SAA Fourth Friday Art Stroll – Spring Event

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There is something special about the Fourth Friday Art Stroll this month. On April 26 from 4 to 7 p.m., visitors can get a sneak peek of the artwork that's part of My Own Two Hands fundraising auction at two locations: 382 E. Hood Ave. and Sisters Art Works, 204 W. Adams Ave. This is in addition to the upcoming My Own Two Hands Art Stroll through various sponsoring businesses in Sisters on May 10. The auction itself is on May 11 at Ponderosa Forge, and tickets are still available from Sisters Folk Festival.

Joining the Fourth Friday Art Stroll this month is Good Day Café at Bedouin. Featured are Jeni Kelleher's pastel pencil drawings. Artist Patty Freeman-Martin says "Jeni's renderings of cute animals appear to be done in many layers of subtle colors and marks, some with glittery sparkles in the deep tones. Her technical ability to render is quite astonishing."

Stop in at Sisters Gallery & Frame Shop to chat with plein air painters Gordon and Kay Baker, "the scratchboard lady" Jennifer Hartwig of scratchlife.com, and pencil artist Mike Stasko. All will have new work on display during the art stroll.



Wendy Vernon jewelry featured at Clearwater Gallery.

Clearwater Gallery will feature Wendy Vernon Designs from 4 to 6 p.m. Vernon, a Sisters jewelry artist, will bring in many new pieces, including rings created in collaboration with Brazilian artists.

At Ken Scott's Imagination Gallery, the Steampunk Bird Bath, Ken's latest garden feature, will be unveiled. This otherworldly artifact combines elements

reflecting decades of design work. Tilly's Garden by Marjie Scott is a tribute to the power of spring: a oneof-a-kind steel wall unit with whimsy and dedication to gardening.

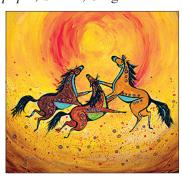
Sisters Coffee Company has work by Jayde Silbernagel, a coffee company employee who lives in Sisters. Jayde says, "my subject matter is more about who I am working with, versus what subject matter I am capturing. I simply enjoy the yummy vibe, making creative collaborations from fashion to breastfeeding, to coffee – my epicurean soul can dig it all."

Hood Avenue Art is showing monotypes by printmaker Gin Laughery, and one-of-a-kind dichroic glass jewelry by Berta and Rex Heisler of Zantana Dichroic Jewelry in Redmond. These artists bring to the gallery the deep, rich, and gorgeous colors reminiscent of the sky and light of Central Oregon. The exhibit runs through May 21.

Photographs by Lisa Belt are featured at The Collection Gallery. Lisa finds it an honor to be included with



"Inspired By Nature" exhibit by June Jaeger at Stitchin' Post.



"Vortex Horses" by Jill Neal are featured at Jill Neal Gallery.

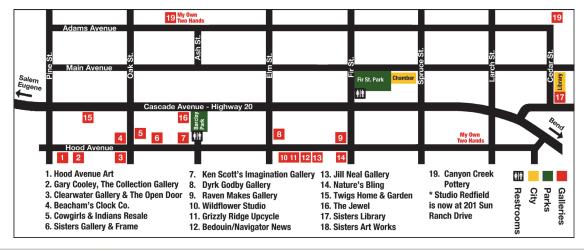
the gallery's fine artists. "We are not as competitive as we are appreciative of each other's work." Gary and Karen Cooley invite you to stop by.

Jill Neal has painted a new herd of small, original horses, nicely framed and galloping across the wall of her gallery. She has some newly released "Wild Tasteful Women" products as well. Stop in to feel the energy and life, and sample fine wine and chocolate.

Stitchin' Post Fabric Arts Gallery will feature the opening of June Jaeger's "Inspired by Nature" exhibit.

Wildflower Studio will feature new leather bags, earrings and bracelets made by Alicia Lovejoy of Triumph Outpost.

Enjoy a night out in Sisters with light appetizers, wine, art and conversation. Sign up for the Quick Draw, (one ticket per person per gallery). Sisters Arts Association will draw three winning tickets: two \$50 gift certificates good at any of the galleries featured here, and one for a pair of free tickets to My Own Two Hands, courtesy of Sisters Folk Festival.









357 W. Hood Ave. hoodavenueart.com

THE COLLECTION GALLERY

353 W. Hood Ave. garycooley.com



103-B E. Hood Ave. wildflowerstudioartandframing.com



303 W. Hood Ave. theclearwatergallery.com

Ken Scott's Imagination Gallery

222 W. Hood Ave. kenscottsimagination.com



183 E. Hood Ave. jillnealgallery.com



311 W. Cascade Ave. stitchinpost.com

SISTERS GALLERY FRAME SHOP

252 W. Hood Ave. sistersgallery.com



143 E. Hood Ave. gooddaycafe.com

QUICK DRAW

Two drawings this month.
The first drawing is for 2 tickets to My Own Two Hands
Art Auction, thanks to the Sisters Folk Festival.
The second drawing is for a \$50 Gift Certificate that is good in any of our member galleries, thanks to Zosel Harper Realors.

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