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Upcoming Studio Exhibits & Classes

Stone Sculpting Classes at Stoneworks Studio
Stoneworks Studio, on Park Row at 300 N. Ventura Ave., offers ongoing stone sculpting classes for all levels of experience with sculptor Michele Chapin on Mondays, 1-4 pm and 6-9 pm for adults and 4-6 pm for children ($10 per hour for a two or three hour session). Students are instructed to use air and hand tools to carve soapstone and alabaster into a finished sculpture, complete with a base. Carving stone and base materials are available for purchase during class. Contact 805.643.5431 or www.stonworksstudios.com or www.michelechapin.com for more information or to schedule alternate sessions at your convenience. Stoneworks Studio and Gallery is open daily by appointment, and during First Friday's Ventura on the first Friday of each month from 6-10 pm. More info at www.firstfridaysventura.com.

Upcoming Exhibits at Sylvia White Gallery
Tom Jenkins & Michael Davis-Oct 20-Nov 20
Surprise Holiday Exhibition-December 1-December 24
Opening Reception and Holiday Party: Saturday, December 11, 3-5 pm
Helen Frankenthaler & John Lee-January 12-February 5
Opening Reception: Saturday, January 15, 3-5pmSylvia White Gallery
1783 East Main Street in Ventura
805.643.8300
www.sylviawhite.com

First Fridays, on December 3rd

The First Friday of every month from 6-9 p.m., a collection of art spaces, throughout the city, host opening receptions, demonstrations, artist talks, gallery tours & exhibitions Join us for a fun night and discover Ventura! www.FirstFridaysVentura.com

① **Studio 1317**
& Deakins Studio
1317 Ventura Avenue
805-652-0879

② **643 Project Space**
643 Ventura Ave.
310-592-9127
www.643projectspace.com

③ **Bell Arts Factory**
432 N. Ventura Ave.
805-258-1160
www.bellartsfactory.com

④ **Vita Art Center**
432 Ventura Ave, Studio 30
805-644-9214
www.vitaartcenter.com

⑤ **Stoneworks Studios & Gallery**
300 N. Ventura Ave.
805-643-5431
www.StoneWorksStudios.com
www.michelechapin.com

⑥ **Art City Studios**
197 Dubbers Street
805-648-1690 or 805-653-6380
www.artcitystudios.com

⑦ **Working Artists Ventura (WAV)**
175 S. Ventura Avenue
805-641-0400
www.wavartists.com

⑧ **Museum of Ventura County**
100 E. Main St.
805-653-0323
www.venturamuseum.org

⑨ **Artists' Union Gallery**
330 S. California St. Plaza.
805-643-3012
www.venturaartistsunion.org

⑩ **Buenaventura Gallery**
700 E. Santa Clara St.
805-648-1235
www.buenaventuragallery.org

⑪ **Gallery 255**
255 S. Laurel St
805-643-3973
www.SeaBreezeArtGallery.com

⑫ **Sylvia White Gallery**
1783 E. Main St.
805-643-8300
www.sylviawhite.com

More info at www.firstfridaysventura.com

November Events at the Ventura County Museum

Museum Exhibits:

October 6 -November 28 -- *Transformed: Titanium Sculpture by Dave Rivas*

October 26 through November 5 -- *Altars & Art*, a limited exhibition created to honor the departed by local artists, schools, and community groups, will be on gallery exhibit. Artists include Pete Ippel, resident of the WAV, and Ventura based cut paper artist Amadeo Perez.

Through November 28 -- *History Unexpected: Surprises, Insights and Revelations* from the MVC Research Library Collection

Through November 28: *From Crown to Commonwealth: George Stuart Historical Figures* of Britain's Tudor, Stuart, and Hanover dynasties. Monologues October 26 and November 2, both at 1:30. $15 general public, $10 museum members.

Ventura Restaurant Week · November 7-11

During Ventura Restaurant Week's celebration of fine local cuisine, choose from over 30 local restaurants and get a pre-fixed, multi-course meal for either $20/person or $20 for two people.

Discover new restaurants and enjoy all your favorites at a discounted price! Reservations are encouraged.

