

September 2010 Newsletter

Dear Friends of Heartland Gallery,

We have several exciting events this month and new items arriving every day. If there is something you would like to see available at Heartland Gallery, please don't hesitate to tell me. I will be attending a Celtic trade fair later this month in Chicago and also traveling to both Ireland and Wales in early November to pick up a few new things. On my recent trip to Milwaukee Irish Fest, I picked up new children's sweaters and some very unique Celtic art prints mounted on wood by California artist Stephen O'Loughlin. If you have been away all summer, please stop in to see our new items or to join us for one of our upcoming events.

Sunday, Sept. 12 (3 – 4:30pm and 5 - 6:30pm) - SCOTTISH HIGHLAND DANCE WORKSHOP

We will be offering a series of Scottish Highland Dance workshops this fall taught by a qualified Highland Dance teacher, Ariana Dymerski. The workshops will be held on Sundays, September 12, October 3, November 7 and December 5. There will be two workshops on each of these Sundays, the first from 3-4:30pm (for ages 4-12) and the second from 5-6:30 (for ages 12 and up). The cost of each workshop will be \$12, payable in cash or check upon arrival. The workshops are designed for people without prior experience in Highland Dance, so anyone is welcome. Attendees are encouraged to wear comfortable clothing and to bring a pair of ballet slippers, other comfortable shoes or non-slip socks.

Ms. Dymerski is from Beecher, IL and is currently a Junior majoring in Elementary Education at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She has been dancing for 12 years and is a member of the Thistle and Heather Highland Dancers of Chicagoland. She is a Certified Associate Highland Dance Teacher recognized by the British Association of Teachers of Dance and a Premier Highland Dancer recognized by the Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing. Please call the gallery at 217-337-4767 for more info and to reserve a space in the workshop.

Thurs., Sept. 23 (6:00 – 7:45pm) DAVID LLEWELLYN CONCERT – C-U FOLK & ROOTS FESTIVAL

This year, Heartland Gallery will again be a venue for the 2nd Annual C-U Folk and Roots Festival, which runs from Thursday September 23 through Saturday, September 25. On Thursday evening, we will be co-sponsoring a concert by Welsh folksinger/ songwriter/guitarist David Llewellyn. Now based in Nashville, David is widely known throughout the U.S. and Europe for his original songs about the Welsh miners and other aspects of Welsh culture. He was the 2008 winner of the John Lennon Songwriting Contest and the 2007 winner of the "New Folk" competition at the Kerrville Folk Festival. For more info on David, please see his website www.davidllewellyn.com. Wristbands for the festival (\$15 each) are available for purchase through www.cufolkandroots.org and can also be purchased on the day of the festival at many locations. They are good for admission to all festival events.

Friday, Sept. 24 (5 – 10pm) C-U FOLK & ROOTS FESTIVAL - Performers at Heartland Gallery

On Friday evening (Sept. 24) we will be hosting the following musicians in the gallery:

5:00pm – Andy Cohen (blues player from Memphis)

6:15 pm – Chicago Farmer (singer/songwriter from Bloomington, IL)

7:45 pm – David Howie (local singer/songwriter)

9:00 pm – Megan Johns (local singer/songwriter)

SATURDAY, SEPT. 25 (1-4pm) – WELSH FEST OPEN HOUSE to celebrate our 4th Anniversary

On Saturday we will have a mini-Welsh festival to celebrate our 4th anniversary. Yes, it has been four years since we opened our doors on Main St. Please join us for special Welsh treats including Welsh cakes, Welsh rarebit and Welsh cheeses, teas and other drinks. Listen to recorded Welsh music and poetry by Dylan Thomas and view the many Welsh art and craft items on display in the gallery. Look for the Welsh flags under our awning. And don't forget that the Folk & Roots Festival will be going on all day and evening throughout downtown Urbana, so be sure to check the schedule of events

www.cufolkandroots.org.

Scheduled events for October and November include the following:

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2 (6-8pm) – Artist Opening Reception for Chinese Cross-stitch by Ming Fen Li

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13 (6-8pm) – Artist Opening Reception for Paintings by Sam McCready

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27 (6-8pm) – Artists Opening Reception for Photography by Rick Goldwasser and Paintings by Marty Maehr

Thanks for your continued support.

Jan Chandler