



Dear Friends of the Arts,

I can't believe how quickly this month is passing by. The Arts4MC team is working hard and with renewed energy on upcoming events and current programs. We are thrilled with the presentation of the newly completed mural by José Ortiz at last night's Open House at Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley. This morning, we are holding the first BusinessWorks of 2024, featuring artist Jennifer Perlmutter, discussing "Pricing Artwork & Attracting Collectors.". Next week, we are excited to officially announce the next Monterey County Poet Laureate. I extend an invitation to join us Tuesday, January 23, at 10 am at the Board of Supervisors Chambers, where the Board will announce and recognize this local poet during the Resolution segment of their meeting. The following week we return to the Government Center for the Ribbon Cutting of the newest public mural created by La Neta Murals at 12 pm on January 30th.

February will be here in the blink of an eye, and we welcome you to join us for another First Friday reception at ArtWorks @Salinas to meet the artists of our latest exhibition, *Inner Visions / Outward Expressions*. The exhibit at our studio and gallery space is open from Thursday through Sunday from 10 am to 2 pm and First Fridays from 5 pm - 8 pm. You also don't want to miss the upcoming installment of Poetry Out Loud on Saturday, February 3rd. The public is invited to watch as students from nine local high schools compete to be crowned County Champions and move on to the next level of competition at the state and national levels. For event details and to reserve your seat, visit arts4mc.org

I look forward to seeing you soon!

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Program Highlight

Exciting Recap: *Inner Visions / Outward Expressions*



L to R: Ekaterina de la Torre, Kenji Tanner, and Deborah Good at the Opening Reception at ArtWorks @Salinas 1/5/24

On January 5th, our ArtWorks @Salinas gallery at 262 Main Street came alive with creativity at the new *Inner Visions / Outward Expressions* exhibit. The works of Kenji Tanner, Ekaterina de la Torre, and Deborah Good sparked conversations and left an indelible mark thanks to the vibrant mix of artistic, colorful paintings and sculptures.

Mark your calendars for the upcoming First Friday reception on February 2, 2024, from 5 pm - 8 pm. Anticipate another fun evening of artistry, connection, and celebration of creativity!

Save the Date for Poetry Out Loud 2024!

2024 MONTEREY COUNTY

POETRY OUT LOUD®



HIGH SCHOOL
RECITATION COMPETITION

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 3

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM

CSUMB ALUMNI & VISITOR'S CENTER
📍 100 CAMPUS CENTER, SEASIDE, CA



SEATING IS LIMITED

RSVP to reserve your seat!

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A free cultural event in partnership with



Join us for an inspiring afternoon as schools from across the region, including Alisal High School, Everett Alvarez High School, Gonzales High School, Notre Dame High School, Rancho San Juan High School, Pacific Grove High School, Palma School, Salinas High School, and York School, compete in the art of spoken word!

- Date: Saturday, February 3, 2024
- Time: 1 pm - 2:30 pm
- Location: CSUMB Alumni & Visitor's Center, 100 Campus Center, Seaside, CA 93955

RSVP Your Seat!

ArtWorks @Salinas Studios Available



AFFORDABLE ARTIST STUDIOS AVAILABLE

262 MAIN ST., SALINAS



Open studios
(not enclosed/private)

Rent based on a
sliding scale

Includes utilities, Wi-Fi,
& marketing assistance

**APPLY
TODAY!**



Are you a working artist in the Salinas area looking for a working space? Check out the artist studios currently available at Artworks @Salinas located at 262 Main Street in Downtown Salinas!

[Apply for an Artist Studio](#)

ArtWorks @Salinas will have a rotating art gallery and six small studio spaces for artists to sublease at an affordable rate. Rent includes all utilities, Wi-Fi and marketing.

Community Arts Grants



COMMUNITY ARTS GRANTS

**DEADLINE: SUBMIT ANYTIME; REVIEWED MONTHLY.
UNTIL FUNDS EXPENDED OR JUNE 30, 2024, 11:59 PM**



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Submit an Arts Event



Don't forget to add any upcoming art events to our calendar, such as galas, festivals, and community gatherings so we avoid overlapping and missing out on all the excitement!

Submit An Event

Events/Happenings

Now Until March 17th: [Katie Herzog Art Exhibition at Monterey Museum of Art](#)

Now Until March 31st: *Inner Visions / Outward Expressions* Exhibit at ArtWorks @Salinas

January 23rd at 10 am: Poet Laureate Resolution

January 30th at 12 pm: Government Center Mural Ribbon Cutting

February 2nd at 5:00 pm: [ArtWorks @Salinas Open for First Friday](#)

February 3rd at 1:00 pm: [Poetry Out Loud 2024](#)

February 10th: [Cyberbullying & Internet Safety Arts Workshop](#)

Call to Artists/Auditions

January 20th: [Sol Treasures Auditions for Fiddler on the Roof](#)

Grants & Scholarships

Applications Open Feb 5th - [Creative Work Fund 2024](#)

Until Funds Expended: [Community Arts Grants](#)

Ongoing: [Free Video Tutorial Grant Writing for Succe\\$\\$](#)

Art Directory

Did you know.... The Arts Council for Monterey County has an arts directory that allows you to quickly find all types of arts classes throughout Monterey County? Find an [art class here](#).

Click [here](#) to add your own organization, or update your existing directory listing, to help others find you.



Thank you to the County of Monterey and the Board of Supervisors for the ongoing support of the Arts Council for Monterey County's efforts to strengthen and broaden the County's economic base.

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