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1. Updates!

We are very happy to announce that **Penelope Gleason** of Bootdoctors and **Sharon Caplan** of Deva Yoga Studio (and the Washington DC ballet) joined our board in June. With the addition of these two lovely women, we have a well-rounded board with superb arts insights! Also we are pleased to welcome **Evan Tueller** as our Student Representative to the Board and **Lindsey Kreft** as our new Manager for the Stronghouse Studios Artists' Cooperative! We are also adding a "Kiddie Korner" to our Stronghouse openings, where children of any age are welcome to draw while their parents peruse our latest opening!

2. Small Grants: Additional funding for artists and arts organizations

TCAH announced increased funding this year to artists and arts and humanities organizations working in San Miguel County. Due to the generosity of our funding sources, Small Grants were offered for up to \$2,000 in project funding and \$500 for education fellowships. We awarded \$7,500 in March; \$2,000 to graduating seniors in arts scholarships in May; and \$16,500 to artists and organizations in September. Through Homegrown Performance Series in cooperation with the Colorado Council for the Arts, we awarded \$21,250 to local performing arts groups. This amounts to a total of **\$47,250** in grant funding allocated by TCAH in Telluride!

We were excited to see our Small Grants and Homegrown Performance Grants being used this spring for **Sheridan Opera House Young People's Theatre** presentation of "Annie Get Your Gun" in April, and **Telluride Dance Academy's** 5th annual Spring Recital at the Palm in May. Summer Grants included **Telluride Mountain Sprouts'** starting a one-week intensive "Theatre Magic Drama Intensive" for preschoolers; and **Telluride Academy Mudd Butts'** continuation of their successful Mystery Theatre Troupe. **Judy Kohin** used her fellowship funds to further her study of encaustic painting, and offered a seminar at Stronghouse and a demonstration at Ah-Haa in September after completion of her studies.

We are looking forward to seeing our Small Grants and Homegrown Performance Grants used this fall and winter for Norwood's **Livery Playhouse** (Wright Stuff Foundation) starting a drama camp for teens; **Dan Hanley's** "Church of Celebrityology" free-to-public "one time tent revival" for laughs; **Duncan Mackenzie** sundial unveiling in Mountain Village; **Valerie Madonia's** "Salon Dance" performance; **Rachel Lackey's** kindergarten art poster; **Telluride Institute's** "Grandmothers" weekend, part of their October sustainability month; **Telluride Historical Museum's** oral histories project on Telluride's Italian influence, **CoolSculpt's** annual event in January in Mountain Village; **Jeb Berrier's** holiday performance this December; and **Rebecca Pugh/Mountainbirth**, \$2000 for alternate birthing & childcare seminar in Spanish.

3. Beaux Arts Ball

January blessed us with amazing snow and the arrival of Hazel Miller, here with her band to highlight our 2007 Beaux Arts Ball. The theme was cabaret, and attendees reveled in hats, boas and beads in a black, red and white theme. Dancing to the amazing soul siren, and dressed in anything goes!, everyone had a wonderful time.

The Silent Auction raised almost \$10,000 and we were proud to be sponsored by American National Bank, Mountain Village Owners' Association, Nevasca Realty, Inc., and Jim Jenkins and Sharon Caplan. The 2007 Beaux Arts Ball raised the most money yet for the arts in Telluride.

Look for a great event next January 26th, with Hazel at 7pm at the Sheridan Opera House in town! It's the 2007 Beaux Arts Brazilian Carnival: **Red Hot + Rio!** Sassy!

4. Art Walk

TCAH was proud to bring the Telluride Art Walk to locals and visitors alike in 2007. The Art Walk is a community event in which local studios and galleries agree to stay open "late 'til 8" the First Thursday of every month (except for off-season). Stronghouse Studios, Ah-Haa Silver Bell Gallery, the Telluride Gallery of Fine Art, Lustre, Lucas Gallery, Wilderness Wonders, Telluride Historical Museum, Elinoff & Co., Dolce Gallery, and Lyceum Arts participated in Telluride. Mountain Village venues include Telluride Mountain Gallery and Winston Gallery of Fine Art. We hope to expand this wonderful collaborative event and further the mission of cultivating a partnership between Telluride businesses and the arts community to promote established and emerging artists, local commerce, and public access to the arts. We are proud to continue this celebration for 2008! If interested in joining, email renee@telluridearts.org by **Tuesday, October 2^d**. For more information, visit our website, www.telluridearts.org and click on "Art Walk".

