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# Arts & Entertainment

AUGUST 2016

## • "Steel Magnolias"

The Dosta Playhouse, 122 N. Ashley St. Theatre Guild Valdosta opens season with the drama-comedy by playwright Robert Harling. Theatre Guild synopsis: "Set in Truvy's beauty salon in Chinquapin, La., where all the ladies who are 'anybody' come to have their hair done. Helped by her eager new assistant, Annelle, the outspoken, wise-cracking Truvy dispenses shampoos and free advice to the town's rich curmudgeon, Quiser; an eccentric millionaire, Miss Clairee; and the local social leader, M'Lynn, whose daughter, Shelby, is about to marry a 'good ole boy.'"

**Run dates:** Aug. 18-21; Aug. 25-27.

**More information:** (229) 247-2787; or visit [turnercenter.org](http://turnercenter.org).

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## • "American Soundtrack Vol. IV"

James H. Rainwater Conference Center, off Norman Drive. Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts sponsors this show of Valdosta-area residents performing a music revue of great American songs from a variety of genres. **Run date:** 7:30 p.m., Aug. 20.

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## • Skillet in concert

Wild Adventures Theme Park, Old Clyattville Road. Rock band returns to the park with hits such as "Not Gonna Die" and "Awake & Alive."

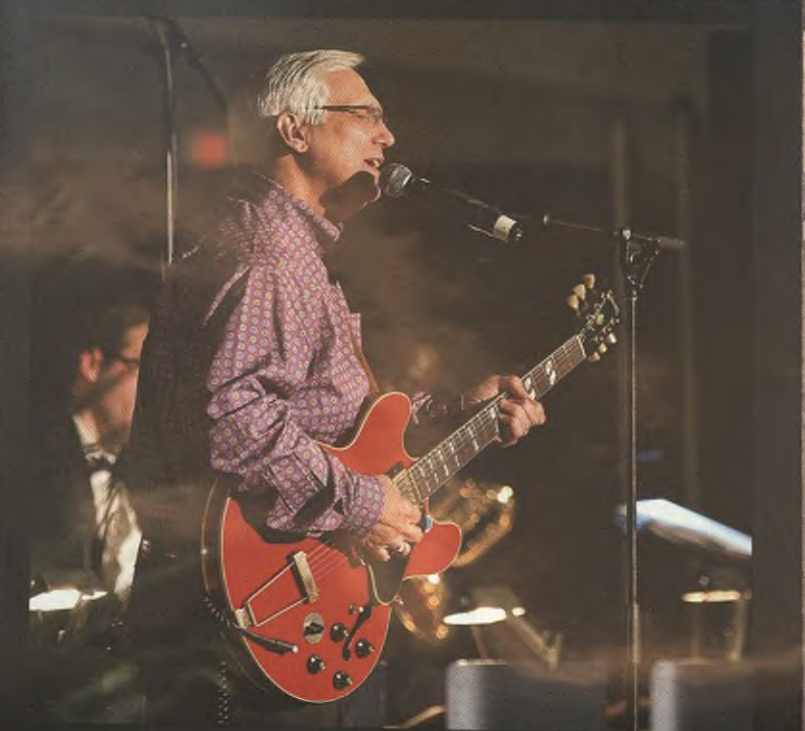
**Run date:** Aug. 6

**More information:** [wildadventures.com](http://wildadventures.com)

## • Colt Ford in concert

Wild Adventures Theme Park, Old Clyattville Road. Country rapper returns to the Valdosta area. **Run date:** Aug 13.