For a list of participating restaurants, go to
www.venturarestaurantweek.com

Mayor's Arts Awards Reception · November 18

The City of Ventura celebrates its vibrant arts community at the sixth annual

Mayor's Arts Awards

Please join Mayor Bill Fulton for a reception honoring the 2010 recipients on Thursday, November 18, 2010 from 6:00 to 8:30 pm at the Museum of Ventura County, 56 E. Main Street, Downtown Ventura Cultural District. Everyone welcome.

2010 Award Recipients:
Helen Yunker, *Arts Patron*
Jack Halbert, *Artist in the Community*
Sylvia White, Sylvia White Gallery, *Creative Entrepreneur*
Margaret Travers, *Arts Leader*
Bob Moskowitz, *Arts Educator*
Chris Jay, *Emerging Artist*

The Mayor's Arts Awards recognizes the artistic achievements and contributions to the cultural community by City residents, artists, educators, organizations and business leaders. Nominations for the awards were solicited from the community and the honorees were selected by a panel of leaders from the fields of art, education and business. This program is co-presented by the Community Development and Parks, Recreation and Community Partnerships Deparments.

Thank you to the Museum of Ventura County, the Wine Rack and Seasons Catering.

City of Ventura Arts and Dance Classes

Take Great Nature and Wildlife Photos

16-Adult $60

With the California Coast and parks like Yosemite so close - learn how to photograph beautiful images of what you see, not just snapshots. This seminar takes you step-by-step through learning how to take great outdoor and wildlife images. Learn about the right equipment, how your camera looks at light, composition rules to follow, field tactics and woodcraft, and many other professional techniques in nature and wildlife photography.

At Barranca Vista Center, 7050 Ralston Street with Instructor Brent Russell Paul.

#27498 Sa 3-7 pm 11/20

The City of Ventura presents

Slippers & Masks

FREE performance of Aladdin

directed and choreographed by Pam Cohen

Dancers from all over west Ventura county come together for a fun performance loosely based on the Arabian Nights tales of Aladdin and his magic lamp.

Friday, December 10th at 7:30 pm

and Saturday, December 11th at 1:30 pm

at Mound Elementary School, 455 South Hill Road in Ventura

Nutcracker Mini Ballet Class

3-12 years $47

In three wonderful weeks learn selected dances, create costume head pieces all for a final mini performance of Tchaikovsky's ballet for family and friends during the last class. A parent must accompany each child under 5 to class.

3-4 years #27324 3-4:30 pm 12/1-12/15

5-12 years #27325 4:30-6:30 pm 12/1-12/15

SIGN UP NOW or for complete class listings visit www.cityofventura.net/eRecreation or call 805.658.4726.

Artist Designed Bike Racks Installed

The first of several artist designed multi-bike bike racks were installed throughout Ventura in October. A large brightly colored dragonfly rack has landed on the Promenade near the Pier as well as a multi-bike rack at the intersection of Thompson and Ventura Avenue to accommodate the numerous bicycles that frequent the Working Artists Ventura facility. Both of these racks were designed and fabricated by LA artist LT Mustardseed.

Local artists Tyson Cline, Douglas Lochner, Jessica Bodner and John Suttman are fabricating additional racks for installation throughout the City. The designs are as varied and eclectic as the rest of the City's art collection. This project was funded through the City's 2% for Public Art ordinance and is geared toward the City's goal to become more bicycle and pedestrian friendly.

Sylvia White Gallery

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FREE Candlelight Tours of the Olivas Adobe · December 12

Sunday, December 12, 2010 from 5:30 to 8 pm.

Discover how Old California Rancho families prepared to celebrate the year-end holidays with this special free candlelight tour of Ventura's recently seismically upgraded historic 1847 rancho - the Olivas Adobe, located at 4200 Olivas Park Drive. Tours are conducted in groups, which will be offered every twelve minutes - dress warmly. Tours are free but reservations are requested by calling 805-658-4706.

Each room of the newly renovated two-story adobe home of Don Raymondo Olivas will be decorated in a different holiday tradition. Visitors will have an opportunity to enjoy history brought to life through costumed living history skits performed by the Olivas Adobe Volunteer Historical Interpreters with live musical entertainment and refreshments.

The Holiday Candle Light Tours are a great way for families to get in to the spirit of the season and have fun learning about life at a California Historical Landmark. The Olivas Adobe also features a gift shop that has traditional handcrafted items that visitors can purchase as gifts for the holidays.