

Changes Announced for 2009 Friday Night Live

Concert Season to run from June 12 – September 4

By Mark Tharrington

The Cloverdale Arts Alliance is pleased to announce a number of exciting changes to the 2009 Friday Night Live free summer music concert series. In collaboration with the Cloverdale Certified Farmers Market, the season has been increased to 13 weeks running every Friday from June 12 through September 4. Also, the festivities will begin earlier than in the past at 6:30 p.m. allowing families with young children a chance to enjoy more of the evening.

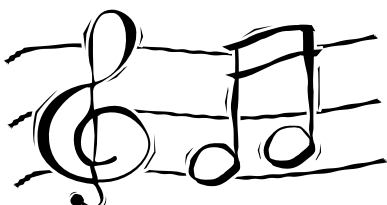
The criteria by which the bands are selected have been modified for 2009 in an attempt to present a weekly celebration that is "Genuinely Cloverdale." While the series will continue to present a broad range of musical genres, it will no longer be focused entirely on world music. This year the emphasis will be on music that is both artistically excellent and also upbeat and entertaining for those in the audience who just want to have a good time. The dance friendly musical styles will include swing, country, blues, zydeco, salsa, bluegrass, afrobeat, funk and soul. The lineup will feature some of Northern California's premier bands and also touring acts from cities such as New York, New Orleans, Chicago, Cincinnati, and San Diego. The full lineup will be announced within the next few weeks.

The event's concessions have also been enhanced for 2009. In addition to high quality local wines, craft beer from Ruth McGowan's Brewpub and assorted non-alcoholic beverages will be available. Christopher Greenwald, chef/owner of Bay Laurel Catering will be featuring world street food such as Caribe Style Chicken Sandwich and Caggiano Pork Sausage from the "Gastro Shack" located in the plaza during the concerts.

Seating is limited, so plan to arrive early or bring your own lawn chair. Concert attendees from out-of-town may obtain a lodging discount by calling The Historic Inns of Cloverdale at 800-894-1737 and mentioning Friday Night Live. Friday Night Live respectfully asks that you help us comply with the conditions of our ABC permit by not bringing outside alcoholic beverages to the concerts and also disposing of any alcoholic beverages purchased at the shows before you leave.

Friday Night Live is produced by the Cloverdale Arts Alliance with underwriting support from The City of Cloverdale and a number of generous local business and winery sponsors. Major Sponsors for

the 2009 series are Furber Development and Redwood Credit Union. For additional information or questions, please go to www.cloverdaleartsalliance.org or call 707-894-4410.



2009 Sculpture Exhibit Opens at the Plaza June 6th

By Susy Nurse

2009 will mark the 7th year of celebrating public art with the Annual Cloverdale Sculpture Exhibit. The exhibit enlivens our plaza each year for the benefit of the local community and those visiting our town, while also contributing to our reputation as an arts destination in Sonoma County.

Our downtown plaza will become a sculpture garden from June 6th to September 30th. The exhibit consists of the best of numerous high-quality works submitted by professional sculptors from across the region. Our expert jury selected 21 pieces for this year's exhibit from the large number of applications received. A panel of 3 judges will select "Best of Show" along with two Honorable Mentions on the opening day, June 6th. Our judges this year are:

Allan Voigt, co-founder, with his wife Judy, of the Voigt Family Sculpture Foundation. Created in 2005, the foundation's focus is to facilitate the installation of large outdoor sculptures in publicly-accessible places.

Jennifer Sloan, Executive Director, Arts Council of Sonoma County. The Arts Council provides leadership in support of the growth and accessibility of all art and artists in Sonoma County.

Sandra Erickson, an expert in contemporary works by local and internationally-known artists, and owner of the pre-eminent Sonoma County contemporary art showcase, Erickson Fine Art Gallery, Inc.

Mark your calendars now to attend the opening reception, June 6th 4:30-6:00 pm. Meet the sculptors and hear from the judges which exhibits are chosen as Best of Show and Honorable Mentions 2009.

We look forward to another successful year of featuring sculpture of the very highest quality in Cloverdale in 2009.



ANNUAL SCULPTURE EXHIBIT

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Bits and Pieces From the Prez

By Bill Lambert

Wow, the next few months are going to be packed. I'm looking forward to visiting with all of you as we gather to celebrate and enjoy art in its many forms.

We all join in welcoming our twelve new CAA members listed on the back of this newsletter. I also welcome local artist, Glenn Myles, to our CAA family.

