

*"If I create from the heart, nearly everything works: if from the head, almost nothing."*—Marc Chagall

## Poem of the Month

### SHOVELING SNOW

by Vicki L. Wilson

Take frequent breaks,  
especially if you have  
a broken heart.  
Every ten minutes is good.  
Don't get too out of breath.  
Stay hydrated.  
Stop if it becomes too much.  
Grief will come hard  
whenever it wants.  
Try not to get too cold.  
Use a small shovel.  
Lift from your knees.

—from *Rattle.com*

## Artist Spotlight

There are currently two artists showing at the Wrightwood Community Center as part of our Artist Spotlight series. Their work will be on display now through March. Check them out next time you're in the building:

Local artist Katheryn Flores specializes in acrylic paintings of dreamscapes and the beauty of the natural world. She dreams in vivid color and fluid movements and expresses her unique visions in each piece of art. Katheryn's artistic philosophy involves the desire to broaden perspectives in ways to help the viewer to see all that is possible in a simple image.

LoLLY: "I am not a painter, I am an opportunist. I am not a sculptor, I am curious. I am not a writer, I am restless. I am just an artist, I think."

If you're interested in contributing artwork for use in these monthly newsletters, or hanging work for the Artist Spotlight at the community center, email samples, a biographical note, and your web links (if any) to: [wrightwoodarts@gmail.com](mailto:wrightwoodarts@gmail.com)

## Calls for Artists

### A Taste of the Village

The Wrightwood Chamber of Commerce is looking for musicians and visual, theatrical, movement, and literary artists to join in their annual Taste of the Village, a map-guided tour of Wrightwood village businesses. Held Saturday, June 1st, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., the tour gives attendees a taste of the hidden treasures our Village merchants offer. They include clothing, flower, book, exercise, realty and gift boutiques along with our exceptional restaurants. Guests come from surrounding communities as well as our own.

Are you an artist seeking an outlet for your work? Are you willing to share your gifts at our event for the pure joy of it? Visual artists of all mediums, vocal musicians; theater and literary artists—contact us to help shape and make this a wonderful, successful day in Wrightwood. Please email Nancy at [nkupka@calstatela.edu](mailto:nkupka@calstatela.edu), (818) 588-5286 (voice message) to let her know of your interest! They'll make hour-long time slots that work for you.

### Wrightwood's Got Talent Show

The Wrightwood Blue Society is hosting the first annual Wrightwood's Got Talent show. The preliminary round will be held April 14th at 3 p.m. at the Wrightwood Community Center. Finalists will move on to the September 8th performance, for a chance to win the \$1,000 scholarship. Open to all K-12 students in the Keyboard Arts, Snowline, West Palms Conservatory, and Victor Elementary School Districts. To apply for the preliminary round, visit the application page of the [wrightwoodblues.org](http://wrightwoodblues.org) website.

## Classes @ the WAC

Time is running out, but slots are still open for several courses at the Wrightwood Arts Center, as part of the Keyboard Arts winter/spring semester. For more information and to register for these and other classes in music, art, movement, food and hands on science, visit [keyboardart.com](http://keyboardart.com)

## Wine & Watercolors

Wine and Watercolors with Gayle Dowling has moved to February 9th, 1 p.m. The \$35 fee at the door includes all materials, wine, and fun!

## Looking Ahead

**MAR. 3 (SUNDAY) 10:00 A.M. (START)**

### Adventure Tour to Cabot's Pueblo Museum

(67616 Desert View Ave, Desert Hot Springs)

The WAC will be putting together carpools to Cabot's for this event. Lunch is also tentatively planned at Essence at Two Bunch Palms (not included in cost). Member RSVP deadline: Monday, January 14th (can sign up at meeting). Open to public after January 14. \$20 members, \$25, non-members. Please RSVP to Lynn at [lynnjcrowford@gmail.com](mailto:lynnjcrowford@gmail.com) with number in party and if you are willing to drive. Visit the [cabotsmuseum.org](http://cabotsmuseum.org) for more information on the museum.

**MAR. 10 (SUNDAY) 2:00 P.M. (START)**

### Centerstage: Bodie Mountain Express

(WW Community Center, 1275 Highway 2)

The Centerstage Wrightwood concert series presents Bodie Mountain Express. \$20 admission at the door. Village Grind will sell beer and wine.

**MAR. 31 (SUNDAY) 2:00 P.M. (START)**

### Paradise Camp Fundraiser

(WW Community Center, 1275 Highway 2)

Gayle and Company will play folk music, with special guests George Keene, and Loran & Michelle. \$20 per person at the door. Doors open at 1:30pm. Beer and wine available for purchase by the Village Grind. Proceeds benefit the victims of the Camp Fire in Paradise, CA and will be distributed by the Chico Boys and Girls Club.

## More Information

This monthly arts newsletter is a publication of the Wrightwood Arts Center, working to support artists and arts organizations within the Wrightwood community. To view the full community calendar, subscribe to this newsletter, or to become a member, visit our website.