



Art Walk

FIRST FRIDAY
ART WALK

June 2008

Serving Springfield's Downtown Arts District

June Events

Founders Park Concerts

Free lunchtime concerts at Founders Park are offered 12:14-12:45 each Wednesday through July 30.

Sounds on the Square

Enjoy free concerts on the square, 7-10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays in June.

Free Art Day

Free, hands-on arts activities for the family at the Creamery Arts Center June 28.

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Pedestrians have the right-of-way, but that fact will not stop an oncoming car! Be cautious, courteous and follow basic safety rules:



- Look both ways before stepping into traffic
 - Make eye contact with drivers to be sure they see you
 - Move with the traffic
 - If you're preparing to cross alone but a group is coming up behind, cross with the group
- Let's be careful out there!**

Born on the bayou



Louisiana's Greg Chappell returns to DB Design Salon & Gallery. See the June **Gallery Buzz**, inside.

Art Walk welcomes FIGMENT Art Gallery & Culture House



Figment Art Gallery & Culture House, downtown's newest gallery "is not just a place to look at art," says Nkki Howell, art and events coordinator for Figment and Randy Bacon Gallery. "Our philosophy is that Figment will be an exciting, modern and vibrant place where art lives, breathes and grows."

The newest venture of arts entrepreneurs Randy and Shannon Bacon, Figment offers free Wi-Fi, a coffee bar and comfy seating, making it a perfect setting to hang out with friends, study or seek inspiration.

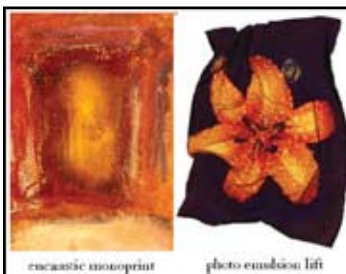
"With Fig-

ment Art Gallery and Culture House, we are adding something to the art scene that is fresh, unique, metropolitan and fun," says Randy Bacon. Figment also houses seven working artists' studios.

Along with Randy Bacon Gallery, Figment will offer art classes, as well as creative events includ-

ing fundraisers, music shows, film workshops, film screenings, poetry readings, performing arts, dancing, etc.

Figment is open 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday-Friday and 10 a.m.-4p.m. Saturday.



Figment Artist Kat Allie will teach Encaustic Monoprint and Photo Emulsion Lift classes for all ages this summer. Call (417) 496-4270 for more information.

Y Family Art Night

Kids 12 and under can enjoy tile painting, storytelling, play and a healthy snack 6:30-9:30 p.m.

