Visit the Artmobile This Week

Ozarka College is hosting the Arkansas Arts Center’s Artmobile April 2nd – 6th in the parking lot of the John E. Miller Educational Complex in Melbourne. The Artmobile is a 40+ foot mobile gallery containing original works of art from the Arts Center’s permanent collection.

The Artmobile, one of the nation’s only mobile galleries of its size, showcases an all new exhibition called Creative Vision. It features 21 framed works and 4 three dimensional objects from the Arts Center. The exhibition several notable art artists, including Roy Lichtenstein, Red Grooms, Carroll Cloar, William Hogarth, Will Barnet, and John Himmelfarb.

The exhibition provides a quality visual arts experience like that of an art museum. “It is a great way for schools, colleges, or libraries, and because it is a mobile gallery it is a wonderful way to introduce audiences to art in their own communities,” said Ned Metcalf, State Services Manager at the Arts Center.

Creative Vision was organized by the Arts Center’s curatorial staff. Erin Branham, Curator for Education at the Arts Center, offered these comments in describing the exhibition: “Volumes have been written about what art is, and from where it originates inside a person. How do artists create? What is the ‘vision’ from which art is born? There are as many answers to that question as there are works of art in the world.”

“Each artist seeking to create must begin by asking himself, what ideas can be expressed in a uniquely visual way? Some artists solve visual problems. Some artists work the other way around – making images that are visually striking and leaving it to the rest of us to puzzle out what they might mean.” He adds, “Ultimately, art does not have to mean anything, though it can mean much. It exists to add to the visual and sensual fabric of our world, a reflection of nature which creates and stimulates our senses. Creative Vision will provide a window into the artistic process and power of art.”

Grant support is provided through the Arkansas Arts Council, an agency of the Department of Arkansas Heritage and the National Endowment for the Arts, which believes that a great nation deserves great art. Funding support is provided by the Wal-Mart Foundation. Season sponsors include: Bank of America; Stella Boyle Smith Trust; the Brown Foundation, Inc., Houston; The Philip R. Johnson Foundation; Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation; and Electric Cooperatives of Arkansas. The Arkansas Arts Center is extremely grateful for the valuable support and contributions to the Artmobile by the Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation.

An art educator, Virgil Lawrence, travels with the Artmobile to conduct guided tours. A fully illustrated catalogue and study guide developed especially for the exhibition are available on the Arts Center’s website under “Touring Programs” at www.arkarts.com. Day or evening hours may be set to accommodate school, public, or community tours. Contact Nancy Dust or Joan Stirling to schedule a group at 870-368-7371 or 800-821-4335, or email ndust@ozarka.edu.

Around Campus

♦ Collegiate Ministry Meetings are Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m., in the Dining Hall.
♦ UCA Transfer Rep - April 4th 9AM - Noon Dining Room.
♦ Instant Piano Workshop April 5th 6PM-9:30PM Lecture Hall; call Kim Lovelace 368-2038 to register.
♦ Carroll Roberson April 6th @ 7:30 AM
♦ Student Council April 10th 11AM C116 Compressed Video - Miller Complex.
♦ ARBOR DAY Tree Planting April 12th: 9:15AM in Ash Flat. 11:30 AM in Mountain View.
♦ Phi Beta Lambda - April 12th 11AM C116 Compressed Video - Miller Complex.

For more upcoming meetings & events, check out the campus calendar online ozarka.edu.

Carroll Roberson
April 6th - $10 General Admission proceeds benefit Student Scholarships
Lunch Served 11AM-12:30 PM Daily. Cost: $3.00 or $3.50 with dessert.

