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July 11 - 17 2012

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47th Juried Artists Exhibition The Summer Show

July 14 - August 11
Miranda Lash, Juror

Art Stroll This Saturday in Downtown Covington

The St. Tammany Art Association is opening "The Summer Show", the 47th Juried Artists Exhibition. Open to artist from all over the United States, the St. Tammany Art Association's annual juried exhibition is one of the most diverse in the state of Louisiana, featuring only visual art completed within the last two years. The juror for this exhibition is Miranda Lash, Curator of Modern and Contemporary Art at the New Orleans Museum of Art. Those selected for this year's exhibition include artist from across Louisiana, plus Illinois, Massachusetts, Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, North Dakota, Texas and Missouri.

Henry Hood Gallery will also have an opening this Saturday. Photographer Andrew Boyd will present his "Lake Pontchartrain" collection, and Wes Koon offers his original glass sculpture. Both openings are 6 - 9 pm, a perfect set-up for an art stroll in Downtown Covington!



"Driftwood # 2" and "Breakwater Slack Tide" photographs by Andrew Boyd, © 2011. Glasswork by Wes Koon. Opening show for both artists this Saturday at Henry Hood Gallery.

Covington Business Association General Meeting

The CBA's monthly meeting will be Wednesday, July 11th at 6 pm, with a 5:30 reception, held at the St. Tammany Art Association. The general meeting is for CBA members, businesses interested in the CBA and the general public. Discussion will include promoting local businesses and community events. For more information about the CBA call 504-439-2543 or visit their website at www.covingtonbusinessassociation.org.

Covington Bicentennial Planning Committee Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday, July 12th at 6 pm at William Pitcher Jr. High School Library. The kick off event on August 30th is approaching fast. Come be a part of history!

Public Meeting - Conceptual Design for Jefferson Ave.

The City of Covington will hold a public meeting, Thursday, July 12, 2012, 6:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers located at 222 Kirkland Street, Covington, LA, for the purposes set forth below:

The City of Covington would like to gain public opinion and present conceptual design drawings for bicycle and pedestrian mobility and enhance urban design and landscaping along N. Jefferson Avenue between N. Columbia Street and 21st Avenue.

ADA compliant. Contact (985) 892-1811 for more information.

Public Hearing Notice - Increased Millage Rates

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Article 7, Section 23(C) of the Constitution and R.S. 47:1705(B) that a public hearing of the Covington City Council in St. Tammany Parish will be held at its regular meeting place at 222 East Kirkland Street, Covington, LA, on Tuesday, July 17, 2012 at 5:00 P.M. to consider levying addition or increased millage rates without further voter approval or adopting the adjusted millage rates after reassessment and rolling forward to rates not to exceed the prior year's maximum. The estimated amount of tax revenues to be collected in the next tax year from the increased millage is \$1,093,293.00, and the amount of increase in taxes attributable to the millage increase is \$5,466.00.

Wildlife Lookout: The Brown Pelican

The only non-white pelican in the world, the Louisiana State bird has appealed to the hearts of bird lovers everywhere. Admirers watch in awe of the birds dramatic hunt - plunging into the surf up to 30 feet with it's wings half folded after small fish. In a successful hunt the pelican takes both water and fish into its pouched bill, then strains out the water before throwing its head back to swallow the fish. A mature Brown Pelican has a mostly gray body, a long white neck which adorns a brown strip along the back during breeding season (summer), and a yellow crest. Immature birds are mostly white with defined brown wings and head. The Brown Pelican prefers salt waters and can often be seen perched majestically on fishing piers. Pelicans have a powerful stroking flight alternating with short glides, often only inches above the water. The birds travel and nest in small flocks, seen flying high above in long lines.



Pelecanus occidentalis
National Park Service Photograph
by Rodney Cammauf

Quote of the Week

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that.
Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Covington Time Bank

The concept of humanistic economics has been defined as a perspective that leans heavily on psychology, philosophy, sociology and common sense. In more formal terms, contemporary humanistic economics seeks to both describe, analyze and critically assess prevailing socio-economic institutions and policies, and provide guidelines on how to improve them in terms of human, not merely economic, welfare. Basic human needs, human rights, human dignity, human equality, freedom, economic democracy and economic sustainability provide the framework.

