

First Friday brings new arts shows to Baker City

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BAKER CITY — New shows open for the monthly First Friday art walk on Feb. 4, 2022. Here's what you'll find at each location:

BAKER HERITAGE MUSEUM

Every month, the Baker Heritage Museum is having a pop-up exhibit at a downtown location. February's display about Oregon's history will be at Betty's Books, 1813 Main St., during the art walk.

CROSSROADS CARNEGIE ART CENTER

2020 Auburn Ave.

Mary Arnold and Suzi Butler will open their show "Poetic Refraction" at Crossroads from 5:30-8 p.m.

Arnold and Butler are sisters and artists who will be traveling from Idaho to bring their exhibit to Baker City. Arnold, an expert in oil painting, and Butler, who creates glass-

work, have used poems to inspire each of their works, with their own individual interpretation.

"These sisters invite visitors to not only read through the poems that coincide with their artwork and interpret them on an individual level, but to observe just how these two artists have taken the same piece of linguistic art and used it to inspire their work in varying, and sometimes similar ways," said Alyson Spiering, community art director.

CHURCHILL HALL PASS GALLERY

3451 Broadway St.

Churchill will have the annual Yart Sale this month — a yard art sale — and also welcome featured artist Wayland Harman, who specializes in mouth-resonated instruments such as jaw harp, mouth bow and didgeridoo. The show starts at 5:30 p.m.

Harman, a Kansas City native, discovered the jaw harp in 1993 at the North American Jew's Harp Festival in Sumpter.

"I was immediately fascinated by the music that graced the festival's stage each year," he said. "I would go home after each festival and build my own version of the amazing instruments I'd seen."

On Friday, Harman will display his instruments and demonstrate how they work, including his own inventions called the clackamore and scratchamore.

ROYAL ARTISAN

1912 Main St.

Royal Artisan will host artwork by Blake Musselman for February. An artist reception will start at 5 p.m. on First Friday.

WHITE HOUSE ART AND DESIGN CO.

1829 Main St.

February's show at White House is "All About Hearts" with featured artist Randy Sandknop, who will show her photography, watercolor art and doodles. The artist reception is 4-8 p.m.

SWEET WIFE BAKING

2028 Main St.

Mary Davies Kerns will showcase her acrylic paintings at the Two Drink Minimum Gallery inside Sweet Wife Baking Friday from 5-8 p.m. Cocktails, desserts and snacks will be available to purchase.

OTHER LOCATIONS

Other businesses in downtown Baker City often stay open late on First Friday, so be sure to explore.



Oil painter Mary Arnold will display her work, including this one titled "Lemon Falls," this month at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, in a joint exhibit with her sister, Suzi Butler.

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