# CREATIVE EDGE

VISUAL ARTS HIGHLIGHTS

#### Man of means

A reception to honor Ouray Meyers' many years of accomplishment and dedication to the Taos art community is Saturday (Sept. 27) from 4-7 p.m. at Ouray's Fine Arts – being Fall Arts Committee chairman for 9 years, Fall Arts Life Time Achievement Award recipient, first-time Blumenshein Award winner, 12-year organizer of Child Rite auctions and as president of the Taos County Chamber of Commerce, set up art shows in the visitor center to benefit all Taos artists, to name a few.

Join the celebration at Ouray's Fine Arts, 103 Paseo del Pueblo Norte. Admission is free. For more, call (575) 737-9292.

#### **Textile treasures**

The annual invitational Taos Recycle Rag-Quilt Show by Wholly Rags hosts an opening reception for the artists Friday (Sept. 26) 4-5 p.m. at Taos Public Library, 402 Camino de la Placita.

The artists included in the show are Violette Alby, Melissa Larson, Terrie Hancock Mangat, Summer Starr, Yamato and Minori Yata

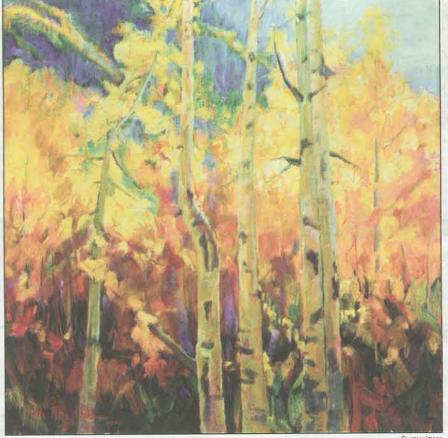
The show focuses on using recycled fabric gathered from remnants and cloth scraps to create original visions, from rags to riches. "We thank the Taos Public Library and those who helped hang the work," Larson said in a press release. "Wholly Rags is dedicated to conserving resources, teaching sewing and promoting creative uses for discarded materials. We recycle tons of clothes and manufacture patchwork products from recycled materials."

For more information, call Wholly Rags (575) 751-9862 or see whollyrags.org.

# Cami Thompson at Taos Art Museum

The Taos Art Museum at Fechin House presents "Cami Thompson: Love, Light, and the Pursuit of Art Exploring the Natural World through Art" Saturday (Sept. 27) through Dec. 4.

The daughter and granddaughter of master rose gardeners, the artist Thompson both grows and paints flowers in her garden near Questa, north of Taos. "Painting flowers makes me smile!" she says simply. Nonetheless her love of natural forms and color extends far beyond the boundaries of her garden. Paintings that span the entire range of Thompson's subject matter will be on exhibition at the Taos Art Museum at Fechin House this fall. Viewers will be able to chart the artist's course from the intimacy



Courtesy image

The Taos Art Museum at Fechin House features an exhibition of works by Cami Thompson titled, 'Love, Light, and the Pursuit of Art Exploring the Natural World through Art' beginning Saturday (Sept. 27).

of her flower gardens to the grandeur of the Rio Grande del Norte National Monument and the seasons of the Valle Vidal, in paintings from 1995 to the present. What these paintings have in common is the search for gesture, a sense of movement that unites all forms, whether dancing children, blossoming flowers, or the light falling on a mountainside. The Taos Art Museum at Fechin House is located at 227 Paseo del Pueblo Norte. For more information, (575) 758-2690, ext 101 or visit taosartmuseum.org.

#### **Meet Taos pastel masters**

Wilder Nightingale Fine Art fetes three well-known and highly regarded Taos artists during the 40th Taos Fall Arts Festival: Kathleen Smith, Margaret Nes and Valerie Graves. Meet the artists of "The Art of Pastel" at a free reception Saturday, (Sept. 27) from 5-7 p.m. at the gallery, located at 119 Kit Carson Road in Taos. Preview the show at wnightingale.com. For more information, call (575) 758-3255.

#### **Up-n-comer**

Local Taos artist Jivan Lee debuts his

second solo show, "Sky Above | Earth Below" with an opening reception Friday (Sept. 26) from 5-8 p.m. at Heinley Fine Arts Southwest. According to press materials, last year Lee's show was "sold out" because of "work that uniquely represents the romantic and timeless images we associate with Taos." Saturday and Sunday (Sept. 27 and 28) from 2-4 p.m., Lee will be present for meet-the-artist chats about his new work.

For more information, preview at heinleyfineartswcom, email info@heinleyfineartsw. com or call (617) 947-9016.

#### **Pueblo potters show**

Meet Pueblo potters Martha Appleleaf and Erik Fender of San Ildefonso Pueblo on Saturday (Sept. 27) from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Their style is reminiscent of Appleleaf's aunt Maria Martinez, Fender is this year's Indian Market First-Place winner for painted designs on black or red burnished pottery.

Chimayo Trading Del Norte is at 1 St. Francis Church Plza, Ranchos de Taos.

For more information see chimayotrading. com. or call (575) 758-0504.

### **Magical realism**

Sage Fine Art is hosting "Magical Realism," an opening for local and nationally recognized watercolor artist, Lynn McLain, on Saturday (Sept. 27) from 4-7:00 p.m.

The show includes paintings from Canyon de Chelly, Ghost Ranch and the Rio Grande Gorge. Food and beverages provided. Sage is located at 115-C East Taos Plaza. Call (575) 758-9396.

## Talpa library fundraiser

A once-day only sale of paintings by deceased artist Grant Besley to benefit Talpa's Public Library, is Saturday (Sept. 27), 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Talpa Community Center, 4 Archuleta Road, off State Road 518, Talpa. Contact Effic Romero, talpacommunitycenter@yahoo.com or (575) 751-1014 or 741-6430.

# Fall Arts artists special

Envision Gallery and Magpie team up to celebrate local artists for Taos Fall Arts with a Gallery Showcase and Artist Open House, Saturday (Sept. 27) from 4-7 p.m. at Overland Ranch, four miles north of Taos Plaza in El Praod. For more information, visit envisiongallery.net or contact gerogiagersh@hotmail.com. Phone (781) 248-0166.

#### **TFAF** paint-outs

■ Paint-n-Sculpt-Out with Sally Russell,
TRQ and friends on the lush grounds of the
Hive Salon Oxygen Bar Gallery, 300 Kit Carson
Road at Burch Street in Taos. For the next two
Sundays (Sept. 28 and Oct. 5) from 1-4 p.m.
Join 'em for refreshments and "the joy of
painting and sculpting."

■ A "Paint Out" with Peggy Immel and Michelle Chrisman, Clarence Medina, Coni Grant, Susan McCullough and many more artists is Saturday (Sept. 27) 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., painting along Kit Carson Road to celebrate 40 years of Fall Arts, hosted by Wilder Nightingale Fine Art, 119 Kit Carson Road. Call (575) 758-3255 or info@wnightingale.com.

# Free museum-Saturday

Millicent Rogers Museum and the Kit
Carson Home & Museum are participating
Saturday (Sept. 27) with more than 1,000
other museums across the country, in the free
admission policy of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C., as a part of Smithsonian Magazine's 10th Annual Museum Day
Live! For a full list of the museums participating in your area, see smithsonianmag.com/
museumday/venues/. Download tickets at
Smithsonianmag.com/museumdaylive.

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