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JANUARY

Through Jan. 16 — Exhibit: "Nature: 2 Views," 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday. Artwork of local artists Jeanie Coy Auseon and Lynda Elias. This exhibit celebrates nature through fiber in contrasting artistic styles. The Arts Castle, 190 W. Winter St., Delaware. (740) 369-2787 or www.artscastle.org.

Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29 — Evening Program at Perkins Observatory, 8 p.m. Program content varies based on sky conditions. 3199 Columbus Pike (US 23 S.), Delaware. (740) 363-1257 or www.perkins-observatory.org.

Jan. 14 — New Vistas in Astronomy, 8 p.m., "Galaxy Clusters: Evolution Without Elbow Room" by Paul Martini. Lecture series geared toward adult audience, a "mini-course" in astronomy, in which OSU and OWU professors discuss research and new findings in their areas of expertise. 3199 Columbus Pike (US 23 S.), Delaware. (740) 363-1257 or www.perkins-observatory.org.

Jan. 15 — Dallas Brass quintet, 7 p.m., Ohio Wesleyan University's Gray Chapel in University Hall, 61 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. \$12 (All seats are reserved) at Beehive Books, 25 N. Sandusky St., Delaware, (740) 363-2337 or (740) 833-1056.

Jan. 16 — "The String Machine," 8 p.m. A performance by the Columbus Dance Theatre featuring Tim Veach, artistic director. Ohio Wesleyan University, Chappellear Drama Center, 45 Rowland Ave., Delaware. \$20, \$5 senior citizens and non-Ohio Wesleyan students with valid ID. (740) 368-3629.

Jan. 17 — Motorcycle swap meet, Delaware County Fairgrounds, 236 Pennsylvania Ave., Delaware. (740) 881-4302.

Jan. 19-31 — "On and Off the Wall," art exhibit of two- and three-dimensional pieces by Ohio Wesleyan University fine arts faculty. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Friday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday. OWU's Richard M. Ross Art Museum, 60 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. (740) 368-3606.

Jan. 23 — Alex Lyon equipment auction, Delaware County Fairgrounds, 236 Pennsylvania Ave., Delaware. (740) 362-3851, (800) 335-3247 or www.lyonauction.com.

Jan. 24-Feb. 28 — Delaware County High Schools' Art Show of 2010, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday. Juried show recognizes Delaware County's talented high school art students. The Arts Castle, 190 W. Winter St., Delaware. (740) 369-2787 or www.artscastle.org.

Jan. 31 — Cecile Licad, Ohio Wesleyan University Performing Arts Series presents the internationally known pianist, 8 p.m. Licad's recent U.S. highlights include performances with Seattle Symphony, Honolulu Symphony, Virginia Symphony, Santa Rosa Symphony, Tucson Symphony and at the La Jolla Chamber Music and Eastern Music festivals. OWU's Gray Chapel in University Hall, 61 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. \$20, \$5 senior citizens and non-Ohio Wesleyan students with valid ID. (740) 368-3629.

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February 5-6, 12-14 — "Radium Girls," 8 p.m. (2 p.m. Sunday). Inspired by a true story, this compelling drama tells the story of young Grace and her friends, who work in a watch factory painting luminous faces, until they fall ill from a mysterious disease. They fight to reveal the truth and campaign for justice. Ohio Wesleyan University's Chappellear Drama Center, 45 Rowland Ave., Delaware. \$10, \$5 students and senior citizens. (740) 368-3855

Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 — Evening Program at Perkins Observatory, 8 p.m. Program content varies based on sky conditions. 3199 Columbus Pike (US 23 S.), Delaware. (740) 363-1257 or www.perkins-observatory.org.

February 8-9 — Blooded horse sale, Delaware County Fairgrounds, 236 Pennsylvania Ave., Delaware. (740) 362-3851, (800)

335-3247 or www.bloodedhorse.com.

Feb. 11-April 4 — Multimedia works in a juried show, featuring art students from Ohio Wesleyan University, Denison University, Kenyon College, Oberlin College and The College of Wooster. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Friday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday. OWU's Richard M. Ross Art Museum, 60 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. (740) 368-3606.

Feb. 13-14 — Valentine Venture (adult only event), Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, 4850 W. Powell Road, Powell. (800) MONKEYS or www.columbuszoo.org.

Feb. 18 — New Vistas in Astronomy, 8 p.m., "The New, Improved Hubble Space Telescope" by Bradley Peterson. Lecture series geared toward adult audience, a "mini-course" in astronomy, in which OSU and OWU professors discuss research and new findings in their areas of expertise. 3199 Columbus Pike (US 23 S.), Delaware. (740) 363-1257 or www.perkins-observatory.org.

