

Polk Arts Alliance Spring 2009 Calendar of Events
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NOW SHOWING:

Through Mar. 1: Radcliffe Bailey: *Between Two Worlds* and Miroslav Antic: *Family Album*. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. Admission. 863-688-7743.

Through Mar 13: *A Passion for Color – Paintings by Susan Abrahamson*. Lake Wales Arts Center. FREE. 863-676-8426.

Through Mar. 19: Stan Gregory – *Recent Work*. Melvin Gallery, Florida Southern College, Lakeland. FREE. 863-680-4743.

Through Mar. 26: *Orchids and Irises in the Garden - Batik Exhibit*, Artist Jamie Kirkell. Bok Tower Gardens, Lake Wales. Admission. 863-676-1408.

Through Mar. 27: “Connections & Combinations” exhibit. Harrison School for the Arts Mitchell Gallery, Lakeland. FREE. 863-499-2855.

Through Mar 28: *The Wonder of Children’s Museums. Explorations V Children’s Museum*, Lakeland. Admission. 863-687-3869.

Through Mar. 31, 2009: Ridge Art’s *Chain-of-Lakes Art Exhibition* at Winter Haven City Hall. FREE. 863-291-5661.

Through Apr. 5: *Art and Design: Balance*. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. Admission. 863-688-7743.

Through April 15: *Best of Beijing – Contemporary Chinese Artists from Beijing’s Red Gate Gallery*. Melvin Gallery, FSC, Lakeland. FREE. 863-680-4743.

Through May 1: *All Kids Can CREATE! Art Exhibit*. Explorations V Children’s Museum, Lakeland. Admission. 863-687-3869.

MARCH

Mar. 1: “Lear, Inc.” adaptation of Shakespeare’s “King Lear.” Harrison School for the Arts Main Stage, Lakeland. Mat. 2 p.m. Admission. (863) 499-2939 Box Office.

Mar. 1: Pianist Krisztina Wajsza & Benjamin Bunch, Classical Guitar Concert, Pinewood Estate at Bok Tower Garden, Lake Wales. 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. \$25 or members \$20. Call: 863-676-1408.

Mar. 2-20: Fine Arts Gallery Exhibit/Faculty Show. Polk Comm. Coll. Fine Arts Gallery M-F 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. FREE. 297-1050.

Mar. 3– 31 Annual Quilt Show. Frostproof Art League. FREE. 863-635-7271.

Mar. 3– Apr. 30: Dimensions 2009, Bartow Art Guild Exhibit. Polk County Historical Museum, Bartow. FREE. 863-534-4386.

Mar 3 – May 30: Signs of the Times: Art of the Letterhead Exhibit. Polk County Historical Museum, Bartow. FREE. 863-534-4386.

Mar 4 - 29: The Young Artists Show, Ridge Art Association, Winter Haven. FREE. 291-5661.

Mar. 5: Cypress String Quartet Concert. Lake Wales Arts Center. 7:30 p.m. \$25 non-members, \$20 members. 863-676-8426.

Mar. 5 – 22: OLIVER! Lakeland Community Theatre. Thurs-Sat. 7:30 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. Tickets: 863-603-7529.

Mar 5 -29: Kiss Me Kate. Theatre Winter Haven Mainstage. Tickets: 294-7469.

Mar. 6-25: Fine Arts Show. Arts on the Park, Lakeland. Reception- Fri. Mar. 6; 6 – 9 p.m. FREE. 863-680-2787 (ARTS).

Mar. 7 & 8: Bartow Bloomin' Arts Festival, Main St. Sat. & Sun. 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. FREE.

Mar. 7 – May 31: Unfiltered: Self-Taught Art from the Permanent Collection. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. Admission. 863-688-7743.

Mar. 7: Family Fun Workshop. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 10:30am - noon. FREE. 863-688-5423.

Mar. 8: Film: "James and the Giant Peach." Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 2 p.m. FREE with regular museum admission. 863-688-5423.

Mar. 10: Wearable Art Fashion Show. Frostproof Art League. 2 p.m. Tickets: \$12. 863-635-7271.

Mar. 10 - Apr. 5: Student Exhibition: Creative Youth: 12th Congressional District Competition. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. Admission. 863-688-7743.

