

Spring 2008

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## There's No Place Like Home...On the Range!



For the 8th straight year the Missoula Children's Theatre (MCT) returns to Red Bluff on April 21 to offer Tehama County children and their families a one-of-a-kind experience. This year's production is **Wiz of the West**, a western re-telling of the classic "Wizard of Oz."

All area children, regardless of ability, are welcome to audition for this production on April 21 at Vista Middle School Gym at 3:30 p.m. Approximately 50 roles are available for students (ages K-12) and no advance preparation is necessary. If selected, most students will participate in a

week of rehearsals in preparation for the show, which will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2008 at the State Theatre.

What makes the MCT a must see and do? MCT's mission statement is "the development of lifeskills in children through participation in the performing arts." These life skills include social and communication skills, self-discipline, a strong work ethic, an understanding of the team concept, and self esteem.

MCT provides professional drama with a unique style of production where local children can try-out, rehearse, and professionally perform in a full-scale musical in less than one week. "The simplicity yet quality of their

music, stories, sets, costumes, and props is something to behold," says Danna Swannenburg, MCT coordinator for the Tehama County Arts Council which has sponsored this event. "To see a professional production in less than a week, where our talented kids have lines, music to learn, vocal solos and dance is amazing."

The MCT is one of the many performing arts opportunities that the TCAC sponsors. The TCAC looks forward to working with, coordinating with, and/or sponsoring any local organization or group that is interested in bringing the arts and artistic opportunities to Tehama County.

## "MARKET FOR ART" in Red Bluff

Out Of The Woods Creative Arts Studio will host an outdoor Art Market on May 3 from 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Valley Oak Tennis Club, 415 Kaer Ave. in Red Bluff.

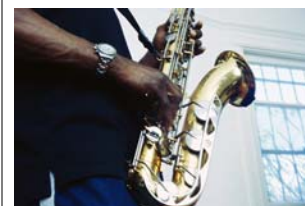
The Art Market is to benefit local artists in a relaxing atmosphere of collaboration, and to support the arts in our community.

Art Market ticket sales will start the end of March at various locations in Tehama County. Entry tickets are \$5.00, children are free, and the ticket can be used as a \$5.00 coupon that can be used toward the purchase of art.

Please contact artist and studio director Jennifer DeBose at 527-7164 for

more information.

Following the Art Market, Out of the Woods Creative Art Studio will host its spring student and community art show, *Starry Night*, which will open for public viewing at 5:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., near the pool area.



Local Musicians Create CD

Local musicians Chris Uchibori and John Gonsalves have a new CD that is being sold at California Kitchen Company. The music can also be purchased at iTunes under "Dave Short's Sax Therapy".

## WHAT IS THE TCAC?

The Tehama County Arts Council (TCAC) was established in 1982 by the Tehama County Board of Supervisors to promote visual and performing arts as well as other cultural endeavors in Tehama County.

*Mission Statement: The Tehama County Arts Council is a non-profit organization committed to serving the community by cultivating an appreciation for the arts, providing artistic opportunities and events, and sponsoring and supporting local artists and artistic endeavors.*

Since its incorporation as a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit public benefit corporation in September of 1985, the TCAC has coordinated, sponsored, funded, produced, and participated in hundreds of local arts events. It is governed by a volunteer 15-member Board of Directors which over the years has included many familiar and prominent Tehama County personalities and artists. Funding comes from membership dues, event ticket sales, community donations, fundraising, and grant monies which are used to support various county arts-related events and projects.

Membership dues and donations have enabled the TCAC to recently support three major community events:

- Annual Red Bluff Downtown ArtWalk
- Annual Children's Autumn Art Contest
- Annual Production of the Mis-

soula Children's Theatre

**The Downtown ArtWalk** is in its 6<sup>th</sup> year in 2008 and occurs the first Friday and Saturday in November. The ArtWalk, held in conjunction with the Downtown Red Bluff Business Association's Holiday Open House, is a free public walking tour to view, discuss the techniques and styles, and/or purchase the works of local artists, as well as to view business Christmas displays and get in early local Christmas shopping. A maximum of 25 businesses, who are members of the TCAC and the Downtown Business Association, host approximately 150 local artists and craftspeople who are available to explain and sell their work. The event has also featured carriage rides, entertainment, refreshments, live demonstrations and wine tasting as some of the additional attractions that have made this event memorable. Although the focus of the ArtWalk is to promote local artists and businesses, and to provide a festive and cultural arts display to the community, attendees have also come from neighboring counties.

