



THE MONDAK
HERITAGE CENTER
— SIDNEY, MONTANA —

The MonDak
Beat

WINTER 2022

"LOVE AROUND THE WORLD"
CELEBRATING CHOCOLATE
19 FEBRUARY 2022, 7PM

What a wonderful way to spend an evening; listening to engaging music performed by *Acoustic Eidolon*, sampling delicious chocolate treats by Orleans Cuisine, a tasty variety of appetizers and beverages, bidding on fun items in the silent auction, purchasing a mystery bottle of wine (or two) in the wine pull, and other surprises throughout the evening.

Acoustic Eidolon featuring Joe Scott on double neck guitar and Hannah Alkire on cello are based in Colorado and have played all around the world. *Acoustic Eidolon* offer concert goers a chance to absorb some of the most powerful and intriguing music on the scene today.

Tickets are on sale now \$50/members or \$60/non-members, get yours on our website, call or stop down and purchase yours today.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with music starting at 7:30 p.m.

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Director's Desk - Joe Bradley (*MDHAS Board President*)

Welcome to Winter. And thank you for your support of the MonDak Heritage Center.

We continue our non-stop schedule of art exhibitions with Carla Leland, Paige Bowman, the brand new exhibit from Ardis Jacobson and Doug Engberg and beginning on February 1 an exhibit from Williston artist Onesti Krieger.

We are thrilled to announce a special FREE performance from Montana Shakespeare In The Parks as they celebrate 50 seasons of performances across Montana. They will visit Sidney on Thursday February 3 and present "The Complete Works Of William Shakespeare (Abridged) (Revised)" at the Richland County Event Center at 7:30 pm. From plays to sonnets, it will be a high-octane performance that shares Shakespeare's best. Audiences will delight in this fast-firing comedy that attempts to prove that three actors can do the impossible: act through Shakespeare's entire canon – 37 plays – in 90 minutes!?

Don't miss the 15th Annual Celebrating Chocolate Event on Saturday, February 19th. A limited number of tickets are available for this special event. Sponsored by Stockman Bank & Prairie Electric.

The Board Of Directors and the Richland County Commissioners have begun the search for a new Executive Director of the MonDak Heritage Center. If you are interested, details are available on our website under About/Employment, at Sidney Job Service 406-433-1204 or email mdhcjobapplicant@gmail.com Applications are due by February 15, 2022.

MONDAK HERITAGE CENTER ART EDUCATION

The MonDak Heritage Center is currently revamping our art program.

We no longer have a full time art Outreach & Education Coordinator on staff, but we are currently working on plans to feature guest artists educators. We plan to feature classes for all ages.

If you would like to teach a class contact us at the MonDak either by phone 406-433-3500 or email us at mdhc@richland.org and let us know what media you would be interested in sharing your knowledge of with the MonDak Community,

If you are interested in taking a class, contact us at the MonDak either by phone 406-433-3500 or email us at mdhc@richland.org to let us know what you would be interested in learning.

Don't be shy, the MonDak community is loaded with talented people who love to share their knowledge and people of all ages eager to learn new things. We are eager to begin the next stage in our Art Education programming.

As a reminder—if you have artwork from a past class or event that you have not yet been able to pick up at The MonDak Heritage Center, please do so as soon as possible.



Calendar

Thru Jan 29		<i>Carla Leland Photography</i>
Thru Feb 26		<i>Paige Bowman Glass Art</i>
Jan 4 - Feb 26		<i>"Art for Everyone"</i> Ardis Jacobson & Doug Engberg
Feb 1 - Mar 26		<i>"Reflections"</i> Onesti Krieger Exhibit
Feb 3 - 7:30pm		<i>Shakespeare in the Park Winter Tour</i> Richland County Event Center
Feb 18 - 7pm		<i>Acoustic Eidolon Concert</i> Sponsored by Northeastern Arts Network
Feb 19 - 7pm		<i>Celebrating Chocolate 2022</i> Sponsored by Stockman Bank & Prairie Electric
Feb 26 - 2pm		<i>Closing Reception "Art for Everyone"</i>
Mar 1 - Apr 30		<i>"Perspectives in Nature"</i> Jennifer & Brian Matthews
Mar 11 - 7pm		<i>John Roberts Y Pan Blanco Concert</i> Sponsored by Northeastern Arts Network
Mar 30 - Apr 30		<i>Youth Art Show</i> Sponsored by Edward Jones Financial Advisors

If you are interested in having an art show or a concert, stop in and see us, we are always looking for art shows and performers and love to promote local talent.