Mar 13: The Symphony Guild of Winter Haven's 15th Champagne and Shamrocks featuring the Orlando Symphony Orchestra. Nora Mayo Auditorium, 6:30pm. Silent auction, dinner, champagne. Admission – call: 863-295-9422.

Mar. 13: Exhibition Reception: Unbelievable Transformations: Moving Sculptures by Gregory Barsamian. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 6:00 - 8:30pm. FREE for Museum Members, \$10 Non-Members. Cash bar. 863-688-7743.

Mar 13–29. The Messenger. Lake Wales Little Theatre. Fri, Sat. 7:30 p.m.; Sun. 2 p.m. Tickets: 863-679-TKTS (8587).

Mar. 14 – June 7: Unbelievable Transformations: Moving Sculptures by Gregory Barsamian. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. Admission. 863-688-7743.

Mar. 14: Student Reception: Creative Youth: 12th Congressional District Competition. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 11 a.m. 863-688-5423.

Mar 15: Pinewood Concert with Pianist Joseph Schwartz:, Pinewood Estate at Bok Tower Gardens, Lake Wales. 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. \$25 or members \$20. 863-676-1408.

Mar. 17: Curator Tour: Unbelievable Transformations: Moving Sculptures by Gregory Barsamian. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. Free with admission. 10:30 a.m. 863-688-7743.

Mar. 17: Tea & Symphony: Orchestra Gone Wild, Imperial Symphony Orchestra. 5:45 p.m. Lake Hunter Room, The Lakeland Center. Tickets: 863-834-8111.

Mar. 17: St. Patrick's Day Carillon Concerts, Bok Tower Gardens. 1 & 3 p.m. Admission. Call: 863-676-1408.

Mar. 17: St. Patty's Day: Everything Is Comin' Up Green! Bok Tower Gardens. Concert 7:30 p.m. 28 or members \$20; \$. St. Patty's Day Irish Dinner 6 p.m. \$20. Call: 863-676-1408.

Mar. 17 & 18: Hair - In Concert. Theatre Winter Haven Stage Read Series. 7:30 p.m. \$10. Tickets: 863-294-7469.

Mar. 19: Evening of Opera. Harrison School for the Arts Main Stage, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Admission. 863-499-2939 Box Office.

Mar. 19-21: PCC Players. PCC Winter Haven Fine Arts Theatre 8:15 \$5. 863-297-1050.

Mar. 20: View & Review: Critiquing Emerging Artists. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 6 - 8 p.m. \$15 Artists, \$5 Audience. Artists must pre-register. 863-688-5423.

Mar 20 -April 19: 40th Annual Student Art Show. Lake Wales Arts Center. FREE. 863-676-8426.

Mar 20-22: With Lute and Voice: Bach's Sacred Arias. The Bach Festival of Central Florida. Fri., Sat. at 7:30 p.m. Sun. at 4 p.m. Tickets: \$15 Adult, \$5 Student- various locations. .

Mar 21: EcoVisions -Platform Art Party # 13. PCC Lakeland Campus. 6:30 - 10:30 p.m. Tickets: 863-688-1546.

Mar 21: André Watts, pianist. Branscomb Auditorium, Florida Southern College, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$35. Call 680-4296.

Mar. 21: Creative Studies Series: "Aging!!! Through the Eyes of the World's Most Beloved Poets!" with Paula Douglas. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 5 - 7:30pm. \$12 Members, \$15 Non-Members. 863-688-5423.

Mar 21: Bob Patterson's Florida "Tales from the Homeplace" Bok Tower Gardens. 7:30 p.m. \$26 or members \$20. Reception w/heavy Hors d'oeuvres & Wine \$18; 6 p.m. Call: 676-1408.

Mar 21 & 22: The Central Park Art Festival. Downtown Winter Haven. Fri. & Sat. 10 - 4 p.m. FREE. 291-5661.

Mar. 22: Film: "The Short Films of the Quay Brothers (Part I)." Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 2:00pm. FREE with regular Museum admission. 863-688-5423.

Mar 22: PCC Players Winter Haven Fine Arts Theatre 2pm \$5. 863-297-1050.

