

October 2025 ARTS News!

October is a busy month!! Tickets are now on sale for our 2025-26 Concert Series that begins with Tom Rigney and Flambeau on Oct. 10. Become a member for as low as \$25, get discounted tickets or season tickets and support the ARTS in our community. More details online! It's a big ARTS weekend that continues with the 5th Annual CV Art Studio Tour on Saturday, Oct. 11 and Sunday, Oct. 12. Details below.

Fall is tax planning season! If you have to make a Required Minimum Deduction (RMD) from your traditional IRA, this article can help you reduce your tax burden and support local ARTS.

Thank you to all our 2025-26 donors and supporters. You make the arts thrive! Your donations make it possible for CVAC to bring quality concerts to our valley, the Missoula Children's Theatre and ARTS teachers mini-grants to local schools. It is not too late to donate to our youth ARTS education projects.

Thank you to all our wonderful Volunteers! Volunteers Rock!! Call the CVAC office or check out our website if you want to volunteer or become a member of CVAC.

Check out our website for the **"Explore the ARTS"** menu at the top which includes pages for local artists and musicians, plus local ARTS organizations and businesses. Contact our office if you are interested in being included on one of the pages. The same page has the new Visual Artist Registry.

2025 Calendar

Sept. 3 - Oct. 31 - Ann Allen Art Exhibit - CVAC Copeland Gallery

Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 - Oil Smudge Classes - Douglas Public Library, 1-2:30 PM free - sponsored by Suicide Prevention Network and Lifetime Arts. Call 775- 783 - 1510 for details

Oct. 4 - Fall Festival at Heritage Park - Stop by the Carson Valley Arts Council tent for kid's art and local arts updates.

October 10 - Tom Rigney and Flambeau - First concert of the new Carson Valley Arts Council concert series - 7 pm -CVIC Hall, Minden

Oct. 11 - Carson Valley Art Studio Tour - 10 - 4pm

Oct. 12 - Carson Valley Art Studio Tour - 10 - 3pm

Oct. 18 - CV Pops Autumn Concert - CVIC Hall, Minden

Oct 24-Nov 2 - A Little Country Time - Fri & Sat Evenings 7:30pm and Sat & Sun Matinees 2:00pm, CVIC Hall - Carson Valley Community Theatre

Oct. 29 - For Love of a Smudge - Artists Reception 1-3 pm - Douglas Co. Library

Nov. 1 Dia de Los Muertos - Heritage Park, Gardnerville

Nov. 3 – Dec. 22 – Carson Valley Quilt Guild at Copeland Gallery, Minden

Nov. 8, 2025. - Carson Valley Quilt Guild Reception at Copeland Gallery, Minden - 1-3 pm

Nov. 7 - 9 - CV Artist Association Scholarship Show, CVIC Hall, Minden

Nov. 14 - Jessica Malone - 7 pm - CVIC Hall, Minden

Feb. 13, 2026. 14 - Kristyn Harris - 7 pm - CVIC Hall, Minden

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The first concert in CVAC's 2025-2026 Concert Series will feature music from Tom Rigney and Flambeau on Friday, October 10, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the CVIC Hall in Minden.

Tom Rigney is one of the premier Roots Music Fiddle players on the planet. His band-Tom Rigney and Flambeau specializes in blazing Cajun two-steps, low-down Blues, funky New Orleans grooves, Boogie Woogie piano and heartbreakingly beautiful ballads and waltzes. Much of the repertoire is composed by Rigney, but they mix in a few classics from the Cajun/New Orleans songbook. Along the way you may pick up a trace of Rigney's Irish roots, or echoes of Eastern Europe—it just makes the musical gumbo that much tastier.

Flambeau showcases Rigney's fiery virtuoso fiddling, his charismatic stage presence and his range and originality as a composer. He and Flambeau have forged a unique sound that blends American Roots styles into something original and HOT–mixing irresistible grooves with deep musicality and spectacular soloing. Rigney's high-energy showmanship pulls the audience into his performances and makes them feel they are a part of the music and the show. Band members include: Tom Rigney, violin, vocals, Caroline Dahl, piano, Marc Brinitzer, electric guitar, Steve Parks, bass, and Brent Rampone, drums.

