



Hello Member(s)!

Here is our 2016-17 in a nutshell.

The annual Student Art Show, April of 2016 was judged by Karen Perry-Anderson of Fargo, ND.

Junior Division

BEST IN SHOW: Bella Suda, Grafton, "Untitled", Ceramic Sculpture

Senior Division

BEST IN SHOW: Kayla Hettwer, Devils Lake, "Koi Mermaid", Colored Pencil

This years Student Art Show will be April 3rd -8th. David Paukert of Michigan, ND will be our Student Art Show judge this year.

June 2016 marked Nelson County Arts Council's (NCAC) 23rd year. We had the largest attendance of artists in the show to date. Our judge this year was Carol Greywater of Fort Totten, ND. Top awards:

Pekin Days Annual Art Show 2016

BEST IN SHOW – Karen Bakke "Barrel Racing"

BRENDA BJORLIE AWARD – Karen Bakke "Ribbit"

PEOPLE'S CHOICE – Karen Bakke "Barrel Racing"

June 21 (with artist's reception) through June 25 of 2017 is the dates for the next show. We have some of the most talented artists in North Dakota attending. Keep in mind that 2018 will mark NCAC's 25 years, so tell everyone you know.

Terry Jelsing of Rugby, ND will be our judge for June 2017. There are art vendors in the park and music to enjoy as well June 24 & 25th. Artists Forms can be found at: <http://www.nelsoncountyarts.com/pekin-days-art-show/>.

NCAC had a full attendance at the Fine Arts Youth Camp 2016. This years camp will be July 31-August 5. Forms will be available online closer to date. Mark your calendars as it fills up fast.

January 2017 was NCAC's annual SoundFest. We had Fourté from Fargo, ND, a beautiful quartet of women. Followed by Robby Vee of MN. He kept us hopping in our seats and then on the floor!

February 2017 was our annual Community Theater. Our performance this year was "Peter Pan A Musical". Kara Wiechmann of McVillage directed, Verna Lindvall and Linda Loe of McVillage accompanied.

March 19th, 2017, at 3PM will be our annual Winter Art Auction. Many generous artists donate their beautiful works of art to help support our Fine Arts Youth Camp. All proceeds from the auction will go to fund our Fine Arts Youth Camp. Camp dates are from July 31-August 5. Deb Hensrud is the contact: (701) 350-1141. Forms will be downloadable at www.nelsoncountyarts.com closer to date.

As I end this brief letter, I just want you to know that we really appreciate your support in the arts with your membership. With so many cut backs and it being a rural community here we can't thank you enough. We know how important the Arts is for our youngsters and in our rural community. Here at NCAC we can't take it for granted or it will not be here. So thank you, thank you for all your support.

As a token of our appreciation we are giving you a NCAC decal for your vehicle! They are made to go on the outside of your vehicle window, but you can do what ever you wish with it. Enjoy!

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For more details on shows, events, etc. please visit: www.nelsoncountyarts.com