**More information:** [wildadventures.com](http://wildadventures.com)



The Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts presents

# American Soundtrack

*Volume IV: A Musical Celebration*

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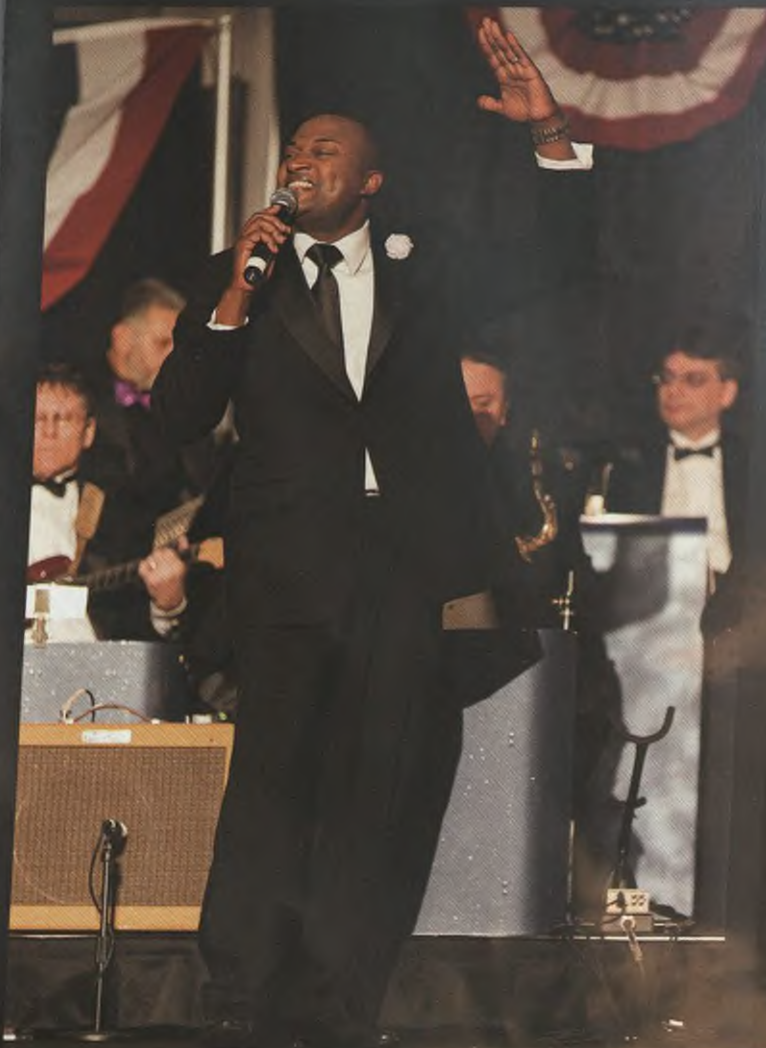
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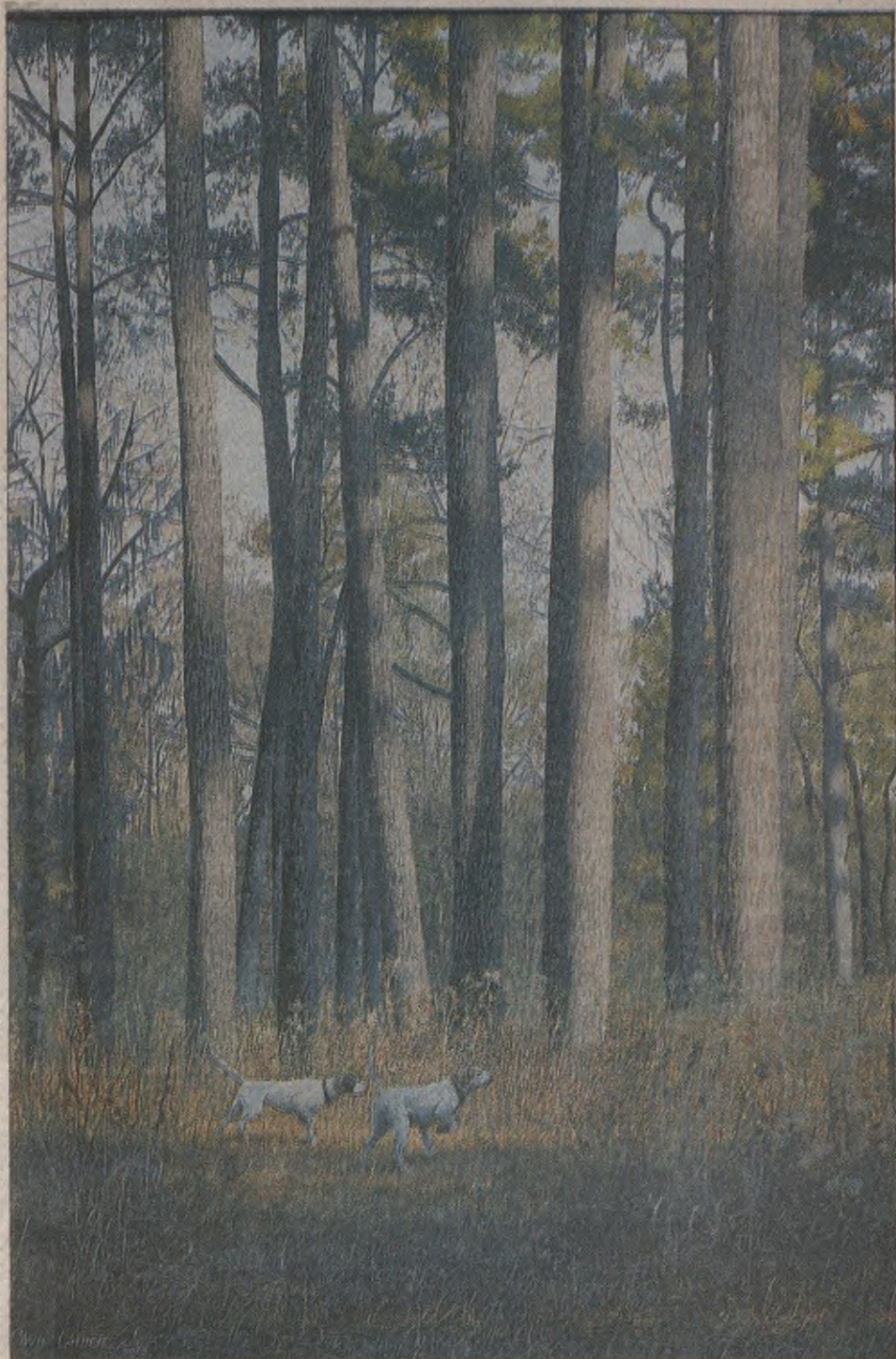
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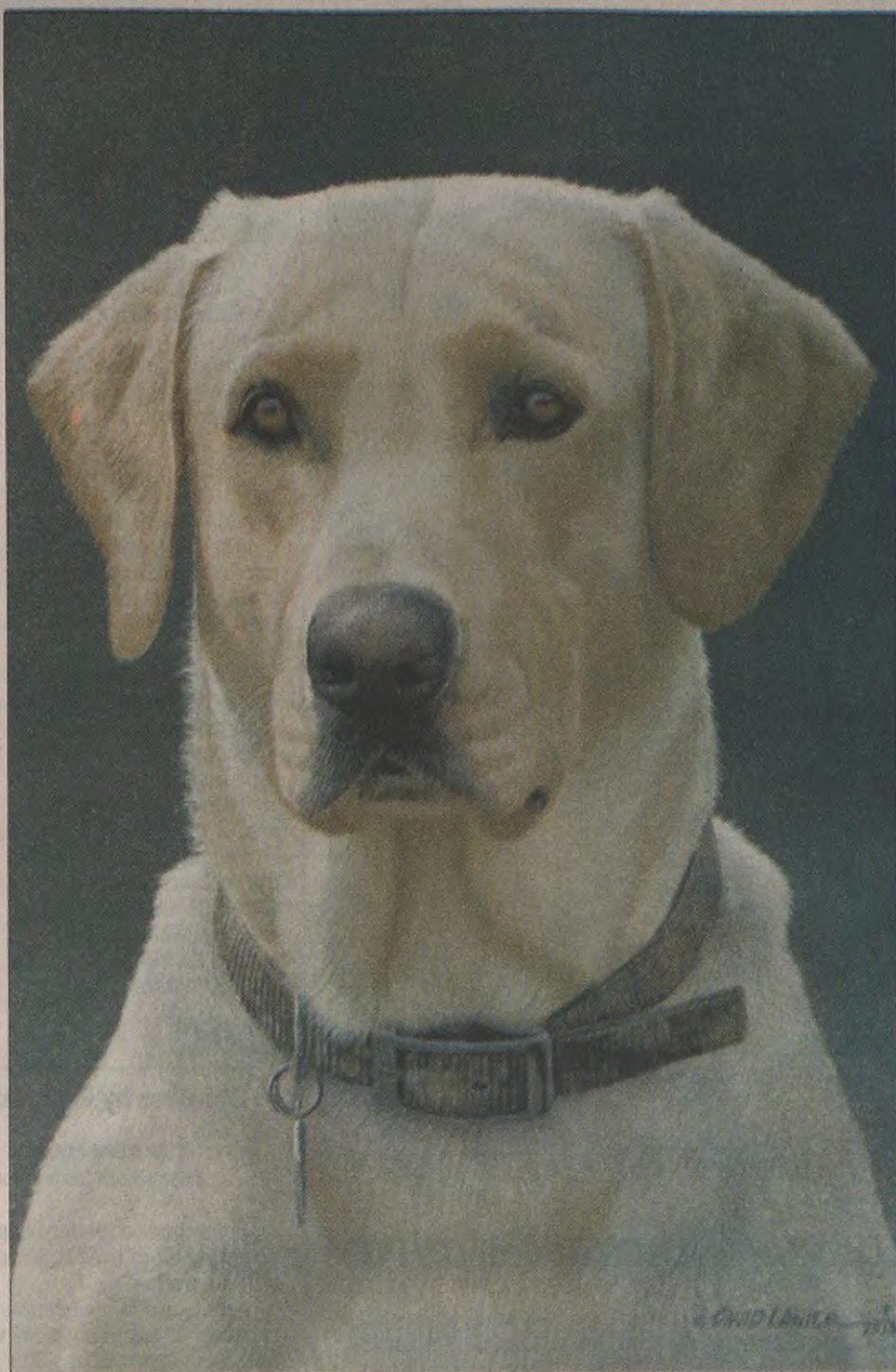
Entertainers at the Turner Center's annual American Soundtrack event keep audiences mesmerized and energized throughout this musical extravaganza. The playlist changes each year so the programs stay fresh and engaging. "We've merely scratched the surface of American music," says Turner Center director Cheryl Oliver, "so we're in this for as long as the Ed Barr Orchestra plays on." American Soundtrack, Vol. IV takes place on Aug. 20, at the Rainwater Conference Center. Tickets may be purchased at the Turner Center for the Arts or online at [www.turnercenter.org](http://www.turnercenter.org).

