

Countywide Exhibitions, Events and Workshops

The following reflects initial planning/thinking about this countywide initiative and is funding dependent.

1. To have at least one exhibition in each of the county's five districts with artworks created by local veterans inspired by the initiative's theme, *Fragments: An Archeology of Memory*.
2. A variety of arts activities for military, veterans and their families in each district, such as classes, workshops, drop-in sessions, performances, recreational or professional art making, community arts projects, such as mural making, therapeutic arts or creative arts therapy programs.
3. Middle and high school field trips to exhibition sites and/or to the Living Memorial Sculpture Garden, which could also include professional development opportunities for participating teachers.
4. Special events, such as programming or performances in conjunction with the Veterans' Day memorial services, such as at the Living Memorial Sculpture Garden.
5. Commemorative items, such as a pin/pendant, designed especially for this initiative that could also raise funds for veterans services in the county.

Fundraising

The Siskiyou County Arts Council, with the initiative's steering committee, will apply for a matching grant from the California Arts Council and will also seek funding from local organizations, private donors and business sponsors to support exhibitions, events and workshops, so that events and programming may be provided free of charge.

Next Steps

1. Steering Committee with community input to identify programming options, seek community partnerships and venues, etc.
2. Identify/schedule presentations for community groups and agencies, chambers of commerce, etc. throughout the county to build awareness, recruit partners, identify venues, encourage veteran artists to submit work for submissions, and raise additional funds, etc. Currently scheduled presentations:
 - SCAC Yreka Breakfast Event, Yreka Preservation, Nov 8, 8-9:30am
 - Yreka Rotary, November 8, noon
 - SCAC Mount Shasta Breakfast Event, City Park/Dance Hall, Nov 18, 9-10:30am
 - Siskiyou County Museum, Friends meeting, Nov 17, 1-3:00pm
 - Mount Shasta City Council, Nov 27, 5:30pm
 - Siskiyou Arts Museum board meeting, Dec 13, 1pm
 - Tulelake Chamber of Commerce, December
 - Dorris Chamber of Commerce, January

We are looking for exhibition/performance venues, coordinators in each county district, veteran artists who might display/perform their work, workshop providers, and other volunteer and financial support. If you are interested in participating/volunteering for this initiative, please contact: Lugene Whitley, SCAC Executive Director, lugene@siskiyouarts.org

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