

# Student portraits among new exhibits

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**L**andscapes, portraits, abstracts and sculpture — August's First Friday Art Stroll has it all. The First Friday Art Stroll starts at 6 p.m. next Friday in downtown Ogden. Many of the neighborhood galleries stay open until 9 p.m., giving strollers the opportunity to check out the new exhibits and meet the artists. Most of the participating art venues are along Historic 25th Street, from Wall Avenue to Washington Boulevard, making it possible to walk from gallery to gallery. A few more are on surrounding streets. Admission is free.

For more information about the stroll, call (801) 393-3866 or visit the Ogden Arts website, [www.artsogden.org](http://www.artsogden.org).

- **Universe City** is covering gallery walls with the product of an artistic venture — portrait posters created by students in a Venture Course in the Humanities.

The Venture program is a partnership between the Weber State University Telitha E. Lindquist College of Arts & Humanities and the Utah Humanities Council. It's a nine-month college-level course designed to help low-income adults further their education and gain confidence in their academic and social abilities. Participants receive a scholarship to study literature, critical writing and thinking, art history, American history and philosophy. Completion of the class is worth 10 college credits, which may help some participants start earning a degree.

The portraits on display were created by students in the program. Using skills learned in class, they interviewed each other, then created posters that communicate stories and characteristics about each person in the class.

Reception, 5-8 p.m. next Friday at 2556 Washington Blvd., Ogden. The exhibit continues 5-8 p.m. Fridays, and 1-6 p.m. Saturdays, through Aug. 21. Other hours by appointment. (801) 458-



A Venture Course poster, on display with other students' posters at Universe City in Ogden.

8959. Free.

- **Union Station** opens two new exhibits on Aug. 6.

Gallery at the Station, just off the Grand Lobby, hosts work by Mark Willard, Joe Deru and Carlisle.

Carlisle, an artist from Salt Lake City who goes by just one name, is showing nonrepresentational abstract paintings.

"I don't title my work, but reference paintings by outstanding color and size," said Carlisle. "I want people to look at it

and let a connection come between them and the painting."

By not giving images a title, she leaves possibilities for the viewers wide open.

"I don't want to direct them in any way — emotionally or visually," she said. "I want it, hopefully, to make a connection with them just through the visual experience."

Willard, of Brigham City, is exhibiting landscape paintings. Deru, of Marriott-Slaterville, creates bowls and sculptures by turning wood.

Gallery 51, also in Union Station, is showcasing art by Weber State University students William Merritts and Kyle Wilcox.

Reception, 6-8 p.m. next Friday at 2501 Wall Ave., Ogden. Both exhibits continue 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, through Aug. 31. 801-393-9890. Free.

- **Ogden Arts** has an exhibit of photographs by MaryKay D. Hall, of Ogden. Hall's images are of landscapes and nature.

Reception, 6-9 p.m. next Friday in the street-level suites at 2484 Washington Blvd., Ogden. The show continues 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday, through August. (801) 393-3866. Free.

- **The Eccles Community Art Center** will not be participating in August's art stroll. The current exhibit, the 36th Annual Statewide Competition, continues through Aug. 28.

The art center is open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays, and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays, at 2580 Jefferson Ave., Ogden. (801) 392-6935. Free.

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- **Antelope Island State Park**, which is not part of the First Friday Art Stroll, is opening a new exhibit on Monday. The visitor center will be filled with works by members of the Palette Club of Ogden, on display through Sept. 30.

The visitor center is open 9 a.m.-6 p.m. daily. To get to Antelope Island, take Interstate 15's Exit 332 and head west on Antelope Drive through Syracuse. Admission is \$9 per vehicle. (801) 725-9263.

## ON STAGE

### Joseph dons his dreamcoat

SYRACUSE — "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" opens for a three-day run on Thursday.

The Andrew Lloyd Webber musical, based on the Bible story of favored son Joseph, sold into slavery by his jealous brothers, will be presented at 7 p.m. Thursday through Aug. 7 at Syracuse

High School, 665 S. 2000 West. A 2 p.m. show also will be offered Aug. 7.

Tickets are \$6, \$5 for students and seniors with ID, and for children. Tickets will be available at the door.

### Composer, lyricist work it out

WASHINGTON TERRACE — A wisecracking composer and an off-

kilter lyricist don't make beautiful music together, at least at first, in Neil Simon's "They're Playing Our Song."

The musical, with book lyrics by Carole Bayer Sager and music by Marvin Hamlisch, opens a week from tonight at the Terrace Plaza Playhouse.

Based on the relationship of Hamlisch and Sager, the 1978 show features tunes including "I Still Believe

in Love," "Workin' It Out" and the title song.

The show, which features the couple and their own personal choruses, plays at 7:30 p.m. Mondays, Fridays and Saturdays, Aug. 6 through Sept. 11, at Terrace Plaza Playhouse, 99 E. 4700 South. Tickets are \$10 to \$12, with discounts for students and seniors. Call 801-393-0070 for information.