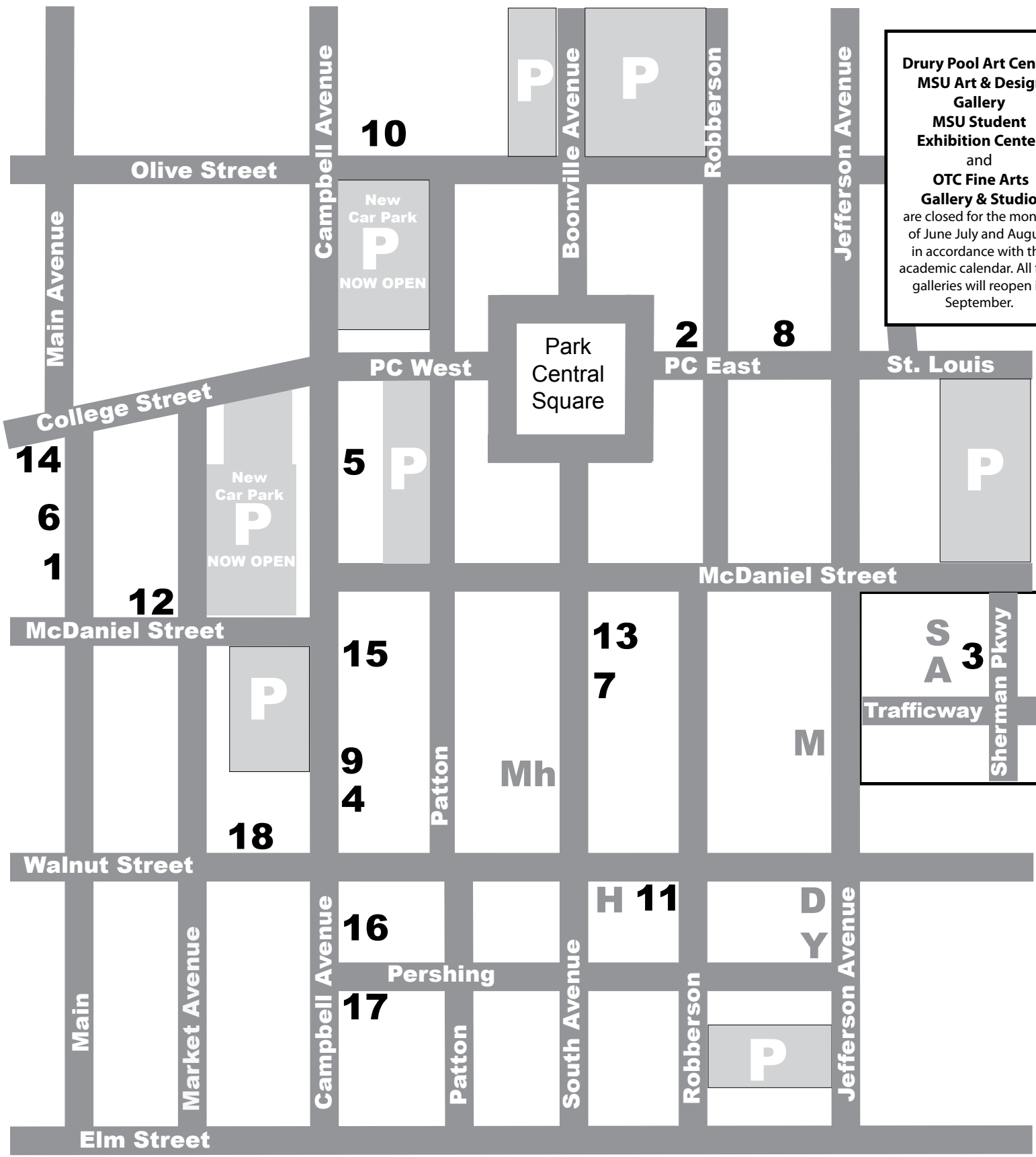


June 6 at the downtown Family Y. Cost is \$10 per child. Call Kyla at 417.862.8962, ext. 149.

STEPHANIE DARK



Mixed media artist Stephanie Witte is visiting the dark side in her Goth-inspired show, *Stephanie Dark*, at Studio 405 June 6. Witte's fanciful figures are realized in a wide range of materials. The mermaid above wears 1930s vintage veiling and trim, a fossilized shark tooth bracelet and is accented in swarovski crystals.



Drury Pool Art Center
MSU Art & Design Gallery
MSU Student Exhibition Center
 and
OTC Fine Arts Gallery & Studio
 are closed for the month of June, July and August in accordance with the academic calendar. All galleries will reopen in September.

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A=Springfield Regional Arts Council
D=Downtown Minuteman Press
H=Hyde Gallery
M=Mille's
Mh=Mudhouse
S=Springfield Regional Opera
Y=YMCA Family Art Night

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1 Bellwether Gallery of the Arts, 600 W. College St., presents **Celebrating Freedom**, a juried art display with a patriotic theme featuring the works of artists from the Plein Aire, Splatter and ArtWorx groups. Celebrate the nation's birthday early – and often – at Bellwether this month. Bellwether Gallery of the Arts is a project of the Arts Forum of Second Baptist Church and exists to nurture the creative spirit in all. The gallery hosts visual and performing artists of the region, holds educational events and focuses on utilizing art to further causes within the community. The Gallery honors the Creator of the universe by promoting creativity. (417) 831-1778 www.bellwetherarts.com