As of April 18th, Glenn will be teaching a Drawing, Painting, Illustration and Design Clinic at our Center for the Arts on Saturday mornings from 8 - 11am. Glenn has taught at the California College of the Arts and Crafts and at UC Santa Cruz. He has done work for the New York Times, Doubleday, Houghton Mifflin, Columbia Records, UC Press and others. Fees for each three hour class are \$60 with the first session being free. For information on registration, please call Glenn at 894-2654 or come to a session and check it out.

I'm very pleased to announce the return of the popular program, "Buy the Running Foot", which provides an opportunity for all community artists to display their works to the public. The program will be held in the Center for the Arts October 14 - November 7. Information on how to participate will be announced soon.

In closing, I extend a huge thanks to Diane Bartleson for her many contributions to CAA as she steps down from managing Real Flicks, and welcome Jennifer Greenow, as the new Real Flicks Program Manager. Diane and Jennifer regretfully report that the program will likely take a summer break, as it did in 2008.

Sorry, but I am out of space. I'll be glad to tell you more at one of our events. Or you can call 894-4410 or check our events calendar at www.cloverdaleartsalliance.org



JAZZ CLUB CLOVERDALE!

The Cloverdale Arts Alliance's series of Jazz appreciation classes was a great success. So much so, that it has inspired us to host monthly live JAZZ performances in our newly developed Jazz Club venue, aka the Cloverdale Center for the Arts (105 E. First St., Cloverdale, CA). Start date to be announced soon.

TIME FOR YOU TO "SPRING INTO ACTION", WITH CAA

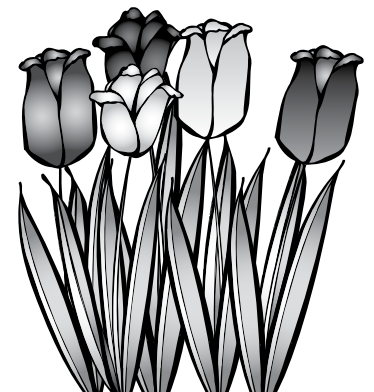
By Charmaine Garland

The Cloverdale Arts Alliance will be hosting its 2nd annual "Spring Into Action", party on Saturday, May 9th from 6:30-9:30 pm at the Cloverdale Druids Hall located on North Cloverdale Blvd above the Eagle's Nest Deli.

This evening of fun and revelry will feature a sneak peak at the music from the bands scheduled to perform this summer at the Friday Night Live concert series. Arrive hungry and thirsty because we will be noshing on some down home grub and wetting our whistles with local brews and wines.

Attendees of the party will be given the opportunity to sign up to volunteer at upcoming events including Friday Night Live, Sculpture Exhibit, as gallery sitters for the First Street Gallery/Center for the Arts, and various other events produced by the Cloverdale Arts Alliance.

If you are unable to attend and would like to be a CAA Volunteer, or have any questions, please call Charmaine Garland at 894-2738 or email: volcorp@cloverdaleartsalliance.org.



First Street Gallery Artists to Participate in Community Events

By Beverley McChesney

Six FSG artists will present live demonstrations of their work throughout the day on Saturday, May 23rd during "Heritage Day", the 18th Annual Spring Street Festival. Guest artist, Phil Collins, will bring his loom to demonstrate the weaving process. Painters Nancy Burres and Beverley McChesney will spell each other showing painting techniques. Dawn Reily will bring a portable kiln to illustrate the glass enameling process. Woodturner, Paul Maurer, will demonstrate the art of basket weaving and fused glass artist Sher Morris Tice will explain glass fusing techniques.

In the fall, the FSG artists will join the community in celebrating the planned completion and opening of the new Cloverdale Historical Society building. A special show titled "Back in Time", opens on August 5th and will feature historical arts and crafts. Stay tuned for further details on the community events being planned for the opening of the CHS building on the weekend of October 10th & 11th.

FSG artist, Kim Howland, has been invited to show her work in the Florence Biennale, a very prestigious exhibition in Italy this December. She is currently wrapping up work on a painting called "Angel of Peace" for the event, which has ties with the United Nations. CAA will be working with Kim to showcase this very special painting throughout the summer and fall in both the FSG and during the Friday Night Live music program.

We invite you to come by FSG to view the current show, "Spring Forward", and "The Summer Show" beginning June 3, which will feature the works of Santa Rosa stained glass artist, Lynzie Castro. The Opening Reception for "The Summer Show" will be held on June 6th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm immediately following the Opening Reception for the 2009 Sculpture Exhibit in the downtown plaza.

CLOVERDALE NIGHT WRITERS READ: MAY DAY! MAY DAY! MAY DAY!

By Louise Young

The Night Writers of Cloverdale will present a reading of original works on Friday evening, May 1st at 7 p.m. at the Cloverdale Center for the Arts, 105 E. First Street.