Mar. 24: Masterworks Concert: Orchestra Gone Wild, Imperial Symphony Orchestra presents eXtreme Classical Makeover with The Capitol Quartet. 7:30 p.m. Youkey Theatre, The Lakeland Center. Tickets: 863-834-8111.

Mar. 24: Piano Concert. Harrison School for the Arts Main Stage, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Admission. 863-499-2939 Box Office.

Mar. 26: Chamber Orchestra and Jazz Band Concert. Harrison School for the Arts Main Stage, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Admission. 863-499-2939 Box Office.

Mar 26: Florida Southern Choral Concert. Branscomb Auditorium, Florida Southern College, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$15. Call 680-4296.

Mar 27-April 10: Florida Southern Senior Studio Show. Melvin Gallery, Florida Southern College, Lakeland. FREE. M-F 9 -4. 680-4743.

Mar. 28: Portrait workshop. Ridge Art Association, Winter Haven. 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Pre-registration required. Call 863-291-5661. www.ridgeart.org.

Mar 28 & 29: 38th Annual Lake Wales Art Show. Sat. & Sun. FREE. 676-8426.

Mar. 28: Family Fun Workshop with Polk Museum of Art. Winter Haven Public Library. 10:30am - noon. FREE. 863-688-5423.

Mar 28 - May 28: Vignettes in Paint - Watercolors by Robert Leedy. Bok Tower Gardens, Lake Wales. . Admission. 676-1408.

Mar. 29: Film: "The Short Films of the Quay Brothers (Part II)." Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 2 p.m. 863-688-5423.

APRIL

Apr. 2-4; 9-11; Matinees April 5,12: Brighton Beach Memoirs. Buckner Theater, Florida Southern College, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Sunday matinee at 2:30 p.m. Performed by the college acting troupe. Tickets \$15. Call 680-4296.

Apr. 3: Behind the Art: Gregory Barsamian. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 12:15 - 1:15pm. 863-688-5423.

Apr. 3: Florida Southern College Opera Theatre. Branscomb Auditorium, Florida Southern College, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$15. Call 680-4296.

Apr. 3- 5; 10-12: Steel Magnolias. Haines City Community Theatre. Fri., Sat. 8 p.m.; Sun. 2:30 p.m. \$10. Call: 863-421-1893.

Apr. 3-22: Blanc et Noir Juried Exhibition. Arts on the Park, Lakeland. Reception-Fri. Apr. 3; 6 – 9 p.m. FREE. 680-2787.

Apr. 4: Family Fun Workshop: Principles of Art - Rhythm. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 10:30am - noon. FREE. 863-688-5423.

Apr. 4: Camp Buster USA Performance and Fish Fry. Lakeland Community Theatre. Tickets: 863-603-7529.

Apr. 6-24: PCC Fine Arts Gallery Exhibit/Student Art Competition Winter Haven Campus. M-F 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. FREE. 863-297-1050.

Apr. 7 & 8: Golda's Balcony. Theatre Winter Haven Stage Read Series. 7:30 p.m. \$10. 294-7469.

April 9: Florida Southern Symphony Band and Wind Ensemble. Branscomb Auditorium, Florida Southern College, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$15. Call 680-4296.

April 11: Sunrise Tree Walk & Breakfast. Bok Tower Gardens. 7:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. \$42 or members \$34. Call: 676-1408.

11 – Aug. 2: Art and Design: Proportion. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 863-688-7743.

April 12: 81st Annual Easter Sunrise Service. Bok Tower Gardens. 7 a.m. Carillon and the Lake Wales Chorale. FREE admission from 6 to 8 a.m. .676-1408.

April 12: Easter Sunday Concerts. Bok Tower Gardens. 1 & 3 p.m. Admission. 676-1408.

Apr. 14: Harrison Chamber Music Concert. Jenkins Recital Hall, FSC, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Admission. 863-499-2939 Box Office.

Apr 14 - May 17: Student Exhibition: FREE to Be Me: Artwork by Elementary School Students. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 863-688-7743.

April 15 – May 3: Miniature Art Exhibition, Ridge Art Association, Winter Haven. FREE. 291-5661.

April 16, 17: Earth Day Celebration "Going Green" Bok Tower Gardens. Hands on environmental activities. Admission. 676-1408.