*Clockwise from top left: Mary Peebles, Michael Bo Griner, Kenneth Trimmins, Wendy Colson, Frank Simons, Sidney & Sharon Morris, Mayor John & Peggy Gayle and Riley & Jenny Howard, the St. Johns Youth Choir, Taurence Phillips*





'Under Tall Pines,' artist David Lanier.



Painting by artist David Lanier.

planet where the natural world is so alluring. How mundane it would be if our geography resembled that of the moon or Mars. I choose to believe that God created this world to keep us in a constant state of wonder and amazement, and it is because of that fascination that I paint the scenes and animals that I do."

Lanier understands the South Georgia environment. An Albany artist, he has the Plantation Gallery.

More important than taking regular art patrons hunting, Lanier paintings have the potential to attract new people to see the exhibit in the Sallie & Harmon Boyette Gallery at the arts center.

"I grew up hunting and fishing with my father and now I continue that tradition with my own son," Lanier said. "Sporting dogs are a favorite subject because they convey so much emotion and intelligence."

## GALLERY

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'Southern Traditions Quail,' artist David Lanier.

## Gone Hunting

Center hosts outdoor photorealism

BY DEAN POLING  
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### GALLERY

VALDOSTA — David Lanier takes art patrons hunting.

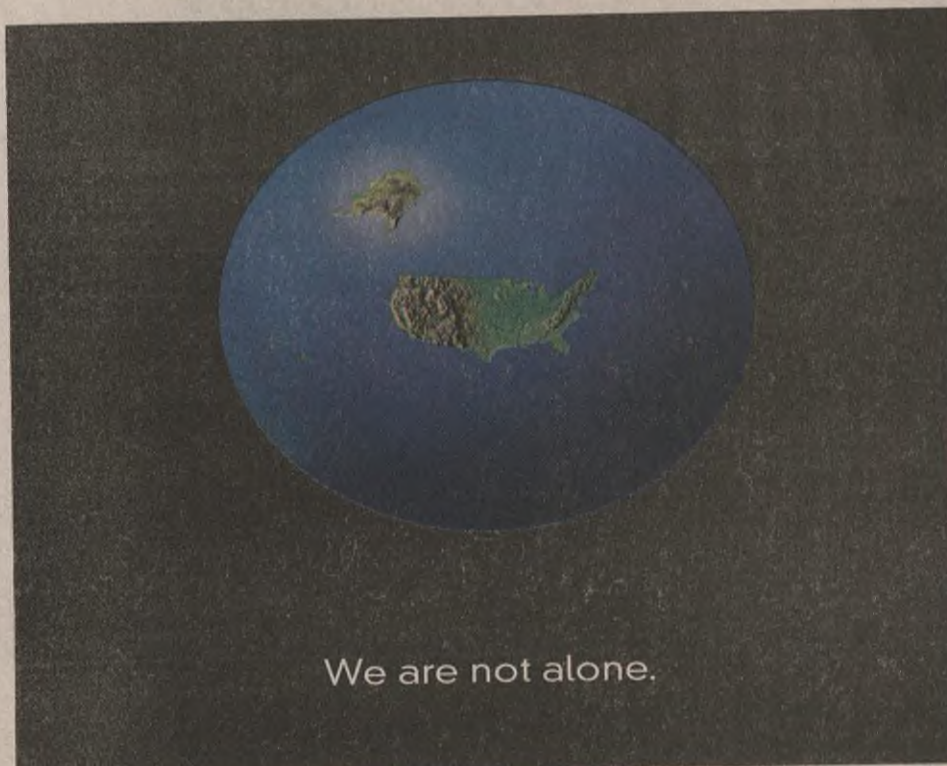
His "Paintings" exhibit is filled with hound dogs and traipses through the woods, fog rising from ponds, the crunch of fallen leaves ...

He may have to paint in a studio to create the near photorealistic approach of his canvases but he's never far from the outdoors. A place he's spent time and appreciated since childhood, according to the artist.

"The decision to paint wildlife was an easy one," Lanier said in an artistic statement. "I believe it is my purpose in life to show others the beauty that surrounds us and, hopefully, point people to the Divine Creator whose work I can only imitate. We are so blessed to live on such a diverse

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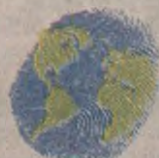
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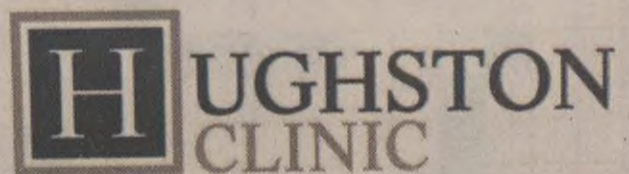
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### B. Collier Watson, DO Surgery of the Foot & Ankle



Dr. Watson is a board eligible orthopaedic surgeon specializing in disorders of the foot and ankle. Raised in Blakely, Georgia, he received his undergraduate degree with honors from the University of Georgia in 2006. Afterward he attended the Edward Via Virginia College of Osteopathic Medicine on the campus of Virginia Tech, graduating in 2010. He next moved to Columbus, Ohio where he did his residency in orthopaedic surgery at Doctors Hospital/Ohio University COM and went on to complete a one-year orthopaedic foot and ankle fellowship at the Orthopedic Foot and Ankle Center.

Dr. Watson has expertise in both common and complex disorders of the foot and ankle. His primary clinical interest is in foot and ankle reconstruction, including total ankle replacement, deformity correction, trauma, and sports-related injuries/disorders.

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The Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts opens the 2016-17 Presenter Series with the family-friendly 'Aluminum Show.'

# All Present

## Presenter Series shows named

BY DEAN POLING

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VALDOSTA — A metal show for all ages. A specially produced musical revue for the South Georgia community. The stage version of the movie that epitomized the 1970s disco scene.

The Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts Presenter Series offers three shows for the 2016-17 season.

Nancy Warren, Presenter Series chairman, and Jeani Synyard and Tina Folsom, vice chairs, have scheduled "The Aluminum Show," Nov. 3; "With Love from Broadway," Feb. 14; "Saturday Night Fever," March 20.

— "The Aluminum Show": The season opener marks a return for the family-friendly show. The nationally touring "Aluminum Show" played as a Presenter Series show nearly a decade ago. The 2015 "Aluminum Show" is an all-new production, Warren said. Synopsis: "The story centers around



SUBMITTED PHOTO

A stage adaptation of 'Saturday Night Fever' concludes the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts Presenter Series 2016-17 season.

one man's incredible journey to a parallel universe — a futuristic planet made entirely of aluminum which comes to life right before your very eyes, transforming into imaginary, mysterious and playful characters."

— "With Love from Broadway": New York casting director Stephen DeAngelis is creating a production solely for Valdo-

sta as the Presenter Series resumes a past tradition of a Valentine's Day show, Warren said. Accompanied by pianist Eugene Gwordz, DeAngelis will select five vocalists who have performed on Broadway. Two performers have already been selected. They are Jackie Burns who has played Elphaba in "Wicked" on Broadway and Jared Ma-

son who played Jerry Lee Lewis in "Million Dollar Quartet" on Broadway.

