



# Ketchikan Area Arts & Humanities Council



## March 2014 NEWSLETTER

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### Unheard Voices - Unheard Wisdom

**Main Street Gallery Opening:**  
**Friday, March 7**  
**5-7:00pm, Main Street Gallery**

**Artist Talk:**  
**Tuesday, March 11**  
**7-8:00pm, Main Street Gallery**

**Community Conversation:**  
**Wednesday, March 12**  
**6:30-8:00pm, Main Street Gallery**



Artist Carmel Anderson and WISH (Women in Safe Homes) collaborate on a sculptural exhibit focusing on the topic of domestic violence.

All events free and open to the public.



## Torch Nights Performing Arts Series: **Birds of Chicago**

Saturday, March 8  
7:30pm, Saxman Tribal House

Click [here](#) for tickets!

JT Nero's fractured country-soul voice wrapped in Allison Russell's beautiful silver and gold vocal tones bring echoes of mountain gospel, doo wop, and classic soul with back porch instrumentation. Delivering their tales of hope, despair and... electric seahorses. And honey bee apocalypses. And ice cream. It's familiar and strange stuff—the everyday and the magical. Playing guitar, banjo, ukulele, and clarinet, **Birds of Chicago** has emerged as some of the most compelling new voices in North American Roots music, so don't miss 'em!

## Blueberry Arts Festival Logo Design Call for Artists

The Arts Council invites you to submit up to two designs for the 2014 festival logo. Blueberry Arts Festival T-shirts are a cherished memento from each year's festival. Your artwork will be worn by hundreds of Ketchikanites, will travel the world with our summer visitors, and be featured on all festival publicity!

**Entries are due Tuesday, April 8, 2014**

[Click here for more information!](#)



## Arts Education

**Thank you to everyone that  
participated in January's "Arts**



## **in Your Classroom!" Teacher Workshop!**

We had a full day of great activities led by Ketchikan's arts educators. Thank you to our wonderful instructors and presenters: Elizabeth Nelson (First City Players), Ann Froeschle (Tongass Historical Museum and Totem

Heritage Center), Barbara Pearce (Ketchikan High School), Loren McCue (Tongass School of Arts and Sciences), Shay LeBeau (Houghtaling), Halli Kenoyer (Ketchikan Charter School), Louise Kern (Ketchikan High School), Sherry Henrickson, Angel Williams (Schoenbar). Kudos also to Dr. Linda Hardin, KGBSD Curriculum Director for making the workshop possible and to Doug Edwards and his culinary arts crew for a delicious lunch!

**Looking to integrate more art into your curriculum? Join us for the Alaska Arts Education Consortium's first ever Ketchikan Basic Arts Institute, August 4-15.**

[Click here to learn more!](#)

(Photo: Halli Kenoyer shares ideas with Lori Ortiz, MJ Turek and Evelyn Voorhees-Brown.)

## **Saturday Morning Art Classes are smART!**

Each Saturday morning the Main Street Gallery's classroom is bustling with activity. Instructor Maria White has been leading the students in some fabulous art projects using recycled materials. **We're looking forward to showing off their masterpieces at the March 8<sup>th</sup> smART gallery opening at the Ketchikan Public Library (11:00am).**



**Vagina Monologues Auditions**  
presented by **Rebekka Esbjornson**





Auditions will take place March 22 & 23 at the First City Players office at 335 Main Street. Call Rebekka at 406.600.4194 or Lindsey at 630.649.0098 or email [vm.2014.ketchikan@gmail.com](mailto:vm.2014.ketchikan@gmail.com) to receive a script and additional auditioning information.



The production will take place on April 25th, 26th, and 27th at the Main Street Gallery.

## Member of the Month: Elizabeth Nelson

The Arts Council is proud to honor Elizabeth Nelson as our Member of the Month in March. We are honoring Elizabeth not just because of the 25 years she has dedicated to developing a vibrant, thriving theater community in Ketchikan, or because she has guided thousands of Ketchikanites as they take their journey into creative expressiveness... or because her knowledge and expertise of her craft is nothing short of Impressive, or because she will make space in her thoughts and plans to listen to anyone's suggestions or ideas, or because EVERYONE is welcome at First City Players, or because she has the biggest voice in the *history of the universe*. We are honoring Elizabeth Nelson as our Member of the Month because she embodies what we think of when we think of the arts. Inspiring. Selfless. Invigorating. Tireless. Leadership.

**Thank you Elizabeth!**

**Members-**  
**Thank You**  
**for Supporting**  
**Local Arts!**

## Fun Fact!

Micro-sculptor [Willard Wigan](#) creates artwork so small that he once inhaled one by accident. Here's one in the eye of a needle. Willard enters a meditative



state in which his heartbeat is slowed, allowing him to reduce hand tremors and sculpt between pulse beats. Even the reverberation caused by outside traffic can affect Willard's work. Consequently, he often works through the night when there is minimal disruption.

