

Dane Co. Exec. Parisi: Presents 2017 art poster

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'Solitude' Now Available Throughout County

Dane County Executive Parisi announced today the 2017 Art Poster from the Dane Arts now is available by voluntary donation at locations throughout Dane County. This year's poster features, "Solitude" by Dane County resident and nationally recognized artist, John Ribble.

Dane Arts and the Cultural Affairs Commission will host a reception at Madison's Central Public Library, downtown, Tuesday, March 28, 5:30 - 7:00 pm to unveil the calendar. The reception will honor the 2017 poster artist and recent Commission grant recipients and panelists. Attendees will include Dane County Executive Joe Parisi, poster artist John Ribble, Cultural Affairs Commission members, grant advisory panel members, and grant recipient honorees supported by the Commission over the past two years. Music will be provided by John's daughter Erin Ribble and her band, The Gadjō Players, a 4 piece acoustic ensemble who play mostly original compositions ranging from Jazz, Funk, Bluegrass and Gypsy Swing.

"Dane County has an incredibly vibrant arts culture," said Dane County Executive Joe Parisi. "Arts are one of the many reasons people love living in and are moving to Dane County more than any other county in Wisconsin. This year's poster is another great example of an incredibly skilled artist that we are so fortunate to have in Dane county."

Mr. Ribble is a pastel artist based in Madison, Wisconsin; he also teaches full time in

the Graphic Design & Illustration program at MATC. John paints mostly landscapes, “en plein-air”, and focuses on rural scenes throughout the Southeastern Wisconsin area. His work in pastels has taken him all over Iowa, Dane, and Door Counties, as well as in the city of Madison. His pastel paintings illustrate a love and interconnection to the land and geography of Wisconsin.

An ongoing tradition, the Dane Art’s poster helps keep our community engaged with the arts. Commission Director Mark Fraire remarked, “The Dane County art poster is but one visible effort to showcase the arts on display in Dane County and I am so grateful to live in a County so rich with art. It is just this kind of private to public partnership that can help continue to drive the economic impact the arts generate.”

Distribution Locations

The 2017 art poster is available to the public by voluntary donation at locations throughout Dane County as follows:

Ø Cultural Affairs Commission Office, Room 421, City-County Building, 210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Madison, between the hours of 8:00am and 4:30pm Monday through Friday.

Ø Four Dane County framing shops are serving as poster distribution sites and in partnership with the Commission offering custom framing discounts for this year’s art poster: Monroe Street Framing, Douglas Art & Framing, and Megan’s Custom Framing in Madison, and Meuer Art and Picture Frame Company in Middleton.

Ø Starting on April 1, municipal poster distribution sites include the city and village halls of Cross Plains, Fitchburg, Middleton, Monona, Pleasant Springs, Shorewood Hills, Stoughton, Sun Prairie, and Verona; and town hall of Westport.

Dane Arts and the Dane County Cultural Affairs Commission

The Dane Arts supports arts, culture and local history activities through projects and programs. Revenues from poster donations help support those programs: fostering public participation, increasing access, and forging alliances in support of arts, culture and local history. The poster was designed by Steve Wagner. More information on the Commission is available at danearts.com.

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