— "Saturday Night Fever": The stage version based on the movie of the same name. The live show features the '70s disco and pop hits by the BeeGees, K.C. & The Sunshine Band, etc. Synopsis: "The iconic

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**PRESENTER**





FILE PHOTO

Dr. Larry Scully plays two piano concerts as part of the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts SCORE series.

## *Scully SCOREs with piano concert*

**BY DEAN POLING**  
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VALDOSTA — The Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts hopes to SCORE again with a classical piano concert.

Dr. Larry Scully will play a selection of piano pieces during two concerts later in the week. He will play one concert for a general audience and a second concert for children.

Scully served many years as a Valdosta State University music department faculty member.

He played approximately 30 faculty recitals at VSU. His recitals included a series in the early 2000s playing Beethoven's 32 sonatas.

Even having accomplished the rare feat, Scully tries including something

See Scully on 7A

### SHOWTIME

Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts SCORE series  
presents pianist Dr. Larry Scully

**When:** 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8, evening concert;  
10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 9, children's concert.

**Where:** Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, 527 N. Patterson St.

**Admission:** \$20, reserved seating; \$15, general admission, evening concert. Free, children's concert.

**More information:** Call (229) 247-2787; or visit [www.turnercenter.org](http://www.turnercenter.org).

### SCULLY: Concert is part of the arts center SCORE concert series

from Beethoven in each recital.

"My teacher always said to play repertoire that your students can't or don't play," Scully said of selecting works in a past interview.

Scully has always refused to choose favorite

pieces. "I stopped selecting favorite repertoire years ago," he has said.

"Like Andrew Zimmern says, 'if it looks good — eat it!' So I say, 'if I like the work — I'll play it!'"

The concert is part of the arts center SCORE concert series.

Seeing the audience at the Valdosta Symphony Orchestra last year, Dan Coleman, Valdosta Symphony board chairman, wanted to bring classical music to a broader audience, said Cheryl Oliver, Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts

executive director.

Through funding from Coleman, the arts center hosts occasional events focusing on classical music, Oliver said.

The events aim to introduce classical music in a relaxed and fun atmosphere, she said.

# Fill-a-Truck campaign fights regional hunger

BY JENNIFER DANDRON

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VALDOSTA — September is Hunger Action Month and the community is working to combat hunger in South Georgia.

The Third Annual Fill-a-Truck for Hunger campaign kicked off last week hosted by Second Harvest of South Georgia and Southeastern Credit Union. Event organizers challenged the communi-

ty to fill an entire truck with food donations and if achieved, Southeastern will donate a second truckload of food. "If the community is successful in meeting that fill-a-truck goal, Southeastern will donate a second truckload of food to the food bank," said Courtney Gooding, assistant vice president of marketing. "That's two truckloads, or 40,000 pounds of food, which will help provide more than 26,000 meals for

those in need right here in our community."

Eliza McCall of Second Harvest said South Georgia suffers harshly from food insecurity, but the month-long event aims to help.

"The primary goal for this campaign is to raise awareness, food and funds for the issue of hunger in South Georgia," she said. "People think this is a third world country or an urban problem. This is not. Rural hunger is a huge issue.



JENNIFER DANDRON | THE VALDOSTA DAILY TIMES

Eliza McCall of Second Harvest of South Georgia helps kick off the Third Annual Fill-a-Truck for Hunger campaign by defining food insecurity in South Georgia.

One in four people in South Georgia struggle with food insecurity, including one in three children. We are

here to make sure people are aware of the issue, are learning about the issue. If (people) are not seeing the

need, they need to look a little harder."

See Hunger on 8A

## HUNGER: Five more events set for this month

Community partners for the event include O'Steen Subaru of Valdosta, Wild Adventures Theme Park, Turner Center for the Arts, Lowndes County and the City of Valdosta.

Lowndes County Commission Chairman Bill Slaughter presented a joint proclamation from the city and county during the kickoff. Slaughter said the efforts to curb hunger make him proud to be from the community.

Donations can be made throughout the month of September at all six Southeastern Credit Union branches, O'Steen Subaru of Valdosta, online at [Feedingsga.org](http://Feedingsga.org) and both City of Valdosta and

Lowndes County offices.

Other Hunger Action Month events include:

- Sept. 10: Open pottery workshops for Empty Bowls at the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts.

- Sept. 12: Spirit Night at Buffalo Wild Wings to benefit Second Harvest.

- Sept. 17-18: Wild Adventures BOGO Admission Days (with canned food donation).

- Sept. 19: Hunger in America Photography Exhibit/Empty Bowls Opening at Turner Center for the Arts, 527 N. Patterson St.

- Sept. 28: CAN-tasia canned food drive/sculpture event at Valdosta State University sponsored by PRSSA.

# Glass by Grace

## Center shows woman's collection

BY DEAN POLING  
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VALDOSTA — The Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts has a unique show.

It features the glass works of artist Bill Slade collected by Grace Hilton.

Collection shows are not unusual. Such exhibits often feature works by several artists collected by a person.

At the Turner Center, the exhibit shares how one woman collected glassware from one artist.

Grace Bealey Halter "was quite the character and had a way of making strangers her friends," according to information provided to the arts center by her family. "Her favorite reply to have a good day was 'Every day is a good day.'"

Born in the 1920s in St. Marys, she loved visiting Fernandina Beach, Fla. Three of her children were born in Fernandina. She had two more children after moving to Valdosta in 1955.

But she always returned to Fernandina, especially for the Shrimp Festival, for more than 40 years.

Each festival, she visited the glass vending booth of Slade. Each year, Slade created a glasswork especially for Halter.