Feb. 18-20 — OWU-NOW, 8 p.m. Ohio Wesleyan University music faculty will perform with musicians from Central Ohio, featuring music from the past generation and numerous world, regional and Ohio premieres. OWU's Sanborn Hall, 23 Elizabeth St., Delaware. (740) 368-3700.

Feb. 27 — Chanticleer, 8 p.m. Chanticleer is known around the world as an "orchestra of voices" for the seamless blend of its 12 male voices ranging from countertenor to bass and its original interpretations of vocal literature, from Renaissance to jazz, and from gospel to venturesome new music. Ohio Wesleyan University's Gray Chapel in University Hall, 61 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. \$20, \$5 senior citizens and non-Ohio Wesleyan student with a valid ID. (740) 368-3629.

MARCH

Through April 5 — Exhibit: "Recurring Themes" featuring the works of Paul Henri Bourguignon. Bourguignon's later paintings have been described "expressionistic, often with whimsical, vulnerable, or tragic figures revealed in delightfully complex interactions of brushstrokes and texture." 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Wednesday, Friday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday. OWU's Richard M. Ross Art Museum, 60 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. (740) 368-3606.

March 1 — Central Ohio Symphony, 3 p.m. Holst's spectacular composition, "The Planets," will be accompanied by a special video produced by Chicago's Adler Planetarium. The concert will end with John Williams' "Star Wars Suite." Ohio Wesleyan University, Gray Chapel, 61 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. (740) 362-1799, (888) 999-2676 or www.centralohiosymphony.org.

March 6, 13, 20, 27 — Evening Program at Perkins Observatory, 8 p.m. Program content varies based on sky conditions. 3199 Columbus Pike (US 23 S.), Delaware. (740) 363-1257 or www.perkins-observatory.org.

March 7 — Maple Sugar Festival, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Bring your family out to the farm for a morning of food and fun. Start with a heartwarming breakfast of homemade pancakes, fresh maple syrup, and Stratford-grown sausage. At the sugar shack, collect sap, tap a tree and learn how the clear maple sap is transformed into sweet maple syrup. Stratford Ecological Center, 3083 Liberty Road, Delaware. (740) 363-2548 or www.stratfordecologicalcenter.org.

March 9 through April 18 — Exhibit: "Picture Perfect: The Art of Ohio Children's Book Illustrators," 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday. Ohio-based illustrators of children's books, including Tim Bowers, Loren Long, Richard Cowdrey, and Will Hillenbrand. Original artwork will be accompanied by their respective books. The Arts Castle, 190 W. Winter St., Delaware. (740) 369-2787 or www.artscastle.org.

March 11-15 — Buckeye Dulcimer Festival (workshops and concerts). Workshops for mountain and hammered dulcimers, autoharp, celtic harp and band together. Recreation Unlimited, 7700 Piper Road, Ashley. Concerts March 13 and 14, \$10 at the door. (740) 747-2326 or www.geocities.com/buckeyedulcimer.

March 14 — Great Lakes Abyssinian Cat Show, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Delaware County Fairgrounds Coliseum, 236 Pennsylvania Ave., Delaware. (614) 905-7767.

March 19 — New Vistas in Astronomy, 8 p.m. "A History of

Dark Matters and its Present Properties” by Gregory Mack. Lecture series geared toward adult audience, a “mini-course” in astronomy, in which OSU and OWU professors discuss research and new findings in their areas of expertise. 3199 Columbus Pike (US 23 S.), Delaware. (740) 363-1257 or www.perkins-observatory.org.

March 21-22 — Rolling Acres Craft Show, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Crafters come from many states to sell homemade crafts such as art, furniture, adult and children’s clothing, pottery, home and garden decor, folk art, kids toys. Shows are inside buildings with a country setting. Food on the grounds. Delaware County Fairgrounds, 236 Pennsylvania Ave., Delaware. Adults \$3, children under 12 free. (740) 815-3192.

March 22 — Symphonic Wind Ensemble, 3:15 p.m., Ohio Wesleyan University, University Hall’s Gray Chapel, 61 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. (740) 368-3700.

March 24 — Park Avenue Jazz Ensemble, 8 p.m., Ohio Wesleyan University, University Hall’s Gray Chapel, 61 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. (740) 368-3700.

March 28 — Green Thumbs Gardener’s Fair, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Experts with informative presentations on a variety of topics and more than 50 garden related vendors and societies with exhibits. Olentangy Liberty High School, 3584 Home Road, north of Powell. Adults/seniors \$7, children 5 and younger free. (740) 833-2030.

March 29 — Choral Art Society, 3:15 p.m., Ohio Wesleyan University, University Hall’s Gray Chapel, 61 S. Sandusky St., Delaware. (740) 368-3700.