Due to COVID-19, dates/times are subject to change. Please contact MDHC at (406) 433-3500, visit mondakheritagecenter.org or MonDak Heritage Center Facebook page for more information.



Featured Exhibits



"REFLECTIONS" ONESTI KRIEGER

Onesti Krieger is an abstract painter, working mostly in oils and acrylics. Her love for the arts, colors, mediums, textures, culture, all appeared early in life. The thing she likes best about abstract art, is that everyone consumes their experience individually and it gives the viewer their own relationship to the artwork. She believes people need to think and see for themselves, not to be told what to see or think, hence her love for abstract.

Krieger attended Moorhead State University, as an Art Major, and Williston State College. She currently holds an executive position on the board with North Dakota Council on the Arts. She also works with several local committees to bring more public art into all areas of North Dakota and plays an active part in Williston Area Visual Artists, WAVA.

Krieger resides in her hometown Williston, ND with her husband and two children. She owns and operates a professional interior painting business, Transition Painting.

"PERSPECTIVES IN NATURE" JENNIFER AND BRIAN MATTHEWS

Wife and husband duo, Jennifer and Brian Matthews travel throughout North Dakota and surrounding states capturing the beauty of the natural world. Nature and wildlife is the focus of both artists, but each discovers a unique point of view that tell different stories. Often their work is the result of close collaboration in order to create dynamic artwork. This show is the result of their work together.

Jennifer fell in love with nature and wildlife as a child. Some of her favorite memories are of time she spent exploring the country side in western ND near the Heart River. The first time she used oil paint, she knew she found her medium. The slow drying time of oils lends itself well for blending techniques. Jennifer paints in a realistic style and work from background to foreground.

Brian enjoys pushing the boundaries of creating imagery of our natural world. His work extends beyond the boundary of what a photograph can be and fully utilizes cutting-edge technology. Brian does not limit himself to the images that the camera creates, and often utilize advanced processing

techniques and multiple photographs to create a single image. The mixing of natural subjects like wildlife and landscapes paired with technology that is used to enhance, add or modify he finds fascinating.



Brian fell in love with photography as a freshman in college. The "magic" of the darkroom and development processes fascinated him. Brian is deeply interested in technology and has pursued that passion in a variety of ways. He has taught photography for over 20 years. His portfolio displays his wide range of abilities to capture nature.





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Happy Baby

ART FOR EVERYONE!

ARDIS JACOBSON & DOUGLAS ENGBERG

Ardis Jacobson states she is a creator as well as an artist, "Creating something lively from a cast off is the ultimate." Ardis enjoys every medium saying her favorite is the one she is currently working with from oil, watercolor, acrylic, pastel, colored pencil, encaustic, batik, scherenschnitte, collage, zentangle....she enjoys it all. Ardis has attended workshops all over the United States and Canada. She had the opportunity to attend the Peace Garden Appreciation Tour and toured seven European Countries.

Ardis feels she has been blessed with a creative, artistic talent and in sharing it with others is her way of saying "Thank You." Ardis hopes when viewing the show you will feel the dust of everyday life wash away and leave you with a warm smile in your heart!

Douglas Engberg has been drawing and painting all his life, his family used brown paper bags to line the garbage cans and his parents would get after him for using all the bags to draw on. A teacher gave him a newspaper end roll and he was in drawing heaven. All through grade school his teachers encouraged his drawing.

Doug tried wood burning and painted with cheap watercolors. A few years later he thought about wood burning on leather. He didn't have to deal with the wood grains. He now adds color to the leather burning. He doesn't add to much, as it takes away from the leather and burning. Doug also works with oil, pencil, chalk and acrylic.

Join us for their closing reception on February 26 from 2pm - 4pm.



Old Times Not Forgotten

THE COWBOY PAPARAZZI PHOTOGRAPHY BY CARLA LELAND

DEC 7 - JAN 29



Carla is a Western Lifestyle Photographer based in Western North Dakota/Eastern Montana. Her journey started when she was quite young, as her father always had a camera in hand. He has boxes of photos at home that they love to look back on and remember some great family moments. When Carla married and moved to her husband's third generation family ranch, she began taking her old point and shoot camera with her to check water in the pastures, as her family and friends back home loved to see the images of cattle, horses and the western landscapes. (Carla

is a transplant from Wisconsin!) They run a registered herd of Red Angus cattle here at Leland Red Angus.

