

Lincoln Tales Tall And True

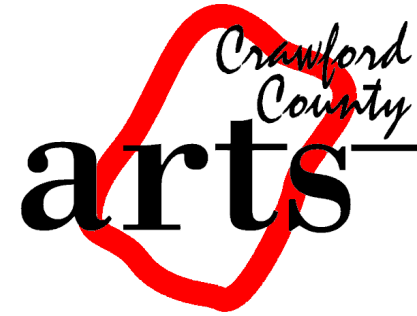
Crawford County Arts is planning a celebration of Lincoln's 200th birthday by having storyteller Brian "Fox" Ellis visit each of the elementary schools in the county at the end of January. He will spend one day in each of the schools – Oblong, Washington, Lincoln, Palestine, Hutsonville, and New Hebron.

He will do performances for the children, portraying a childhood friend of Lincoln's. Because this character was a friend, he followed Lincoln's career and has lots of stories he can share with the students. In addition to the performances, Fox will conduct writing workshops with the children, creating historic fiction prompted by the performances.

During his six days in the county, Fox will also perform for the public at two events which are still being planned. A grant is being submitted to the Illinois Arts Council for partial funding of this exciting program.



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Merry TubaChristmas!

Merry TubaChristmas is Saturday, December 6. Registration is at 1:00 pm in the LTC Fine Arts hallway; rehearsal begins at 1:30. The performance will be at 4:00 pm in the Zwermann Arts Center Auditorium, and is free to both the musicians and the audience.

Any low brass musician that can sight read is welcome to come and join the fun. Last year 20 low brass musicians participated. This will be the fourth year that the event has been sponsored by CCA, hosted by LTC and directed by Yvonne Newlin.

December 6 is also "Santa Day" at LTC, a great way to spend the afternoon with family and friends.



Membership Drive



A big thanks to all who have submitted 2008-09 membership dues -- your support is vital to our efforts to provide opportunities for all citizens of Crawford County to experience the arts.

With your generous support, CCA annually sponsors educational programs and public performances for the residents of Crawford County while also providing a public forum for local artists.

If you have not yet renewed, we look forward to hearing from you... and ask you to mention us to a friend, relative, or neighbor who might also be interested in supporting the arts.

Should you have any suggestions or questions, please contact us at:

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Thank you again for your continued support of Crawford County Arts.

Concert Choir: "On Broadway"

On Sunday January 25, at 3 pm, Lincoln Trail College's Concert Choir will perform "On Broadway" at LTC in the Zwermann Arts Center.

Directed by Barbara Shimer, the group will perform medleys from contemporary Broadway musicals including "Wicked," "Sweeney Todd," "Mary Poppins" and "Jekyll & Hyde".

Guys And Dolls

Lincoln Trail College will present the musical "Guys and Dolls" at 7 pm March 27, 28, April 3 and 4; and at 2 pm April 29.

For audition info, call 544-8657, ext. 1433.

Area Events/Activities

Currently running, through Dec 31- Palestine Art Guild Annual Holiday Bazaar and Exhibit; Palestine Art Center, 110 S. Main St.

Dec 6 - Merry TubaChristmas at Lincoln Trail College, Zwermann Arts Center. Registration @ 1 pm; Rehearsal @ 1:30; Concert @ 4:00.

Dec 8 - Washington Elementary School kindergarten presents "Toyland Christmas Train"; 7 pm in WES gym.

Dec 9 - Oblong Elementary programs; grades K-2 at 9 am, grades 3-5 at 1:30 pm; both in OES gym.

Dec 9 - NMS bands and choirs' winter concert; 7 pm in NMS gym.

Dec 11 - Hutsonville Elementary School program; 7 pm in HES gym.

Dec 12 - Robinson High School Fine Arts Night; 7 pm.

Dec 14 - Hutsonville High School concert; 2 pm.

Dec 14 - Oblong junior/senior high school Christmas concert; 2 pm at OHS.

Dec 14 - Palestine Grade School Christmas program, followed by junior high and high school band and chorus concerts; 2 pm at grade school gym.

January - RHS Drama Club presents "*Copacabana*" at Zwermann Arts Center, LTC.

Jan 25 - Concert choir performance "On Broadway", 3 pm, Zwermann Arts Center.

Mar 27, 28, 29; Apr 3, 4 - "Guys and Dolls", Zwermann Arts Center.