



Arts Council of Plant City

NEWSLETTER

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Letter from the President

A warm hello to all Arts Council Members & Friends:

So much has happened in recent months, and it seems that in the fast paced world we live in, we just go from one thing to the next! I think that is ok, as long as we have fun along the way.

In December the organization hosted a most successful Tour of Homes, thanks to homeowners – Mike and Kathy Morbach, Pat and Cheryl Meighan, Randy and Laurette Valdez, & John and Carol Walker. The tour is our largest fundraiser for the year, but more importantly, it has become a social time for families and friends to enjoy the lovely “At Homes for the Holidays!”

Late January, we had one of the best Membership Parties to date. It was an amazing afternoon at Tani’s for Dessert, with delicious food, incredible desserts prepared by Tani, a time of sharing by each committee chair, giving an overview to the guests of all of the Arts Council involvements in this community. Promoting the visual and performing Arts here in Plant City is what we take pride in, and I guarantee we offer something for everyone.

You will find in this newsletter our upcoming events, and I encourage you to mark your calendars accordingly! We seriously miss you when you are not there. We enjoy your company, and being a part of the “Arts” community creates a common bond!

Always feel free to reach out to us if you have an idea or suggestion of what we can do better, a field trip that the members may enjoy, or an interest for serving on the Board. We look forward to hearing from you. I may be reached at 813.245.2244 or email at mappmore@msn.com.

I hope to see you soon.

Very sincerely yours,

Marsha Passmore

The mission of the Arts Council of Plant City is to bring Arts to the Plant City Community, to promote education in the Arts and to develop artists and arts programs. The Arts Council of Plant City is dedicated to the development of cultural excellence, community outreach and educational enrichment in the field of arts as well as the heightening of community awareness and participation in all programs which the Arts Council offers.

Tour of Homes

A special thank you for all those who participated in our 31st annual Tour of Homes: our volunteers, members and especially our gracious hosts! Each year Arts Council members and their guests enjoy a festive tour and reception for a fundraiser that supports community arts projects across the Plant City region. Sponsors of the event include Hillsboro Bank and the Plant City Photo Archives. Local photographer Rob Yoho generously donates his time and artwork to honor the homes. The 2017 **Home for the Holidays** hosts included Pat and Cheryl Meighan, Mike and Kathy Morbach, Randy and Laurette Valdez, and John and Carol Walker. Tour Committee includes Judy Barta, Maggie Carlisle, Becky Conn, Shelly Drummond, Gil Gott, Linda Hunter, Melanie Knox, Audrey Montella, Marsha Passmore, Darcy Stottlemeyer, Gwendolyn Thomas, Dodie White and Cheryl Worsham. The Arts Council of Plant City offers our sincere thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Tour of Homes a success.



Pat & Cheryl Meighan



John & Carol Walker



Mike & Kathy Morbach



Randy & Laurette Valdez

SAVE THE DATES: *Spring Events*

March 24th ***Times of Our Life*** Musical Review Performance at the Royal Wise Auditorium, 1914 Plant City High School Community Center. Concert begins at 7:00 pm. Cost: \$15.

Sunday May 20th ***Saxophone Soiree*** at the Plant City Photo Archives. Concert from 4 pm to 6 pm. Costs: \$30.

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Blast to the Past concert, 2013

The Arts Council of Plant City

Invites you to

“THE TIMES OF OUR LIFE”

An evening of popular musical favorites
featuring all-star performances by guest artists

Ray Chiaramonte

Jonathan Davis

Tony Garcia

Patrick Meighan

Vivian Padron

Saturday, March 24, 2018 7:00 pm

Tickets \$15.00 Online tickets: event.ehhsoc.org

The Royal Wise Auditorium

1914 PCHSCC, 605 N. Collins Street, Plant City, Florida

**For information or check payment (payable to Arts Council of Plant City)
contact/mail**

Cheryl Worsham, 25221 Bunting Circle, Land 'O Lakes FL 34639.