April 16: Charlie Bornemann Jazz Band Concert. Lake Wales Arts Center. 7:30 p.m. \$25 non-members, \$20 members. 863-676-8426.

Apr 16-May 3: Perfect Wedding. Theatre Winter Haven Mainstage. Tickets: 294-7469.

17: View & Review: Critiquing Emerging Artists. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 6 - 8 p.m. 863-688-5423. \$15 Artists, \$5 Audience. Artists should pre-register.

17-19: Side by Side by Sondheim. Harrison School for the Arts Main Stage, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m.; Mat. 2 p.m. Admission. 863-499-2939 Box Office.

Apr. 17-May 2: Florida Southern Senior Graphic Design Show. Melvin Gallery, Florida Southern College, Lakeland. FREE. M-F 9-4. 680-4743.

Apr. 17-June 4: Reflections on the Ground exhibit. Harrison School for the Arts Mitchell Gallery, Lakeland. FREE. 863-499-2855.

Apr. 18: Creative Studies Series: "The Zen Life of Transformation, Liberation, and Joy!" with Greg "Nikon" Hicks. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 5:00 - 7:30pm. \$12 Museum Members, \$15 Non-Members. 863-688-5423.

Apr. 18: Student Reception: FREE to Be Me: Artwork by Elementary School Students. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 10:30 a.m. (K-2) and 1 p.m. (3-5). 863-688-5423.

Apr. 18: Opening Reception for Miniature Art Exhibition at Ridge Art Association, 210 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven. Saturday. 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. FREE. Call: 863-291-5661.

Apr. 18: 28th Annual Children's Festival. Explorations V Children's Museum, Lakeland. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Admission. 863-687-3869.

Apr. 18: Innovations Dance IV. Florida Dance Theatre at The Polk Theatre. Sat. 7:30 p.m. \$18 Adults, \$12 Children 12 and under. 863-802-0399.

Apr. 18 & 19: Over 55 Show Band. PCC, Winter Haven Fine Arts Theatre. 2 p.m. \$8 advance tickets. 297-1050.

Apr. 21: Curator Tour: Unfiltered: Self-Taught Art from the Permanent Collection. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 10:30 a.m. 863-688-7743. FREE with regular Museum admission.

Apr. 22: Administrative Professionals Luncheon. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. Seatings at 11:30am and 1:00pm. \$30 per person. Reservations required. 863-688-7743.

Apr. 23 - May 2: Macbeth. Lakeland Community Theatre. Thurs-Sat. 7:30 p.m., Sun. 2 p.m. Tickets: 863-603-7529.

Apr. 23 - June 12: Into the Woods We Go - Interactive Children's Exhibit. Lake Wales Arts Center. FREE. 863-676-8426.

Apr. 24: Lake Wales Chorale & Youth Chorale Concert held at First Presbyterian Church of Lake Wales. 7:30 p.m. \$25 non-members, \$20 members. 863-676-8426.

Apr. 25: A Day of Healing Arts. Bok Tower Gardens. 8:30a.m. – 3:30p.m. Retreat fee \$87, members \$79. 676-1408.

Apr. 25: Family Fun Workshop: Principles of Art - Rhythm with Polk Museum of Art. Mulberry Public Library. 10:30am - noon. FREE. 863-688-5423

Apr. 26: Cookie Concert: Americana, Imperial Symphony Orchestra. Pre-concert activities 2 p.m. Concert 3 p.m. Youkey Theatre, The Lakeland Center. Tickets: 863-834-8111.

Apr. 26: PCC Music Student Concert, Winter Haven Fine Arts Theatre. 2 p.m. FREE. 863-297-1050.

MAY

May 1: 7th Annual Youth Music Festival. Lake Wales Arts Center. FREE. 863-676-8426.

May 1-2: Spring Dance Concert. Harrison School for the Arts Main Stage, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Admission. (863) 499-2939 Box Office.

May 1-27: Lakeland Regional Medical Center's Healing Arts Invitational Exhibition. Arts on the Park, Lakeland. Reception- Fri. May 1; 6 – 9 p.m. 680-2787.

May 2: Family Fun Workshop: Principles of Art - Proportion. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 10:30am - noon. FREE. 863-688-5423.