**The Tehama County Children's Autumn Art Contest** (8<sup>th</sup> annual in 2008) display occurs the second Saturday in October at the fairgrounds. Grades K-12 provide entries that are judged by the Red Bluff Art Association (a not for profit member of the TCAC) on originality, creativity of theme, quality of work, and adherence to rules. The TCAC provides prizes that are awarded to each of four age divisions. Volunteers prepare the yearly entry form, rules and

theme, pickup and deliver the artwork to be judged, hang and take down the artwork, provide refreshments at the artist's reception where prizes are awarded, and devote their time to answer questions on the day of the display. This event has had up to 15 elementary and high schools with over 230 students participating. Each year the entry numbers rise as the event becomes more popular.

**Missoula Children's Theatre** (MCT) is an annual production (8<sup>th</sup> year) where the TCAC partners with the Missoula Children's Theatre, Inc. to provide an opportunity for Tehama County children, grades K-12, to audition, rehearse and perform in a full-scale musical. The performances are at the Red Bluff State Theatre in the Spring and the production costs \$7,000, so sponsors are sought annually.

Additional benefits of TCAC membership include the receipt of a quarterly newsletter, a monthly e-newsletter, an artist referral service, networking opportunities, and mobile art display boards use. In addition, the TCAC provides grants to local artistic endeavors as the budget allows.

The TCAC is always looking for opportunities to partner with, sponsor and/or support new and additional artistic endeavors for the community.

Please contact the TCAC at TehamaArts@yahoo.com and check out our website at [www.tehamaarts.org/](http://www.tehamaarts.org/)

## Featured TCAC Board Member – Danna Swanenberg

Danna is a current TCAC Board member/volunteer and Missoula Children's Theatre Chairperson. Danna joined the Arts Council "as a means of contributing to the promotion of Arts in Tehama County, and with the desire to give people of all ages opportunities to participate in arts experiences."

Danna wanted to be a performer since the age of three, but was always very self-conscious. Her first Drama class was at Vista High School but she experienced her first real

challenge "and life altering moment" at Red Bluff High School performing in "The Crucible" under Ms. Cleo Gambetta. Danna believes that if it had not been for her experience at RBUHS she might not have discovered that she was capable of pursuing what she considers to be her life's passion.

After high school Danna attended a small private university that offered great theatre education and practical training on-stage, stage managing, and directing. Danna currently works in inspiring chil-

dren's creativity and promoting academic success through the SERRF After School Program at Lassen View Elementary. She also loves to read, create unique three dimensional paper collage, scrapbook, and play with pastels. She is happily married to William Swanenberg, a proud volunteer of the State Theatre for the Arts.

Danna hopes that any "closet performing artists, who have put aside their creative dreams and desires, get involved in Tehama County Arts.

*"I want kids to be able to explore their own capabilities and discover the rewards of pushing themselves to their creative limits."*

Danna Swanenberg

### Red Bluff Art Gallery Exhibit

Fri, March 7, 5-9 p.m.

516 Walnut St. Red Bluff

"Paint and Plaster" by Reeba Barrows

"Abstract Works" in Group Gallery

"Abstract Pieces" Photography by Greg Harmon

## Meet Our Board of Directors for 2007/2008



Tina Zastrow, Chair

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Maureen Lasley, Correspondence Secretary

Maureen Greer, Treasurer

Cleo Gambetta      Jae Jennings      Barbara Luzzadder

Melissa Mendonca      Beth Maxey

Danna Swanenburg      Basia Trout

## How You Can Help the Arts Grow in Tehama County

There are many opportunities to get involved with the TCAC. We need your help! Please consider the following:

- Join the TCAC – your dues sponsor three main artistic events hosted by the TCAC, plus

- grants and other arts endeavors.
- Volunteer to help with our three main events: the Missoula Children's Theatre (Spring), the Downtown ArtWalk, (November) and the Children's Autumn Art Contest (October).

