

Art Ability Fair

Thursday, April 14, 2016 9:00 am-1:30 pm
 Biloxi Civic Center, 578 Howard Ave, Biloxi (new location)



School age children with disabilities and adults with developmental disabilities are invited to register for this free event.

THE 2016 EVENT IS THEMED "It's A Jungle In Here"

A safari themed event...the participants will learn about wild animals through art and be escorted by the volunteer safari guides.

WEAR A COSTUME OR BORROW OURS FOR YOUR PHOTO

The Art Ability Fair is a fun filled day of art and entertainment. This 7th annual art event is hosted by Disability Connection, with the help of partnering organizations. The Art Fair is brought in recognition of Learning Disabilities Awareness Month and Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month. Art projects include painting, pottery, face-painting, crafts, glamour/acting makeover, dancing, music, and photography. Some of the student's art will be photographed for an on-line art gallery, and an art show display is hosted by the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center, Walter Anderson Museum of Art, & the Knight Nonprofit Center. Each participant will receive a bag of goodies & information on community resources.

Lunch is provided. **Pre-Registration is encouraged** as art supplies, food, and volunteers require advanced planning, but last minute attendees are welcome. Please submit the Registration Form for your facility or for an individual if they are not attending a group facility, by April 1st. Donations of \$5 per student are appreciated but not required to assist with expenses.



To Pre-Register Art Students & Volunteers Send form to:

Disability Connection, 700 Pass Rd, Gulfport & Ocean Springs City Hall
 For Information 228-604-4020, FX: 228-284-4419, Office@DisabilityConnection.org

FACILITY OR INDIVIDUAL PRE-REGISTRATION

**Facilities should pre-register as a group and provide an estimate of attendance.
Individuals not coming with a group may register as an individual.**

Estimated arrival time: _____. Estimated departure time: _____.

We estimate bringing _____ individuals with disabilities and _____ support individuals.

Name of Facility or Individual _____
Contact Person _____ Position _____
Address _____ Mailing Address _____
Phone _____ Cell phone _____
Contact Email _____

More Detail on Activities will be available before event.

It is not necessary to select individual activities- as all will be available. (Volunteers will assist.)

Requires the lowest skill level for participation:

1. Stage Performances
2. Select a Safari costume for your Photo and Star Performance
3. Professional Makeup for your Star Performance- artists with Mary C O'Keefe Cultural Center and volunteer artists
4. African Music, "Lion King" Music, Instruments, and Sing Along-Chaz Mikell, Chazmania Productions
5. Dancing
6. Professional Photo in Safari Costumed Attire-(Select from two photo stations) photo to bring home-George Guthrie, Greg Wilson, Amelia Tomsic, and Keely O'Keefe Photographers (We encourage you to bring a school camera for personal photos, but please label with name and school)
7. Learning about Pottery- O'Keefe Studio and guest potters

Requires a moderate skill level for participation:

1. Hand-Building Pottery to take home- Gerrol Benigno of Studio G
2. Make a Safari Themed Bag for your pottery- Artists with the MS Dept of Rehabilitation
3. Safari Block Printing-Artists with the Walter Anderson Museum of Art
4. Jungle Animal Masks- Artists with the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center
5. Safari Binoculars-Artists with the Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art
6. Wheel-thrown Pottery-Kevin O'Keefe of O'Keefe Studio and Kevin Bethea, potters

Partnering Organizations:

Walter Anderson Museum of Art, Mary C. O'Keefe Cultural Center, O'Keefe Studio, MS Dept of Rehabilitation, Studio G, Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art, Lynn Meadows Discovery Center, Chazmania Productions, Starbucks, Gulfport Job Corps, and community art organizations, artists, photographers, and volunteers. Students, Parents, & Friends are invited to volunteer.