



# THE MONDAK HERITAGE CENTER

— SIDNEY, MONTANA —

## FROM THE DESK OF THE DIRECTOR

BY DAN KARALUS

Fall is here, and as we head into another Eastern Montana winter I encourage everyone to visit the MonDak to see some of our facility changes and improvements and enjoy our upcoming exhibits and programs.

We recently completed some improvements to the MonDak that are a bit difficult to notice. We updated the museum with new furnaces and humidifiers to better care for our collections (and make the environment more comfortable for staff, volunteers, and visitors). We also replaced the gutters on the building to solve some problems caused by rain, snow, and ice. And collections organization is ongoing!

Next up is the roof. We made plans to re-roof the MonDak after the latest series of summer storms damaged the existing shingles. Our insurance policy provides reimbursement for most of the work, but we still need to raise \$6,500 to install high-quality, long-lasting roofing materials. Karen and Jon Redlin challenged us by offering to match the first \$2,500 we raise for the project.

Thanks to some generous members and donors, we are nearly there! We just need another \$700 to get the match and another \$1,500 after that to fully pay for the new roof. Help us Raise the Roof by donating today! And look for the new shingles and completed roof by the end of October.



There are also many projects and programs going on inside the MonDak. Most exciting is the *Bandits & Heroes, Poets & Saints* exhibit about art and culture in Brazil coming to us from the National Endowment for the Humanities. This large exhibit is unlike other exhibits we bring to the museum. And as part of the exhibit we received a grant to do some complementary programming, including a musical performance and discussion on Brazilian music by Sonido Brasil, fronted by Dr. John Roberts from MSU-Billings. See our calendar for all of the details!

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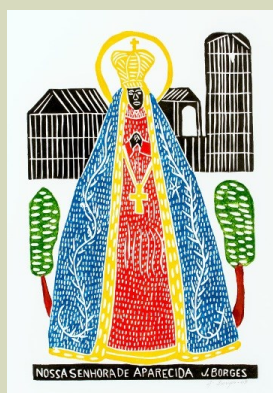
### THE FALCON'S EYE: NATURE PHOTOGRAPHS OCTOBER 2—DECEMBER 29

*The Falcon's Eye: Nature Photographs* is an exhibit by publisher, philanthropist, and family man, Michael S. Sample (1947-2014). He has long been familiar to Montana audiences and, for decades, beloved for his extraordinarily sensitive nature photography. *The Falcon's Eye* honors Sample's wealth of nature photographs that he recorded during his all-season outdoor adventures. The subjects of his work range from the sublime view of a single wildflower frozen in an early winter snow to an epic storm over the Rocky Mountains. In retrospect, this seems an analogy for the artist's life. The exhibition is sponsored by the Yellowstone Art Museum via the Montana Art Gallery Director's Association.



### WILLISTON AREA VISUAL ARTISTS ART SHOW OCTOBER 2—NOVEMBER 3

The Williston Area Visual Artists (WAVA) show features artwork in different mediums from artists in and around Williston, North Dakota. This year's show includes several works from seasonal club challenges. Be sure to explore this unique show from our friends across the state line!



### BANDITS & HEROES, POETS & SAINTS: POPULAR ART OF THE NORTHEAST OF BRAZIL NOVEMBER 10—JANUARY 7

*Bandits & Heroes, Poets & Saints* explores how the ancient cultures of Africa blended with indigenous and colonial Portuguese traditions to form the vibrant and complex cultural mosaic of modern Brazil. Engaging photographs and works of popular art, including sculptures, paintings, prints, religious objects, toys, and booklets of poetry will draw visitors into the complex and vibrant culture of the Northeast of Brazil and

introduce the festivals, heroes, and spiritual traditions that give shape and meaning to the daily lives of the Nordestinos, common people of Brazil's Northeast. The exhibition explores how diverse traditions come together in the region and uses work by historical and contemporary artists to illuminate a fascinating history that reaches into modern Brazil. Throughout, it explores the resilience and vitality of modern-day descendants of Africa. This exhibition has been made possible through NEH on the Road, a special initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities. It is brought to you by the Mid-America Arts Alliance, and organized by Con/Vida-Popular Arts of the Americas and the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, Detroit, Michigan.





## 28TH ANNUAL MINIATURE ART SHOW NOVEMBER 13—JANUARY 12

The Miniature Art Show is in its 28th year at the MonDak! One of the best and most anticipated shows every year, it highlights artists' amazing ability to produce detail and vision on a small scale. Artists are restricted to creating works no larger than 5" x 7" and many produce work far smaller, sometimes as small as a

postage stamp. The show includes, oil, watercolor, acrylic, mixed media and cast bronze pieces. Prizes awarded to the top three entries. Contact MDHC at (406) 433-3500 to get an entry form and learn how to enter your work in the show. Deadline for entry is November 2.