The Covington Time Bank seeks to provide a platform for discussion of our changing economic framework, with a shift from economic directives to humanistic principles. For more information, please visit the website and facebook page:

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Non-Profit Spotlight - STOPS

St. Tammany Outreach for the Prevention of Suicide



The mission of STOPS is to reduce the incidence of suicide and its devastating aftermath in our community. By fostering prevention, intervention, and post-intervention resources, we seek to create a community safety net for individuals and families in crisis. STOPS also offers many programs to the citizenry of St. Tammany in an effort to decrease the loss of lives from suicide. More information is available on STOPS website, www.stops-la.org, or call (985) 237-5506.

The Playmakers Theater will offer a showing of their current play, "Little Shop of Horrors", to benefit STOPS on Thursday, July 19th. Tickets available online: www.playmakersinc.com or call 985-893-1671 to reserve.

Farmer's Market Recipes

Fresh recipes inspired by ingredients found at the Covington Farmer's Market, by Chef Sorelli

Summer Squash Soup with a Tomato Relish

Collect:

- 4 pounds squash (mix it up - many vendors have different types of squash)
- 2 pounds of mixed tomato (Father and Son Farms)
- 1 small jar of Orange Oil (Nucio's)
- 2 tablespoons of chopped garlic
- 1 onion chopped
- 4 cups veggie stock or water



Relish:

Dice the tomatoes in small pieces and add the one of the tablespoons of garlic to it. Salt and pepper to taste, add one cup of your orange oil and set in the refrigerator to marinate.

Soup:

Begin by chopping and de-seeding your squash. In a 4-6 quart pot, sear the onion and remaining garlic; cook down until onions are translucent. Lower the heat, add the chopped squash and cook till tender, salt and pepper to taste. Next add the stock or water, allow to boil for about twenty minutes. Next, take your pot off the stove and let it cool for about fifteen minutes, or until manageable. Puree this mixture in a food processor or blender until soup has a smooth consistency, and then return to the pot to be warmed back up. Taste for salt and pepper and serve with tomato relish drizzled on top.

The Covington Farmer's Market is every Saturday from 8-12 at the 600 block of Columbia Street, and every Wednesday at the Covington Trailhead from 10 - 2, rain or shine.

Slice of Heaven Farms Starts Kickstarter Project

Slice of Heaven Farm is a local organic farm that provides fresh produce for the Wednesday and Saturday Farmer's Markets. They are also involved in the CSA program, which sells mixed produce boxes at a flat bulk price. The farm would like to expand their production to meet the demands of their growing customer base by building a new greenhouse. The deadline for their project is July 28th, any and all donations are greatly appreciated! You can donate to this project by searching "Slice of Heaven Farm" on kickstarter.com. You can learn more about Slice of Heaven Farm by going to their website, sliceofheavenfarm.com, or 'liking' them on Facebook.



Northshore Food Co-op Begins Feasibility Study

The first NSFC meeting was a success, with an incredible turnout of individuals both excited and intrigued. Farmers, producers and consumers alike were all in attendance. Columbia Street Natural Foods provided drinks and sandwiches, Tim and Chelsea made a delicious cabbage salad and Leslie Guy of Sorelli's at the Market brought homemade jambalaya. Jodie Burke led a presentation that thoroughly broke down the steps in creating a co-op, followed by much discussion. It was determined that a feasibility study is needed in order to proceed with creating a business plan for the co-op. This study will include community projects to educate the public on the benefits of a Food Co-op and the necessity of fresh produce. The formation of a committee to oversee the study is underway. Any community members or organizations interested in participating in this project can contact the Northshore Food Co-op at (504) 220-5639 or through their Facebook page, www.facebook.com/NorthshoreFoodCoop.

St. Tammany Art Association & St. Tammany Homestead present

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Covington Farmer's Market - Wednesday July 11, 10 am - 2 pm @ the Covington Trailhead Rain or shine, live "front porch jam", fresh local produce and prepared food. - 419 N. New Hampshire St.

Covington Business Association General Meeting - Wednesday July 11, 6 pm, 5:30 Reception @ St. Tammany Art Association General monthly meeting for the CBA. - 320 North Columbia St.

Acquistapace's Supermarket Blood Drive - Thursday July 12, 4 - 7 pm @ Acquistapace's Supermarket Donations to The Blood Center via the Bloodmobile. Donors receive a free coupon for a pint of Blue Bell Ice Cream! Don't forget to eat a good meal before donating and bring your ID! Find out more information: www.thebloodcenter.org or (800) 86-BLOOD - 125 E. 21st Ave.

Covington Bicentennial Planning Committee Meeting - Thursday July 12, 6 - 7pm @ William Pitcher Jr. High Library The next meeting will be Thursday, July 12th at 6 pm at William Pitcher Jr. High School Library. The kick off event on August 30th is approaching fast. Come be a part of history! - 415 S. Jefferson Ave.