ATTRACTIONS

Alum Creek State Park, 3615 S. Old State Road, Delaware — Camping; hiking, bridle and mountain bike trails; boat rental and launch ramps; fishing and hunting; picnicking; swimming; snowmobiling; sledding; ice skating; ice fishing; and ice boating. (614) 548-4631.

The Arts Castle, Delaware County Cultural Arts Center, 190 W. Winter St., Delaware — The more than 150-year-old castle is one of the landmarks of Delaware history. It was built in 1846 of stone from the Blue Limestone Quarry. The center offers classes, workshops, performances and exhibitions. The Gallery Shop offers hand-crafted works by American artists. Gift shop open 11:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. (740) 369-ARTS.

Black Wing Shooting Center — An indoor-outdoor shooting facility, offering trap, skeet, pistol and rifle shooting. Registered trap and skeet shoots, leagues, options, calcuttas, bowling pin shoots and others are offered throughout the year. Training and corporate/team outings are also available. 3722 Marysville Road (SR 36), Delaware. (740) 363-7555.

Chiller North Ice Rink — Ice skating and hockey facility, which also offers public skating. Try the ice during a Monday-Friday Noon Skate, Friday Night Meltdown, or a Saturday and Sunday afternoon or evening. The facility also features meeting and party space, hockey leagues, skating lessons, corporate events and birthday party packages. 8144 Highfield Drive, Lewis Center. (740) 594-0009.

Columbus Zoo, 9990 Riverside Drive, Powell — Open 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Memorial Day Weekend-Labor Day. Open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Labor Day-Memorial Day Weekend. (614) 645-3400 or (800) MON-KEYS.

Delaware County Historical Society and Genealogy Society Library, Annex and Nash House Museum, 157 E. Williams St., Delaware — Open 2-4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday Jan.15-Nov. 15. (740) 369-3831. For special tours, call (740) 369-4900 or (740) 369-4969.

Delaware State Park, 5202 US 23 North, Delaware — Camping; nearby wildlife area; fishing and hunting; hiking trails; swimming; summer nature programs; boat rental and launch ramps; sledding; ice rink; cross-country skiing; ice fishing. (740) 369-2761 for park office, (740) 363-4561 for camp office or (740) 363-6102 for marina.

Highbanks State Nature Preserve, on US 23, 4 miles north of Worthington within Highbanks Metropark. Features scenic shale bluffs along the Olentangy State Scenic River.

Martin-Perry Homestead, 103 E. Olentangy St. — Home to the Powell-Liberty Historical Society, the homestead is a late 1800s house typical of the period. The house is open for tours 1-4 p.m. on the fourth Saturday and Sunday of each month and has children’s programs. Other tours by appointment. (614) 848-6210.

Nash House Museum, 157 E. William St., Delaware — A home built in the 1870s, furnished with treasures from eras gone by. The annex also features Delaware County artifacts. For hours, call (740) 369-3831.

Olentangy Indian Caverns, 1779 Home Road, off US 23, Delaware — Tours of historic three-level caverns. Museum with Indian artifacts and geological displays. Frontierland with gem mining, gift shop, snack bar and 18-hole mini-golf. (614) 548-7917.

Perkins Observatory, Ohio Wesleyan University, US 23 South, Delaware — Public programs include planetarium shows in Computer Theater, observatory tours, astronomy slide show, 32-inch telescope observations. Call first for dates and tickets. (740) 363-1257.

Radnor Heritage Museum, SR 203 and Radnor Road, Radnor — Open 1:30-4:30 p.m. first and third Sunday of each month April-October. (740) 595-3398 or (740) 595-3319.

Seymour Woods State Nature Preserve, north of Columbus on US 23 about 8 miles north of I-270 — Area features spring woodland wildflowers and summer field wildflowers.

Stratford Woods State Nature Preserve, north of Worthington on US 23, then to Powell Road and then 5 miles west to Liberty Road and north to the Stratford Ecological Center Inc. — Privately owned. Permit required. Area features spring wildflowers and buttonbush swamps. (614) 363-2548.

Sunbury Square, Sunbury — The Myers Inn and Old Towne Hall are on the National Register of Historic Places. Booklets for walking tour available at Sunbury Community Library.

Zoombezi Bay — Newly renovated water theme park, now owned by the Columbus Zoo. The 22.7-acre water park occupies the former home of Wyandot Lake. It features 15 water slides, a wave pool, an action river, a lazy river, private cabannas, a kiddie play pool and more. Season is Memorial Day to Labor Day. Daily opening at 10:30 a.m. Located next to the Columbus Zoo. www.columbuszoo.org or (800) 666-5397.