

Sculpture garden gets grant to enrich children's lives

Arts can enrich the lives of disadvantaged children.

That's the mindset behind the Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens, which has received a grant for its educational initiative, Art & Healthy Hearts in the Gardens, from the Max M. and Marjorie S. Fisher Foundation Arts & Culture Fund of the Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin counties.

The programming is designed to embrace the philosophy that the more students are engaged in their learning, the more lasting knowledge they will gain.

"Art & Healthy Hearts in the Gardens provides an opportunity for Title I students to use their creativity and imagination in the beautiful surround-

ing of the Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens," said CEO Cynthia Kanai. "Just like Ann Norton sculpted her monumental masterpieces, this type of programming allows us to sculpt the minds of the children who participate, and to introduce them to Ann's own vision for art and gardens in a two-acre urban preserve."

This program also is part of the gardens STEAM initiative to introduce science, technology, engineering, arts and math to Title I students with other nonprofits in Palm Beach County, she said.

Launched last season, Art & Healthy Hearts programming invites children to spend the morning viewing a visiting artist exhibition, learning about the artist and make their own works of art.



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The children's works are exhibited in Ann Norton's historic home, offering an opportunity for them to be recognized.

"The Max M. and Marjorie S. Fisher Foundation is excited to support Art & Healthy Hearts in the Gardens," said Caroline Rafferty, foundation cochairwoman. "The gardens are beautiful and the opportunity for children to learn about healthy food in that space and reflect that learning in their art is a great opportunity"

In partnership with the American Heart Association, students attending get a salad bar for lunch and lessons about the benefits of healthy food from the garden.

For more information, visit www.ansg.org or call 561-832-5328. ■

Learn the difference between a good photo and a great photo

Learn how to look and see.

"The Enlightened Viewer - Learning to Look and See" is a lecture Sofia Maduro will present, followed by a Q&A, at the Armory Art Center's photo salon on April 9 from 6-8 p.m. Ms. Maduro will talk about the difference between a good photograph and a great one.

Ms. Maduro, an art and photography lecturer who serves as director of education at the Society of the Four Arts in Palm Beach, has led field trips to Art Basel, taught workshops on the appreciation of photographic art, and classes on organizing genealogical and photo archives.



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In 1993, she founded the Alberto Vollmer Foundation research facility in Caracas, Venezuela, which houses and promotes the study of Latin American archives from the 19th and 20th centuries.

Cost is a \$10 donation at the door at Armory Art Center, 811 Park Place, in West Palm Beach. For more information, visit www.armoryart.org or call 561-832-1776. ■



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The Choral Society of the Palm Beaches has its final concerts of the 2018-2019 season April 27-28.

Concerts celebrate our heritage

America's melting pot heritage can be heard in the Choral Society of the Palm Beaches' final concerts of the season, "Our Choral Heritage."

Performances are 7:30 p.m. April 27 and 4 p.m. April 28 at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute Auditorium - Florida Atlantic University Campus, 5353 Parkside Drive in Jupiter. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students.

"Our Choral Heritage" offers a selection of spiritual, patriotic, folk, European and American songs, a news release said. Those songs included "God Bless America," "Shenandoah," "Black is the Color of My True Love's Hair," "All My Trials" and "Old Irish Blessing."

Also featured on the program is society's annual showcase of its Young Artist Vocal Competition winners. Since 2014, the not-for-profit has awarded more than \$10,000 in prizes to high

school seniors for excellence in choral music performance.

"Each year we are thrilled to recognize exemplary young talents as an assurance of the bright future for great singing and entertainment in the arts," said S. Mark Aliapoulos, artistic director.

Winners of the competition are:

- First Place - Giovanni Pignotti of North Palm Beach
- Second Place - Katherine Zeda of Jupiter
- Director's Awards: Danielle Gellen of Boca Raton, Gianna Montella of Royal Palm Beach and Noah Zaidspiner of Wellington.

To learn more or purchase tickets, or to donate to its scholarship fund, visit choralsocietypalmbeaches.org, or call 561-626-9997. ■

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Easter is back at The Gardens Mall

Children can fill their Easter baskets with prizes as they hop along the pathway in Garden Land, the kid-sized game that's back at The Gardens Mall.

Players spin the wheel then skip along a trail. When they land on one of seven special stepping stones, they have a chance to collect a gift from a participating store. A game of Garden Land is \$5 per person, and all proceeds benefit the Children's Home Society, which provides adoption services, group homes, and shelters for runaways and troubled teens, a news release said.

The mall's Garden Land, one mile east of Interstate 95 on PGA Boulevard in Palm Beach Gardens, will be open April 6-20, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday-Saturday, and noon-6 p.m. on Sunday. ■



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The Easter season is celebrated at Garden Land.