-6326

(Grades K - 8) Poetry and Prose has been part of TCOE’s student events lineup since 1985. Students present poetry and prose selections to an audience of students, teachers, family members, and judges at this countywide, oral interpretation event. Students receive constructive feedback on their performance and each participant receives a beautiful, personalized certificate. Students make lifelong memories, gain confidence in performance and public speaking, and are encouraged to develop a love of poetry and literature.

Orange Blossom Festival Art Show | April 18th

[Lindsaymuseumandgallery.org](#) • 165 N Gale Hill Ave,

Lindsay • 559-310-4109

Lindsay Art Association hosts this show with adult artists, college students in the open division and high school students in the student division working in a wide variety of media.

Time for Three Returns! | April 18th

7:30pm • [Sequoiasymphonyorchestra.com/season](#)

308 W Main St, Visalia • 559-625-1369

Wrap up the season with the best of the best! Time for Three returns with Ranaan Meyer, double bass & vocals, Nick Kendall, violin & vocals, and Charles Yang, violin & vocals with a brand-new concerto by Mason Bates, written especially for them. The Sequoia Symphony also premieres an exciting new concert opener by Time for Three bassist, Ranaan Meyer. The season then comes to a thrilling close with Respighi’s breathtaking Pines of Rome. Love orchestral music for its power, color, charm and sheer volume? This is the concert for you!

Young People’s Concerts | April 20th
Tcoe.org/YoungPeoplesConcerts • 308 W Main St, Visalia • Kate.stover@tcoe.org • 559-741-0809
(Grades 3-5) Since 1959, the Tulare County Office of Education and the Sequoia Symphony Orchestra have partnered to share symphonic music with the students of Tulare County through the Young People’s Concerts. Elementary students from across the county have the opportunity to perform alongside the orchestra as part of Carnegie Hall’s Weill Music Institute Link Up program.

Prolonged Events
Machinal | Apr 23rd - May 2nd
Cos.edu/theatre • 915 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia 559-730-3822

A production by the College of the Sequoias Performing Arts.

Arts Visalia: Martha Sterling and Amie Rangel | Apr 30th - May 30th
Artsvisalia.org
214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905
Works by Martha M. Sterling. Her accomplished accumulation of works includes oils on canvas and numerous study drawings and sketches. Amie T. Rangel, is an artist rooted in an observation-based and layered research practice that is shaped by an anthropological and intuitive approach to the subject matter, expressed through large-scale drawings on linen, mixed-media drawings on paper, lithography printmaking and installation.

May

Choices Lip Sync Battle | May 1st
6-9pm • Brittaney.quinonez@tcoe.org
308 W Main St, Visalia • 559-651-0155
Dozens of middle and high school performers annually vie for awards in four categories: dance, lip sync, novelty, and showcase. Friday Night Live provides youth with fun, life-affirming activities promoting abstinence from alcohol, tobacco, drugs, gang participation, and violence. Fee: \$150 for each team registered.

Rewind, A Murder Mystery | May 2nd
Lindsaycommunitytheater.com • 190 N Elmwood Ave, Lindsay • 559-284-2223
Lindsay Community Theater special fundraiser dinner theater. Admission for adults is \$15 (\$10 online in advance), \$5 for students.

Slick Rock Student Film Festival | May 8th
9am-8:30pm • Tcoe.org/SlickRock • 300 W Main St, Visalia • Kgreet@tcoe.org • 559-737-6350
The Slick Rock competition provides the opportunity for middle and high school students to submit videos they have created. The best videos will receive an award and be presented to the public at the film festival. Some videos may also be aired on television.

Redbud Festival | May 10th
Kaweaharts.com/redbud • 559-799-1473
Handcrafted Treasures by Area Artisans: Art, Crafts, Music, Food, + Make and Take Crafts.

Lion King Jr. | May 15th - 24th
May 15th, 16th, 22nd & 23rd at 7:30pm, May 17th & 24th at 2pm • Lindsaycommunitytheater.com
190 N Elmwood Ave, Lindsay • 559-284-2223
Lindsay Community Theater children’s musical. Admission for adults is \$15 (\$10 online in advance), \$5 for students.

June - September

Arts Visalia: Thrishelle Jeffery and Jolynn Reigeluth | June 4th - 27th
Artsvisalia.org
214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905
Trishelle Jeffery’s desire to share her work more fully in the world contributes to her decision to use printmaking as her primary media. She loves being able to produce multiples, each with their own sense of space and destination. She also loves that each one is hand crafted and precious. This adds to the artwork, implying that the subject matter should be treated as carefully as the object. In her prints and drawings, she uses the visual language and mechanics of the comic book. This format has a deep-rooted connection with the construction of memory. Jolynn Reigeluth’s work earnestly and humorously reflects on the emotional and physical facets of our existence, unraveling its twisted ironies and confronting the inescapable specter of mortality. Jolynn combines various printmaking techniques, both traditional and unconventional, with drawing methods to create print and mixed media hybrids.