5. Stronghouse Studios

Stronghouse Studios has had a great 2007 to date. August found us at full capacity. January showcased the abstract photography of newcomer **Hudson Cress**. February highlighted the encaustic (wax) paintings of **Sarah "Sequoia" Gordon**, with the best sales to date. March announced the custom jewelry of **Alison Mackey** (www.mackeysmark.com), featuring lovely wearable art. May hosted **Adele Hammond** during MountainFilm; June showed the wood, glass and metal structures of **Daniel Kanow**, with July welcoming **Brittany Miller's** latest acrylic paintings. August highlighted **Elaine Fischer's** abstracts (her second show with Stronghouse), with September showcasing **Sara Chaffin's** inventive drawings. Congratulations on your first shows, everyone!

During each off-season, we show a group show of our resident Stronghouse Artists (jewelry, drawings, painting and sculpture). This December, Stronghouse Studios will feature **Susan McCormick's** vibrant watercolors. Each artist's opening reception occurs the First Thursday of the month, from 5-8 p.m. (coinciding with the Art Walk), and we are pleased to add the "**Kiddie Korner**" with art supplies for children of any age to draw during our opening receptions. Stronghouse Studios is open every Thursday from 12 to 6 p.m., so stop by and see what your neighbors and friends are creating! Stronghouse has over 20 locals participating in an open, loft-like historic setting, and is located at 283 South Fir in Telluride. For more information about any Stronghouse program, or to join our studio waitlist, please call the Studios Manager at 970-728-8959 or email lindsey@telluridearts.org.

Seminars: We would also like to thank **Bruce Gomez** (Pastel Artist), **Barbel Hacke** (Telluride Gallery of Fine Art) and **Judy Kohin** (Encaustic Artist and "Valley Cows" artist) for their participation in Stronghouse's new lecture series. Each of Bruce's lecture, "How I made it as an artist"; Barbel's lecture "How to approach a gallery as an artist"; and Judy's lecture "What is Encaustic Painting" drew approximately 15 attendees in February March, and September, respectively. Look forward to more seminars next year, including one by Meredith Nemirov on Artist in Residency programs in early April 2008!

Art Walk Venues:

[Stronghouse](#)

[Ah-Haa](#)

[Gallery of Fine Art](#)

[Lustre](#)

[Lucas Gallery](#)

[Wilderness Wonders](#)

[Historical Museum](#)

[Dolce Gallery](#)

[Elinoff](#)

Lyceum: ktvnow@aol.com

[Mountain Gallery](#) (MV)

[Winston Gallery](#) (MV)

Stronghouse Artists as of October 1st:

Elaine Fischer

Amy Poinsett

Josephine Fallenius

Christina Parker

Daniel Kanow

Corinne Creel

Priscilla Wells

Sara Chaffin

Jennifer Harding

Sequoia Gordon

Marika Honychurch

Susan Rahmann

Jeffrey Schaefer

Carisa Ames

Mark Goldfogel

Jeff Haldeman

Ryan Smith

Liz Lance

6. Collaboration & Mentorships

One-to-One: TCAH's Stronghouse Studios artist cooperative was proud to collaborate with **One-to-One** to provide Artist Mentors to three local high school students in 2007. In January, **Layton Hebert**, hosted a show at the Nugget Theatre of the photography he developed with his Stronghouse mentor, photographer **Wyatt Glynn**. **Galerie Framing** was kind enough to help him finish his abstract photography. In May, **Julian Misliuc** partnered with sculptor **Daniel Kanow** to work during Mountain Film's gallery walk. And **Katie Pape** worked closely with watercolorist **Priscilla Wells** to further develop her creative side at Stronghouse Studios!

