WHO IS YOUR MUSE?
The St. Petersburg Arts Alliance Celebrates Artistic Inspiration

The St. Petersburg Arts Alliance presents MUSE@MFA, the organization’s inaugural pARTy on Friday, January 31st to pay tribute to those who influence the vibrant artistic culture within our community.

No stiff tuxes – no boring speeches. This creatively charged benefit will ask the question, “Who inspires your creativity?” The presentation of two inaugural MUSE Awards will shine the spotlight on those who inspire others. The MUSE Arts Award will recognize a literary, performing, or visual artist who is a stellar representative of St. Petersburg. The Muse People’s Choice Art Award will recognize an outstanding individual artist or arts organization, and will be determined by popular acclaim using social media platforms. Awards will be designed by local artist Duncan McClellan.

During MUSE@MFA, guests will be immersed in a pARTy, infused with the premiere of an interactive digital art exhibit, pop-up performances, artful dinner courses, and a curated auction. The voices and influence of local artists will be inescapable, as they will be featured throughout the evening.

Proceeds will benefit arts & cultural organizations supported by Arts Alliance programs and services. Tickets for Muse@MFA start at $100 per person to $500 for a Cabaret table of 4. For more ticket and
New Funding Platform for Arts Organizations!

REGISTER FOR THE POWER2GIVE WORKSHOP!

- SPEAKER: Laura Belcher, National Director, power2give.org
- WHEN: Wednesday, Dec. 11, 9 AM
- WHERE: The Palladium, 253 5th Ave N, St Petersburg (Enter at the Stage Door near the back)
- PRESENTED BY: Arts Council of Hillsborough County
- HOSTED BY: St. Petersburg Arts Alliance
- COST: Free
- RSVP: info@stpeteartsalliance.org

The Power2Give concept is simple: Arts & Cultural Nonprofit organizations list needs for a specific project – for example, costumes for an upcoming show or instruments for underserved children. With tools and resources for both donors and cultural organizations, power2give.org makes posting, donating and promoting projects convenient and engaging.

Here’s an example of what other arts orgs are doing with Power2Give:

- Central Florida: http://power2give.org/CentralFlorida/projects
- Broward County, FL: http://power2give.org/broward/projects
- Puget Sound: http://power2give.org/pugetsound/projects
- Kentucky/South Indiana: http://power2give.org/kentucky/Project/ ProjectListing
- St. Louis: http://power2give.org/GreaterStLouis/projects
Join the Launch of Office Concerts! 50 Concerts in One Week!

The St. Petersburg Arts Alliance and the St. Petersburg Chamber are participating in the Listening Room Festival 2014. Now in its 3rd year, the festival is known as a celebration of living room concerts. This year, we are introducing something very exciting - and fun: Office Concerts. Your company can sponsor a 30-minute concert for your employees and/or customers in your business. You may also sponsor performances in hospitals or schools.

We believe this is the only project of its kind in the country. It will shine a spotlight on greater St. Petersburg, bringing national attention to our city. Only 50 businesses will be selected from Pinellas County. Chamber members may receive $100 off a sponsorship/performance package if you sign up by December 13th.

The festival takes place April 1-7, 2014.
http://www.listeningroomfestival.com/OC/officeconcerts.html

Five Arts Districts, One Arts Destination!
St. Petersburg Second Saturday ArtWalk Trolley

It's Opening Night once a month on every Second Saturday as St. Petersburg's studios, galleries & warehouses stay open late for an ArtWalk evening of exhibits and live demonstrations. Don't miss
December 14 and January 11! The St. Petersburg Second Saturday ArtWalk Trolleys will provide free transportation courtesy of the St. Petersburg Area Chamber of Commerce and the St. Petersburg Arts Alliance from 5 to 9 p.m.