Menu:
Mon 4/2
Catfish
Tue 4/3
Grilled Chicken Salad
Wed 4/4
Chicken Strips
Thu 4/5
Boston Butt Roast
Fri 4/6
Hamburger & FF
Mon 4/9
Grilled Pork Steak
Tue 4/10
Mexican Plate
Wed 4/11
Chef Salad
Thu 4/12
Beef Tips & Noodle
Fri 4/13
Chicken Salad Sandwich
New PTK Members Inducted

Ozarka College’s Beta Alpha Eta chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), a national honor society for students in two-year colleges, inducted new members during its Induction Ceremony, held Thursday evening, March 8, 2007.

After PTK Vice President, Becky Taylor welcomed students and their guests to the ceremony, Ozarka President, Dr. Dusty R. Johnston congratulated each new inductee on their educational success and leadership thus far and wished them continued success for the future.

PTK Treasurer, Amanda Goodrich presented the candidates for induction. Other PTK officers for the 2006-2007 academic year are: President, Nathon Shultz, and Secretary Janette Shultz. This year’s advisors are Ozarka College instructors: Samantha Thornsberry, Michael Orf, Tracie Morris, and Melissa Martin.

Students eligible for membership in PTK must have a grade point average of at least 3.50 on twelve hours toward an associate’s degree. Membership in Phi Theta Kappa revolves around the four Hallmarks of Scholarship, Fellowship, Leadership, and Service.

Following the induction, PTK members and guests enjoyed a reception catered by Ozarka’s Culinary Arts students in honor of the new members.

The following students were inducted during the ceremony, Chalene Adcock, Teia Ellzey, Alice Galbraith, Brady Johnson, Stephanie Myal, Melissa Rhoades, Johannes “Hans” Robinson, Farah Spanier, Ryan Tarver, Jennifer Taylor, Melissa Tutt, Lea Whited, Deena Williams, Michael Vest, and Donita Zini. Other new inductees unable to attend were: Kasey Batterton, Lilly Boren, Dianna Boyd, Crystal Brokaw, Maximino Diaz, Katharine Ferrari, Christine Franks, Rachael Gossler, Jennifer Gotte, Joshua Looney, Brandon Newman, Misty Phipps, Michelle Reid, and Julie Winkle.

Upcoming Continuing Ed Courses

Ozarka College Division of Continuing Education will offer a course in beginning Spanish at Ozarka College Mountain View. This class begins on April 10 at 6:00 p.m.

Conversation Spanish will be taught by Russ Ann Shannon and will address basic structures of the Spanish language. Students who have interest in learning practical usage of Spanish but have little or no previous knowledge of the language will benefit from this class. Students will meet from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. on April 10, 17, 24 and May 1 and 8.

Tuition for Conversational Spanish is $65.00 payable to the Continuing Education Department no later than April 6. Limited enrollment is available.

The Kelton Schools of Jonesboro will offer basic real estate licensure course will be in Ash Flat on June 9 and end on July 21.

This class totals sixty hours of training in basic real estate principles and is designed to prepare persons to obtain an Arkansas real estate license. However, contractors, lenders, developers or anyone interested in learning more about real estate procedures can attend the course.

The schedule for the real estate program can accommodate persons already working full-time and will meet only during weekends at the Ozarka campus in Ash Flat. Classes will meet from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. on June 9, 10 and 23 and July 7, 8 and 21.

Kelton Schools Inc. (#0108) is an approved provider for real estate training as determined by the Arkansas State Board of Private Career Education. All courses offered by Kelton Schools are acceptable by the Arkansas Real Estate Commission as well.

Since enrollment is limited, advance registration is required. Cost for the 60-hour program is $425.00.

To register for these classes, call Kim Lovelace at 870-368-7371 or 800-821-4335.
TRiO to Host Nationally Known Motivational Speaker

The TRiO Student Support Services program at Ozarka College will present nationally renowned motivational speaker, Allyson Lewis on April 17, at 11AM. This event is open to anyone who would like to attend including students, faculty and staff of Ozarka; as well as the community.

Additionally, First National Banking Company is helping sponsor this event by purchasing 50 of Allyson’s books to be given away to the first fifty students who sign up and attend the event.