The concert is at 7 pm on October 10, at the CVIC Hall in Minden. Membership is \$22, advance tickets are \$27; \$30 at the door; and kids under 18 are free with a paid adult ticket. Tickets are available for purchase online at www.cvartscouncil.com, by phone at 775-782-8207, or at the Copeland Cultural Arts Center, 1572 US Hwy 395, Minden.



Mark your calendar!! The Carson Valley Arts Council is excited to announce the dates for the 5th annual 2025 Carson Valley Art Studio Tour. The dates are set for Oct. 11 & 12, 2025.

This free, self-drive tour of local artists' studios highlights some of the best and most creative artists in our community. You can visit 18 studios with 26 artists during the tow days. See the creative process, talk with artists about their work, purchase unique, one of a kind art and gifts.

An online, interactive tour map and a downloadable map will be available at the Tour website in September. Print Tour maps will also be available in September at the Carson Valley Arts Council, Carson Valley Visitor's Authority, Douglas County Museum and local galleries. Artists include:

- Studio 1 Lisa Daggett and Jim Daggett Custom Jewelry Sterling Silver & Gemstones
- Studio 2. Teri Dickerson, Silver smithing jewelry
- Studio 3 PK Klein, Jewelry, Abstract Acrylic
- Studio 4 Margie Leslie, Watercolor Scratchboard. Pam Brekas, Jewelry: Titanium mesh, bullet, coin, glace & some mixed media art and Liza Obukhovskaya, Ceramic, felted paintings & ornaments
- Studio 5 Alanna McDaniel, Mixed Media Paintings; Knit Hats
- Studio 6. Melanie Walters, Watercolor
- Studio 7 Lee Lewis Watercolor, Silk Painting & Jewelry
- Studio 8 Carson Valley Arts Council
- Constance Peters Photography, scarves and Carol Kennedy Porcelain/Kiln Fired Items; Oil Painting
- Studio 9 Pietro Accardi fabric & paper marbling, book binding

Studio 10 - Carson Valley Historical Museum

Leah Andrews Oils Landscape Realism and Anne Mitchell, Multi Media and Deb Lockett, Photography

Studio 11 - Cyndy Kelso, Acrylic, Watercolor, Gouache, Ceramics

Studio 12 - Bob Fairbank, Sculpture

Studio 13 - Tina Forkner, Watercolor and Kristy Dial, Gourds

Studio 14 - Gardnerville Station

Irene Taylor, Watercolor, Mark Harris, Oil & Watercolor and Mark Tompkins, Paintings

Studio 15 - Teri Sweeney, Oil and Watercolor Paintings

Studio 16 - Roger Kinnaman, Pastel, and oil Landscapes

Studio 17 - Michelle Mulligan, pottery

Studio 18 - Mary Purdy Gmuender Impressionist oil paintings

Galleries include: Gadzooks - a Creative Place, Prism Gallery, Carson Valley Arts Council Copeland Gallery, Heartstrings and East Fork Gallery

The Carson Valley Arts Council website also has a page that highlights local artists. Artists who have been on the Tour or exhibited at our Carson Valley Arts Council gallery are on the page. If you or know other artists that would like to be added, please contact our office. For more information, contact the Copeland Cultural Arts Center, 1572 US Hwy 395, Minden, online at www.cvartscouncil.com, and by phone at 775-782-8207.



See you at our Carson Valley Arts Council tent free with kids' art projects!