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***The Arts Council of Plant City is a 501c3 Non Profit organization supporting
the arts in the greater Plant City Florida area of East Hillsborough County.***

Welcome Melissa Hart



The Arts Council of Plant City would like to welcome our newest Board Member, Melissa Hart! Melissa Hart is an Elementary Art Teacher and Math Tutor at Winthrop Charter School. She has been teaching at the school since it first opened in 2011. Melissa was born in Maine, grew up in New Hampshire and ventured off to Boston for college. She graduated Wentworth Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Science in Interior Design. At school she was President of the Student Association of Interior Designers (4 semesters) and was the student leader for the New England American Society of Interior Designers (ASID, 2 semesters.) After graduating in 2006, Melissa worked at All Architecture and Hyde Park Builders before having a career change in 2011. She enjoyed the design and build world but new her true calling was in teaching. She has monthly workshops at the school ranging from ceramics to watercolors. During the school week she also tutors third grade math and helps the students prepare for FCAT.

In 2009 she married a Florida native, Bertram Hart and they have been blessed with two amazing children. Lily is 8, enjoys ballet and art and Will is a feisty 5; interested in dinosaurs and soccer. In 2016 they sold their fixer-upper in Brandon and moved to Plant City. She does at times miss the leaves up North and the “Wicked” cold winters but is extremely proud to now be able to call Plant City her home!

Field Trips

The Arts Council of Plant City organizes field trips to regional museums and locations of interest. We’ve visited the Dali Museum, the Tampa Museum of Art, and most recently we enjoyed a stroll along Tampa’s Riverwalk and lunch at Ulele’s by Waterworks Park. It was a gorgeous day, enhanced by the St. Patrick’s Day celebration. Join the Arts Council and follow us on Facebook or our Website www.PlantCityArts.com to learn more about upcoming member fieldtrips.



Saxophone Soiree

*Sunday, May 20, 2018
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Photo Archives and History Center*

*Saxophone Soiree
Featuring:
Professional Saxophonist - Patrick Meighan*

*Cost: \$30.00
Invitations will be mailed in April*



Membership

The spring Membership party at Tani's Desserts was another rousing success. A great time was had by all!



Hello everyone,
Included with this newsletter is a 2018 – 2019 Arts Council membership application. Your current membership is good through August 31, 2018, however, anyone who would like to go ahead and pay their dues now may do so early, and that will extend your membership through August 31, 2019. Thank you for your support of the arts in our area, and especially to the Arts Council of Plant City!! For any questions concerning your membership please contact me at dodiewhite@msn.com OR 813-927-0595

Thanks so much!
Dodie White
Membership Chair



Arts Council of Plant City

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Make checks payable to: Arts Council of Plant City and mail to:
Dodie White, 2311 Walden Place South, Plant City, FL 33566

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES:

TRUSTEE	\$1,000 ()	CORPORATE	\$750 ()
BENEFACTOR	\$500 ()	PATRON	\$250 ()
SPONSOR	\$100 ()	SUSTAINING	\$50 ()
FAMILY	\$35 ()	INDIVIDUAL	\$25 ()

COMMITTEES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE ON:

MEMBERSHIP ()	MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY ()	MEMBERSHIP PARTY ()
NEWSLETTER ()	PUBLICITY ()	CONCERT SERIES ()
VISUAL ARTS ()	ART EDUCATION ()	SCULPTURE EXHIBIT ()
SCHOLARSHIPS ()	DANCE EDUCATION ()	ART FIELD TRIPS ()

Membership in the Arts Council of Plant City supports educational, cultural, informational, and artistic events, and we offer scholarships to high school seniors who are continuing their education in the visual or performing arts. Our fiscal year runs from September 1 through August 31, and your membership dollars this year will provide programs that many in our community would not otherwise be exposed to. For further information you may reach me at:

813-927-0595 or dodiewhite@msn.com

Thank you for your support!