

Welcome to *Clearsight*, the Spanish Fork Arts Council Quarterly Newsletter—a publication designed to keep citizens informed about what’s happening each month in the cultural arts and events taking place in our community; theatrical productions, concerts, exhibits, lectures, workshops, dances, plus special events.

We want to hear from you!

Please feel free to submit information that you feel would benefit the members of our community. We also want your input as to how the cultural arts experience can be improved upon. If you would like to be a part of the process, contact us at arts@sfcn.org. We always have room for good people with good ideas.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 16–27 (M–F for 2 weeks)

Discovering the Arts Youth Arts Festival.
 SFHS, 8:00 am – 2:00 pm every day. Register at Parks and Recreation office through June 6.

July 18, 19, 21, 25 (7:30 pm)

July 24 and 26 (3:00 pm matinee)
Oklahoma! SFHS Auditorium. Presented by the Spanish Fork Community Theater.

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Youth Arts Festival: *Discover!*

DID YOU KNOW.....?

Did you know Spanish Fork City and the Spanish Fork Arts Council sponsor a fabulous *Youth Arts Festival* every summer? Maybe you are one of the few residents privy to such an interesting fact. But then again, maybe not. Maybe you are among the hundreds living in Spanish Fork that had no idea! In either case, it is time to learn more.

Did you know the *Youth Arts Festival* is a two-week event lasting from Monday, June 16 through Friday, June 27 at Spanish Fork High School? You choose the classes and times that work for your family.

Did you know 30 different courses are offered? Everything from A to Y: from Arts and Crafts to Young Artists and everything in between. You can find a class schedule in this newsletter and complete class descriptions at our website www.spanishfork.org—check under the Parks and Rec department. You can also find full details in the summer catalog distributed by the Parks and Recreation office.

Did you know we have instructors with exceptional credentials? All of our instructors are professionals in their field of expertise. They each have years of experience teaching young people. They are well known for their abilities, and are passionate about helping your child “discover the arts.”

Did you know the Youth Arts Festival is with-

out a doubt the most affordable way to provide valuable instruction for your children? We want all of our youth to have the chance to “discover the arts,” and have worked to make these classes both valuable and affordable. Don’t pass up the opportunity to learn from such excellent teachers at a fraction the cost of their yearly classes.

Did you know that your kids could take multiple classes? Every age group has an opportunity to take multiple classes back to back. Even better, you could drop off all your children in various age ranges at the same time and there would be a fabulous class for each of them!

Did you know we’ve added a **Kick-Off Celebration** this year? We will have a picnic in the park on our first day of classes, Monday, June 16 from 6:30-7:30 pm. Come to the city park by the library; bring your blankets, dinner if you want, family and friends. We will have a great performance by Jaden Bliss and prizes and giveaways for all youth registered in the “Discovering the Arts” Youth Arts Festival. All community members invited.

Do you know how to register? Drop by the Parks and Recreation department any time after May 12th. Classes fill on a first come, first serve basis and there is limited space, so don’t delay! The Parks and Recreation office is located at 428 West Center Street on Spanish Fork High School campus or call them at 798-4068.

Youth Theater’s *Beauty & the Prince* a Magical Success

The Spanish Fork Youth Theater delighted the community with their production of *Beauty and the Prince*, an adaptation of *Sleeping Beauty*. Anna Murdock directed the play, and so many others contributed to its success. Over 80 students ages 5-18 participated in the

production, as well as a smaller production, *Way Out West*, in March.

The Youth Theater will be offering a class as part of the Annual Summer Youth Arts Festival in June. The normal after-school program will start again in September.

