

March

Sunday March 3rd, Mac Framton, 2:00 p.m. Outstanding concert pianist - with the church's choir!, 6640 S. Kings Ranch Rd. in Gold Canyon. Everyone is asked to bring a nonperishable food item for the Gold Canyon Food Bank. Contact (480) 982-3776 for information.

Sunday March 3rd, Pinal County Veterans Memorial's 5th Annual Mardi Gras Celebration, 1:30 p.m./4:00 p.m., It will be at the Dolce Vita in the Ballroom, 3301 S. Goldfield Road. Howard Schneider (from Barleens Dinner Theatre) and his All-Star Dixieland Band will be playing for us. Drinks and snacks will be available for purchase as well as having great prize drawings, 50/50 drawings and Silent Auction Items. Come to some toe-tapping music or get up and dance! Everyone is encourage to wear a costume. We will have a prize for the Best Mardi Gras Costume! Tickets are now available at \$5.00. Please call Nancy Fassbender at 520-280-4715 to get your tickets. Please bring a friend and spread the word. This is for a great cause!

Wednesday, March 6th, Curandero Walk, 9:00 a.m., Do you have a stuffy nose? Or, perhaps, a small cut or bruise that needs some attention? Walk the perimeter trail at Smiling Dog Landscapes with plant enthusiasts Tom and Kathy McDonald to learn how early settlers and Native Americans used these native plants to help heal these minor maladies. 2 hours. Space is limited to 16 participants per class. Call 480- 288-8749 or email info@smilingdoglandscapes.com to reserve your seat.

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday March 8/10th, Mata Ortiz Magic Mexican Artistry, 9 a.m./4 p.m., Stellar Mexican ceramicist Diego Valles is the headliner for this year's free art event at the Superstition Mountain Museum. Artisans from the Village of Mata Ortiz and Oaxaca, Mexico, will be featured demonstrating their skills and craftsmanship as they create unique pottery, fantastical carved and painted wooden animals, stunning traditional tapestries and rugs, and beautiful silver jewelry. DeSilva Imports will have numerous examples of all of the Mexican art forms described available for sale. Free admission and parking. Museum address is 4087 N. Apache Trail. Go to superstitionmountainmuseum.org for more info.

Saturday March 9th, Domingo DeGrazia and the Spanish Guitar Band in Concert, 5 p.m., Superstition Mountain Museum hosts Domingo DeGrazia and his band in the museum amphitheater for a special concert. Domingo blends Spanish guitar passion with the flair of flamenco music, coupling dynamic rhythms with vibrant Latin, salsa and rock drum beats. An Arizona native, raised with the sounds and imagery of the desert Southwest, DeGrazia's guitar playing has charmed audiences with songs that are as rhythmic as they are percussive, moving from passionate to whimsical and elegant to sorrowful. To hear the amazing music of Domingo and his band, go to www.degraziamusic.com. Admission to the concert is \$10 per person. Tickets available online at superstitionmountainmuseum.org or at the door.

Saturday March 9th, NAU Shrine of the Ages Chorale & Harter Handbells, 7:30 p.m. A truly outstanding and unique performance, 6640 S. Kings Ranch Rd. in Gold Canyon. Everyone is asked to bring a nonperishable food item for the Gold Canyon Food Bank. Contact (480) 982-3776 for information.

Monday thru Friday March 11th/15th, Free Lunch for Kids on Spring Break at Superstition Foothills Baptist Church, 11:00 a.m./12:30 p.m., We know meal planning for children out on school breaks can be tough. We will be offering free lunches to all the local kids out on Spring Break. The lunches will be available. All meals will be kid friendly and will not contain any tree nuts (to avoid allergy concerns). There will also be an opportunity to play games (kickball, etc.) after lunch is served for all who are interested in participating. For questions please contact our office Mon-Fri 7am-1pm at (480) 983-9025.

