

# ADDISON CENTER FOR THE ARTS

# NEWSLETTER

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## Our Mission

The Addison Center for the Arts is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization created to be an integral part in advancing the arts within the community. We are committed to providing a home for performing and visual arts and dedicated to creating quality art programs. These programs help foster self-exploration, skill development and aesthetic awareness. We strive to empower the performer, creator, audience and consumer to enhance and enrich the world around us.



Check out our website  
[AddisonCenterfortheArts.com](http://AddisonCenterfortheArts.com)



## Joanne Barsanti's "Delicate Beauty"

"Delicate Beauty" is one part creative inspiration, one part snap of the shutter, and one part the magic that comes from playful use of digital technology. Birds, bonsai, water, koi, and other items typically found in a Japanese garden are reworked and carefully composed in Barsanti's fantasy scenes.

The exhibit is a stylistic melding of East and West, ancient and modern. Drawing on inspiration from traditional Japanese art, symbols, processes, and materials; Barsanti uses modern digital tools to present subject matter that she encounters in her photographic adventures in the western world.

In her solo show Joanne Barsanti offer viewers a serene stroll through a Japanese garden. The collection is a series of photomontages; thoughtfully chosen photographs and textures combined to create nature scenes and portraits with an underlying message of peacefulness and serenity, innocence and purity, struggle and hope, strength and resilience, and delicacy of both materials and subject matter. Delicate Beauty continues at the ACA gallery through April 26, 2019.

# Art Exhibits

## Tania Blanco: Traces of the Sacred



Addison Center for the Arts presented TANIA BLANCO: Traces of the Sacred, an art exhibit featuring the artist's mixed-media works on canvas from February 13 through March 15, 2019. On Saturday, March 2, 2019, from 4 PM to 7 PM the public attended a free reception to meet and discuss the artist's work with her. Joe Eddy Brown and his friend rocked the house as we sampled the food and enjoyed Blanco's art.

Blanco is a collage and mixed media artist from Naperville. She has served as the President and Vice President of the Midwest Collage Society since 2003.

In this exhibit, she shared art works that bring you into her personal visionary space. In this space she offers up a refuge for spiritual reflection.

*"Traces of the Sacred" spans a 10-year period of creating collage and acrylic paintings and reflects this philosophy. My work frequently addresses spiritual symbols and themes, and my personal places are natural settings like parks, arboretums, sanctuaries for animals, or at an ocean beach, when the sun rises or sets and where I take meditative walks. I have included sacred symbols in each of the paintings in the current exhibit: mandalas, labyrinths, temples, Buddha images, figures on a spiritual journey and peaceful landscapes. Some of the paintings in this collection are abstract and the sacred may not be obvious to the viewer, but each was inspired by meditation or by contemplation of some sacred space. For me, the process of creating art is often akin to a type of evolving prayer in which layer upon layer unfolds. My hope is that each visitor who sees my exhibit finds some image that invites a personal and peaceful Reflection."*

~ Tania Blanco

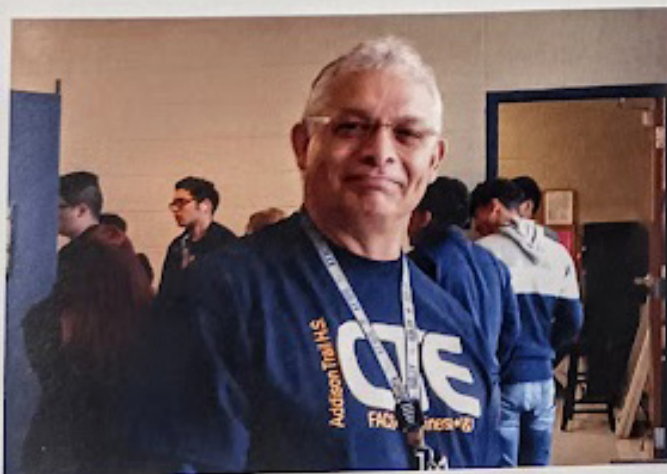
## Alumni Day Artist's Talk "a Hit with AT Students & Faculty"



This year the Addison Center for the Arts participated in Addison Trail's Young Alumni Day by opening the gallery for alumnus Mike Vanko's photography exhibit, "Decaying History." Art teacher Maria Ramon and Vanko's high school photography teacher, Timothy Hockensmith, both brought their afternoon classes down to the gallery to see and hear about Vanko's work. The students enjoyed learning about urban exploration, urbex photography and videos. The artist explained that he explores abandoned buildings and sites to photograph them in various states of deterioration.

