

# Cloverdale Alliance

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## Upcoming Events

Fall is arriving with its hot days and cool evenings. Love those wafting smell of grapes as crush is underway at our local wineries. It is a good time to connect again, to let you know what the Cloverdale Arts Alliance has been doing to bring the cultural arts closer to home. We also want to share upcoming events, to get your creative juices flowing.



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### Randy Rutherford Performance Oct. 22

We are again presenting another performance by solo performer, Randy Rutherford, with his unique story-telling and songs, at the Grange on Saturday, October 22 at 8:00 p.m.

You may remember last October's show, **My Brother Sang Like Roy Orbison**, where he presented some of his life's story about his funny and poignant relationship with his brother. He will present a sequel to that show with **One Frigid Shiny Knight-An Arctic Romance**, his newest production. This tale presents us with a love triangle among three people, a naïve, small-town boy, a talented singer idolized by the boy and a beautiful girl who loves both of them. This should be another great performance of love, betrayal and loss, spoken and sung from the heart.

Tickets are available at Grapes and Grounds. Advance tickets are \$8.00 for CAA members, and \$10.00 for non-members. Tickets are \$12.00 at the door. More information is available at [www.cloverdaleartsalliance.org](http://www.cloverdaleartsalliance.org) or at 894-4410.

### Cloverdale Arts Center

As you are all aware by now, having received a letter from Steve Nurse, the CAA president, we are moving forward with our plans for a Cloverdale Center for the Arts. We have leased a downtown place at 204 N. Cloverdale Blvd., at

2<sup>nd</sup> Street, sharing the space with Schat's Café and Bakery. This is an exciting new direction for the CAA as we move forward to creating space for an art gallery run by an artists' co-op, a place for special cultural events for visual and performing arts, a place for small theater productions. This center will enrich our whole community. We all know how art brings the community together. Just look at the success of Friday Night Live in our plaza.

When you drive or walk by, you will see the site is under construction. The site does require considerable tenant upgrades, which are very expensive. So we are starting a major campaign to fund raise \$45,000.00, to cover the cost of our upgrades and first year of operation. We are asking you, as an art lover in our community, to help out. Your donations are tax deductible and will be used exclusively for the Arts Center. Contributors will be invited a grand opening extravaganza event.

The site windows at 204 N. Cloverdale Blvd. will be showing a visual indicator of our fund raising successes. You will see a reproduction of Michelangelo's David, whose body will show the funds as they are raised. Keep your eye on David - he's worth a look!



## Tribute to Our Volunteers

We want to thank our wonderful volunteers who give so generously of their time and energy. Those who helped out at Friday Night Live in the plaza were greatly appreciated, as were those who have volunteered for other events. We appreciate you, as we can only do this with your dedicated assistance. We always appreciate the help of our volunteers. Thank you.

## Independent Film Series

Reel Flicks continues to be a welcome addition to our town. Thanks to the hard work of Jim and Lavonne Namony, the Clover Theater has agreed to extend the independent films to 2 nights a month, as the prior trial period was so successful. So now, the films will be offered every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday and Tuesday of the month.

If you would like to be notified of the film titles, give us your email address, and we'll update you as soon as we have the film title. Email [info@cloverdaleartsalliance.org](mailto:info@cloverdaleartsalliance.org) or leave a message on our voicemail at 894-4410.

The next film will be showing on November 15 and 16, and will be Grizzly Man, a cautionary tale about man and nature getting too close for comfort. Plan to show up early to ensure a seat. See you at the movies!

## Membership

Why should anyone be a member of the Cloverdale Arts Alliance?

Your membership provides us with the stimulus to continue to bring the visual and performing arts to Cloverdale. Healthy membership numbers say we have support from within the community. This support allows us to obtain sponsorship for our events.

Membership offers direct benefits unique to our members. Beyond ensuring continuation and growth for the Cloverdale Arts Alliance, membership benefits include discounts at paid events, priority seating at some events, special "members-only" events (e.g., the recent Oliver Ranch tour). Please encourage your friends to become members and enjoy the benefits!

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Yes, I would like to become a member of the Cloverdale Arts Alliance for \$35.00 per year

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Interested in volunteering? Yes, please contact me \_\_\_\_\_

## What Have We Been Up To Since June, 2005?

### Friday Night Live Series

This was the third season for this popular series in our downtown plaza. What a success it was this year. With the help of our generous sponsors, Frank Howard Allen Realtors, Dennis Imbach Real Estate, Wine Country Homes, Dustin Deason Realtor (Full Spectrum Properties, and the City of Cloverdale, our community enjoyed eight performances during July and August.

It is always great to spend our gorgeous summer Friday evenings in the plaza, listening and dancing to music, socializing and having a glass of wine. We were treated to a wide variety of cultural experiences this summer, ranging from exciting bluegrass to polkas like you never heard before to hypnotic African drumming. We also thrilled to Mexican mariachi, powerful Taiko Japanese drumming, Cajun and Zydeco grooves, chamber-rock and Cuban son and salsa, all for our dancing and listening pleasure. Whew! What a season.

We also used the last few performances as a new member drive, which was very successful. We increased our membership by 25 new members, and are very happy to include them as art appreciators. We offered a free massage during this drive, and we would like to congratulate our winner, Janet Seaforth. Way to go, Janet.

We of course will be bringing more to you next July and August. The City of Cloverdale and you have asked for more performances, so we will be bringing 10 Friday Night Live nights of music and fun. We will keep you posted.

### Oliver Ranch Tour on October 1

The Arts Alliance hosted a tour of Steve Oliver's sculpture "garden" for our members on October 1. A group of our members traveled by bus to his 100 acre ranch in Geyserville, overlooking the Russian River. Steve Oliver acted as our tour guide of his collection of large scale sculptures. He and his wife are avid art collectors who have collected for the past 20 years.

We walked on the hilly paths, where we admired works by Richard Sierra, 6 pairs of steel blocks, weighing 250 tons, framing views of the valley, Bruce Nauman's 1/4 mile long staircase going down a hill with varying heights of risers, (which was quite a challenge to walk on), Roger Berry's huge steel arch/sundial, Ann Hamilton's stone 8 storey tower which is still being built, just to name a few.

The 18 modern pieces were specifically designed for their particular locations, created and situated by the artists and the Olivers. Each artist was invited to live and work at the ranch to complete their sculptures, in a building that justifies the label of sculpture as well.

Many thanks to our board member, Charmaine Brown, for organizing this tour and providing us with great lunches. This tour is just one of the many reasons why it is great to be a member of the Arts Alliance.



Our members at Oliver Ranch

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## We Want Your Feedback!

Thank you for supporting the Arts Alliance, now in our 4<sup>th</sup> year. We have worked hard to bring arts and culture to our town, and will continue to do so. We would like to hear from you. Let us know :

What have you enjoyed this year?

What could have been better at these events?

What future events, people, art, would you like to see here?

Please email us at: [info@cloverdaleartsalliance.org](mailto:info@cloverdaleartsalliance.org), or contact us at

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