

OUR MISSION

We are a nonprofit multi-arts facility committed to fostering creativity, cultural awareness, and a strong community connection through a broad range of programming and services.

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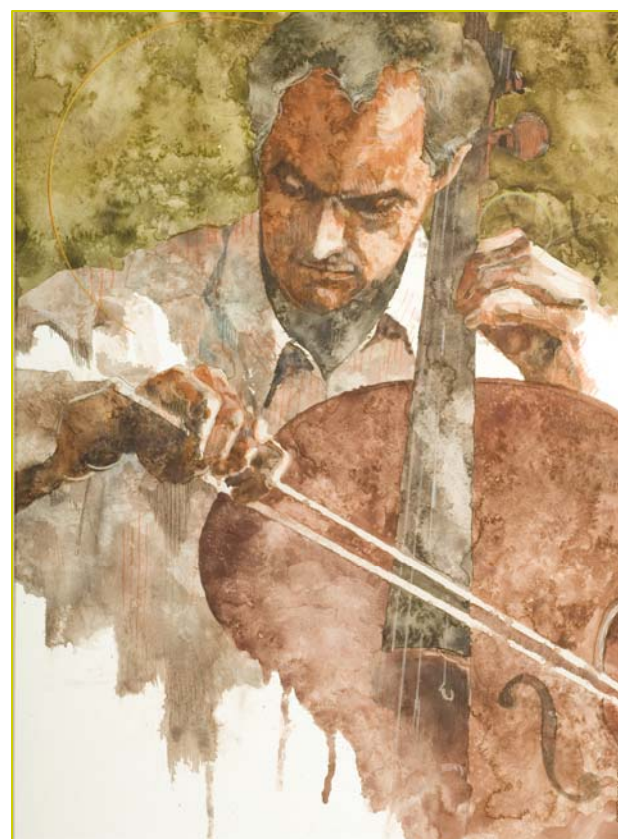
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WHAT WILL 2010 BRING AT RACC?



Happy New Year! All of us at Rome Art And Community Center are excited and ready to present you with another stellar year of artistic offerings, quality programs, fun community events, and much more. Just to give you a sneak peak at 2010— here is a taste of what to expect from us this year...

- **Outstanding exhibits** in our four galleries from February through September, and the RACC Membership exhibit in December
- A new spin on our Annual Easter Egg Hunt— get ready for our **brand new "Bunny Trail" event**, coming Easter Saturday
- **2nd Annual (new) Outdoor Arts & Crafts Festival**— which will now include our annual Shakespeare in the Gardens Production
- A **brand new interactive website**... check it out today, romeart.org!
- A new lineup for our **At Home in the Art House Cultural Concert Series**
- **Halloween House, Holiday House**, and much, much more!

Pictured above, artwork by artist Steve Ryan, coming to RACC's galleries in May 2010

Check Out Our Newly Redesigned Website!

After months of design work, we have finally completed the redesign of our website, and are proud to offer it to the public. Please logon to see what's new, what's different, and all that we have to offer you online. It's fast, easy, fresh, colorful, and we think you will be very impressed! www.romeart.org



ROME ART AND
COMMUNITY CENTER
PRESENTS...

THE ACME
MYSTERY COMPANY
IN A...

MURDER
MYSTERY

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!

A Murder Mystery Experience
with complete dinner, drinks, and dessert

Friday, February 26, 2010

7pm (seating starts at 6:30pm)

\$40 per person / \$75 per couple

CALL FOR RESERVATIONS 336-1040

SEATING IS VERY LIMITED! DON'T DELAY!

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UPCOMING EXHIBITS

FEBRUARY 5—25, 2010

Artist reception: Friday, Feb. 5, 6-8 pm

Rome Catholic Schools Student Art Exhibit— Galleries One & Two

Frank Hanretty— Library Gallery

RACC Staff/Board/ Gallery Committee Exhibit— Conference Room Gallery

MARCH 5—27, 2010

Artist reception: Friday, Mar. 5, 6-8 pm

Gary Price— Gallery One

Brenda Antonowicz— Gallery Two



Pictured at left, **artwork by Frank Hanretty**, who will be exhibiting in our Library Gallery during the month of February.

Please be sure to visit our website's Visual Arts page for a complete 2010 Gallery schedule.

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Teen Digital Arts

Last year we launched a new, innovative program for Teens that prepares them for college or the workforce, while at the same time, nurtures their creative side AND gives them something constructive to do during peak afterschool hours... **and the best thing about this program is that it's affordable or FREE for those that qualify (income or location requirements) thanks to the City of Rome and a Federal grant.**

This Winter we are offering two courses as a part of this program— Digital Film Making 1 and Digital Film Making 3. Both of these courses provide teens with essential skills needed for many in-demand high tech careers. And FYI— IT and Digital Arts jobs are in high demand now!

These courses have been filling up fast— so, if your teen would like to get involved, please contact us soon, we will do our best to get you on the roster, or at least on the list for the next session. All teens are welcome, and just so you know, many school buses drop off right across the street at the YMCA, so contact your school and get dropped off right after school!

