



Attention all Tatanka Arts Members:
We are working on a membership drive as we received a SMAHC Challenge Grant ! Help us find new members.

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Newsletter of Tatanka Arts

Summer 2008

Tatanka Arts is a subsidiary of the Redwood Falls Communities Foundation

Tatanka Arts to Sponsor Olivia Corn Capitol Days Art Show

Several Tatanka artists along with other area artists will be on hand for an art show at the Master's Coffee Shop located on Highway 212 in Olivia as part of the festivities of Corn Capitol Days. So mark your calendar for July 25 & 26 and visit the art show. The hours run from 10 AM until 8 PM each day. A wide variety of art will be displayed and offered for sale.

Artist Outing at Cedar Rock Ranch a Great Experience



Saturday, June 28th Tatanka artists were treated to a day at Bob Starr's Cedar Rock Ranch near the Minnesota River. The scenery was spectacular and artists were encouraged to draw, paint or photograph from the surroundings. Wild strawberries were also a find and so very good.

Ramona Larson and Sharon Hollatz gave tours of the property while Tatanka board member, Tom Hollatz, mowed lawn. Everyone enjoyed the hiking and each artist and family brought a picnic lunch which was shared in the great outdoors. The weather cooperated nicely. Thank you Starr family for sharing with us!

Elaine Hagen got a chance to photograph some spectacular scenery and nan Karr kaufenberg works on a watercolor painting at Cedar Rock Ranch on June 28th.



Tatanka Board President, Ramona Larson, congratulates People's Choice award winners, 1st Place-Elaine Hagen and 2nd Place- Dona Larkin at the MIC Art Show in June.

Tatanka Hosts 2nd Annual MIC Art Show

Tatanka Arts once again hosted the Art Show at the Minnesota Inventors Congress in Redwood Falls on June 13 & 14. Not as many artists participated as last year but there was a good steady crowd.

Tatanka Arts got a chance to show off the new exhibition equipment purchased with funds from SMAHC/McKnight local Arts Development Grant. This equipment will be used for group as well as individual shows.

Park Plans Proceeding

2007 saw the mural emerging on the Redwood Falls Thrivent building and now it is time to work on landscaping the space around it. Many people have stepped up to help with the planning and the work with this project.

Clint Knorr, of the **Tatanka Bluffs Bed & Breakfast** has offered his skills in organizing the project and Jonathon Moore, a graduate student in the architecture program at the University of Minnesota is offering his expertise as well. This space is tentatively named Townsquare Park.

If you would be interested in help support this endeavor or in participating on the planning committee, contact us at: Box 282, Redwood Falls, 56283.



Tatanka Board Member, Joel McKinney works on plan for future improvements at the downtown park greenspace.



Kids who participated in "Art in the Park" at Ramsay Park got the chance to work with art materials and become art themselves.

"Art in the Park" 2008

This was the second year that Tatanka Arts has sponsored and organized an "Art in the Park" interdisciplinary experience for children. A generous grant from the Rotary Club and Thrivent Financial allowed for the rental of the space, art materials and scholarships to those students who could not afford to register without some assistance.



The 2008 theme was SHAPE and Art Teacher Ruth McKinney offered instruction in making low fire terra cotta animals, mosaic stepping stones and work with paper mache.

Dance Instructor and Choreographer, Ramona Larson, instituted an "Imagination Station" which also had a cartooning component with Ruth McKinney.

The weather was perfect. The mosquitoes were not a problem and a great time was had by all who participated, students and teachers alike.

If you would like to suggest planning ideas for 2009 we would appreciate the input. We want to serve you!

Tatanka Arts Board of Directors:
Ramona Larson / President
Dona Larkin / Vice President
Nan Karr Kaufenberg / Secretary
Michael Kaufenberg Sr. / Treasurer & Non-board member
At large Board Members
Joel McKinney, Ruth McKinney, Tom Hollatz, Elaine Hagen, Chuck Brown

If you know of any group or organizations that would like to put Tatanka Arts on their program, please contact either Nan Karr Kaufenberg, Ramona Larson or Ruth McKinney.

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The Tatanka Arts Board would like to recruit musicians & writers to join and help us expand our mission. We can help each other.

Tatanka Arts

Membership Drive 2008

Application Approved for McKnight/SMAHC Challenge Grant

We were notified recently of the approval of this grant in which Tatanka Arts could be awarded up to \$500 in matching funds. While Tatanka Arts does have a strong and dedicated board of directors, the ultimate effectiveness of our organization can, and will continue to be, found in its membership. A basic membership is only \$25. We ask renewing members, please, renew at at least \$5 above your 2007 support level so you can also be counted in this one time matching grant opportunity. A membership form is included below for your convenience.

We have a lot of exciting, proposed activities in the works for 2008 and we need people like you, people concerned over the decline of art programs in our schools, people looking for artistic outlets for themselves and their families, people searching for volunteer opportunities that make a difference. We need your voice and experience, your desire, and your financial support.

The Challenge Grant will Match up to \$500 until March '09

We have a year to earn the matching \$500 Challenge Grant. Existing members need to renew at \$5 more than your 2007 rate to make your membership eligible. New members will be included in the match at whatever support level they choose. We appreciate your help in this endeavor. Let us know what you think about what we do.

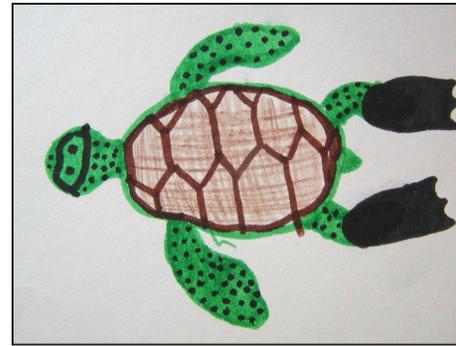
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More artistic images from "Art in the Park" 2008 at Ramsay Park.

Ramona Larson works with kids and movement exercises - forming shapes.



Hibiscus Hand colored Lineoleum Print by Nan Karr Kaufenberg 2005

Nan Karr Kaufenberg Exhibit at MAFAC

Tatanka Artist and Tatanka Arts board member and Secretary, Nan Karr Kaufenberg is exhibiting her work at MAFAC which will continue until August 9th. The MAFAC gallery and gift shop is located at 109 North Third Street in Marshall.

Nan is also exhibiting her work at Master's Coffe Shop in Olivia during Corn Capitol Days - July 25 and 26th.



Upcoming Tatanka Arts Calendar

July 29 - Next Tatanka Arts Board meeting at the Calf Fiend at 11:30 AM
Fundraising for the Kiosk, Townsquare Park, Membership Drive on agenda

Month of September - *Tatanka Arts Invitational Exhibition* at the Redwood Falls Library

In November - Tatanka artists at the *Beneath the Wreath* Festival in Morton

Members Appreciation Gathering - Look for more information on our website: www.tatankaarts.org

Note: Our Tatanka Arts Annual Meeting will be in January 2009



McKinney's to Exhibit at Minnesota West

Joel and Ruth McKinney will exhibit at Minnesota West - Granite Falls the month of September. Look on their website soon form more details: www.blackhawk-studios.org or on the Tatanka Arts website: www.tatankaarts.org.

The McKinney's are artists and educators living in rural Walnut Grove. They are both founding members of Tatanka Arts and members of SMAHC.