Lewis, who lives in Jonesboro, is the author of The Seven Minute Difference: Small Steps to Big Changes. She has also worked as a professional motivational speaker and business coach since 1993, but she continues her work as a senior executive with a major US brokerage firm and currently ranks in the top ten percent of her profession.

Lewis motivates people to grow through practical micro-actions that can be completed in as little as seven minutes. According to Lewis, small efforts, such as having a daily action plan, reading ten pages of a book per day, or getting up 15 minutes earlier can make the difference between mediocrity and excellence.

“Amazing changes can occur in the most surprisingly small amounts of time,” asserts Lewis. “In just seven minutes, my life changed forever. I will share exactly what happened to me and how it can happen to you. Her enthusiasm is believable and contagious. Students and others will be entertained and enthralled at the same time. Audiences across the country have left with their hearts pumping and their brains full of concrete ideas that can be immediately applied to their daily lives.

Allyson has hosted motivational and educational public workshops throughout the country including New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, Houston, Dallas, Orlando, Baltimore, and San Juan. She has also been a guest on CNN, CNNfn, Bloomberg Information Television, and many other regional radio and television programs.

To attend, please pre-register by calling the TRiO office at 368-2036, 368-2034, or toll free 1-800-821-4335. Or email stitus@ozarka.edu or dshell@ozarka.edu.

“I am excited to be part of the Ozarka College community. I look forward to motivating and inspiring the students and faculty,” Lewis said. “It’s a wonderful opportunity to share my message of change with those who will make a difference.”

With the expanded practical nursing programs recently approved by the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board, Ozarka College is extending the April 1st deadline to accept applications for Fall 2007 until July 2nd at Noon.

This deadline extension includes applications for the 18 month program offered in Melbourne, as well as the new 11 month programs at the satellite locations in Ash Flat and Mountain View.

Math for Nurses and Basic Human Nutrition. For further admission requirements, to apply, or to schedule NET exam, contact the Admissions Department at 368-7371, 994-7273, or 269-5600.
Ozarka Sponsors Local High School Projects

In an effort to reach out to the communities located in the Ozarka College service area, The Advancement Department of Ozarka is sponsoring projects in the area school districts.

Highland High School has implemented a new Silent Sustained Reading program, called: “Rebel Reading.” The program involves students in every class having a designated time to read for at least twenty minutes. Ozarka’s involvement is sponsoring reading materials for the individual classrooms.

The Reading program coordinators for Highland are math instructor, Andrea Edmondson, and English instructor Debbie Kamps, who is also an adjunct instructor for Ozarka. According to Ms. Edmondson, besides promoting literacy across the high school curriculum, the goal for their Rebel Reading program is for the students to enjoy reading for fun.

“Ozarka’s involvement is providing reading materials for the individual classrooms. The program does not dictate what the students will read, they are allowed - within reason - to read what interests them during that allotted timeframe.”

Highland High School librarian, Sarah Renard, is also involved in Rebel Reading. She estimates the effect of Ozarka’s sponsorship is about three new items of literature per classroom for this program. The items purchased were on display in the library to show Highland’s appreciation to Ozarka College for their sponsorship.

Other community outreach projects of this nature in the four county service area high schools have included the recent anti-drug assembly by a former Harlem Globetrotter at Viola High School, t-shirts for many area schools for students scoring proficient and above on the Benchmark exams or good attendance and academics, and a trip to the movie and pizza for the Renaissance students of Salem High School.

Ozarka President, Dr. Dusty R. Johnston states his appreciation to the area high school administration who have worked so well with the college. “Ozarka always looks for ways to enhance our relationship with local schools. We are hopeful that this project will reach their students in a positive way.”

Pictured left to right: Dr. Johnston, HHS students, Austin Neely & Tiffany Redwine; Debbie Kamps; students, Tiffany Stender & Lauren Kemper; and Andrea Edmondson.