Ah-Haa: TCAH was also proud to collaborate with Ah-Haa School of Art to sponsor a live auction painting by Brittany Miller as part of their annual fundraiser in late July; provide a darkroom for a children's photography class in August; and to host Judy Kohin's informative seminar on encaustic painting before a class at AhHaa in September.

Local Festivals: TCAH also worked alongside **MountainFilm** to host Adele Hammond during the 2007 event; and TCAH "paired" with the **Wine Festival** to bring the first annual Wine Festival Arts Fair, hosting over 16 artists and organizations, held July 1st in Elks Park. Each December, TCAH helps the **Telluride Artisan's Guild** produce their Holiday Bazaar at the Telluride High School, showcasing local artists and artisans.

Galleries & Studios: Additionally, TCAH collaborates with 9 other local galleries to produce the **Art Walk**, whereby local galleries and studios stay open "late 'til 8" the first Thursday of every (on-season) month, in an effort to cultivate a partnership between Telluride businesses and the arts community to promote established and emerging artists, local commerce, and public access to the arts.

7. Desktop Fundraising Calendar

Desktop Calendar Fundraiser: TCAH is excited to unveil its newest project, a stand-up, spiral-bound small desktop easel calendar highlighting local artists and their artwork for 2008. Each elegant colorful image is of the Telluride region or inspired by the Telluride region, and this calendar is the first in a (hopeful) annual calendar! Because of their size, they tuck nicely into small spaces, such as desktops, computer tables—even kitchen counters—where they function as miniature galleries, with the artwork changing from month to month.

The 2008 calendar, "Close to Home," highlights paintings, photography and prints by San Miguel County artists **Roger Mason, MD Famous Artist, Susan McCormick, Bruce Gomez, Ellen Brody, Meredith Nemirov, Judy Kohin, Leigh Seikel, Kathryn Vinson Tatum, Sheri Worth and Amy Poinsett**. Calendars will be available after November 1st at TCAH (283 South Fir), during Noel Night, at the Holiday Bazaar (Dec. 7-9 at the High School), at Bootdoctors in Mountain Village, and by phone at 728-3930. The calendars come with custom envelopes, ready to send, perfect for a holiday gift. All proceeds from calendar sales are used to support TCAH programming. Prices are \$12 each or \$10 each for orders of 10 or more. For more information and photos of the calendar, visit www.telluridearts.org and click on "2008 Fundraising Calendar" or ask any of our board members for more information!

8. 2007 So Far!

Grants: TCAH funded several students, artists and arts organization in 2007, in conjunction with funding from CCAASE, Telluride Foundation, MVOA and San Miguel County, including:

2007 John McCarron Memorial Student Art Scholarships (\$2000):

Ajax Davis, Telluride, \$500 for Fort Lewis College, Durango

Patrick Kelley, Telluride, \$500 for U.C. Boulder

Julian Misliuc, Telluride, \$500 for Fort Lewis College, Durango

Jon Roberts, Norwood, \$500 for Adams State College

Small Grant & Artist Fellowship Awards (over \$24,000):

Judy Kohin, \$500 fellowship to study encaustic painting
Telluride Academy/Mudd Butts, \$1000 for low-income scholarships for theater troupe
Dan Hanley, \$1000 to produce one-night "tent revival" for Church of Celebritology
Mountain Sprouts, \$1000 for set design for Magic Theatre one-week intensive
Livery Playhouse, \$2000 for summer theatre program for Norwood teens
Deb Dion, \$2000 for a local writing project
Meredith Nemirov, \$500 fellowship towards her artist in residency at Anderson Ranch
Andy Krueger, \$2000 for Mountain Village's CoolSculpt 2008 snow sculpting contest
Valerie Madonia, \$2000 for dance performance in Mountain Village non-theatre venue
Telluride Dance Academy, \$2000 for their spring 2008 annual dance performance
Rachel Lackey, \$1000 to create a "Telluride Alphabet" poster for local kindergartens
Telluride Institute, \$2000 for their "Grandmothers" sustainability weekend this October
Telluride Historical Museum, \$1135 for the "Telluride Italian Influence" oral histories
Telluride Lindy Society, \$1870 to bring learning-disabled youth to Telluride
Jeb Berrier, \$2000 for a December holiday performance
Rebecca Pugh/Mountainbirth, \$2000 for alternate birthing & childcare seminar in Spanish