Theatre Company Summer Camps | June 8th - 26th
Mon - Fri, 9-11am, no camp on June 19th • Shows on June 26th from 5-8pm • 11535 Ave. 264, Visalia and 6200 S. Mooney Blvd. Visalia • 559-651-1482
bethany.rader@tcoe.org
The Theatre Company offers summer camps to Tulare County youth grades TK-2 and 2-6. The summer camps help young performers develop their stage skills through three weeks of performance training. Directors work with participants on refining their voice, dance, and acting skills. The camps culminates in a performance on the evening of the final day of camp.

Arts Visalia: Dean De Cocker | July 2nd - 25th
Artsvisalia.org
214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905
Dean De Cocker transforms flat, two-dimensional surfaces into three-dimensional objects. He derives inspiration from everyday objects such as mail-boxes, aircraft structures, wings, propellers, heavy machinery and architectural works. These objects become conceptual elements which are then transformed into drawings, then fabricated into inner structures with outer coverings that create volumetric enclosures. He employs technologies of the Southern California based engineering and aerospace industries to develop sensuous, light-filled sculptures that take historical concepts and transform them into vehicles for an unknown future.

Theatre Company Summer Musical | July 17th - 25th
July 17th, 18th, 23rd and 24th at 7pm, July 18th and 25th at 2pm • tcoe.org/theatreco • 330 S Dollner St, Visalia • bethany.rader@tcoe.org • 559-651-1482
The Theatre Company traditionally performs a full-scale musical production with seven shows held during the last two weeks in July. Students from throughout Tulare County are invited to audition each spring. Rehearsals are held during the summer. There are minimal course fees associated with the production, but scholarships are available.

Arts Visalia: Young at Art | August 6th - 29th
Artsvisalia.org
214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905
Celebrate the art of the Young at Art Youth Art Summer Classes during this fun-filled exhibition.

Arts Visalia: Annual Community Show | September 3rd - 26th
Artsvisalia.org
214 E Oak Ave, Visalia • 559-739-0905
Be a part of the community and show your art alongside others in the Annual Community Show. Call for Art will open June 2026.

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Wizard of Oz - Stages Musical | Spring 2026
Encoretulare.org • 324 S N St, Tulare • 559-686-1300
Encore Theatre’s spring show: L. Frank Baum’s classic novel comes to life in The Wizard of Oz and features all the most beloved songs and moments from the 1939 classic film. Young Dorothy Gale is swept away by a tornado from her Kansas farm to the magical land of Oz where she journeys along the Yellow Brick Road to see the mysterious and all-powerful Wizard in Emerald City. Along the way, she makes new friends, but must also brave many dangers, including the Wicked Witch of the West. To make it home safely, Dorothy must learn an important lesson: there’s no place like home.

Annie | Apr 23rd - Summer 2026
Encoretulare.org • 324 S N St, Tulare • 559-686-1300
Encore Theatre’s summer show: Annie tells the extraordinary story of an orphan who ends up in the lap of luxury with Depression-era billionaire Oliver Warbucks. Unlike most other children at Miss Hannigan’s orphanage, spunky Annie believes that her parents are still alive and will one day return to claim her. So when Mr. Warbucks offers to adopt her, she asks the most powerful man in America to help find her real mom and dad instead, and he agrees. Warbucks’ whopping reward for Annie’s parents attracts the attention of con artists Rooster, Lily and the wicked Miss Hannigan, who hatch a plot to kidnap Annie and take the \$50,000 reward. But don’t fret: This classic family musical has a happy ending for Annie, Daddy Warbucks and the whole gang.



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- Discounted artist registration fees for Taste The Arts and South Valley Art Tour
- Promoting your artist opportunities, calls to artists or art events on our social media platforms

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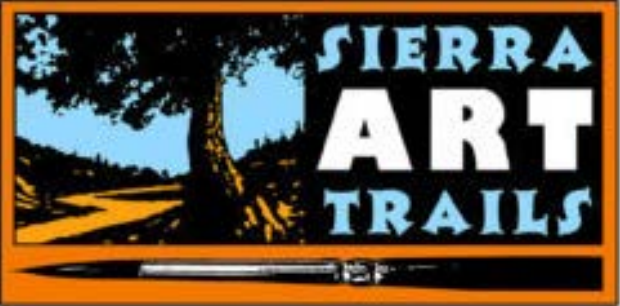


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The My Voice Media Center is our in-house project, providing free art instruction for adults and their support base who have mental illness experience. *More info on pg 23.*



First Friday is a free monthly event involving downtown Visalia venues opening their doors for communities to interact with their local art scene.



Poetry Out Loud is a National Arts Education program where students across the country recite poetry, build speaking skills, and more. *More info on pg 24.*



The South Valley Art Tour is Tulare County's widest-reaching art event, where local artists annually host behind-the-scenes tours of their workspaces and studios. *More info on pg 7.*



Taste the Arts is Tulare County's largest art festival. This annual event in downtown Visalia is a celebration of the rich cultural and artistic heritage of our community. *More info on pg 7.*

Special Programs



The Oval Gallery is a concept gallery located at Oval Park that displays the local artwork.



The Tulare County Theater Boosters support TCOE theatre companies by gathering and sharing donated labor and money.



The Visalia Visual Chronicle is an art collection for the city of Visalia that captures Visalia's icons and +culture.



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