



# July 2009

The Cedar City Arts Council supports local artists in the folk, literary, visual, and performing arts in Cedar City and the surrounding areas. By speaking with a collective voice, we seek to have greater impact on the development of the arts in our community

## CCAC Monthly E-Newsletter

The Cedar City Arts Council is pleased to announce the introduction of a monthly e-newsletter. Sent on the first of each month, the e-newsletter will bring performing, literary, and visual artist articles, marketing tips, an events calendar and more.

To participate in the newsletter you must be a current member of the Arts Council. Membership application can be found on our website at [www.CedarCityArtsCouncil.org](http://www.CedarCityArtsCouncil.org) or you can e-mail calendar information, marketing tips, or article information to [Admin@CedarCityArtsCouncil.org](mailto:Admin@CedarCityArtsCouncil.org). The e-newsletter will also be sent to the CCAC's media list including but not limited to print, radio, internet, and local news agencies.

## Orchestra of Southern Utah Invests in Baby Musicians



Sound is one of the first experiences for a baby and the Orchestra of Southern Utah wants those sounds to be beautiful. The OSU is providing CDs to new mothers through the Valley View Medical Center. The "Baby Ears" project encourages the use of music as a home enrichment tool. Recordings will be donated to the Cedar City and Enoch Public Library as well.

OSU launched the Baby Ears Project because of research indicating that classical music can affect the way the brain develops, creating new pathways and improving spatial reasoning. Classical music, such as played by symphony orchestras, has a complex pattern musical structure which appears to prime the brain to solve spatial problems more quickly.

"Cedar City has a positive cultural environment and we want to share music early and often with our youngest residents," said Sara Penny OSU manager. "We hope that we can continue to encourage people of all ages to play instruments, sing, and enjoy music."

For more information on the Baby Ears Project and the Orchestra of Southern Utah, visit the OSU website at [orchestraofsouthernutah.org](http://orchestraofsouthernutah.org).

## Artist Grant Deadline July 31

The Artist Grant Program awards small grants up to \$500 to help artists and groups who may not be eligible for other funding. Winners are chosen by a panel of CCAC board members with winners announced August 15<sup>th</sup>. Grant awards are given out twice each year in August and February.

Applications are available for download at [www.CedarCityArtsCouncil.org](http://www.CedarCityArtsCouncil.org) or you can e-mail [Admin@CedarCityArtsCouncil.org](mailto:Admin@CedarCityArtsCouncil.org) for more information.

Past award winners have included **The Scarlet and Black Bagpipe Band** currently consists of 10 pipers, one bass drummer and one tenor drummer. **Arianne Cope** is a freelance journalist and award-winning fiction writer. **In Jublio** a community woman's chorale based in Cedar city.

## Events Calendar

### Iron Mission Museum

Potters of the Gathering - Clay Work in Early Utah - 9am-5pm - 435-586-9290

### Braithwaite Fine Arts Gallery- SUU

The Southern Utah Art Invitational Show and Sale - 11am-7pm

### Heritage Center Theater

July 3rd -4<sup>th</sup> Hughes Brothers Concert - 7:30pm - 435-865-2882

July The Neil Simon Festival - [tickets@simonfest.org](mailto:tickets@simonfest.org) or 866-357-4666

### Christmas in July, Craft Fair

July 31-Aug 1 Guild of the Utah Shakespearean Festival

### Utah Shakespearean Festival

July 6<sup>th</sup> Summer Season Begins for more information visit [www.bard.org](http://www.bard.org)

July 17<sup>th</sup> 16th Annual Fundraising Gala for more information visit [www.bard.org](http://www.bard.org)

### Southwest Wildlife Foundation

July 31<sup>st</sup> Campfire Concert 8pm-10:30pm 435-586-4693 or [info@gowildlife.org](mailto:info@gowildlife.org)

CEDAR CITY  
**Arts Festival**  
August 28 & 29, 2009 11AM-7PM  
Call for Artist and Food Vendor  
Entries now open visit  
[www.cedarcityartscouncil.org](http://www.cedarcityartscouncil.org)  
to download a 2009 application

## Featured Artist for 2009 Festival

The Cedar City Arts Festival is pleased to announce the Featured Artist for the 2009 Event. Celebrating it's 8<sup>th</sup> year, the Cedar City Arts Festival is held in beautiful downtown Cedar City, Utah adjacent to the Randall Jones Theatre which is home to the Award winning Utah Shakespearean Festival.

Held over 2 days, from 11am to 7pm, this festival takes advantage of the crowds from the Summer Season. This event hosts over 40 booths from fine art to fine crafts in multiple categories such as ceramics, glass, fiber, jewelry, painting, and more.

Valerie Orlemann's "Catching the Light" was selected by the Arts Festival committee to use in all promotional and collateral materials.



Valerie Orlemann is a realist landscape painter. Her work is traditional in the sense that she communicates through recognizable images and tries to capture a realistic sense of light, color and place. Her paintings are contemporary in the sense that she paints what's there at that moment (with a little artistic license). She paints western landscapes, but doesn't try to recreate the old west. Unlike the great western painters of the last century, she tends to focus on landscapes rather than figures. "I feel that the grandeur and emptiness of the modern western landscape are inspiring on their own terms."

She studied art at the University of Utah, completing most of the BFA program before parenthood (and a new job for her husband in Escalante) redirected her artistic efforts. "I wound up far away from art school, but surrounded by beautiful landscapes to paint. With our little girl in tow, my husband and I have explored much of southern Utah and the four corners. Out in the field and back in my studio (painting during naps), I've tried to capture what I find most engaging in the landscape around me."

While she is still fairly new as a professional artist, her work has received some recognition. She has won awards in the professional division at the River Runner's Art Exhibit in Green River (including 1st place, 2008) and awards for plein air painting at the 2006, 2007 and 2008 Escalante Canyons Art Festival. She was jury-selected to participate in the 22nd Annual Robert N. and Peggy Sears Dixie Invitational, the St. George Art Festival, the Cedar City Arts Committee's 65th Annual Art Exhibit, the Provo Freedom Festival art exhibit, and the Outdoor Painters' Society's Plein Air Southwest 2009. She was also chosen to be Artist in Residence in the San Juan Public Lands Center's Aspen Guard Station program (September, 2006), and at Mesa Verde National Park (May, 2008). She is represented by the Gallery Escalante and the Gallery at Clarke's.

Valerie can be reached at [www.UTahArtsCouncil.org](http://www.UTahArtsCouncil.org) or visit [www.CedarCityArtisans.com](http://www.CedarCityArtisans.com)



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