



HEALDSBURG CENTER FOR THE ARTS

Plaza Arts Center

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Spring 2010

Dear Community Art Supporter,

We are pleased to announce the launch of the **Healdsburg Center for the Arts**, formerly known as Plaza Arts Center.

**The Healdsburg Center for the Arts is a non-profit 501(c3) organization dedicated to creating, inspiring, and promoting the arts through community education programs, events, and exhibitions.**

**During our eight-year history**, we have developed an excellent reputation for showcasing the arts and supporting arts education in the greater Healdsburg area. Due to the current economy, the last year has been a challenging one at the art center. We weathered the storm through hard work and creative solutions, and with your continued support, we are prepared to grow a vital art center responsive to the community's needs.

In March of this year **we are proud to have issued grants to eight different local community organizations** providing art education for our children. This summer we are offering six weeks of summer art camp for children and teens. We are developing programming to bring music, literary arts, and dance to our art center calendar. Earlier this year we hosted our first live jazz performance in the gallery. **All of this planning and programming is done by volunteers from our community.** We also provide community art classes for children and adults in the art center classroom.

**The time is right for Healdsburg to support a vital and thriving art center.** The arts are essential to the human experience and for creating community. We believe that children and adults should have the opportunity to be involved in the arts to discover and share how human beings communicate and express themselves not only with words, but also through music, dance, and the visual arts.

**Now is the time to get involved** by supporting our vital and thriving community art center. You can begin by becoming a Member or a Patron. Please join at whatever level you can; send your generous tax-deductible contribution in the enclosed envelope.

To **learn more about the many events and exhibits at Healdsburg Center for the Arts**, please visit our new website and calendar of events at [www.healdsburgcenterforthearts.org](http://www.healdsburgcenterforthearts.org). On the reverse side of this page you will find highlights of the past year's programs and activities. Also enclosed is a calendar of shows and events happening this year at the art center.

**Help make the Arts thrive! Get involved. Help us build community through supporting the Arts.**

Sincerely yours,

Kara Raymond  
President, Board of Directors

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## The Arts are Alive in Healdsburg!



### Highlights from 2009-2010:

#### VISUAL ARTS

- 13 exhibits in the Art Center's gallery, featuring works from over 200 different artists
- Masonic Building – History of Healdsburg mural completed
- Volunteers contributed over 4800 hours in the gallery and to creating and supporting arts center events

#### PERFORMING ARTS

- Sponsored local junior high students attending the San Francisco Opera's production of the "Elixir of Love"
- Financial support provided for the Healdsburg Jazz Festival's *Operation Jazz Band* in the fifth grades of Healdsburg public schools



*Operation Jazz Band*

#### LITERARY ARTS

- Sponsored creative writing workshops with Healdsburg's literary laureate



*Healdsburg Jr High students at SF Opera*

#### EVENTS

The following events raised funds for our arts education program:

- Opera in the Garden, featuring the San Francisco Opera Company Adler Fellows
- Miniatures at the Manor featuring local artists
- The Healdsburg Arts Festival featuring 75 Northern California Artists
- Celebrate Healdsburg – " Art Street "

#### ARTS EDUCATION

- Earth to Art! Students of all ages learned to make paints and pastels from nature
- Celebrate Healdsburg: Young artists participated in activities on "Art Street"
- Healdsburg Arts Festival: Kids' Art Zone – a day of free arts activities and projects during the Arts Festival
- Art classes after-school and summer art camps, for kids ages 3 to 12
- Portfolio design workshop for Healdsburg High School Students
- Classes and workshops for adults in painting, mosaic, collage, jewelry, writing and more
- Annual student art exhibit, hung in the art center gallery, showcasing artwork from young artists :  
2009 – Imagine Bus Project North & the Healdsburg Boys & Girls Club; 2010 – Healdsburg & Cloverdale High Schools
- Awarded grants to eight local schools and arts organizations