Youth Arts Festival—Schedule Made Easy

	Room #1	Room #5	Room #27	Room #28	Drama Room
9:00 am	Kinder Arts and Crafts (ages 3-5) FULL	"Let's Play Music" Blue Bugs (ages 4-7)	Fun & Fabulous Hands-on Arts and Crafts (ages 6-14) FULL	Young Artists (ages 6-8) FULL	
10:00 am	Kinder Arts and Crafts (ages 3-5) FULL	"Let's Play Music" Red Balloons (ages 4-7)	Fun & Fabulous Hands-on Arts and Crafts (ages 6-14) FULL	Young Artists (ages 6-8) FULL	10:30-12:00
11:00 am	Kinder Arts and Crafts (ages 3-5) FULL	An Introduction to Art (ages 8-14) ROOM NUMBER TBA	Fun & Fabulous Hands-on Arts and Crafts (ages 6-14) FULL	Young Artists (ages 6-8) NEWLY OPENED SESSION	Advanced String Orchestra Int/Advanced (ages 13-18)
12:00 pm	Kinder Arts And Crafts (ages 3-5) SECOND SESSION OPENED				
1:00 pm		Young Writer's Workshop (ages 8-12)	Foundations of Drawing and Sketching (ages 14-18)		
2:00 pm		Creative Writing (ages 13-18)			

	Auditorium	Little Theater	Choir Room	Band Room	Dance Room	Upstairs Gym
8:00 am	Show Choir Junior (ages 8-13)					
9:00 am				Folk and Bluegrass Ensemble Int/Adv (ages 6-18)	Hip Hop (ages 12-18)	
10:00 am	Show Choir Senior (ages 13-17)	Youth Theater Workshop (ages 6-18) FULL	Find Your Voice B (ages 8-12)	Folk and Bluegrass Ensemble Int/Adv (ages 6-18)	Ballet Beginning (ages 6-18)	
11:00 am			Find Your Voice A (ages 5-7)	Folk and Bluegrass Ensemble Beginning (ages 6-18)	Rock Ballet-Int/Adv (ages 8-18)	Dancing-Super Heroes (ages 4-7) FULL
12:00 pm	Show Choir Small (ages 5-8)			Folk and Bluegrass Ensemble Beginning (ages 6-18)	Jazz Dance-Intermediate (ages 8-18)	Creative Dance (ages 3-5) FULL
1:00 pm					Break Dancing Beginning (ages 6-18)	Creative Dance (ages 3-5) FULL

Cultural Arts & Heritage Center Update

The Arts Council continues to move forward in the planning stages for a Cultural Arts and Heritage Center for the South County area. The Cultural Arts Center Committee made presentations to the City Council in March & April and presented

a basic timeline and fundraising plan. The City Council has agreed to appoint a 5-6 member committee to further explore the project. It is anticipated that an RFP will be sent out so that professional firms can bid on doing a feasibility study for the

project. The larger committee will continue to meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month from 6:00–7:00 pm in the City Council room. For further information, contact Bjorn Pendleton at 798-0792.

Nebo Phil & Nebo Chorale Complete Seasons

The Nebo Philharmonic Orchestra and Nebo Chorale both finished their concert seasons in May. The Nebo Chorale performed their annual Spring concert *Choral Kaleidoscope*, on May 1 at the SFHS auditorium. It was a fun and entertaining show with a variety of music ending with a rousing performance of *When the Saints Go Marching In* and *God Bless America*. For those of you that weren't able to attend the concert, DVDs are available through SF17. The Chorale will take the summer off and start up their 2008-09 season after Labor Day.

The Nebo Philharmonic Orchestra completed their season with their final concert, *Cowboy Up!* on May 17 at the American Leadership Academy. With outstanding performances for Hansel & Gretel at the Covey Center for the Arts in Provo, and other great concerts under their belt, the orchestra is poised to become the premier orchestral group in the region. Any donations to the orchestra are very welcome. Please contact orchestra president, Carolyn Sorensen, at 787-5376.

The Arts Council wants to hear your ideas and feedback, and we want to be accessible to the community.

Want to volunteer? Call Melanie, 794-1436.

Interested in being involved with the effort to build a Cultural Arts Center to serve all of south Utah County? Call Bjorn Pendleton, 798-0792.

Ideas/feedback? Email: arts@sfcn.org

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