More info and map on our website: Click here to view the article and download the latest Art Walk Map

CALLS TO ARTISTS / AWARDS / PRIZES

THE ST. PETERSBURG FINE ART FESTIVAL

The Inaugural St. Petersburg festival will be held in the Waterfront Arts District, downtown St. Petersburg adjacent to and sponsored by the St. Petersburg Museum of Fine Arts.
St. Petersburg artists encouraged to apply.
Festival Dates: February 1-2, 2014
Location: Beach Drive NE and Bayshore Drive NE, St. Petersburg
Number of artists: 120
Contact: admin@paragonartfest.com
Info: http://www.paragonartevents.com/

SARASOTA FINE ART FESTIVAL

Festival Dates: March 15-16, 2014
Location: Gulfstream Avenue, Sarasota
Number of artists: 120
Contact: admin@paragonartfest.com
Info: http://www.paragonartevents.com/
ST. ARMANDS FINE ART FESTIVAL

Festival Dates: April 26-27, 2014
Location: St. Armand’s Circle Park, Sarasota
Number of artists: 130
Contact: admin@paragonartfest.com
Info: http://www.paragonarteevents.com/

Artist Storytellers

The Morean Art Center is looking for artists whose work has a very strong narrative quality. Does your work tell a story? If your work fits the theme, and if you would like to be considered, please submit the following information to the attention of Amanda Cooper, Curator of Exhibitions by the deadline listed below.
For More Information
Email: Amanda.Cooper@moreanartscenter.org
Website: http://www.moreanartscenter.org/content.php?id=142
DEADLINE: January 15, 2014

Do You Sell Prints of Your Works?

This is a FREE marketing opportunity to gain exposure and drive sales. A new website and currently welcoming submissions from artists! What we do is maintain a blog that features new limited edition art print releases. We also maintain a wall of prints (our front page) that shows currently available limited edition art prints. Viewers come to our site, browse prints, and get linked to the corresponding web-shops. You can be featured on this wall! See our Submissions page here:
http://printnik.com/submit-your-art/ this will help you drive quality traffic to your site. So if you have an online store, and sell limited edition art prints, and think they'd look awesome on our wall, then we want to see them.
Email: Kyetan@printnik.com
Website: http://printnik.com

Exhibition: "Bite & Scratch: New Printmaking"

Exhibition Dates: May 10 - June 29, 2014
The Morean invites all printmakers to submit up to 3 images for this juried exhibition. The competition is open to all artists living in the US, and particularly artists who push the boundaries of traditional print techniques in their work. No photography, please. Cash prizes totaling $1000 will be awarded. Deadline: March 1, 2014
Notification Date: April 1, 2014
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Creative Movement Company

Creative Movement Company needs volunteers for various events and activities in Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties.
Contact Jennifer Rosoff at 727-265-1229 or jennifer@CreativeMovementCo.com.

Morean Art Center

To learn about the current volunteer needs at the Morean Arts Center and Glass Studio & Hot Shop, please email Cory.Adler@MoreanArtsCenter.org, or via telephone at 727.822.7872 x2123.
To learn about the current volunteer needs at the Chihuly Collection, please email Irina.Moldovan@MoreanArtsCenter.org, or via telephone at 727.896.4527 x2427.
To learn about the current volunteer needs at the Morean Center for Clay, please email Valerie.Scott.Knaust@MoreanArtsCenter.org, or via telephone at 727.821.7162.

Florida Craftsmen

If you like working with people and love to be surrounded by beautiful artwork, consider volunteering at Florida Craftsmen. There are opportunities to work in the gift shop on a weekly basis, help sporadically with mailers or be a part of the volunteer crew for events.
If you have questions about volunteering, contact us!
More Info: http://floridacraftsmen.net/volunteer/

The St. Petersburg Arts Alliance strives to be the community voice for the arts -- empowering artists, arts organizations and creative businesses to work collaboratively. We advocate for the arts, facilitate the growth of the arts community, and drive arts-related economic development in St. Petersburg.