

Wishing You A  
Happy New Year



# Happy New Year!

Plans for a Joyous Art-filled 2008 have been made by the Emanuel Arts Council. Visual and Performing Arts and Children's Activities are some of the ways to experience the arts in Emanuel County through the efforts of the EAC.

An exciting and innovative year for the Arts, 2007 brought new events to our community. The Second Saturday Art Stroll started the year out in January which also saw the opening of the Gallery RFD. The Downtown Commission for Arts and Commerce was formed with the mission to help revitalize downtown Swainsboro through the arts. The Kalmanson Gallery had two especially interesting and unique exhibits. One was "Art and the Motorcycle" which included the machines as artwork and the other was the first of its kind ever gallery showing of Art Cards which had 356 pieces of really small art. EAC

presented a rock concert, along with Emanu'Ole Opry and "Some Enchanted Evening." Open Mic nights continued. There were three different Children's Summer Art Camps. The Arts Emanuel Festival had its third successful year. The LaPetite Series for Young Audiences brought live performances to Emanuel County students.

In 2008, look forward to the Emanu'Ole Opry, Abatsu Dancers, other live performances, a large variety art exhibits at several locations and the fourth Arts Emanuel.

# Art Beat

January &  
February  
2008

## Basketry Class

Local artist Sandra McGurn will instruct a two night basketry class at the EAC Center. The class will meet on January 15 and 22 from 6-8pm. Cost is \$35, which covers material and instruction.

## EAC Travels

New for 2008! The Emanuel Arts Council has organized a trip to Atlanta to visit the Fox Theatre to see "The Drowsy Chaperon." The Saturday matinee performance takes place January 26. EAC will sell a limited number of tickets at a discounted price and help to coordinate transportation. This could be the first in a series of excursions to various locations with artistic interest to the people of Emanuel County.



## Changes in Our Local Art Scene

Gallery RFD co-founder Anthony Faris has taken the position of Director of Downtown Development for the City of Swainsboro. He will continue to promote the arts in our community, serve on the EAC board, and participate in the arts..

*Congratulations, Anthony!*

Working with co-director Bryan Ghiloni, Mary Wilson of Athens will be the new Education and Outreach co-director at the Gallery RFD. Having worked as a curator, curatorial researcher, teacher and art review, she has also had experience with non-profit organizations.

*Welcome, Mary!*

Learn More about the Emanuel Arts Council at [EmanuelArts.org](http://EmanuelArts.org).






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## Second Saturday Art Strolls

Celebrating their first anniversary, the Gallery RFD will exhibit "The Art of Communication" with all new pieces. Last year's inaugural showing of this exhibit of mailed artwork drew 357 entries. Opening during the February 9 Art Stroll, "The New World" America will explore how America has been defined historically and is being viewed in the world today. Other art venues in Swainsboro include the Kalmanson Gallery, Jack's Java Cove, 114 West Main, Folds Photography and more. Art Strolls are from 5-8pm. Concerts begin at 8pm in Emanuel Arts Auditorium. For January, Arum Rae returns for her third concert in Swainsboro. Josh Roberts and the Hinges, indie rock band from Columbia, SC, take the Stroll stage in February.

Visit [GalleryRFD.org](http://GalleryRFD.org) for more information on the gallery and the Art Strolls.

## The Kalmanson

ON VIEW IN THE KALMANSON GALLERY IN JANUARY WILL BE PHOTOGRAPHS BY LOCAL ARTIST TERRY BROWN. OPENING RECEPTION FOR THE EXHIBIT WILL BE JANUARY 12 FROM 5-8PM. BEGINNING FEBRUARY 9, A PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDY OF NATIVE AMERICANS BY MILLEDGEVILLE PHOTOGRAPHER EMILY GOMEZ WILL BE ON DISPLAY. OPENING RECEPTION WILL BE FROM 5-8PM. THE KALMANSON GALLERY IS LOCATED IN THE EMANUEL ARTS CENTER ON THE CORNER OF CHURCH & GREEN STREETS AND IS OPEN WEEKDAYS FROM 10AM-2PM.



Emanuel Arts appreciate the contributions made by Dayfall members Grayson Johnson, Benji Taylor, Scott Jarard, Blake Nimmons, and Shane DeLoach and by Sound Crazy of Vidalia to the recent EAC fundraiser.

# Open Mic Nights!



beginning at 7pm.

January 7 & 21

February 4 & 18

At Jack's Java Cove in Swainsboro

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