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## Arts Council of Greater Lansing

*Leading, advocating for, and advancing arts and culture in the capital region since 1965*

**December 2011**



## ARTS COUNCIL HOLIDAY GLITTER



*Celebrate the Arts at 32nd Holiday Gala*

**Tuesday, Dec. 6**  
**6 to 9 p.m.**  
**MSU Henry Center**

Advance arts and culture at the 32nd annual Holiday Glitter on Tues, Dec 6 from 6-9pm at the [MSU Henry Center](#) located at 3535 Forest Road. This special fundraiser supports the Arts Council and its many programs that provide funding, education, tools and resources to 240 artists and arts and cultural organizations throughout the capital region.

Event includes live entertainment featuring a line-up of powerhouse vocalists and ensemble dance performers celebrating all things glittering and glamorous with a 1950s flair, as well as a presentation of the Arts Council's annual Business Arts Award and Applause Awards, which will recognize local business, [Peckham](#), and individuals John and Beverly O'Malia, who have made significant contributions to the arts.

Single tickets \$75 each or Patron tickets \$150 each (receives recognition at the event). **Purchase your tickets by visiting this link:** <http://bit.ly/sytPQs>

Tickets include all the fun plus complimentary hors d'oeuvres, desserts, wine, beer and non-alcoholic beverages. Your ticket purchase is also tax deductible -- and a perfect year end gift!

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### December Arts Opportunities

*Employment, Funding, and Opportunities for  
Professionals Working in the Arts*

[December Opportunities](#)



Now through  
Monday,  
December 5, The  
Corridor Gallery  
at Riverview is



## New Collaborative Arts Grant Now Available

**Dec. 11 Deadline**

Apply for up to \$2,000 in grant funding for collaborative projects

in which your network works with East Lansing - or MSU-based - youth and student arts organizations. This opportunity was researched, developed and released by students in a course at [MSU's Residential College in the Arts and Humanities](#) called "Building an Emerging Creative Network." Students, who are cooperating with [Michigan Campus Compact's Pay It Forward Program](#), will also review the grants and announce the winner - or winners - in mid-December. Applications are due December 11, 2011.

Through research and focus groups with artists and creative residents, it was found that connecting established Lansing arts networks with MSU students (and East Lansing youth) is essential for the development of mid-Michigan as a Creative Community-one



**Campus Compact**

which innovative and entrepreneurial emerging talent would want to call home. This new grant would kick off "that connecting."

[Click here](#) for an application cover letter, an application, and a (partial) list of possible organizations to partner with.

## December Arts and Cultural Calendar

*Your Link to Exhibitions, Events, Festivals, and the Performing Arts in Greater Lansing*

### [December Calendar](#)

Amidst your holiday shopping, make time for a little arts and culture to



accepting art work for their upcoming exhibit entitled and themed: "Love Lansing."

Submissions can be any type of art related to something you love about Lansing, see as positive about our fair city, or even your ideas for how to make it better. Please email photos of your submission(s) or a link to your portfolio / website to

[Kristie.Henry@RivChurch.com](mailto:Kristie.Henry@RivChurch.com) by Monday, December 5.

[MetLife Foundation](#) and the [National Guild for Community Arts Education](#) are pleased to

announce the 2012 Creative Aging Program.

The program was launched in 2009 in response to a major demographic shift underway in the United States---the number of adults age 65 and above will double by 2050---and recent research demonstrating that sustained participation in professionally-led arts programs can promote health and prevent disease in older adults. Grants of up to \$10,000 are available to support creative aging programs in 2012. Following the announcement of grant awards, technical assistance will be available to applicants (whether or not awarded a grant) seeking to develop successful creative aging programs. Click [here](#) for more information.