2 Big Smile Photography, 207 Park Central East, continues its display of **Staff Photography**. (417) 527-2885 www.bigsmilestudios.com

3 The Creamery Arts Center, 411 Sherman Parkway, features the **National Arts Program** featuring works by Springfield city employees and their families. More than 60 pieces will be exhibited and awards will be presented in five categories, including youth awards, at 8 p.m. during First Friday Art Walk. Artists include Planning and Development Director Ralph Rognstad Jr., Senior Park Planner Jerany Jackson, Public Information Graphic Designer Mark Montgomery, Park Ranger David Moore and Public Works Lab Analyst Sandy Werbitzky. (417) 862-2787 www.springfieldarts.org

4 DB Design Salon & Art Gallery, 326 S. Campbell, welcomes back **Louisiana Artist Greg Chappell** in his second appearance at DB Design. Fascinated by the old master painters' command of color and light effects, Chappell was disappointed to find formal art training did not teach the hands-on methods he wanted to learn. As a result, he launched a personal course of study, focusing on the works of DaVinci, Michelangelo, Raphael and Monet. Experimenting with different pigments, mixing mediums and painting surfaces, he has evolved his own brand of realism using the indirect painting method – layering colors for specific effects in his romantic landscapes, wildlife



Sidewalk musicians add an original note to the May Art Walk. At left are Ryan Gerber and Derek Logsdon. At right are Adam Shelton and William Fortney, who regularly perform at Gailey's.

Gallery BUZZ

pictures and portraits. (417) 864-4343

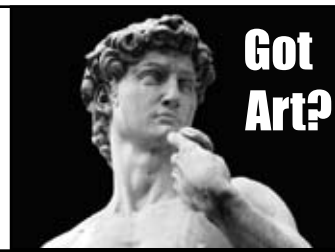
5 Fashioned By Jaye, 212 S. Campbell, presents will feature **Paintings by Bill Spears**. This exhibit is the self-taught artist's first ever public exhibition. Fashioned By Jaye is a gallery and boutique featuring work by local artists and locally handmade jewelry, handbags, home decor, and gift items. (417) 862-4100 www.fashionedbyjaye.com



Sam French, 11, throws a pot in the Springfield Pottery booth during Artsfest, May 3-4.

6 Figment Art Gallery and Culture House, 600 W. College Street in the Monarch Art Factory, makes its grand opening debut during the June Art Walk. Figment houses seven working artists' studios, as well as a full-service gallery and culture house featuring art classes, workshops, shows, screenings, a coffee mini bar and free Wi-Fi. Figment artists-in-residence are potter Brian King; painters Kathlene Allie, Kelly Taylor, Emily Elmore and Abby Waters; mixed-media artist Nikki Howell; and photographer Cory Bates. (417) 868-8179

7 Fitzwilly's Gifts & Antiques, 308 South Ave., will be displaying **Scenes of the Ozarks** painted by artist



Teresa Dilsaver. Teresa chose to do this group in oils. Fitzwilly's is a longtime downtown retailer featuring antiques, gift items and collectibles. Its monthly art exhibits emphasize unique sketches and paintings by talented local artists. (417) 866-3696

8 Gillioz Theatre, 325 Park Central East, features **The Artists of Noircore Media**. Be prepared to view art from a different perspective. These insightful, creative and intriguing pieces will leave you with something to think about. (417) 863-7843 www.gillioz.org

9 Global Fayre, 324 S. Campbell, features **Works by Electronic Arts and Media Production Students** at Missouri State University, screening a sampling of award-winning student work including short narrative films, animations, music videos and experimental video. Screenings at Global Fayre will run continuously, commencing at 6 p.m., during First Friday Art Walk. (417) 873-7843 www.globalfayre.com

