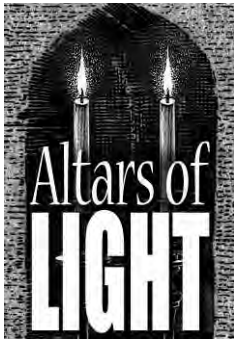


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The New Mexico Art Therapy Association will host a 3 part series of events at OFFCenter in April to raise awareness of the aftermath of sexual violence – an issue that touches every person in our society in often untold ways.

ART EXHIBIT OPENING
Friday, April 2nd, 2010, 5-8pm
An exhibit dedicated to healing from the aftermath of sexual violence using Altars as healing ground.
Runs through April 23rd

Pre-registration is required for panel discussion and art making sessions. CEU credits are available for Art Therapists and Counselors. For more information and to register contact Sahnta at 505.264.3933.

PANEL DISCUSSION
Saturday, April 10th, 10 - Noon
The panelists will use the images within the "Altars of Light" exhibit to focus on raising awareness and develop resiliency.

ART MAKING SESSION
Sat., April 10th, 1:30 - 3:30pm
Rosemary Imhof, LPAT will lead an art making session in response to panel discussion and images from the "Altars of Light" exhibit.

Our mission is to provide a safe place to make art for the whole community, free of charge.

Georgia Kineaid

I was born and raised in Albuquerque off West Central. I went to San Felipe school for five years in the 1960s, then public school. I quit school and moved to Colorado for two years. That seemed to be the only thing to do at the time and I wanted to get out of the house. All my sisters had already moved out. I didn't want to live at home any more. I was 18 when I came back. I've got roots here. I don't think I could ever leave Albuquerque. It gets frustrating for me sometimes because it's so big and different. I've been reminiscing with my family about the old days. I've got roots here and I just feel a strong attachment to Albuquerque.

I first came to OFFCenter about three years ago. I had taken my first art class at CNM when an instructor told me about it. Then I saw a flyer posted and found out where the studio was located.

To have a place to work on my art and to be encouraged has helped me in so many ways. For example, I don't focus on problems so much. Going to the studio gives me a chance to feel like I'm part of something bigger than myself.

There's always a project to get involved in. Yesterday I braided plastic bags together for the bags they're going to be making. I did a mixed-media piece for the Shelter Show where I put newspaper clippings and a couple of artificial flowers, little pieces of those. I like doing mosaic with glass. I've been working on a really cute table. I think a piece of furniture lasts a long time.

I have grown as a person as well as an artist since I have been coming to OFFCenter. Someone once said, "Growth is a process of trial and error. The failed experiments are as much a part of the process as the experiment that ultimately works." OFFCenter does work, not only for me but so many others who spend time there. We do feel connected to the community and find self fulfillment. I hope OFFCenter continues forever!



AlbuQuirky House Tour

TOUR THREE CREATIVE ALBUQUIRKY HOMES:
"Color Me Folk," "Geometry Unleashed," & "The Famous Tile House"
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CALENDAR

FREE CLASSES EVERY WEEK • Stop by!

Tue, 1-3pm **Painting & Drawing** with David Blecha

Wed, 3:30-4:30pm **Basic Guitar** - iCreate

Thurs, 5:00-6:00pm **Emerging Artists Meeting**

Fri, 3-4:15pm **Writing Workshop**

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Sun., April 18th, 1 - 4 pm Mosaic Tile Workshop with Lindy Hurst

Wed., April 21st, 5-7 pm EAK! Experimental Art Klub!

Mon., April 26th, 6:15 pm Board of Directors Meeting

Wed., April 28th, 5pm • Artwork Due - SHELTER

Sat., May 1st 1-4pm • Albuquirky House Tour,

Fri, May 7th, 5-8pm • Art Opening: Shelter: Refuge for Mind, Body & Soul

Wed., May 21st, 5-7pm • EAK! Experimental Art Klub!

Mon., May 24th 6:15 pm • Board of Directors Meeting

MOSAIC MIRROR WORKSHOP WITH LINDY HURST

Embellish a small wall-hung mirror with ceramic mosaic and found objects.

Learn how to cut, set and grout mosaic tile.

Call OFFCenter for more info and to register 247-1172.

Sun., April 18th, 1-4 pm



THANKS! we're still here thanks to you!

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Our apologies for any omissions, so many people help OFFCenter, but we will remember you in the following newsletters

call for entries

artwork due april 28

SHELTER

refuge for mind, body & soul

art show

Whether a tent, bush or a mansion, all humanity shares the common need for shelter. Calling for artwork in any medium that expresses the fundamental experience of finding shelter. No fee. Non-juried community art exhibit. limit two entries per artist. Subject to space available.

opens friday, may 7, 5-8 pm

DUAL EXHIBIT • MARCH 16 - 26



The Drawing & Painting Class lead by Dave Blecha that meets at OFFCenter every Tuesday and Tres Amigos', an art collaborative that gathers and makes art at OFFCenter are exhibiting together for a brief show in the OFFCenter Gallery. Tres Amigos is a group of three special people and their avid supporters. Their show has a special tribute to Stephanie Anderson, an artist whose kindness was appreciated and who is sorely missed.

Storage Space Needed OFFCenter is looking for clean, dry storage space approximately 10' x 15' to store our "We Art the People" parade puppets and paraphernalia. Please contact Ron at 247.1172 if you think you can help us out.

Volunteer Opportunities OFFCenter is always looking for dedicated volunteers who have useful skills in fundraising, teaching, marketing, performing, event coordination, mentoring, cleaning, organizing etc.... If you are interested in helping build a stronger community through art making and in general keeping the studio going call 247.1172 or just drop in and ask for Ron. We would love to talk with you..



Don't Forget Our Albuquirky House Tour Annual Fundraiser

Saturday, May 1st, 1 - 4 pm

Buy Your Tickets NOW -

ONLY \$25

Call OFFCenter at 247-1172 for tickets and info.