Homegrown Performance Grant Awards (\$21,250):

Over \$21,000 went to the following organizations in 2006-07, in conjunction with funding from Colorado Council on the Arts:

Heartbeat, a women's a capella group, for their annual concert on June 30th
Sheridan Arts Foundation Young People's Theatre, to build sets for Annie Get your Gun
Repertory Theatre's Show and Tell Play Readings, for readings around town
Telluride Academy, for the annual Mudd Butts Mystery Theatre in August
Telluride Choral Society, for the Bach to Baroque Masterworks in February
Telluride Dance Academy, for their 5th annual spring recital in June
Second Stage, to produce January's "Living Out" and June's "Free Box Show"
Writer's Guild, to produce "Write Here, Write Now" in March
TCTV, to document each performance

Stronghouse Studios Artist Openings: Hudson Cress (Abstract Photography), Sequoia Gordon (encaustic paintings), Alison Mackey (custom jewelry), Daniel Kanow (sculpture and glass), Brittany Miller (painting), Elaine Fischer (abstract painting) and Sara Chaffin (drawings) opened each month at Stronghouse Studio's Gallery in 2007. Alison exhibits her jewelry at Telluride Gallery of Fine Art, and Amy Poinsett (Dec. 2006) also exhibits at Gallerie Framing's Local Walls Gallery. Look forward to a December show by our own watercolorist extraordinaire, Susan McCormick.

Members & Support: Thank you to all who generously donated to the Telluride Council for the Arts and Humanities in 2007 and previous years for your amazing support. All of the money raised supported TCAH programs, including the Small Grants and Artist Fellowship Program, the Homegrown Performance Series, the Stronghouse Studios artist cooperative, and the Telluride Art Walk. Our non-profit organization has one of the lowest percentages in Telluride of administrative and fundraising costs (25%). Fully 75% of the funds raised goes towards programming! Please see the last page for a list of our donors. We would not exist without the generosity of our local governments, foundations, corporations, individuals, and all of our members like you. **Thanks for a great 2007 so far!** For more information about donations, please visit www.telluridearts.org/support.htm or call 728-3930.

9. Events Calendar

Please mark your calendar for the following upcoming events (info on all events is available at our website, www.telluridearts.org or by contacting info@telluridearts.org):

2007:

Nov 1: TCAH Fundraiser Calendars available- the perfect holiday gift!

Dec 6: Stronghouse: Opening Reception for Susan McCormick's watercolors, and Stronghouse's Second Anniversary Party, and Telluride [Art Walk](#)

Dec 7-9: Telluride Artisan Guild's Annual Holiday Bazaar, @High School. The event

showcases local arts, textiles, sculpture, jewelry, holiday adornments, gourmet foods & chocolates, and is a great opportunity to gather local handcrafted items this holiday season. For more information/to register, visit www.telluridearts.org/bazaar

2008:

Jan 3: Stronghouse: Telluride Art Walk/Opening for Jennifer Harding's photography

Jan 26: [Beaux Arts Ball](#): Fundraiser for the arts in Telluride featuring Hazel Miller Band at the Sheridan Opera House! The theme for 2008 is "Brazilian Carnival: Red Hot + Rio". Are you red, hot & ready? Buy your tickets at Wizard or telluridetickets.com starting in December. Should be a fun night, full of costumes, dancing (by 10,000 feet) & frivolity! Contact info@telluridearts.org if you would like to donate or volunteer!

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Thank you 2007 TCAH Donors and Volunteers! We thank all of our donors for their contributions, allowing us to champion the arts in Telluride and San Miguel County with their generous support! And thanks to all of our volunteers who helped make our 2007 events such a success!

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- Daniel Kanow
- Mary Fedorka
- All of our members and volunteers

If you are interested in sponsoring or volunteering for the 2008 Beaux Arts Ball on January 26, 2008 (Red Hot +Rio, a Brazilian Carnival!, Saturday at 7p), please email us at info@telluridearts.org.