The theme for this first day of May reading is May Day! May Day! May Day! in recognition that a watershed event, or a time of crisis or conflict, can deeply influence or change a life. It remains to be seen how each author will interpret the theme.

The writers will host a meet-and-greet after our program in which the public will have an opportunity to talk with the authors. Light refreshments, provided by the Cloverdale Arts Alliance, will be served, and there is no charge to attend.

The Night Writers is affiliated with the Cloverdale Arts Alliance, and found its name in the fact that most of the writers must work day jobs to support their writing habit. The group has been meeting for monthly workshops since November, 2006, and held its first reading in conjunction with the Boulevard of the Arts celebration in May of 2007. The writers, now eight in number, have eclectic tastes in literature, authoring works of poetry, fiction, memoir and essay.

Any questions about the event may be directed to Louise Young, 894-3752 or Jen Greenow, 894-4505.

BEYOND SIDES

He, broken on the pavement lying,
Sees an apparition float before him.
Of his wounds he is surely dying,
Allah's arms enfold his pilgrim.

A floating form bends into view.
"Are you an angel or a curse?"
He sees that she is a Jew.
"Neither. I'm a field nurse."

"Why would you save me?
There are many of your own here, too."
"Because you cannot save yourself,
And right now there's only you."

-Louise Young

Swing Dance Lessons Presented by Cloverdale Arts Alliance

In preparation for this year's Friday Night Live Concert series Swing Dance Lessons are being offered at the Cloverdale Center for the Arts/First Street Gallery every Wednesday evening during the month of May.

The Cloverdale Arts Alliance is hoping you will get your dancing shoes on and come take some lessons with us. Lessons are being held from 7 to 8:30pm and will cost \$10 per class per student.

James Greenwald, a longtime swing dancer who has taught at Santa Rosa's Ellington Hall will be teaching basic swing dance steps as well as delving into different styles of swing dance.

For more info call Charmaine at 894-2738.
We hope to see you there.

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: **Gift Certificates Now Available** :
: **at the First Street Gallery!** :
: Want to give the gift of art, but not sure what their taste is? :
: A Gift Certificate to the First Street Gallery will let them :
: choose a piece of art they will cherish for years to come. :
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Children's Art Classes are Now Being Offered

The Cloverdale Arts Alliance has proudly partnered with the Cloverdale Boys and Girls Club and is now offering an after school arts program.

Most classes will be held during the first and last weeks of each month. We've hired some of the county's best art teachers to come and teach the kids and open up a world of creativity for them.

Class schedules will always be available at the Cloverdale Library as well as at the Cloverdale Center for the Arts/First Street Gallery, or you can view online at www.cloverdaleartsalliance.org

If you are interested in having your child attend these classes please call Charmaine at 894-2738, or email at daveysgirl87@yahoo.com



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Night Writers

Reading of Original Works

May 1, 7pm, Center for the Arts

Spring into Action Volunteer Party

Saturday, May 9, 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Cloverdale Druids Hall

Real Flicks

2nd & 4th Monday & Tuesday, 7 pm

Swing Dance Lessons, Weds in May

7th Annual Sculpture Exhibit

Begins June 6th in the plaza

First Street Gallery

Spring Forward - 3/18 - 5/31

The Summer Show - 6/3 - 8/2

Reception 6/6, 6-8 pm

Back In Time - 8/5 - 10/11

Gallery Located at 105 E. First St.

Hours: Wednesday - Sunday 11-5

For more information call 894-4410

Donations to CAA

The two most common ways of donating to CAA are your annual membership fees and your time and efforts as volunteers. We are grateful for both. We also appreciate the many of you who have made generous cash donations to CAA over these past six years. We encourage you to also support us in a new way – the Ray's "Community Rewards" program. Simply save your Ray's food receipts and bring them to us. We will receive a contribution equal to 1% of the value of those receipts. Thanks again for all of your generous support in helping us bring art to our community.

Membership News

The Cloverdale Arts Alliance would like to thank all of you who have renewed your membership this last quarter and we welcome the following new members:

**Ann Bastovan
Eva & Karnig Beylikjian
Ruth & Bob Elster
Marshall Kelly**

**Elissa Morrash
Margi & Bob Nagy
Nora Raggio
Cici & Ken Richardson**

CAA Members benefit from membership in many ways: with personal notification of upcoming events, discounts on certain events, a quarterly newsletter, and an opportunity to meet like-minded individuals and become part of a vibrant organization with talented members. If you would like to get involved as a volunteer, you can call Charmaine Garland at 894-2738.

Without your support we couldn't continue to bring you the quality programs that we do. Thank you!

BECOME A MEMBER!



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\$20

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\$35

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\$100

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I am an artist

Please contact me about volunteering

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