

October 3 - 15

CAHA Visual Artists' Exhibit @ KAHA Arts & Culture Gallery. This multimedia exhibit coordinated by CAHA will kickoff Guam's celebration for arts and humanities month. Showcased will be the talent of the island's local artists.

October 3 - 9

CAHA, in partnership with its sister organization Guam Humanities Council's (private/non-profit), will be presenting a traveling exhibit entitled "Our Island Home" @ the KAHA Arts & Culture Gallery.

October 4, 11, 18, & 25

"Celebrate Art with A View"

Every Saturday in October, mini presentations involving demonstrations and performances by visual, folk/ traditional, and performing artists at KAHA Arts & Culture Gallery, Harmon Cliff line overlooking beautiful Tumon Bay.

October 17 - 29

Sanctuary Exhibit @ KAHA Arts & Culture Gallery

Multimedia exhibit featuring artwork and crafts created by at-risk or troubled youth between the ages of 12 - 21 during art workshops coordinated by Sanctuary, Inc.

October (Fourth Week)

In partnership with KGTF, public broadcasting station, the premiere of Guam CAHA's television series called "Color Guam Bonita." The first of numerous ½ hour shows dedicated to featuring People in the Arts, CAHA Happenings and the arts on Guam, showcasing our rich cultural heritage and diverse ethnicity.

November 7 - 19

Veteran's Exhibit @ KAHA Arts & Culture Gallery

The exhibit will showcase the talents of Guam vets, promote increased interaction between veterans and the community at large as well as promote the creative arts and multi-cultural traditions on Guam.

November 21 - December 3

CAHA International Exhibit @ KAHA Arts & Culture Gallery. Showcased will be variety of art forms, vivid colors, textures, representative of and created by a melting pot of ethnic artists who have made Guam their island home.

December (First Week)

Local unveiling of "Christmas of Peace Pageant" Christmas Tree & Ornaments coinciding with the 80th anniversary celebration of the lighting of the National Christmas Tree in Washington, D.C.

KAHA Arts & Culture Gallery

Puntan Dos Amantes, Two Lovers Point
Harmon Cliff Line

Hours of Operation

Monday - Friday	8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday & Holidays	CLOSED



***Happenings..... in American Samoa
Talofa (Hello!)***

Update from the American Samoa Council on Arts Culture and Humanities:

The American Samoa Council on Arts Culture and Humanities is planning a number of events during the next few months.

The Community Based Program has geared up to have a wonderful showcase of the visual and performing arts at the annual "Arts Fiafia." Artisans of traditional and nontraditional arts and crafts will be demonstrating and showcasing their talents for an entire week at the Arts Councils home in the JP Haydon Museum compound. The exhibition, which will include demonstrations and a gallery exhibit, will be open to the public to enjoy and admire. When the sun sets the museum compound will be transformed into a festive stage of Polynesian and International performances. A variety of performing groups from the community will show off their talents to both a live audience and viewers of the local TV Station KVZK.

Another planned event that has kept the Arts Council staff busy will be a series of workshops for the underserved community through the Folk Arts Program. These workshops will be held on the Island of Tau from the Manua Group. The traditional lost crafts of enu (fish trap) weaving and ula pule (shell necklace) making, will be some of the highlights of these traditional workshops. In addition to these crafts, artisans will work with the community in teaching other traditional crafts like weaving, carving and the art of making

siapo (mulberry bark cloth). This indeed will be a wonderful opportunity for this small community to come together and perpetuate the arts.

In addition to the Community and Folk Arts Programs, the Art in Education program has started a new school year with many events planned. It has begun with the distribution of mini-grant applications to all public and private elementary and secondary schools. All schools will have an opportunity to propose a project to the AIE for funding and or technical support. This gives the schools freedom to be innovative in their projects. In addition to the mini-grants, AIE continuously has arts and crafts workshop for teachers as well as the artist in residence program remains popular among the schools.

One final endeavourer that the Arts Council has taken is its continuous renovation and up grading of its facility. Once all major construction is completed, the staff will be working at putting together its museum exhibits and art gallery. Once completed this will be a great asset to the community.

***Happenings..... in CNMI
Hafa adai and Leesor Allim (Hello!)***

10th US Coral Reef Task Force Conference Art Competition and Exhibit

The Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, Department of Community and Cultural Affairs (CCAC) is assisting the CNMI office of Coastal Resource Management (CRM) in the coordination of two activities taking place as part of the upcoming 10th US Coral Reef Task Force Conference. The conference will be held on October 3, 2003, on Saipan.

The CCAC-CRM activities include an art competition for both elementary and high school age students and an exhibit of student artwork. Both are aimed at raising the awareness about the importance of our marine ecosystem and in particular our reefs and promoting better environmental practices.

Hundreds of artworks were submitted for the juried competition. Judging will take place on Tuesday, September 9, 2003. All of the work of the participants will be displayed in the exhibit, which will be held at the conference site on October 3, 2003.