Work includes advertising, distributing posters, event setup and tear-down, receptions.

- Serve on the TCAC Board of Directors – get involved in supporting and planning art activities.

## ONGOING ARTS MEETINGS/CLASSES

Red Bluff Art Association meets every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Snug Harbor, 600 Rio Vista Ave. Red Bluff 527-3602

Tehama County Photo Club meets the second Tuesday of the month from 6-8 p.m. at 220 Sycamore St. #101. Contact Karen at: [karen4mk@msn.com](mailto:karen4mk@msn.com)

California Heat, Red Bluff Chapter of Sweet Adelines International. Meets on Thursdays at 7 p.m. for rehearsals 527-8001

Woodcarving-Red Bluff Community Center, 527-8177

Watercolor and drawing; Out of the Woods Studio, 527-7164

## Three Tehama County Arts Organizations Receive Grants

The Tehama County Arts Council, the Red Bluff Art Association and the State Theatre for the Arts received grants from the Shasta Regional Community Foundation in December of 2007. Grants were available to Tehama County non-profit organizations for permanent equipment for community events.

**The Tehama County Arts Council** received a grant to promote the annual Downtown ArtWalk, an event that has been sponsored by the TCAC for 7 years. Grant funds will be used to purchase a permanent banner to advertise the event; and venue flags which will be displayed in front of each participating business.

**The Red Bluff Art Association** received a grant to purchase display boards and lighting.

**The State Theatre for the Arts** received a grant for a theatrical lighting system. The lighting project includes installation of a proper system both in the theatre and overhead onstage.

### State Theatre for the Arts March Events

- March 6 - Department of Education  
- Annual Spelling Bee 7 p.m.
- March 14 - Friday Nite Flix  
"Superman"
- March 22 - The Rocky Horror Picture Show at Midnite
- March 29 - "In The Spotlight" Fund-

### Red Bluff Art Association

ROLLING HILLS ART EXHIBIT  
Carlino's Events Center  
FEB 29 and MAR 1— 527-3602

### HeartFelt Designs

Fiber Art & Fashion Gallery  
Art Classes by Jeff Fennel  
Classes begin March 4  
Tuesdays 5:30-8:30 p.m.—drawing  
Thursdays 5:30-8:30 p.m.— painting  
Please call for more information: 527-5180 ; 384-2995; 736-2585

### New Barestage Theatre Events for March

#### ***"When You Comin' Back Red Ryder?"***

Dinner will start at 7 p.m. and the performance will begin at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays  
February 29, and March 1, 7 and 8.

Etta's Place, 607 Main Street in downtown Red Bluff

Tickets, which include the meal and show, are only \$20 general admission and are on sale now at Wild Oak or online anytime at [www.barestage.com](http://www.barestage.com). Reservations are available by calling the theatre (not the restaurant, please) at 529-1241.

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#### ***New Short Plays Festival***

8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, March 14, 15, 21 & 22

At The New BareStage Theatre, 446 Antelope #38, Red Bluff; All Seats \$9; Reservations At 529-1241

Tickets at Wild Oak or [www.barestage.com](http://www.barestage.com)

## TCAC MEMBERSHIP LIST (Sorted by Type of Membership)

2/25/08

### FAMILY

Brainerd, Robert and Erin  
 Chrissie H. Clapp and Curtiss Johnson  
 Derk, David and Denise  
 Dynan, Phil and Ana  
 Franklin, Mark and Margaret  
 Carl Havener and Joann Davis  
 Jacobs, Bill and Bettie  
 Jim Schieve and Mary Wright  
 Kelly, Keith and Katie  
 Lasley, Maureen  
 Lindauer, Kenny and Dorothy  
 Luzzadder, Johnny and Barbara  
 Maxey, Beth and Tony  
 McKa, Nicole  
 Papendick, Rolland and Judi  
 Sherman, Scott and Gretchen  
 Warwick, Harlan and Joan  
 Watkins, Noel and Mary Jane  
 Wittorff, Dan and Ruth

