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Canyon Arts Festival returns to Mill City on Saturday, May 19

The North Santiam Canyon's third annual CanyonArts Festival is an all-day affair that brings together art, poetry, music and a whole lot of fun on Saturday, May 19, 10am-5pm at the Mill City Middle School grounds in Mill City. This year's festivities will include a whole day of entertainment for children and adults alike.

At the Middle School (MCMS) under the covered area, there will be a "Food Court Stage": a performance space with tables and chairs surrounded by food vendors. Visitors will enjoy Jazz, Gospel, Folk, and Bluegrass from entertainers such as Old-Time Fiddlers, Trexler Farms Ramblers, Starla Becker and John Olivera.

In the Kid Zone on Stage, Performers include Cwerks interactive children's theatre, back with a whole new round of shenanigans and Aumsville Community Theatre with a fun series of skits and poems for multiple voices. Also in the Kid Zone, arts and crafts, carnival games, bounce house, and the infamous CanyonArts Festival Spin Art Bikes. Bring your home movie cameras for this hysterical collaboration of creation at its best, when one peddles

and one paints.

Families can make their way around the festival grounds while following the ArtSmart Passport Trail and meet this year's featured local artist Denise Sanders and six other (portrayed by actors) historical artists such as Rembrandt, Mary Cassatt, and Michelangelo. At the end of the trail, kids will collect a brand new book of choice from our Local First Book Advisory Board.

New this year: Mock Chalk Walk, soggy Oregon's answer to pavement drawing. Teams of up to four will compete indoors with chalk pastels on 4X4 ft. chalkboards on the floor for prizes of

\$50, \$75, and \$100. \$20 per team entry fee includes one box of chalk pastels. Winners will be chosen by board of creatives including featured artist Denise Sanders. Register online at www.canyonartsfestival.com

Places to Visit: Art Gallery/Mock Chalk Walk in Mill City Middle School (MCMS) commons; a Craft Bazaar in the MCMS gym; Literary Corner

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in the MCMS library, and Arts and Crafts in the MCMS Art Room.

Outside, visitors will enjoy a street fair featuring look, learn, and do activities from organizations such as Marion County Recycling and Home Depot Kid's Workshop. Folks won't want to miss the numerous art demonstrations such as Herb Bastuscheck and his Bonseki sand painting, and John Beck on his pottery wheel.

For more information on the CanyonArts Festival, which is presented by Santiam Hearts to Arts, visit www.canyonartsfestival.com or call 503.897.2949.

The Canyon Arts Festival crew is currently accepting volunteer recruits to help set up and tear down booths, and event space, greet the public, help in the children's area and help keep the event tidy. All volunteers get a custom tie dye t-shirt made exclusively for the volunteer staff by the local artists of Why Not Wear Art. Each volunteer is asked to put in just a few hours throughout the day. Info: Onna at 503-897-3283, several positions are still open.

Rumor Mill

There's a rumor around town that Stoddard and Cole, the comedy/musical duo that recently helped raise \$2000 for Santiam Hearts to Arts, just may be putting on another show in Mill City in June. The details haven't been finalized quite yet, but the staff here at the Canyon Weekly are liking that idea!