"Those and the other pieces

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she collected from him were some of her most prized possessions," according to the family.

Slade recalls meeting Hilton in 1984 and developing a friendship.

"She had an eye, for objects of beauty, and for people," Slade said via an artistic statement.

"She walked up to my glass display on Centre Street and



A glasswork by artist Bill Slade, collected by Grace Halter.

told me I make beautiful things. Juggling three or four pieces in her hands at one time, her comment was, 'I just can't make up my mind. I will take all of them.' We talked for a bit, and off she went. I don't remember who she was with. I had been Graced."

The next year she returned to his Shrimp Festival display. She asked if Slade remembered her. He hemmed a bit. Kinda ...

"Two hours later, I had learned her life history, met her relatives, been given a paperclip angel, a shrimp pin and a friend dressed in purple for the next 30-odd years," Slade said.

Slade said he never considered the collection of glassworks she amassed during the 30-plus years of visits.

But seeing the number of pieces in the Annette Howell

Turner Center for the Arts, Grace Halter had quite the collection of Slade's glass.

"Oh by the way, Grace loved purple — the purple lady — and we always tried to make something with purple in it for her," Slade said. "Unique, one of a kind would be how I describe Grace Hilton. Thanks for taking me into a small part of your world."

## Authors share books, ideas

BY DEAN POLING  
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VALDOSTA — About two dozen authors read from their books and discussed the worlds of words, publication and marketing during the first Snake Nation Press Local Author Roundup.

The event featured numerous Valdosta and Tallahassee, Fla., authors. They were authors who have written books on a diverse number of subjects from history to novels, poetry collections to science fiction, short story collections to children's books, inspirational to horror.

Roberta George, Snake Nation founding publisher, Jean Arambula, Snake Nation managing editor, and Brenda Smith, Snake Nation Literacy Day committee chairman, organized the day.

The public had the opportunity to purchase books and ask authors questions.



Sue Raffaele looks at children books written by Tracey M. Cox during the Snake Nation Press Local Author Roundup at the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts.

JEAN ARAMBULA | SUBMITTED PHOTO

Representatives from Book and Table, a downtown book store, Friends of the Library, South Georgia Regional Library and

Imagination Library also attended the event at Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts. Snake Nation Press is a

Valdosta-based publishing house that has published numerous authors locally, regionally and from across the nation.

## Public art dedicated

STAFF REPORTS

VALDOSTA — The Public Art Advisory Committee dedicates the public art project at Smith Park, 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 17.

The public art project involved several dozen hands in the making of it and was made possible through a Georgia Council for the

Arts — Vibrant Communities Grant, according to a press release from the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts.

The event is open to the public.

Smith Park is located where East Hill Avenue, East Central Avenue and North Forrest Street converge in Valdosta.

## Arts district proposed downtown

BY JENNIFER DANDRON  
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VALDOSTA — Members of the Public Art Advisory Committee proposed designating downtown as a city center arts district during the recent Valdosta City Council work session.

"Arts and culture-related industries, often called creative industries, provide direct economic benefits, create jobs, attract investments, generate tax revenues and stimulate local economies through tourism and consumer purchases. When localities can achieve a critical mass of arts-related activities in a single area, these neighborhoods

are appealing to what is often called the creative class of workers, many of whom prefer to live in or at least in close proximity to the arts and cultural districts," stated the proposal.

Buddy Boswell, community at large member of the PAAC, identified six objectives "to sow the seeds for what will lead to those long-term successes."

The objectives are to clearly define and delineate borders, inventory all assets within the district, announce and publicize the intent of establishing a district, raise the visibility of the creative community and more closely connect the

arts to community development, establish cross-sector partnerships or steering committees through public forums, create identity and branding and unify the district by overcoming barriers.

The proposed boundary of the district would follow the Central Valdosta Development Authority western, southern and eastern boundaries but extend north to include Webster Street to include the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts. The district would highlight the 24 existing art-relevant businesses, according to the proposal.

"The PAAC believes that

the CCAD can become a mecca for artists and creative professionals, while serving as a destination for out-of-town visitors and eventually becoming a significant revenue generator and top employer of local artists statewide," according to the proposal.

Council members said they would consider developing a resolution to endorse the district at a future meeting.



'Harris Neck Oak,' artist Mary O. Smith.

## Turner Arts Center opens new shows

BY DEAN POLING  
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VALDOSTA — The Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts opens new art exhibits Monday.

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Southern Artists League biannual exhibit will feature several regional artists in the Roberta George Children's Gallery.

The permanent exhibits of East African Art and fine European porcelain are on display respectively in the Tillman Gallery and the Howard Gallery.

Results of The Valdosta Daily Times' newspaper rack art contest are also scheduled to be announced and displayed during the opening reception for the new exhibits.

The exhibits run Sept. 19 through Nov. 2.



'Flight of the Butterfly,' artist Alfred Phillips.

The free, public reception is scheduled for 5-7 p.m. Monday at the arts center, 527 N. Patterson St. Gallery hours: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays through Satur-

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More information: Call (229) 247-2787; visit turner-center.org.

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Wednesday, September 21, 2016

# Times announces rack art winners

BY DESIREE CARVER

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VALDOSTA — The Valdosta Daily Times announced winners for the first newspaper rack art contest Monday evening during the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts reception.

"When my team got together, they had no information about who created which rack," said Andrew Wardle, South Georgia Media Group regional director of audience development and The Times circulation director. "It was a difficult choice and nobody lost."