75 organizations in communities of varying sizes across the country will be selected to participate in [The Big Read](#) from September 2012 through June 2013. Community organizations participating in The Big Read develop and produce a well-planned, well-attended, community-wide read with innovative, diverse programming, and widespread community involvement. Activities last approximately one month and focus on one book or poet from [The Big Read Library](#). Applicant

organizations for The Big Read must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit and include such organizations as literary centers, libraries, museums, colleges and universities, art centers, historical societies, arts councils, tribal governments, humanities councils, literary festivals, and arts organizations.

[Lansing Community College Performing Arts Department](#) is hosting auditions for The



keep the season truly merry. Greater Lansing is bursting with so many choices, even Santa would be hard pressed to attend them all!

The [Lansing Art Gallery](#) (LAG) is promoting "buy local" this holiday season with their 34th annual Holiday Art Market, running until December 23.

The market showcases over 100 Michigan artists and boasts a large collection of Michigan-made



jewelry, glass, sculpture, paintings, pottery, and wearable art ranging in style from traditional to funky. And the market is expanding this year to over 2,000 square feet of retail space for the holidays. Visit the LAG during their extended holiday hours and put the finishing touches on your holiday shopping list.

Ring in the holiday season with the [Lansing Symphony Orchestra](#) at their annual Holiday Pops concert on Sunday, Dec. 11 at 3p.m. at the Wharton Center for Performing Arts. Tickets are available through the Symphony's [website](#) or by calling (517) 487-5001.

Join the Michigan State community in celebrating the spirit of the season with a



MSU Choral Union

festive evening of classic holiday songs showcasing the talents of [MSU's Symphony Orchestra](#), Chorale, [State Singers](#), [Choral Union](#), and the [MSU Children's Choir](#). One of mid-Michigan's favorite holiday traditions, this

concert offers a heartwarming evening full of perennial favorites for the whole family. For more information or a complete list of the MSU College of Music events, [click here](#).

For the most up-to-date list of calendar events, visit the [ACGL website](#).

American Spirit, LCC's annual spring dance concert, on Sunday Dec. 18 OR Sunday, Jan 14, 2012, from 2-4 p.m. Auditions will be held in Room 372 Gannon Building, 411 Grand Ave. Those interested must attend one of the two audition dates, bring dance attire, including tap shoes if they have them. The concert will feature a variety of dance genres, all celebrating the American spirit. For info contact Vickie Diebold at [diebov@lcc.edu](mailto:diebov@lcc.edu) or 483-1546; or visit [www.lcc.edu/cma/events](http://www.lcc.edu/cma/events).

Our [opportunities](#) page includes listings for grants deadlines, auditions, exhibition opportunities, and other information of interest to the arts and culture community.

### Arts Council Individual Artist Grant Recipient Debuts Original Piece

Sherrie Barr, Associate Professor & Director of Dance in the Department of Theatre at Michigan State University, and recipient of the Arts Council's 2011 [Individual Artist Grant](#), will unveil her original dance piece, created in collaboration with composer-performer Sam Gould. The dance piece, titled *Parallel Lines: Music & Dance*, will be presented as part of the MSU College of Music Series on December 11 at 8 p.m. in



Choreographer  
Sherri Barr

the College of Music Auditorium on the MSU campus.

The goal of the collaboration and the structure of the event is to "enhance performer artistry while inviting audiences to experience ways expression and communication can

occur as music and dance are uniquely overlaid." The evening will include a post-performance discussion with the audience that will later inform the final piece of the collaboration performed in March.

### Michigan Entrepreneur Invests In Art & Startups

## Dance In The New Year

**Organizations Team Up For Contra Dance & Community Potluck**



The [Looking Glass Music and Arts Association](#) is teaming up with [The Ten Pound Fiddle](#) to host a New Year's Eve contra dance and community potluck on Dec 31. The event will take place at the [Central United Methodist Church](#) at 215 N Capitol Ave in Lansing. There will be a potluck feast at 6:30pm, an intro to contra dancing at 7:30pm, with the dance starting at 8pm. Nationally known dance caller Kathy Anderson will lead the dancing with the young Michigan band, [Fiddlefire](#), providing tunes to keep you moving and make you whoop for joy.