UPCOMING CLASSES (Some have been rescheduled)

Digital Filmmaking 1

Begins: February 10, 2010— 10 weeks

Wednesdays, 6-8 pm

Instructor: Chad Kehoe

Tuition: General \$50, or FREE for those who qualify

Level: Teens, Ages 13— 19

Sterling Earrings 2/Prong-Set Stones

One-day workshop: February 10, 2010

Wednesday, 6-8 pm

Instructor: Sue Simon

Tuition: General \$20, Members \$15

Level: Ages 14 & up (\$20-25 materials fee payable to instructor)

Basic Jewelry Making

Begins: February 17, 2010— 3 weeks

Wednesdays, 6—8:30 pm

Instructor: Sue Simon

Tuition: General \$50, Members \$45

Level: Ages 14 & up (\$20+ materials fee payable to instructor)

Little Ninjas (Karate Program) for Children

Begins: February 2, 2010— 5 weeks

Tuesdays, 4-5 pm

Instructor: Brian of Side Kicks Karate

Tuition: FREE!!! Thanks to Side Kicks Karate

Level: Ages 4— 8

Art Parks

Instructor: Caitlin Kaier

Tuition: General \$20/day, Members \$15/day;

or Week's tuition: \$80/ \$60

Level: Ages 5-12

Fantastic February Art Park Week: 2/15-2/19, 9am -3:30 pm

Under the Sea Art Park Week: 4/19 – 4/23, 9 am -3:30 pm

Queen of Hearts Valentine Tea Party

One-day program: Saturday, February 13, 2010

Saturday, 11am — 2 pm

Instructor: Caitlin Kaier

Tuition: General \$15 Members \$12

Level: Children ages 6-12

Yoga (2 Levels)

Beginner Yoga Begins: February 15, 2010— 6 weeks

Mondays, 6-7 pm

Intermediate Yoga Begins: February 18, 2010— 6 weeks

Thursdays, 6-7 pm

Instructor: Amy Taylor

Tuition: General \$60, Members \$50

Level: Beginners or Intermediate

YOGA MAT & COMFY CLOTHING REQUIRED

Creative Movement— 2 Levels

Begins: February 22, 2010— 6 weeks

Ages 3-5: Mondays, 1:30—2:30 pm

Ages 6-12: 3:30— 4:30 pm

Instructor: Jennifer Bernstone

Tuition: General \$50, RACC Members \$40

Senior Acting

Begins: February 8, 2010— 6 weeks

Mondays, 2:30—3:30 pm

Instructor: Jennifer Bernstone

Tuition: General \$50, RACC Members \$45

Level: Seniors/ Adults— any level

Learn to Read Music

Begins: February 8, 2010— 5 weeks

Mondays, 5:30—6:30 pm

Instructor: Jennifer Bernstone

Tuition: General \$50, RACC Members \$40

Level: Adults/ Young Adults— Beginner/ Refresher Course

Adult Acting

Begins: February 8, 2010— 6 weeks

Mondays, 7:30—9:30 pm

Instructor: Jennifer Bernstone

Tuition: General \$65, RACC Members \$55

Level: Adults— any level

Ab Workout for Bad Backs

Begins: February 8, 2010— 5 weeks

Mondays, 4:30—5:30 pm

Instructor: Jennifer Bernstone

Tuition: General \$50, Members \$45

Level: Adult/ Young Adult

Core Workout

Begins: February 8, 2010— 5 weeks

Mondays, 6:30—7:30 pm

Instructor: Jennifer Bernstone

Tuition: General \$50, Members \$45

Level: Adult/ Young Adult **YOGA MAT REQUIRED**

Stained Glass Making for Beginners

Begins: February 11, 2010 — 6 weeks

Thursdays, 6-8 pm

Instructor: Lisa Davis

Tuition: General \$65, Members \$55 (plus a materials fee payable



Don't forget... you can register for any class any time of day, by using our website— www.romeart.org. It's fast & easy— simply click on the Creative Arts page and click the link for registering for classes online. You can also renew your membership online, or become a member— using the same form!

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WISH LIST

We are in need of the items listed below. If you have one of these items laying around your home collecting dust— why not consider donating to our Center???

All donations are tax deductible and greatly appreciated! *Thank you!!!*

- Ice Chest/ freezer (*low and wide, as opposed to the taller, vertical freezers*)
- Plastic Easter Eggs (we need lots and lots!!!)
- Love Seat (smaller couch, to be used in our ArtHouse Café)
- Electric Roasting Pan(s) (for catering large events here at RACC)

DIRECTOR'S NOTEBOOK

Dear Friends,

What a year we had in 2009. Despite a struggling economy, our Center pulled through and held three very successful community events. We had an absolute blast participating in the Honor America Days parade and even managed to win Second Place for the Best Float! Revisiting our Outdoor Arts & Crafts festival was very well received and we feel it was a great success (although it was probably one of the hottest days of the year that day!) Our Summer Camp program had outstanding enrollment and ended the summer with an exciting and adorable final musical production. We launched the Artist in Residence Program and had two artists living here, full time, for a total of 3 weeks. It was quite an experience! Our 2009 Visual Arts Series was one of the best to date, showcasing dozens of artists and welcoming more visitors to our galleries than ever before. Our Halloween House festival was a gigantic success, with more than 5,000 visitors— and was a scary fun time for two weekends in October. And who could forget Holiday House and our 1940's theme "Believe", based on Miracle on 34th Street. We wowed visitors, sold almost \$40,000 in merchandise and kicked off the holiday season yet again for our community— in style!

I think 2009 was definitely fun (*hey, should I even say that work is fun???* Well, if you work at a great place like RACC it sure is...), productive, and positive, yet we did face our fair share of struggles too. Patron of the Arts donations were at an all-time low, almost 50% less than the previous year. This is income that is so important to us, and we ask you to please be as generous as you can this year to help us make up the income that was lost, and to help us keep our mission alive. We are so dependant on private donations to help cover operating costs, *especially because we keep our programs so low cost (or even free)— and programs for the most part just pay for themselves.* We look forward to an awesome 2010 and we hope you will be an active member of RACC this year! Thank you!

Call 336-1040 to register!