Commendable went to Sky Starling for her cat-themed rack and Dewar Elementary School's art club for a Lowndes County football theme.

Third place was award-

ed to Sarah Lowe who created a rack with floral designs. Darla Peters took second for a mural titled "Living Life to the Fullest" which included geometric designs and animals.

First place was given to Pam Scruggs for her chef-themed rack, which was based on a photo of Birdie's Market and Catering Executive Chef Hunter Wills. The rack will be displayed near Birdie's in Downtown Valdosta.

The arts center reception also ushered in the new exhibits that will be on display at the art center through Nov. 2. Artist Alfred Phillips' paintings are on exhibit in the Sallie and Harmon Boyette Gallery and artist Mary O. Smith's paintings are on display in

See Winners on 9A



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**Pam Scruggs won first place in the Valdosta Daily Times' newspaper rack contest. The rack was designed to resemble Birdie's chef Hunter Wills.**

The Annetta Howell Turner Center for the Arts

# Presenter Series

2016-2017



## THE ALUMINUM SHOW

Thursday, November 3, 2016



## With Love From Broadway

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Jared Mason (Million Dollar Quartet)

Tuesday, February 14, 2017



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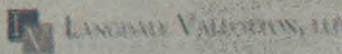
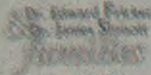
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Written and directed by Lior Kalfo, creator of the popular Voca People, which played in Valdosta in 2014, and other successful international shows (Fantasy and Glow), the new show also features the work of Ido Tadmor, one of Israel's premier choreographers. Artistic direction is provided by Ilan Azriel, co-creator of the international Aluminum Show.

**PRESENTER SERIES PERFORMANCES:**

November 3, 2016  
• The Aluminum Show

February 14, 2017  
• With Love from Broadway

March 20, 2017  
• Saturday Night Fever – the Musical

**IF YOU GO.....**

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# Arts & CULTURE

## Annette Howell Turner Arts Center's Presenter Series

A show for all ages...a Broadway extravaganza customized just for Valdosta...and a musical blockbuster...this season's Turner Center Presenter Series is brimming with thrills, trills, and chills!

Shows will kick off on Thursday, Nov. 3, with *The Aluminum Show*, hit a high note on February 14 with *With Love from Broadway*, and leap into Mathis Auditorium with *Saturday Night Fever - the Musical*, on March 20.

Be sure not to miss a single one of the 2016-17 shows! This season offers something for everyone!



Bob Goddard, Chairman of the Board, with Nancy Warren, Presenter Series Committee Chair, at the Turner Arts Center. Other committee members include vice chairs Tina Folsom and Jeani Synyard, Jennifer Powell, Katy Shaw, Sarah Soshnik, Mala Vallotton, Joanna Nijem, Gail Hobgood, Mary Gooding, Bruce Sumner, Rhonda Hamman, Jane Peeples, Bob Goddard, and Cheryl Oliver.

BY DEAN POLING

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VALDOSTA — A music program presents an evening of songs and their "mysterious, evocative meanings."

"Amorous Airs" is part of the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts SCORE Concert Series.

The concert features

wife and husband Tamara Hardesty and Howard Hsu, with piano accompaniment by Maila Springfield.

Hardesty is a soprano and an assistant professor of voice at Valdosta State University.

Hsu is the conductor of the Valdosta Symphony Orchestra and a VSU

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SUBMITTED PHOTO

Husband and wife Howard Hsu and Tamara Hardesty present 'Amorous Airs,' an evocative concert program, Thursday at the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts.

**MUSICAL:** More information, call (229) 247-2787

assistant professor of music.

Springfield is a noted piano accompanist and a VSU instructor of music.

"Howard will serve as the emcee for the evening's entertainment. He will give some introductions and chat with Tamara about each song," according to information provided about the concert. "Tamara will recite the song texts and explain some of the hidden symbolic meanings in the poetry. Howard will not sing, even though he has a nice baritone voice. Perhaps that should be an auction item at the next Symphony Ball."

The program features "Deh vieni, non tardar" from "Le Nozze di Figaro" by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, "Das Rosenband" by Richard Strauss, French Songs by Claude Debussy, "which are especially sensual."

## SHOWTIME

SCORE Concert Series presents "Amorous Airs."

**When:** 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 6.

**Where:** Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, 527 N. Patterson St.

**Tickets:** \$20, reserved seating; \$10, general admission.

**More information:** Call (229) 247-2787; or visit [turner-center.org](http://turner-center.org).

"Tamara selected the art songs and arias based on a theme in the poetic symbolism," Hsu said. "All of the songs are naughty. She will explain to the audience what is really meant by some of the lyrics that compare a beloved to the beauty in nature."

The program is suggested for mature audiences only.

"Howard had success with the Valdosta Symphony Orchestra's 'Casual Classics' concerts which included witty banter and introductions as part of the concert," Hardesty said. "So, when Cheryl Oliver (arts center exec-

utive director) asked us for something similar, it sounded like a fun idea."

Casual is the key word.

"Sometimes people are intimidated by the formality of classical concerts," Hardesty said.

"This will be casual and fun and informative. Everyone should come away with a new perspective on just how sensual classical music can be.

"We've been really fortunate as a couple to be able to perform music together over the years. At this concert, people will see us interact on a somewhat more personal level."



'Red Buds in the Park,' artist Mary O. Smith.

## Loose Control

Center exhibits artist Mary O. Smith

BY DEAN POLING  
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VALDOSTA — Loose. Free-flowing. Rhythmic. All are words that describe the canvases and painting style of artist Mary O. Smith.