May 2: Concert Under the Stars: Americana. Bok Tower Gardens. 7:30 p.m. Imperial Symphony Orchestra and the Singing Tower carillon. Admission. 676-1408.

May 3: Lake Wales Youth Chorale Spring Concert. Lake Wales Arts Center. 4 p.m. FREE. 863-676-8426.

May 3: Young Peoples Concert, Fine Arts Theatre at PCC, Winter Haven Campus. 3 p.m. Featuring Harrison Arts Orchestra. FREE. 863-293-5214.

May 5 – July 31: Florida Vacation Album: Travel Photos from the Museum Collection Exhibit. Polk County Historical Museum, Bartow. FREE. 863-534-4386.

May 8: MIDFLORIDA Mayfaire by-the-Lake Kick-Off Party, hosted by Polk Museum of Art. Lakeland Public Library Lawn, Lakeland. 5:30 - 7:30pm. \$20 Museum Members, \$30 Non-Members, \$35 day of event. 863-688-7743.

May 8-June 3. Annual Lakeland Art Guild Exhibition. Melvin Gallery, Florida Southern College, Lakeland. FREE. M-F 9 a.m.-4 p.m. 680-4743.

May 9 & 10: Over 55 Show Band Performances. PCC, Winter Haven Fine Arts Theatre. 2 p.m. \$8 advance tickets. 863-297-1050.

May 9 & 10: MIDFLORIDA Mayfaire by-the-Lake, presented by Polk Museum of Art. Lake Morton Park, Lakeland. 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. FREE admission. 863-688-7743.

May 9: Mayfaire Saturday Night/Festival of Arts & Athletes. Lake Mirror Promenade, Lakeland. 5 – 11 p.m. FREE admission. 863-688-7743.

May 11 – 29: Jinsheng Song: International Expressions, Ridge Art Association, Winter Haven. FREE. 863-291-5661.

May 14: Spring Symphony Concert. Harrison School for the Arts Main Stage, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Admission. (863) 499-2939 Box Office.

May 15: View & Review: Critiquing Emerging Artists. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 6:00 – 8:00pm. 863-688-5423. \$15 Artists, \$5 Audience. Artists should pre-register.

May 15-July 14: Discovering Nature's Alphabet Exhibit. Explorations V Children's Museum, Lakeland. Admission. 863-687-3869.

May 16: Family Fun Workshop: Principles of Art - Proportion with Polk Museum of Art. Polk City Public Library. 10:30 a.m. - noon. FREE. 863-688-5423.

May 16: Opening Reception for Jinsheng Song Painting Exhibition at Ridge Art Association. 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. FREE. Call: 863-291-5661.

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May 19: Curator Tour: Art and Design: Proportion. Polk Museum of Art. 10:30 a.m. 863-688-7743. FREE with regular Museum admission.

May 21: Spring Music Concert. Harrison School for the Arts Main Stage, Lakeland. 7:30 p.m. Admission. (863) 499-2939 Box Office.

May 22-24: The Magical Pied Piper. Theatre Winter Haven Academy. Tickets: 863-294-7469.

May 22-24; 29-31: CSI - Neverland, a Children's Theatre Production. Haines City Community Theatre. Fri., Sat. 7 p.m.; Sun. 3 p.m. Tickets: 863-421-1893.

May 26 - Oct.: Student Exhibition: VSA arts. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland.

April 18: Opening Reception for Miniature Art Exhibition at Ridge Art Association, 210 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven. Saturday. 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. FREE. Call: 863-291-5661.

863-688-7743.

May 28: Memorial Day Concerts. Bok Tower Gardens. 1 & 3 p.m. Special carillon concerts. April 18: Opening Reception for Miniature Art Exhibition at Ridge Art

Association, 210 Cypress Gardens Blvd, Winter Haven. Saturday. 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
FREE. Call: 863-291-5661.

May 29: Behind the Art: Gregory Barsamian. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland.
12:15 - 1:15 p.m. 863-688-5423.

May 30: Student Reception: VSA arts. Polk Museum of Art, Lakeland. 11:00am.
FREE admission. Please note: does not include admission to the Gregory
Barsamian exhibition. 863-688-5423.

**All items subject to change without notice.*