Public Meeting - Conceptual Design for North Jefferson Avenue Thursday July 12, 6:30 pm @ City Council Chambers The City of Covington would like to gain public opinion and present conceptual drawings for bicycle and pedestrian mobility along N. Jefferson Ave. between Columbia St. and 21st. - 222 E. Kirkland St.

"Little Shop of Horrors" Opens Friday July 13, 8 pm @ Playmakers, Inc. Equal parts rock opera, farce and horror/comedy with a simple moral of not only being careful what you wish for, but being wary of who's granting the wishes. Playmakers STRONGLY urges you to make your reservations early as our summer musicals sell out quickly. Show runs: July 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29. The Thursday, July 19 performance benefits STOPS. Tickets are available online or can be reserved by calling 985-893-1671. www.playmakersinc.com - 19106 Playmakers Rd.

Covington Farmer's Market - Saturday July 14, 8 am - 12 pm @ the 600 block of Columbia St. Fresh local produce, raw and prepared foods, plants and vegetables, live music by Susan Sech and a food demo by Sala Thai.

"Summer Show", 47th Juried Artist Exhibition at the St. Tammany Art Association July 14, 6 - 9 pm The STAA announces it's 47th National Juried Artists Exhibition, where cash awards will be presented at 6:30 - 9 pm, including the coveted \$1,000 Best of Show prize. - 320 N. Columbia St.

Art Opening at Henry Hood Gallery July 14, 6 - 9 pm Displaying the photography of Andrew Boyd and Glass Sculpture by Wes Koon. - 325 E. Lockwood St.

City Council Meeting - Tuesday July 17, 5 pm @ Council Chambers Public hearing notice regarding increased millage rates. - 222 E. Kirkland St.

Middle School Madness For Ages 8-11 - Ongoing - @ the STPL Covington Branch Crafts and activities for children ages 8-11. Register your child for the Library's ongoing series of summer events by going to the Library website, www.sttammany.lib.la.us

Own the Night Teen Events - Ongoing - @ the STPL Covington Branch The Covington Branch of the St. Tammany Parish Library holds an open registration one week before each event by calling (985) 893-6280. Registration is limited to 12 teens ages 12-18, please. - 310 W. 21st Avenue

Covington Live Music Listings for July 11 - 17

Wednesday: Front Porch Jam @ the Wednesday Covington Farmers Market (Covington Trailhead) / Harpist Jessica Meltz @ the English Tea Room 12:30-2:30pm / Open Mic Night @ the Green Room

Thursday: Ladies Night with DJ Gene @ the Green Room / Mike & Ryan Acoustic @ Columbia St. Tap Room 8pm **Friday:** Jay Weber every Friday, 7pm - 9pm @ the Green Room / Colin Lake Band @ the Green Room / Red Line @ Columbia St. Tap Room 10pm **Saturday:** Susan Sech @ Covington Farmer's Market / Consortium of Genius @ the Green Room / The Boogiemens @ Columbia St. Tap Room 10pm

Sunday: Karaoke w/ DJ Bobby Blaze @ the Green Room / Open Mic Poetry @ St. John's Coffeehouse 2 pm **Monday:** Pirate Party @ the Green Room 10pm **Tuesday:** HellzaPoppin Side Show Review @ the Green Room

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St. Tammany Art Association 320 N. Columbia St. - Summer Fingerprints Art Camp **Henry Hood Gallery** 325 E. Lockwood St. - Opening Show: Andrew Boyd and Wes Koon **Brunner Gallery** 215 N. Columbia St. - Rick Brunner, Byron May **Heyer Gallery** 419 E. Lockwood St. - Jennifer Heyer-Tardo **Garcia.Dunn** 609 E. Boston St. - Sarah Dunn, Meghan Garcia **Tripolo Gallery** 323 N. Columbia St. - Bill Binnings, Shanna D' Antonio, Nancy Hirsch-Lassen, Robert Cook, Craig McMillin, Juli Juneau, James Michalopoulos, Al Ormsby, Rebecca Rebouche, Scott Ewen, Ken Tate, Gail Ruggiero, Scott Upton, Donna Duffy **Three Rivers Gallery** 333 E. Boston St. - Gail Glassman, Harriet Blum, Peggy Hesse, Suzanne King, Donald Maginnis, Valeric Stangl Melancon, John Preble, Max Ryan, Charles Macgowan, Robert Seago **Roy's "Art"chery** 319 N. Columbia St. - Roy Blaum, Jessica Porter Blaum, Billy Porter

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