If you missed the exhibit you can see the videos of Mike Vanko's urban exploration photography on his YouTube channel, "Mike That Crazy Dude."

AT photography teacher, Mr. Hockensmith



Vanko explains his photography show to Mrs. Ramon's class





Psst. This was the secret display of glow-in-the-dark art in a secluded office at the ASD#4 Exhibit. Shhhhhh.



In January, the students of Addison School District #4 exhibited their artwork for everyone to enjoy. The art teachers of the district selected a sample of their students' best art work to display from kindergarten through junior high. Family and friends were encouraged to come and see the children's creativity displayed in a professional gallery. The reception for family and friends was held on January 16th. The students are always proud for their work to be recognized in a special exhibit. It is always amazing for family and friends to see what sophisticated concepts and techniques the teachers introduced to their classes and how the kids mastered those skills and made them their own.

## Annual Arts Scholarship Available to Make the Road to College a Red Carpet

The Addison Center for the Arts will award a \$1,500 scholarship to a 2018-2019 graduating high school senior. The application deadline was April 12 and will be announced on May 16, 2019.

To win the scholarship, the student must be an Addison Trail H.S. senior who has been accepted to study visual art, theater, or music at a college, university, or trade school. The student must have a 2.5 minimum grade point average.

In addition to the above, the competition requires a completed and signed scholarship application, letter of recommendation, and transcript. The students will submit samples of their performances and portfolios for review by the scholarship committee. The students must also turn in their application materials to the Guidance Office by the due date.

For more information about our annual scholarship program, contact [info@addisoncenterforthearts.org](mailto:info@addisoncenterforthearts.org) or call 630-458-4500.

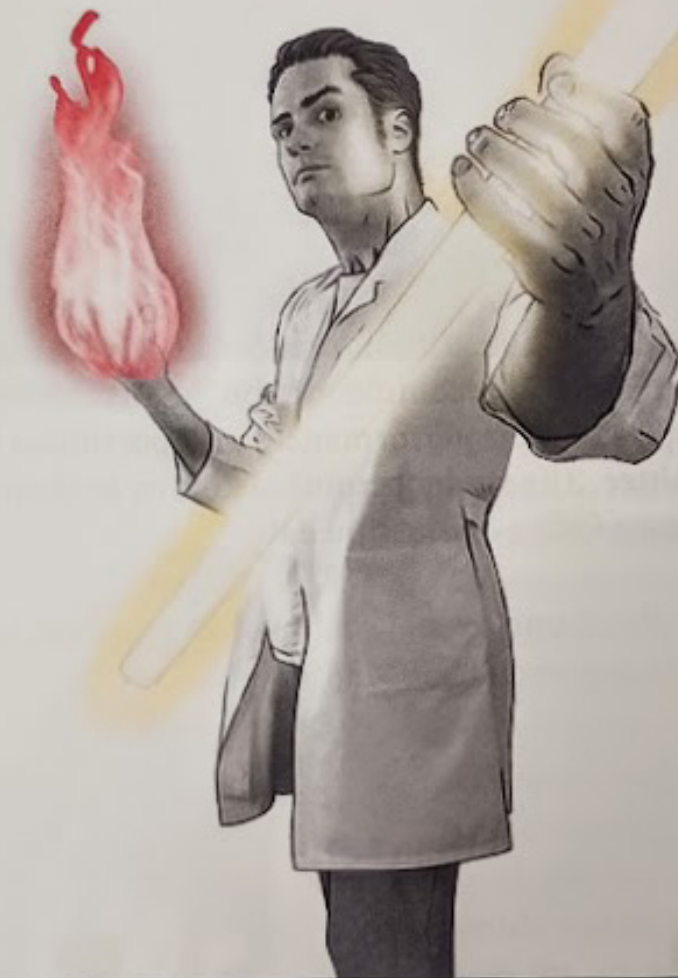


Addison Center for the Arts *presents*

**A night of Science, History, & Insanity!**

# **FreakShow & Tell**

**with College of Curiosity**



**Awesome for All Ages**

Tickets \$21

Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 7:30 PM

213 N. Lombard Road, Door #4

Addison, IL 60101

Get tickets at [Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com)

or call 630-458-4500 for ticket information

# CONCERTS

IN THE *Gazebo* **SUMMER LINE UP**  
**7:00PM TUESDAYS**

Get your lawnchairs and coolers ready for another summer of music under the stars at the Village Green Gazebo at One Friendship Plaza!