10 Good Girl Art Gallery, 215 W. Olive St., presents **Oil Paintings by Jim Beasley** throughout June. Jim is the former curator of collections and exhibitions for the Springfield Art Museum. The show will feature some of the new paintings completed since Jim's recent retirement, along with some of his past favorites. (417) 865-7055 www.goodgirlartgallery.com

11 Hawthorn Galleries Inc., 214 E. Walnut St., presents an **Eclectic Collection of Fine Art** accompanied by the live music of guitarist Dale Auguston. Choose from original paintings, prints, sculpture, glass work, and a unique selection of jewelry. (417) 866-6688 www.myspace.com/hawthorngallery

12 Keyes Gallery, 229 S. Market Ave., presents several **New Paintings** by one of Springfield's most popular artists, Gavyn Sky; plus a selection of very affordable and previously undiscovered paintings (some older, some relatively new) by MSU Professor Emeritus Hugh Yorty. There will be

a diverse assortment of work by Keyes Gallery regulars such as MSU Professor Emeritus John Careggio, Tim Clark, Daniel Flodin, Stephen Horan, David Beynon Pena, Billy Spicer and award-winning watercolorist, Debra Sutherland. (417) 866-2722 www.keyesgallery.com

13 Nonna's Italian American Cafe, 306 South Ave., features a **Show To Be Announced**. (417) 831-1222 www.nonnascafe.com

14 Randy Bacon Studio & Gallery, 600 W. College in the Monarch Art Factory, presents **Italy & Tuscany: Acrylic Paintings & Photographs by Helen DePietro** and new images from **Sweet Life: Portraits and Stories of Cancer Survivors by Randy Bacon**. First Friday at Bacon Studio & Gallery also includes **The Art of Music**, featuring two free Gallery Sounds concerts by Black Box Revue and Natalie Hoffman. Memphis singer and songwriter, Natalie Hoffman will get the night started with her poignant and moody tunes at 7:30. Hoffman will then move to the adjacent Figment Art Gallery & Culture House to finish her set as Black Box Revue takes the Bacon Gallery stage with its high-energy dance music. (417) 868-8179 www.randybacon.com



Visitors enjoy the fun and eclectic atmosphere at Good Girl Art in May.

15 Springfield Hot Glass Studio, 314 S. Campbell Ave., a working hot glass studio/gallery with facilities for furnace, torch and kiln work, focuses on **Large Scale and Abstract Pieces** during the June Art Walk. Springfield Hot Glass Studio continually displays its current blown glass, beads and fused work, offering live demonstrations on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays and First Fridays. (417) 868-8181 www.springfieldhotglass.com

16 Springfield Pottery, a fine craft gallery and community clay center at 416 S. Campbell Ave., is featuring the **New Work** of potter and artist-in-residence Sherri Alexander. Springfield Pottery also represents the work of over 40 local, regional, and national artists in clay, wood, metal, glass, fibers, photography, printmaking and more. (417) 864-4677 www.springfieldpottery.com

17 Springfield 2nd Stage Theatre, 440 S. Campbell, will be **closed** for the June 6 Art Walk. (417) 327-3450 www.the2ndstage.com

18 Studio 405, 405 W. Walnut St., presents **Stephanie Dark**, featuring the Goth-inspired mixed media works of artist Stephanie Witte. (417) 865-0450

Good Girl Art features James Beasley

A native of Laramie, WY, James Beasley studied painting, design and printmaking in the University of Wyoming department of art, earning bachelor's and master's degrees in fine arts.

Beasley has taught photography and painting, worked as a freelance photographer and graphic designer, and served as a curator for the University of Wyoming

Art Museum and most recently the Springfield Art Museum.

Retired in August 2007, Beasley is now focusing on his art. His show at Good Girl Art Gallery includes works in oil, pastel and oil pastel. In painting, he says, he uses color/composition and contrasts of objects and place to create a sensation, feeling or "mood" of visual experience.

Still life, landscape and the nude figure are the subjects Beasley uses to form the design elements of his paintings.



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