



Newsletter

Summer 2016

::: Suzi Hudson :::

"Every action of our lives touches on some chord that will vibrate in eternity."

- Edwin Hubbell Chapin

What's the most wonderful time of the year? SUMMER!

WBCA's inspirational **Heart 4 Art** event turns up the heat again offering a "triple-crown" day: breakfast, lunch, and dinner on **May 12th** at the spacious and beautiful Vadnais Heights Commons. **Heart 4 Art** is WBCA's most important pillar of support, and you are the most important part of its strength. This is your opportunity to "give back" to the art center you love and ensure the joys of the arts are accessible to all members of the community. There will be plenty of room, so **call WBCA today** at (651) 407-0597 if you still need to reserve your seat at the table.

This summer, the **Ford Family Gallery** will inspire us to go beyond ourselves, exhibiting the work of internationally renowned photographer Douglas Beasley in *Beyond the Selfie: Going Deeper into Meaning & Metaphor*. Mr. Beasley has invited work from eight highly accomplished photographers for this exhibit, which opens on June 6th.

In July, the gallery will celebrate Minnesotans' love for nature with our first Plein Air exhibition, featuring 10 award-winning plein air artists. We hope WBCA's gallery, events, and the all the class offerings this summer inspire you to continue on your own creative journey.

I also want to take this opportunity to extend our heartfelt thanks to **Mary Gove** for her role as WBCA's 2015 Board Chair. You may have read her letter in the spring catalog as she reflected on the organization's dynamic growth in 2015. Mary's energetic and thoughtful leadership steered WBCA through a critical period of building the organization's capacity and deepening our commitment to improving accessibility to the arts, especially to underserved members in our community. We thank Mary for sharing her passion and love for the community and are grateful for her continuing leadership to help WBCA stretch its wings and soar. We also thank **Mary Levins** for her leadership and service as Vice-Chair. Affectionately known as "*the Marys*," they remain a dynamic duo whose actions continue to vibrate throughout this organization.

And now, sit back and enjoy the catalog, planning your summer at White Bear Center for the Arts.

Suzi Hudson
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