

Deadlines Set for 2012 Treasures of Anson Art Contest

In a release from the Anson Art League: In October 2011 the Anson Art League announced a new art contest called Treasures of Anson Art Contest with the bluebird as the subject for the first year's contest. Each piece of art must have the bluebird as the main focus. You may use any medium – oil, watercolor, wood, clay, textiles, glass, paper, photography, etc. Prize money is being provided by the Anson County Tourism Development Authority. One entry per person and you must be an Anson County resident. You do not need to be a professional artist to enter. Entry must be created on or after October 1, 2011, and be the original work of the artist - not a copy, photograph, print or reproduction of someone else's work – although you may use a photo as a reference.

You may submit your work for the contest beginning May 21 through June 30, 2012. As artwork is received it may be displayed at the Anson County Arts Council gallery. Judging will take place during the month of July and awards announced in August. Award winners will be notified by phone or email. No late entries will be accepted.

Total prize money is \$400. Prizes will be awarded as follows:
 • Adult prizes: \$200 1st place, \$100 2nd place, \$50 3rd place
 • Children's prizes: \$25 1st place, \$15 2nd place, \$10 3rd place

If submitting in the adult category, you must be 16 years of age or over at time of submission deadline of June 30, 2012. Winning entries (if space permits, all entries) will be shown at the Arts Council's 2nd Sunday Art Reception on Sunday, August 12, 2012 in the Olde Mill Gallery at the Lockhart Taylor Center at South Piedmont Community College, 514 N. Washington Street, Wadesboro, NC.

Please make sure your artwork is ready for display. If your entry is a painting, sketch, drawing, etc. it must be framed and ready to hang. (Gallery wrap canvas must be painted and finished on all sides.) If a 3 dimensional piece, it must be ready for display. Art work must be properly and legibly labeled on the back with the artist's name, title, phone, email address, type of media and price (if applicable). No work may exceed 24 inches in any dimension (including any frame or display stand) and must not exceed 20 pounds.

From May 21 through June 30, you may submit your work at The Forever Inn B&B at 214 S. Greene Street but you must call ahead (704-695-1304) to make sure someone will be available to accept delivery of your art. Anson Art League or Anson County Arts Council cannot be responsible for lost, stolen or damaged artwork. Artwork remains the property of the artist, however, Anson Art League, Anson County Arts Council or ACTDA reserve the right to photograph or reproduce any art for publicity or educational purposes including publication on the internet or brochures. Entries should be picked up after August 31, 2012 but any entries not picked up by September 15, 2012 will be given away or disposed of as determined by Anson Art League.

Complete guidelines for the contest are available online at www.AnsonArtLeague.com. Please call Merrie at 704-695-1304 if you have any questions about the guidelines or about the art contest.

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Career Fair at Anson High School

Anson High School held its annual Career Fair on Wednesday, February 1. The purpose of the fair was to allow students the time to speak to professionals in an industry of interest. Students asked questions and explored the various careers. This was also an opportunity for students to speak to representatives from higher education institutions about the degree/certificate programs they offer.

There were 32 business and industry professionals represented as well as 20 colleges and universities. The Career and Technical Education (CTE) department would like to thank all of the businesses and higher educational institutions for participating.

Free Movie is *The Help*

The movie *The Help*, based on the book by Author Kathryn Stockett, will be shown in the Little Theatre of the Hampton B. Allen Library on Monday, February 27 at 10 a.m. This movie will last about 2 1/2 hours and is free and open to the public. Please make plans to attend and bring a friend.

If you have questions or need additional information, please call the library at 704-694-5177.

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Parks & Rec Baseball and Softball Signups

2012 Dixie Youth Little League Baseball will be offered for ages 9 to 12. The age is determined by May 1, 2012. There are two possible age divisions and the cost is \$25 per person.

2012 Dixie Youth Girls Softball will be offered for ages 4 to 18. The age is determined by January 1, 2012. There are six possible age divisions and the cost is \$25 per person.

Come by the Parks and Recreation office at Little Pak to register, or you can go to one of the following schools. The deadline is March 9. Contact Wendell T. Small at 704-694-5751 or Wanda Chappell at 704-694-5868 for more information.

- Monday, February 27, 3 to 5 p.m. at Wadesboro Elementary School and Wadesboro Primary School
- Tuesday, February 28, 3 to 5 p.m. at Lilesville and Morven Elementary Schools
- Wednesday, February 29, 3 to 5 p.m. at Peachland-Polkton and Ansonville Elementary Schools

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