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10.4.25 5pm Carson Valley Inn

- **★Dinner ★Concert**
- **★Live & Silent Auctions**

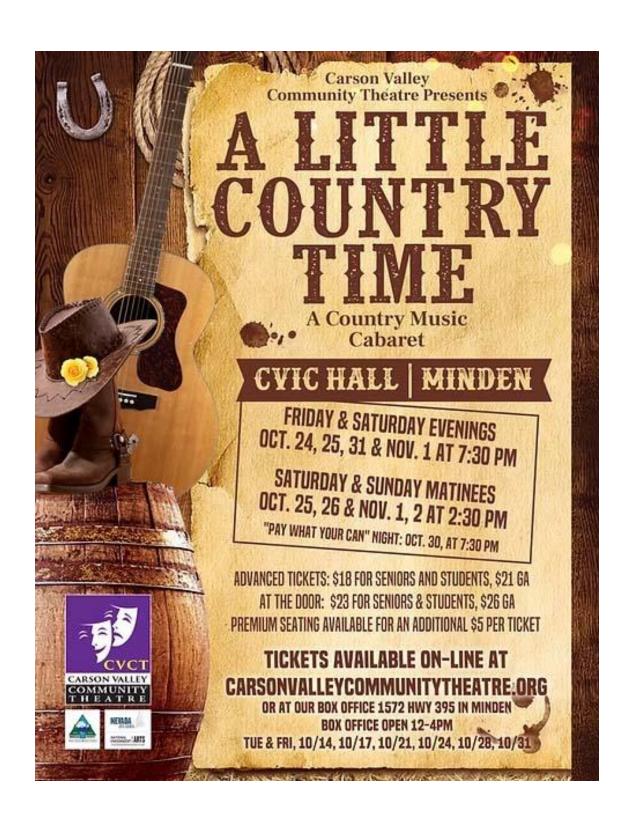
Buy tickets or donate: library.douglascountynv.gov Or at the Minden or Zephyr Cove Library











Carson Valley Arts Council CONCERT SERIES 2025/2026



FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 14, 2025
SHOW 7PM. DOORS OPEN 6PM

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CVIC HALL ESMERALDA AVE, MINDEN

Award winning, singer-songwriter Jessica Malone and her band blend soulful lyrics with sultry sounds that seem to illuminate the landscape itself, her voice guiding you across a musical terrain of retro soul, indie folk and Americana vibrations. Described as "the real deal," her tone is a blend of Brandi Carlile, Norah Jones, Joni Mitchell, with a magic all her own. http://www.jessicamalonemusic.com

\$22 MEMBER; \$25 IN ADVANCE; \$28 AT THE DOOR; UNDER 18 FREE WITH PAID ADULT PURCHASE INDIVIDUAL TICKETS: CALL 775-782-8207, WWW.CVARTSCOUNCIL.COM OR CVAC OFFICE LOCATED AT 1572 US HWY 395, MINDEN













Carson Valley Arts Council Announces 2025-26 Concert Series

The Carson Valley Arts Council will kick off its 2025-2026 Concert Series beginning October 10, bringing diverse music performers from across the country to our local community and schools.

Season tickets for our Members are on sale **NOW**. Season tickets for Members are \$110 per person. Become a Member of CVAC and save on season tickets. Discounted member advance ticket is \$22 per individual concert tickets.

General Public Advance Tickets for each concert are **NOW** on sale.

To purchase member season tickets or individual concert tickets: Call 775-782-8207, on line at www.cvartscouncil.com or at the CVAC office, 1572 Hwy 395, Minden. Advance ticket prices are available till the day before concerts.

2025-2026 Concert Lineup

Again this year we will be offering **free admission for youth under 18 years of age with purchase of an adult ticket** to our public concerts. If you plan to bring a youth to the concert please let us know at the time of purchase of adult ticket.

- Tom Rigney & Flambeau Blazing Cajun and Zydeco two-steps, blues, funky New Orleans grooves Music Friday, October 10, 2025
- Jessica Malone Folk, jazz, Americana, and blues Music Friday, November 14, 2025
- Kristyn Harris Western Music Friday, February 13, 2026
- Mustangs of the West Friday, March 6, 2026
- Chris Webster & Nina Gerber Country, folk, bluegrass, pop, rhythm & blues Music Friday, April 10, 2026
- Harry & the Hitmen Classic Mowtown and Soul Music Friday, May 8, 2026

10 Reasons to Support CVAC!

We asked members, friends and sponsors why they support the Carson Valley Arts Council. Here are some of their answers.

