

Color Your World
Crosstie Arts and Jazz Festival
April 21, 2007
Bolivar County Courthouse Lawn

Come join us for **Cleveland's 38th Annual Crosstie Arts Festival** where artists, working in many mediums, find a home on the Bolivar County Courthouse lawn and, where the young and old alike, can support the arts in the Mississippi Delta. This year's festival artists include **painters** Carolyn Norris, Carol Roark, Gary Walters and Bill Bailey. Ellen McRaney will also be back – displaying and selling her award winning photography . On hand will also be **pottery** galore, showing off their many different styles - from raku to clay sculptures and stoneware there is sure to be something to fit everyone's style and budget. There will also be a gorgeous array of **hand blown** and **stained glass** as well as **hand carved furniture!**

Children will have plenty to see and do at the festival too. There will be a special **“hands-on” art area for children.** The kids can enjoy painting, working with clay and bead stringing. There will also be storytelling and a special kids fun run. Also, kids can get some “personalized” art in the face painting area. “Mr. Watermelon Head” will also make two special appearances!!

The adults will not miss out either - there will be a 5k race where participants can run or walk the route. And, after you've burned some calories, dig into the festival food! All of the best fair fare will be available - funnel cakes, pizza, hamburgers, corn dogs, hot tamales and homemade treats will all be there to tempt you!

Writers from Mississippi and the region will also share their uniquely southern pen at the **Mississippi Writers Table.** Featured writers include: **Robert St. John, John Hailman, noted author of “Thomas Jefferson on Wine”, John Ramsey Miller,** Opal Turner Brown, Matthew Lynch, Beth Jacks, Mike Reed, Keetha Reed, K.G. Sims, Bob Vance Moulder, and Mac and Bet Hubbell.

Music is the Delta and there will be plenty to choose from - **local groups, jazz and, of course, Delta Blues.** MDCC'S Delta Dancers and Jazz band, gospel group the Steadman Brothers and old school R & B group Jake and the Pearl Street Jumpers will all take the stage. Other performers include Kristian Dambrino and Barry Bays, the Spoonoodlecks, Dr. Ron Myers and the Mississippi Delta Jazz Connection, the Walter Henderson Quintet and the DSU Jazz Ensemble.

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Please join us **April 21, 2007**, in Downtown Cleveland for this year's annual **Crosstie Arts Festival**. Bring an appetite, a love of art and, most importantly, **YOURSELF** as we

Celebrate Art in the Mississippi Delta

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