Since 2019, Carla says the guys have dubbed her the "paparazzi" whenever her camera comes out as they are gathering and working cattle. They all may grimace, or duck under the brims of their hats when they see the camera in her hand, but they all check out the photos to see if she captured any good ones of them doing their thing when Carla post images online! Thus, "The Cowboy Paparazzi" logo was created for her working cowboy, ranch and livestock images.

Whether it be photographing cattle, horses and ranch activities for ranch promotions, shooting an event, or capturing those special family moments and milestones, Carla enjoys them all!





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PAIGE BOWMAN GLASS ART THRU FEBRUARY 26

Paige Bowman is a self taught glass artist living in Savage, MT. Paige started experimenting with glass several years ago when she lived in Billings while pursuing a degree in Computer Science from MSU-B. Now that she has retired, she is devoting her days to the kiln and the torch to discover what can be made out of this fascinating medium. Her work has been exhibited at the Yellowstone Art Museum and the Glass Hole Gallery in Billings, MT as well as The Harwood Gallery in Albuquerque, NM. In addition to glass, she also has worked with beads, porcelain, ceramics, and china painting.

Paige loves experimenting with glass, trying to find the forms that it can take and discovering new techniques. The way glass flows when heat is applied mimics water, which caused her to think of the ocean. She became very interested in oceanic creatures and the fascinating shapes they make. As a person who has never visited the ocean, it was like playing in a whole new wonderland. The fluidity of glass is endlessly fascinating to her. The way it can be manipulated with torch or kiln using molds or freeforming opens the doors to endless possibilities. The work in this show represents the last three years of experimenting and pushing herself to find new avenues to explore. As a self taught artist, Paige has tried to hammer out the knowledge of how to manipulate the materials from the materials themselves. Using found objects in relation to the glass she has been inspired to try new combinations with a devil-may care attitude of "try it to see if it works." It only costs a little bit of blood and flesh to make.

You can find her work at
paigebowmanglassworks.com



MDHC MISSION:

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

STAFF:

Joe Bradley—*Acting Executive Director*
Leann Pelvit—*Administrative Assistant*

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News Briefs

CONGRATULATIONS!

MDHC member **Verna Kemmis** won our membership drawing for a \$20 gift card to the MonDak Heritage Center gift shop! We will mail the gift card to the winner. For the next prize, everyone that joins MDHC or renews their MDHC membership from July 1st thru September 30th will go into a drawing for a \$20 gift certificate redeemable in our gift shop. Limit one entry per membership. Look for the winner in our next newsletter! Thank you for investing in the MonDak!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!



MDHC started a large-scale collections, exhibits update and organization project. We have begun the project of sorting through all of the artifacts in our lower level, and ensuring each item is entered into the Past Perfect Collections Management Software. This is a long term goal as there are possibly 500,000+ items in the collection. It will take many man hours to complete. If you are interested in assisting with this project please talk to Leann.

Or if working in the collections isn't your interest we have many other volunteer opportunities: Saturday sitters, art class assistant, hanging and taking down art shows, lawn care, snow removal, setting up for events or serving on the board of directors. If any of these opportunities are something you are interested in, stop by and visit with us.

FRIENDS OF REYNOLDS

Shop at Reynolds Market and raise funds for the MonDak Heritage Center! Just register on the Reynolds Market website. Then go to the rewards and my rewards.

Click on Friends of Reynolds button and add the MonDak Heritage Center as the charity you would like to support. Reynolds will donate 1% of the purchase to the MonDak. We give those funds right back to our members by using them to support programs, exhibits, and collection preservation.



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 to be added to the email list.

VOLUNTEERS:

Volunteering at the MonDak is fun and rewarding! Help with sitting on Saturdays, 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)



BECOME A MEMBER!

YES, I will join MDHC

Annually at the following level:

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| () Individual | \$30 |
| () Family | \$50 |
| () Senior (60+) | \$25 |
| () Senior Couple | \$40 |
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MDHC Member Benefits:

- * Invites to members-only events
- * Discounts to art classes & events
- * Subscription to our quarterly newsletter
- * 10% gift shop discount
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Tuesday—Friday: 10am—4pm
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