

2008 Ongoing Programs

AGROart™ Competition

The annual AGROart™ competition celebrates the history and progress of Placer County's agricultural and arts industries. The 13th annual AGROart™ competition will take place at the historic Blue Goose Fruit Shed in Loomis on October 12, 2008, as part of the 5th annual Placer Farm and Barn Tour. Watch talented artists, young and old, craft quirky sculptures out of fresh fruits and vegetables and vie for generous cash awards. AGROart™ promotes the commitment and professionalism of local ranchers, farmers, growers and artists in their respective trade or discipline and their continued role in the economic development of Placer County.

Arties Awards

The Arties Awards honor artistic excellence and outstanding volunteer contributions to the arts in Placer County. In 2008 PlacerArts is seeking nominations from communities throughout Placer County. Nominees may be in any of these categories: **Arts Administration** (may be a group or individual); **Arts Education** (may be a group or individual); **Arts Volunteer/Patron** (individual only); **Business Support/Partnership to the arts** (business only); **Visual and Performing Arts** (individual or group): **literary**, including poetry; **media arts**, including video and film; **music**, including composition; **performing arts**, including dance and theatre; **visual arts**, including design; and **Public Art Leadership**. The **Phyllis Butz Award** Recognizes an exemplary Trustee / Board Member of an Arts or Cultural organization in Placer County. Each year the "Artie" award is designed and crafted by a selected Placer County artist.

The Arts Building

The Arts Building is a ten thousand square foot arts center located in downtown Auburn. The Arts Building houses PlacerArts, the Auburn Symphony, six artists-in-residence, a teaching space, Metropolitan Arts Partnership's *Galley of Myth, Stories and Living Traditions*, and the ClayArts studio and classroom. The synergistic space offers a year-round gallery, and is a popular venue for cultural, musical and other events, including PlacerArts' Jazz at 808 and the Auburn Art Walk.

The six artists-in-residence jointly will present "New Work/New Beginnings" in 2008. This year-long project, supported in part by the Placer Community Foundation, includes ongoing journaling, collaborative projects and micro-exhibits at The Arts Building.

Auburn Art Walk

The much-celebrated Auburn Art Walk has been an invaluable catalyst for the exposure of local artists and merchants in Auburn. Taking place on the second Thursday of April, June, August, and October, the Auburn Art Walk is a social time when Downtown and Old Town business owners keep their doors open from 6 to 9 p.m., hosting free public receptions, while art viewers, strolling or riding the free trolley from site to site, immerse themselves in art, beauty and hospitality. Rosie Stilwell is the Auburn Art Walk program committee liaison.

2008 is the Auburn Art Walk's 15th season. Thursdays 6-9pm: April 10, June 12, August 14, October 9

Autumn Art Studios Tour

Don't miss the Autumn Art Studios Tour - a three-day self-guided driving tour of over 70 artists showing and demonstrating their art in their studios. Get an up close and personal view of the region's finest working artists in media from blown glass to pit-fired clay, painted silk to calligraphy. Like gold, it's all

here nestled in the foothills of picturesque Placer County. Staff member Rosie Stilwell is the program coordinator for the Autumn Art Studios Tour.

Join us November 7, 8 & 9, 2008 for the 15th annual Autumn Art Studios Tour.

Jazz at 808

Now in its sixth season, *Jazz at 808* is Placer County's only world-class live jazz series. Presented in an intimate setting amidst the beautiful artworks of The Arts Building Gallery, with local wines served at the copper Wine Bar, it is a veritable feast for all the senses.

Percussionist Jimmy Robinson is the driving force behind the Jazz at 808 series, always bringing with him the most accomplished musicians available from Northern California and beyond, assuring sell-out performances each season.

2008 Jazz at 808 performances: Thursday, May 8; Thursday, July 10; Thursday, September 11

Old Library Art Studio (OLAS)

At the historic Carnegie Library building, a community of artists-in-residence generate waves of creativity that flow out to the community. It is a place of positive cooperative effort and a source of great pride. OLAS is open to the public for special events, workshops, and lectures. School tours and visits with the artists may be arranged by appointment.

PlacerArts.org

The placerarts.org website is a comprehensive online resource for the community, artists and organizations, with program details and contacts. A newly launched online Arts Calendar and Artist Registry, supported in part by the Placer Community Foundation, is under the direction of Program Specialist Karen Killebrew.

Placer Farm & Barn Tour

The 5th annual Placer Farm and Barn Tour will be held on October 12, 2008. Celebrating Placer County's agricultural heritage and the family farms that feed us, this is a fun-filled day for families and people of all ages to explore the farms and ranches that dot Placer County's rural landscape.

Roseville Community Office

In July, 2006 the Arts Council of Placer County entered into a two-year pilot partnership with the City of Roseville. PlacerArts hired Judi Nicholson as Arts Administrator for the community of Roseville and opened a satellite office on Vernon St. In coordination with the city Parks & Recreation Department and the Roseville Cultural Arts Committee, coalition building efforts between arts and culture organizations, the Chamber of Commerce, the City of Roseville and local residents are well under way. Contact Judi Nicholson at (530) 780-2787 or judi@placerarts.org.

Summer Series

The 20th annual Summer Series takes place on four Sundays evenings in July at the outdoor Library Garden Amphitheatre. Each season has something for everyone, from pops to rock, blues to salsa.

The 2008 season features:

- July 6: Fred Morgan
- July 13: Zydeco Flames
- July 20: Stardust Cowboys
- July 27: Doc Bach