

# Art Ability Fair

Thursday, April 6, 2017 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 2017 EVENT IS THEMED "Under the Big Top"

Participants will learn about art and have fun with the clowns and circus performers.

### WEAR A COSTUME OR BORROW OURS FOR YOUR PHOTO

The Art Ability Fair is a fun filled day of art and entertainment. This 8th 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, crafts, dancing, and music. Students get to select makeup and costume for a professional photo in front of a themed background. 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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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](mailto: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 Performing-Dance or sit and enjoy the show.
2. Professional Makeup for your Star Performance- artists with Mary C O'Keefe Cultural Center and volunteer artists
3. Music, Instruments, and Sing Along with Karaoke -Chaz Mikell, Chazmania Productions
4. Professional Photo in Circus Costumed Attire-(Select from two photo stations) photo to bring home-George Guthrie, Greg Wilson, and Amelia Tomsic Photographers (We encourage you to bring a school camera for personal photos, but please label with name and school)
5. 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 Circus Themed Bag for your pottery- Artists with the MS Dept of Rehabilitation
3. Circus Themed art project-Artists with the Walter Anderson Museum of Art
4. Animal Themed Project- Artist with the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center
5. Make a Circus Themed Craft -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, MS Department of Rehabilitation, and community art organizations, artists, photographers, and volunteers. Art Students, School Clubs, Parents & Friends are invited to volunteer.