The summer concerts will start on the first Tuesday of July. There are six musical groups lined up to entertain us this summer. We will kick things off with Lake Effect, an 8-piece band that plays classic rock, swing, and R&B. The jazz groups featured are: Blue Buddha, Reunion Jazz Band, and Felix Pham Trio. The Limited Edition Band will entertain us with its ever-popular big band music. The last concert will be on the second Tuesday in August featuring a group of 6 musicians named Rokkor, a classic rock band.

Keep an eye on [addisoncenterforthearts.org](http://addisoncenterforthearts.org), Facebook and Twitter for more about these performances. Or call us at 630-458-4500.

You will also see the sandwich board signs up in the town square on Tuesdays, the day of the concerts, reminding everyone about the concert that night. The concerts begin at 7:00 PM and end about 9:00 PM. If it rains, we will move the concert into the Village Hall's Rotunda. Enjoyment for all ages!



**JULY 2**

**Lake Effect**

SWING, CLASSIC ROCK, MOTOWN, ROCKIN' RHYTHM & BLUES

**JULY 9**

**Felix Pham Trio**

PERCUSSIVE, SWINGING STYLE MUSIC

**JULY 16**

**Reunion Jazz Band**

JAZZ

**JULY 23**

**The Limited Edition**

JAZZ

**JULY 30**

**Blue Buddha Band**

JAZZ

**August 13**

**Rokkor**

CLASSIC ROCK



SAVE THE DATE

3rd Annual Fundraiser

# Addison Uncorked

TUESDAY, JUNE 25  
6-9pm at the  
Addison Historical Museum Grounds

TICKETS: IN ADVANCE \$20/DOOR \$25

Join us for a spirited evening  
in support of these local organizations

Addison Center for the Arts  
Addison Historical Museum

Knights of Columbus  
Addison Women's Club



Addison  
Historical  
Society



We are grateful for  
support from our  
community!

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WILLOW BROOK  
*Building Futures*



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ADVANTAGE!



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School District  
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## McMASTER-CARR.

### Driscoll Roofing



Enjoy Craft Beer,  
Wine tasting  
& Music by  
Hector Fernandez



## Jan Krzeminski, Volunteer Coordinator



A special "Thank You!" to Jan Krzeminski, our docent coordinator. Jan is a long-time resident of Addison. She appreciates the art that is exhibited by the local artists. Each month, she prepares a schedule for the volunteers to keep the gallery open for all. In addition to the scheduling, she helps arrange the refreshments for the artist receptions. Every organization appreciates a coordinator like Jan to run events smoothly.

The ACA Art Gallery, at the west end of Addison Trail High School, features local artists. Each month a new artist or art group displays their art and talent. Docents volunteer at the reception desk at the gallery to welcome visitors from the community or the schools in Addison.

To the right is a current list of our superstar volunteers! We are always looking for more volunteers, so if you have one afternoon a month to help out we would love to have you join us at the gallery.

## Kate Diosdado, Graphic Designer

Kate Diosdado is another of our star volunteers. Kate has been designing the graphics for our art shows since last fall.

If you need a talented graphic design professional, the Addison Center for the Arts endorses her design work and professionalism. You can contact Kate by email: [kateryna\\_diosdado@yahoo.com](mailto:kateryna_diosdado@yahoo.com). If you need more information about Kate you can call the office at 630-458-4500.



## THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Jan Krzeminski  
 Kate Diosdado  
 Marilyn Baggetto  
 Evelyn Berleman  
 Tania Blanco  
 Margaret Bucholz  
 Ed and Susan Cargill  
 Carl Cordo  
 Joyce Cordo  
 Sandy Cotosman  
 June Feil  
 Mary Girard  
 Carol Hendricks  
 Kathy McDermott  
 Ann O'Brien  
 Jeanette Paradiso  
 Karen Pedersen  
 Barbara Szalajka  
 Alice Smith  
 LaVerne Tedeski  
 Maggie Zielske

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## MEMBERSHIP

### We are thrilled to have you!

Thank you to all who have already renewed their membership and welcome to all new members! Please ask your family and friends to join in our mission to advance arts in Addison.

**Still need to renew?** Renewal letters were sent out to remind all current members. You can download the membership form to renew on our website at <http://www.addisoncenterforthearts.com/membership>.

If you or someone you know would like a conventional membership form, we are happy to mail you a copy. Or stop by the gallery and pick one up. Make sure to allow extra time to enjoy the current exhibit.



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