The band Fiddlefire

The dance will include a dessert break about 10pm and a sparkling juice toast at midnight. The price for all this fun and community is only \$18 per person (students only \$8) - the best New Year's Eve deal in town! For more information, [click here](#).

## ArtPrize Founder Promotes Newest Event

A native son of western Michigan, Rick DeVos believes if business can let go of some control and give people big opportunities to test their ideas, they'll achieve astonishing results.

Rick DeVos is a 29-year-old entrepreneur who wants to jump-start the economy in his home state of Michigan. But don't file him away between developers of lakeside casinos, film production facilitators, and hybrid auto parts manufacturers just yet. DeVos is taking a decidedly different approach to stimulus. He's piecing together a collage that aims to encourage creativity and collaboration between fine art and businesses, aspiring entrepreneurs and financial backers, all to be supported and promoted by the general public. [Read more here....](#)



Rick DeVos

Article taken from [Americans for the Arts newsletter](#).

## Fundraiser for Robert Busby Memorial Sculpture

**Old Town Commercial Association Raising Final Funds to Install Commemorative Sculpture in Burchard Park**



The [Old Town Commercial Association \(OTCA\)](#) and the Busby family are hosting a fundraiser to raise the final funds for a Robert P. Busby memorial sculpture on Friday, December 2, from 7-10 p.m. at the Creole Gallery in Old Town, Lansing. The event will include a silent auction of artwork inspired by Robert Busby and live auction of a piece by Robert himself from the Busby family's personal collection.

"Old Town was my father's home, his second family," said Ena Busby, Robert's daughter and one of the fundraiser organizers. "Installing a

beautiful piece of public art is the perfect way for this community to honor and celebrate my dad."

All funds raised at the event will go toward the purchase and installation of an original sculpture by Maureen Bergquist Gray, a close friend of Busby's. Since Busby's passing, the OTCA has been working to secure the funds needed to pay for the sculpture materials, mainly limestone with copper and wood accents. The sculpture is nearly complete and installation is planned for spring of 2012 in Old Town's Burchard Park.

"Robert had a profound impact on the Old Town community and each individual he met," said Jamie Schriener-Hooper, former OTCA Executive Director. "We hope that this sculpture will inspire others to live like Robert-with a love of the arts and the ambition to make a positive impact in their communities."

Busby's love of jazz will also be honored at the event with music by saxophonist Steve Fulger. Local establishments will provide appetizers and beverages for auction guests. Tickets are \$75 per person or \$125 per couple, and are limited to the first 100 guests. Tickets are available for advance purchase at [www.RobertPBusby.com](http://www.RobertPBusby.com) and will also be available at the door.

### 37th Annual Holiday Traditions Tour

*Homes, Tables, Trees, and Trims Mark This Annual Grand Ledge Event*

Homes are being decorated for the 37th Annual Holiday Traditions Tour: *Homes, Tables, Trees and Trims*, held Saturday, Dec. 3, from 11a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 4, from 1 to 5 p.m. in Grand Ledge.

Tickets can be purchased at the historic Grand Ledge Opera House where decorated trees, Midway Miniatures, a 1928 theater organ and the Holiday Market will welcome visitors. Included on the tour will be picturesque 1870s farm houses, the former 1906 Grand Ledge Chair Company with exposed brick walls and beams, stunning views of the Grand River, original photography collections, and a recently restored downtown commercial building built in 1887. This is a must-experience event for all architecture lovers.



Historic Grand Ledge Opera House

Presale tickets are \$8.00 and available at the Grand Ledge Opera House, Library, MacDowell's Floral and Ace Hardware or by calling (517) 627-7247. Same day tickets are \$10.00. Visit [www.gdledgehistsoc.org](http://www.gdledgehistsoc.org) for further information.

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