CNMI Artists to Receive National Heritage Award

Mr. Felipe and Joseph Ruak, leaders and instructors for the Talabwog Men Stick Dancers, a traditional dance group, have been awarded the nations most prestigious award in the folk arts, the National Heritage Award.

The two men, along with members of their dance troupe, will be attending award ceremonies in Washington, D.C., from September 15-19, 2003. The Talabwog Men Stick Dancers will be performing at the Lisner Auditorium on the Campus of the George Washington University. The performance will be hosted by ABC's Sam Donaldson and emceed by public radio personality Nick Spitzer.

For the past two decades, the Ruaks have served as Artistic Directors and Dance Instructors for the *"Talabwog (Tanapag) Men Stick Dancers"*. Both are recognized as the foremost instructors in the art of Carolinian mens stick dance, and have been an important catalyst for the rejuvenation of the traditional (folk) dance of the Caroline Island residents of northern Saipan in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI).

Cultural Heritage Month Exhibit

The Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, Department of Community and Cultural Affairs will be holding the "Cultural Heritage Month Exhibit" from September 12 through October 17, 2003 at the CNMI Gallery for Arts and Culture, as one of its activities celebrating the CNMI's Cultural Heritage Month .

The exhibit will feature the folk (traditional) artwork of the Northern Marianas and other Pacific islands.

The exhibit will be open from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Mondays through Fridays and 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Saturdays.

Chamolinian Cultural Village

The Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, Department of Community and Cultural Affairs has been assisting the Chamolinian Cultural Village Inc. with the construction of a pre-contact latte house and with a mural on the main pavilion at the village site.

The assistance is just part of the overall effort by the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs to assist the village, which provides the public and visitors with a venue to view folk arts demonstrations, attend workshops and view traditional dance performances, at the same time providing folk artists with a venue to sell and display their work.

The effort is the first of its' kind in the CNMI and is aided by Pacific Development Inc. and other donors. The CCAC and DCCA have pledged their support for the project and have proposed for consideration, the relocation of the CNMI Gallery and CCAC to the site

Battle of the Bands - Rota

The Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, Department of Community and Cultural Affairs is assisting in the coordination of the upcoming "Battle of the Bands," scheduled for October 12 on the CNMI island of Rota.

The activity, funded by the Rota Mayor, Benjamin Manglona, brings together the best of the bands from Saipan, Rota and Tinian for a daylong concert.

The event is the largest event solely comprised of contemporary local music bands held in the Commonwealth and is scheduled to coincide with the annual Fiestan Luta (Rota Fiesta), which draws thousands of visitors to the island.

Kantan Isla Concert

The Chamorro and Carolinian Language Policy Commission (CCLPC) along with the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture (CCAC), the Historic Preservation Office (HPO), and other divisions of the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, have collaborated to coordinate the upcoming "Kantan Isla" (Island Concert), scheduled for September 12-14 at the Garapan Cultural Park, across from the Garapan Church.

The event will feature numerous Chamorro and Carolinian language music performances, and while the concert will be enjoyable, the activity will also serve to provide for video and audio recording of the music, to be followed and accompanied by the transcription and publication of the songs for archival and educational purposes.

Arts Classes for Youth Detainees

The Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, Department of Community and Cultural Affairs is working with the Department of Youth Services and local artists to provide art and music classes as part of the Juvenile Detention Center's education program.

Current classes include, traditional Carolinian bead working, painting, printmaking, weaving and music. A variety of classes will be provided year-round at the center.

CNMI Artists to be Featured in Japan Visual Arts Exhibit

The Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, is working with the Pacific Development Inc. in facilitating the Commonwealth's participation in a November exhibit of visual artwork in Tokyo, Japan.

The selection of five works for the exhibit is currently ongoing. The names of the artists will be announced following the selection of the work.

9th Festival of Pacific Arts and Cultures (FESTPAC)

The Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, is working to coordinate the participation of a delegation of 300 folk, visual, literary and performing artists for the 9th Festival of Pacific Arts and Cultures (FESTPAC) scheduled for July 21-31, 2004 in Koror, Palau.

The CCAC recently completed the application process for delegates and has begun, under the direction of the DCCA Secretary and Head of Delegation, Mr. Juan L. Babauta, to organize planning and fundraising for the event.

The 300 strong CNMI group will comprise the largest off-island delegation at the festival.

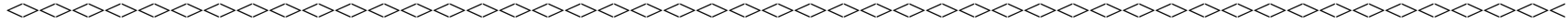
DCCA and Garapan Street Market Logo Contests

The Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, will be announcing the guidelines for two logo competitions. The first is for the official logo for the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs, the second is for the Garapan Street Market.

The competitions will be open to CNMI students. Prizes will be announced along with the guidelines.

Other Upcoming Events

- Ada Gymnasium Mural
- Governor's Arts Awards
- Island Artist's Exhibit
- Cultural Heritage Month Activities



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