## PARADE OF TREES NOVEMBER 23

The Boys and Girls Club of Richland County Parade of Trees returns to the MonDak on Friday, November 23! Featuring trees designed and decorated by local individuals, groups, and businesses. View the trees at the MonDak from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., and then participate in a live tree auction starting at 3:30 p.m. New this year: bid on select trees in an online silent auction. Take home a tree and contribute to local youth, community, arts, and history! All proceeds from the auction go to the Boys & Girls Club and MonDak Heritage Center for youth programs. Interested in entering a tree in the Parade of Trees? Contact us to get an entry form. Then design your tree and drop it off at the MonDak between November 13-17. Trees must be artificial and certain restrictions apply.



## Parade of Trees 2018



## MONDAK CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 2

The 32nd Annual MonDak Christmas is the event to satisfy all of your holiday cravings! Sunday, December 2 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Get photos with Santa and find delicious desserts from local bakers in the bake sale. Plus, festive holiday ornament-making activities for kids (and adults!), holiday Legos with LUGMonDak, and other entertainment. So take a stroll through the wreaths and trees from the Parade of Trees, explore the latest exhibits to hit the MonDak, and get in the holiday spirit. Free to the public. Free will donations accepted for Santa photos. Bake sale purchases support MDHC exhibits, programs, and collections preservation. Sponsored by H&R Block and Missouri River Realty!

## SONIDO BRASIL DECEMBER 14, 7:00 P.M.

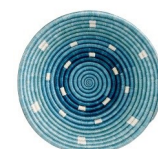
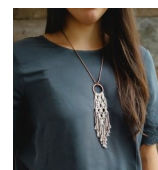
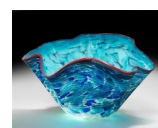
Sonido Brasil is a musical group organized by John Roberts, Assistant Professor of Low Brass at Montana State University Billings. Join us at the MonDak for their live performance and discussion of Brazilian music history and styles. Free to attend. Funded in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.





# Art Classes

- October 23:** Autumn Pillar Candle Decorating, 6pm, \$15
- October 25:** Candle Carving, 6pm, \$25
- October 30:** Glass Fusion Chihuly Bowl, 12pm & 6pm, \$45
- November 1:** Macrame Necklace, 6pm, \$15
- November 3:** Open Studio Saturday, 10am-4pm, Price varies
- November 10:** Basket Weaving Workshop, 11am-4pm, \$25
- November 15:** Vintage Ceramic Christmas Tree, 12pm & 6pm, \$65
- November 17:** Open Studio Saturday, 10am-4pm, Price varies
- November 29:** Glass Fusion Chihuly Bowl, 12pm & 6pm, \$45
- December 1:** Open Studio Saturday, 10am-4pm, Price varies
- December 6:** Woodburning: Ornaments, 12pm & 6pm, \$15
- December 11-13:** Walk-in Holiday Art: Handprint Reindeer Plate, Handprint Santa Ornament, or Fingerprint Heart Necklace, 10-5pm, \$15/project (\$25/large plate).
- December 15:** Open Studio Saturday, 10am-4pm, Price varies



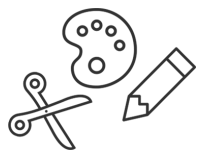
## Registration:

Call MDHC at (406) 433-3500 or visit [mondakheritagecenter.org/education](http://mondakheritagecenter.org/education)

Payment required upon registration. Class schedules subject to change.

**MDHC Members receive \$5 off each class registration unless otherwise noted.**





## Youth Art



**November 6—December 4:** **Toddler Tuesdays, 10:30am-12pm, Age 2-6, \$50/child**  
(does not meet Nov. 20)

**October 24—December 5:** **After-School Enrichment #2, Wednesdays, 2:30-4:30pm,**  
**Age 6+, \$50/child (does not meet Nov. 21)**

**January 9—February 13:** **After-School Enrichment #3, Wednesdays, 2:30-4:30pm,**  
**Age 6+, \$50/child**



## Art Outreach



Our Education & Outreach Coordinator, Jessica Newman, teaching a glass fusion class in Watford City in partnership with the Long X Arts Foundation.  
[Photo courtesy of the Long X Arts Foundation]

Did you know the MonDak does Art Education Outreach? Our Education & Outreach Coordinator, Jessica Newman, recently went to Watford City to teach a class for the Long X Arts Foundation. She will return again this winter to continue the partnership. Look for Jessica's next class in Watford City and other amazing art opportunities with the Long X Arts Foundation on the Long X Arts Foundation Facebook page!

To schedule an outreach program or find out more, contact MDHC or visit [mondakheritagecenter.org](http://mondakheritagecenter.org). Our art programs make for a great supplement to curriculum, a fun team-building activity, and an entertaining way to get creative and connect to the arts. Pricing varies by medium.