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Anderson, Polly Crow  
 Applegate, Mari  
 Carlson, Michelle and Jim  
 Clawson, Jerry  
 Coates, Libby  
 Crockett, Karen  
 DeBose, Jennifer  
 Folsom, Cynthia  
 Forney, Judi  
 Gadbois, Lea  
 Gadbois-Vail, Christine  
 Greer, Maureen  
 Grimes, Kathy  
 Hansen, Lisa  
 Heath, Valerie  
 Hubbard, Darlene  
 Koen, Frances (Franlyn)  
 Kremer, Sherri  
 Maxey, Connie  
 Mendonca, Melissa  
 Miller, Candace  
 Ranberg, Robert  
 Raymond, Marjorie

Rhinehart, Barbara  
 Robson, Drinda  
 Roisenzvit, Susana  
 Ross, Bruce  
 Sarnanto, Pete  
 Swanenberg, Danna  
 Trout, Basia  
 Turner, Judy  
 Wells, Mike  
 Wolf, River  
 Zastrow, Tina

### LIFETIME

Carmona's Appliance Center  
 Foley-Gildea, Steve and Sheila  
 Kinner, Dave & Karen  
 Philbrick, Venita and Russell  
 Sakuma, John and Mary  
 Seeliger, Mrs. Georgia  
 Wickenheiser, Dick and Sharon

### NOT FOR PROFIT

North State Symphony  
 Red Bluff Art Association  
 Snyder Highland Foundation  
 State Theatre for the Arts  
 Sun Country Quilters  
 Tehama County Photography Club

### PATRON

Serr, Gene  
 Stone, Sharon

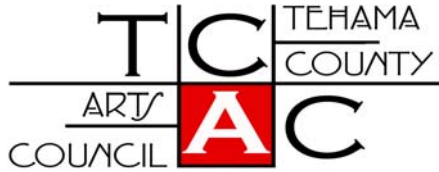
### SENIOR

Aliano, Al  
 Bills, June  
 Birch, Jane  
 Bowman, Aranda  
 Casey, Josepha  
 Haskins, Patti  
 Jessop, Peggy  
 Kessey, Sharon  
 Kluga, Eugenee  
 McMahan, Maynard  
 Meents, Sylvia

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 Dales Carpet & Design, Inc.  
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 Elmore Pharmacy  
 Gayle's Tuxedo Rentals N' Casual Clothes  
 HearFelt Designs and Fiber Arts  
 House of Design  
 Humble Bee Cottage  
 Indulgence Spa & Wellness/Trilogy  
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## upcoming events

### APRIL

- 3 Red Bluff Art Association, Snug Harbor, 10 a.m. 527-4810 (and weekly thereafter every Thursday)
- 9 Tehama County Photo Club, 6 p.m. 527-0431
- 11 State Theatre: Friday Nite Flix-Shasta College Humanities Through Film Class; Round Up Kickoff Movie-McLintock with John Wayne; 7:30 p.m.
- 11, 12, New Barestage Theatre performances: WhoDun'It? Mystery Comedy Dinner #13, 6 p.m.
- 20 State Theatre: Tehama County Community Concert North State Symphony; 7:30 p.m.
- 21 Vista School; Wiz of West auditions - 3:30 p.m.
- 26 State Theatre: TCAC/MCT - Wiz Of The West - 7 p.m.

- 26, New BareStage Theatre Celebrity Roast (Celeb Announced Nearer Event), 8 p.m.
- 27 State Theatre: STFTA Volunteer Recognition & Award Event, 7:30 p.m.

### MAY

- 2 State Theatre: Artist In Residence featuring TCAC /Art Exhibit 5-8 p.m.
- 2,3 Stand-Up Comedy at Barestage, Four Pro Comics - Two Hours Of Laughs, 8 p.m.
- 4 State Theatre: Grandparent Day featuring "Red Grammer" Singer/Songwriter, 3 p.m.
- 9 State Theatre: Friday Nite Flix - "Tootsie" w/ Dustin Hoffman, 7:30 p.m.
- 16 State Theatre: Great National Canoe Drag Races-Kickoff Movie Event, 730

Barestage Theatre "Crowd Pleaser" An Original Comedy, 8 p.m.

### JUNE

- 20, 21, 27 & 28, New Barestage Theatre "Fractured Fairy Tales" Fables From Kids For Grown-ups From Rocky & Bullwinkle, 8 p.m.

Send us your calendar items for July-August

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