- I think the ARTS are important in our community.
- I want our youth to have many arts experiences.
- I love the amazing Carson Valley Arts Council concerts and I want them to continue.
- Being a member is a small price to support the ARTS in our community.
- As a member, I get discounts on concert tickets.
- Carson Valley Arts Council has been there for the ARTS for more than 20 years.
- The new cinema project is exciting.
- I'm a volunteer because I believe in their mission and vision for our community.
- I love ALL types of ARTS and want more in my community.
- I can trust CVAC for thoughtful and quality music and art.

Become a Carson Valley Arts Council member today! More details online!



Save on Taxes and Support the ARTS

Several of our members and friends have used a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) payable to Carson Valley Arts Council as a way to reduce their tax bill.

Open to retirees age 70½ or older, QCDs are a direct transfer from an individual retirement account to an eligible nonprofit organization. For 2025, the limit is \$108,000 per investor.

Once you're 73 or older, you can use QCDs to satisfy yearly RMDs and the transfer won't increase your adjusted gross income.

If you have to take a Required Minimum Deduction (RMD) from your traditional IRA, a QCD can help you reduce your tax burden. Since it goes directly to a charity, a QCD is not taxed like your RMD is. Talk with your tax professional to see if a Qualified Charitable Deduction can help you and Carson Valley Arts Council.





Thank you to everyone who painted one of the ornaments provided by Carson Valley Arts Council for the US National Christmas Tree in Washington DC. Carson Valley Arts Council members, Artists, enthusiasts, youth and seniors all participated.



Thank you 2025-26 Sponsors and Supporters

Special thanks go to our sponsors for the Concert Series and the Art Studio Tour. Please thank all of our sponsors and supporters for making the ARTS important in our community. Nevada Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts, Creative West, BlackAcre Ranch, Carson Valley Inn, Douglas County, BDR Construction, Coffee on Main, Record Courier, Coldwell Banker Select Real Estate, Carson Valley United Methodist Church, Vander Laan Law Firm, Douglas Democrats/DCDemocratic Women, Breaux Accounting Group, Double J Auto, Mort's Auto Body, Custom Framing & Design, Art Gallery @ Prism, Gadzooks, East Fork Gallery, Towns of Minden and Gardnerville, COD Casino, Carson Valley Visitor's Authority and Chamber of Commerce, Warren Reed Insurance, Law Farm - Merrill A Hanson, Frances C. and William P. Smallwood Foundation, Heritage Bank, Nevada State Bank, American Century Championship, Holiday Inn Express, Minden Rotary, Sharon Hoelscher Day, and Karen and Brian Fitzgerald.

Visit our website at www.cvartscouncil.com







Learn the Oil Pastel "Smudge" Technique

Take part in this Creative Aging series and learn how to make exciting, beautiful Mandalas, centering and guiding you forward in life. These weekly sessions are led by award-winning artist Carol Foldvary-Anderson and open to all skill levels!

Who: Seniors age 55+

Where: Douglas County Public Library 1625 Library Lane Minden, NV 89423

When: Wednesdays from 1:00-2:30pm: September 17 and 24 October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29

Cost: NO CHARGE - supplies provided!

Look at the world and art in a whole new way. Join us to see what a little smudge can do!

> Space is limited; RSVP required. Please call Suicide Prevention Network: 775-783-1510











For the LOVE of a Smudge!

Inspiring mandala designs using oil pastels created by artists age 55 and better

Artist Exhibit and Reception

Wednesday, October 29 1-3 pm

Douglas County Library

1625 Library Lane; Minden, NV 89423

This event is the culmination of an seven-part series led by Master Artist/Educator Carol Foldvary-Anderson. Participants of all skill levels came together to explore, experiment, and play with the "smudge" technique using oil pastels as the medium. Meet the artists and enjoy their creations. Light refreshments served.

















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All are welcome!



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