# Snapshots



**LEANN PELVIT WITH THE MDHC DOUGHNUT MAKER AT THE 'A TASTE OF THE PAST' FOOD HISTORY EVENT IN SEPTEMBER**



**KRISTEN ESTELLE & THE HEARTSTRINGS AT OKTOBERFEST AT THE MONDAK**



**MDHC GIFT SHOP**

## JOIN MDHC AND WIN!



As part of a membership promotion, we will enter everyone that becomes a MDHC member or renews their MDHC membership into a quarterly drawing for a \$20 gift certificate redeemable in our gift shop. Limit one entry per membership. The first drawing will be in January 2019 for members who join or renew between October and December 2018. We will announce the winner in our next newsletter. Invest in the MonDak today!

### BOARD MEETINGS:

Open to the public, the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the MonDak Heritage Center.

### MEETINGS/FACILITY RENTAL:

Meet in Sidney's most unique location! MDHC hosts meetings and events for non-profit groups, businesses, and private parties. Contact MDHC for rental rates..

### BIRTHDAY PARTIES:

Looking for a fun spot to have a birthday party? MDHC offers art-based parties for all ages. Contact us for pricing.

### EMAIL UPDATES:

For the latest news and updates on MDHC events and exhibits, e-mail us at [mdhc@richland.org](mailto:mdhc@richland.org) to be added to the email list.

### VOLUNTEERS:




Volunteering at the MonDak is fun and rewarding! Help with art classes, exhibits, collections, and more. Just drop by to get started and find out how you can make history (and art).

### FIND US ONLINE!

Facebook: [facebook.com/MonDak Heritage Center](https://facebook.com/MonDakHeritageCenter)  
Instagram & Twitter: [@mondakmuseum](https://twitter.com/mondakmuseum)



# EVENTS & PROGRAMS CALENDAR

- October 2—December 29: **The Falcon's Eye: Nature Photographs** by **Michael Sample**. Sponsored by the Yellowstone Art Museum via MAGDA.
- October 2—November 3: **Williston Area Visual Artists Art Show**
- November 7:  **Supaman**, MDHC Members-only concert, **7pm**.
- November 10—January 7: **Bandits & Heroes, Poets & Saints: Popular Art of the Northeast of Brazil**. Made possible through NEH on the Road, a special initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Brought to you by Mid-America Arts Alliance.
- November 10: **Bandits & Heroes, Poets & Saints Opening Reception, 10am-4pm**
- November 13—January 12: **28th Annual Miniature Art Show**
- November 23: **Parade of Trees**, Viewing **2pm-3:30pm**, Live Auction **3:30pm**. In partnership with the Boys & Girls Club of Richland County.
- December 2: **MonDak Christmas, 1:30pm**. Sponsored by H & R Block and Missouri River Realty.
- December 14:  **Sonido Brasil**, featuring a blend of live musical performances and discussion on the history of Brazilian music and styles, **7pm. Free!**
- January 3: **Woodblock Printing Workshop, 6pm (tentative). Free!**
- January 3—February 2: **Jennifer Wheeler Art Exhibition**
- January 15—February 23: **The Female Gaze**, art photography exhibition by **Jamie McCoy Azevedo**
- February 23:  **Celebrating Chocolate with Sundae & Mr. Goessl, 7pm.**
- Upcoming: **Pure Quill, Youth Art Show, Six Appeal, & more!**



*DATES & TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE*

***The mission of MDHC is to engage, educate, and inspire our community by preserving and contributing to the area's arts, culture, and heritage.***



## BECOME A MEMBER!

**YES, I will join MDHC**

Annually at the following level:

- |   |         |
|---|---------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individual         | \$30    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Family             | \$50    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior (60+)       | \$25    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Senior Couple      | \$40    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business           | \$100   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainer          | \$100+  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor            | \$250+  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Patron of the Arts | \$500+  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor         | \$1000+ |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### MDHC Member Benefits:

- \* Invites to members-only events
- \* Discounts to art classes & events
- \* Subscription to our quarterly newsletter
- \* 10% gift shop discount
- \* Recognition in our Annual Report
- \* Voting Privileges
- \* Discounts at 300+ U.S. locations in the Time Travelers Network  
([timetravelers.mohistory.org](http://timetravelers.mohistory.org))

### Ways to Join:

☐ Check Enclosed. Payable to **MDHC**.

☐ Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Mail to:**  
MDHC  
120 3rd Ave SE  
Sidney, MT 59270

*The MonDak Historical & Art Society operates MDHC and is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Federal EIN: 23-7191806.  
Your memberships and donations support exhibits, programs, and collections and are tax-deductible to the fullest extent of the law.*

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**FREE ADMISSION**

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