Saturday, March 16th, Keaton Fine Art "Paint & Wine" Class Theme: Honey Bees, 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Boyce Thompson Arboretum. Carla Keaton, owner of the Keaton Fine Art Gallery, is leading these classes and Arboretum participants will learn to paint very simplified scenes from the arboretum, taking home with them a piece of memorabilia of their experiences in the lovely gardens." Enrollment of \$35 for Arboretum members and \$50 for nonmembers includes art supplies to use during the session, plus two hours of coaching and encouragement from Carla Keaton. Signup by emailing Carla at unpetitmerlot@gmail.com, with the date of attendance and number of people. For more information visit <http://ag.arizona.edu/bta/events.html> or call (520) 689-2811. You may also email: BTainfo@ag.arizona.edu.

Friday March 22nd, O Sole Trio, 7:30 p.m. This uniquely talented classical crossover trio features soprano Erin Shields, baritone Giuseppe Spoletini, and the versatile David Shenon who sings and simultaneously plays piano and violin! O Sole Trio's shows have innovative arrangements and their lush mesmerizing voices breathe new life into popular favorites. They have taken concert halls by storm! Presented by the Gold Canyon Arts Council, Canyon Sounds at the Gold Canyon United Methodist Church, 6640 S. Kings Ranch Rd. Contact Canyon Rose Storage for tickets and information (480) 983-2171.

Saturday March 23rd, Container Gardening Class, 11:00 a.m., The Superstition Master Gardeners will conduct a free class at the Superstition Mountain Museum on how to select, plant, and grow spring plants, herbs, annuals, succulents, and cacti, in containers. Free class and no registration required. Go to superstitionmountainmuseum.org for more information. The museum is located at 4087 N. Apache Trail.

Saturday and Sunday March 23rd & 24th, 2019 Second Annual Spring Fling Studio Tour, 9:00 a.m./4:00 p.m., Mark your calendars for the 2nd Annual Spring Fling Studio Tour! This FREE self-guided tour is like our Fall Studio Tour which has become an anticipated event for art lovers since it began in 2007 and we are anticipating that the Spring Fling Studio Tour will become as popular as well. The tours allow you to visit many of the artists' studios, which are close to each other scattered in front of the awesome Superstitions Mountains. Maps are available from the Chamber of Commerce of Apache Junction/Gold Canyon; Canyon Rose Storage and Visitors Center at 6405 S. Kings Ranch Road; at our new Information Booth at Studio 1 in Apache Junction as well as the AOTS website: www.artistsofthesuperstitions.com.

Sunday March 24th, Annual Spring Concert at GCUMC, 2:00 p.m. Featuring all of Doug Benton's musical groups and his final concert at 6640 S. Kings Ranch Rd. in Gold Canyon. Everyone is asked to bring a nonperishable food item for the Gold Canyon Food Bank. Contact (480) 982-3776 for information.

Wednesday, March 27th, Coping With Critters, 9:00 a.m., Is your landscape a feast for bugs, birds, rodents, and javelinas? Frustrating as it may be, coping with hungry critters is a part of every garden and landscape. Tom McDonald has years of experience fending off these invasions. Learn what works and what doesn't in this 90-minute session. All classes are held outdoors and are free of charge. Space is limited to 16 participants per class. Call 480 288 8749 or email info@smilingdoglandscapes.com to reserve your seat.

Friday March 29th, Bach and Sons Organ & Multimedia Event, 7:30 p.m. The Gold Canyon Arts Council is hosting a special event to contribute to the fundraiser for the Pipes for the organ at Gold Canyon United Methodist Church, 6640 S. Kings Ranch Rd. This is a live organ performance with multimedia performed by Dr. Jeannine Jordan, organist and David Jordan, media artist. It is the story of Johann Sebastian Bach and his family. David Jordan's media talents bring the story to life visually. Contact Canyon Rose Storage at (480) 983-2171 or the church at (480) 982-3776 for tickets and information.