

# Celebrate a world of color at First Friday

## Art shows open March 5 in Baker City

BAKER CITY — As spring slowly approaches in Eastern Oregon, the March art shows at Baker City galleries are celebrating a world full of color.

Prepare for spring's arrival at participating galleries during the March 5 First Friday art walk in downtown Baker City.

### Crossroads Carnegie Art Center

Patrons are invited to join Crossroads Carnegie Art Center on March 5 to see "A Cacophony of Color" — the creative linocuts, oil paintings, and silk screens of Laurel Macdonald.

For First Friday, the art center, 2020 Auburn, will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. After 5 p.m., enter through the door facing Second Street.

At the door, sign in and sign up for a gift certificate drawing (this month's prize is \$25 to Peterson's Chocolates).

The March exhibit is sponsored by Ace Nursery.

Like many others, Laurel Macdonald always looks forward to the arrival of spring. The rebirth of color after a long and dreary gray winter acts as a balm for her eyes and her spirit. She anticipates to be inspired outside with the variety of shapes, colors and textures that nature offers, especially during the global pandemic.

Growing up on a dairy farm with six sisters in the Boise Valley, her inspiration is directly tied to the land, plants and activities.

Sustaining the connection with the land and each other, Macdonald has plenty of material to inspire her: the tangled relationship with her sisters, the diverse landscapes of Idaho and those fishing, biking and kayaking amongst the scene.

Macdonald has been drawing flowers for years and also grows her inspiration in her own garden.

### FIRST FRIDAY ART SHOWS

**What:** New art shows at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, Royal Artisan, and White House Art and Design

**When:** Friday, March 5. Hours vary based on location

**Where:** Baker City

Linocuts are easily replicated with the traditional process of cutting away the negative space, inking the raised area to be printed onto paper as many times as desired. Adding more effort to this time-consuming process, Macdonald will at times go over the image with watercolor and gouache.

She said she finds satisfaction through the physical exercise of the carving process for creating her images.

In addition to First Friday, the show can be viewed during the Crossroads art gallery's regular hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

For more information or to join the mailing list, call 541-523-5369 or email [info@crossroads-arts.org](mailto:info@crossroads-arts.org).

To view scheduled classes or upcoming events, go to [www.crossroads-arts.org](http://www.crossroads-arts.org) or check the center's page on Facebook.

(Now that Baker County is in a lower-risk category for COVID-19, classes are resuming. A batik class with Ginger Rembold is set for March 18 from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. To enroll, go to [www.crossroads-arts.org/product/2008233/batik-with-ginger-rembold](http://www.crossroads-arts.org/product/2008233/batik-with-ginger-rembold).)

### Royal Artisan

Royal Artisan, 1912 Main St., will feature Andrew Gettle's "Bold Show" featuring his abstract paintings.

There will be a meet-and-greet with the artist from 5:30-8:30 p.m. during the First Friday art walk.

### White House Art and Design

For March, White House Art and Design is featuring artist Randy Sandknop and her photography.

The shop is located at 1829 Main St. The First Friday reception is from 5-8 p.m.

### Churchill

Churchill's Hall Pass Gallery will not be open for First Friday this month.

**Andrew Gettle Bold Show**

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The abstract paintings of Andrew Gettle will be featured at Royal Artisan in Baker City during the month of March.

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**FRIDAY**  
High 49 Low 37  
Partly sunny



**SATURDAY**  
High 50 Low 34  
Showers possible



**SUNDAY**  
High 46 Low 31  
Mostly cloudy