But viewing the watercolor palette of Smith's work on display at the Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, a viewer may also be struck by the control of her compositions — even rhythms have a structured spine.

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### GALLERY

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**Where:** The Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, 527 N. Ashley St.  
**Run dates:** Sept. 19 through Nov. 2.  
**Gallery hours:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday and Saturday; closed Sunday and Monday.  
**Admission:** free.  
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'B. Rhythm of the Rain Tree,' artist Mary O. Smith.

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'Houseboat Living,' artist Mary O. Smith.

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"I start each painting with a plan of values and shapes to accomplish the composition that reveals my senses and inspirations of the scene," Smith said in an artistic statement. "Whether painting in oil or watercolor, I am constantly figuring out the best method for designing my work. "I want my artwork to have

spontaneous and expressive lines, but through a well-designed composition and format."

Smith is a 1982 graduate of Louisiana State University with a bachelor of design. She has worked as an interior designer for a Valdosta architectural firm. She has continued her art studies throughout her career.

She lives in Woodbine and exhibits her work in shows throughout Georgia, Florida and the Southeast.

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• **“Footloose”**

Lowndes High School, off Norman Drive. LHS Off Broadway presents the live musical stage adaptation of the popular dance movie set in a town where dancing is banned.

**Run dates:** 7 p.m., Oct. 20-21. **More information:** Email [sherdorsett@lowndes.k12.ga.us](mailto:sherdorsett@lowndes.k12.ga.us).

• **One-act competition play performances**

Valdosta High School Performing Arts Center, 3101 N. Forrest St. The show had not been announced as of the magazine deadline

**Run dates:** 7 p.m., Oct. 20, 21, 22. **More information:** Email [ripina@gocats.org](mailto:ripina@gocats.org).

• **“The Internet is Distract ... OH, LOOK, A KITTEN”**

Valdosta High School Performing Arts Center, 3101 N. Forrest St. Valdosta Middle School Players present the 2016-17 season-opening comedy.

**Run date:** Oct. 4.

• **“A Lighter Shade of Noir”**

Valdosta High School Performing Arts Center, 3101 N. Forrest St. Valdosta Middle School Players present a play.

**Run dates:** Oct. 25 and 27.

• **Valdosta Symphony Orchestra**

Concert, Whitehead Auditorium, Valdosta State University Fine Arts Building, corner of Oak and Brookwood. Performing Beethoven’s Piano Concerto No. 1 in C Major, Op. 15, featuring Ian Hobson, piano soloist and guest conductor; Mendelssohn’s Symphony No. 4 in A Major, Op. 90 “Italian.”

**Run date:** Oct. 29. **More information:** Call VSU College of the Arts Outreach, (229) 333-2150; or visit [www.valdostasympphony.org](http://www.valdostasympphony.org).

• **Artist Alfred Phillips**

Sallie and Harmon Boyette Gallery, Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, 527 N. Patterson St. Gainesville artist presents paintings.

**Run dates:** Sept. 19 through Nov. 2. **Gallery hours:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays through Saturdays; closed Sundays and Mondays. **Admission:** Free. **More information:** Call (229) 247-2787; visit [turnercenter.org](http://turnercenter.org).

• **Artist Mary O. Smith**

Price-Campbell Foundation Gallery, Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, 527 N. Patterson St. Regional artist presents paintings.

**Run dates:** Sept. 19 through Nov. 2. **Gallery hours:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays through Saturdays; closed Sundays and Mondays. **Admission:** Free. **More information:** Call (229) 247-2787; visit [turnercenter.org](http://turnercenter.org).

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• **Southern Artists League**

Roberta George Children’s Gallery, Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, 527 N. Patterson St. Biannual exhibit will feature several regional artists.

**Run dates:** Sept. 19 through Nov. 2. **Gallery hours:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays through Saturdays; closed Sundays and Mondays. **Admission:** Free. **More information:** Call (229) 247-2787; visit [turnercenter.org](http://turnercenter.org).

• **East African Art and fine European porcelain**

are on display respectively in the Tillman Gallery and the Howard Gallery, Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, 527 N. Patterson St. Permanent arts center exhibits.

**Run dates:** Sept. 19 through Nov. 2. **Gallery hours:** 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Fridays through Saturdays; closed Sundays and Mondays. **Admission:** Free. **More information:** Call (229) 247-2787; visit [turnercenter.org](http://turnercenter.org).



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# Arts & Entertainment

OCTOBER 2016

- **"Amorous Airs,"**

Annette Howell Turner Center for the Arts, 527 N. Patterson St. Dr. Tamara Hardesty, Dr. Howard Hsu, and Maila Springfield present an evening of songs and share the "mysterious, evocative meanings" of the songs. Part of the arts center's SCORE Concert Series. Concert recommended for mature audiences.

**Run date:** 8 p.m., Oct. 6. **More information:** Call (229) 247-2787; or visit [www.turnercenter.org](http://www.turnercenter.org).

- **"Material Transformation"**

Dedo Maranville Fine Arts Gallery, Valdosta State University Fine Arts Building, corner of Oak and Brookwood. VSU Art hosts exhibit featuring four women artists — Diana L. Baumbach of Laramie, Wyo., Michaela de Vivero of Newark, Ohio, Abhidnya Ghuge of Tyler, Texas, Margaret Smithers-Crump of Houston, Texas.

**Run dates:** Sept. 19-Oct. 7. Gallery hours: 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays; 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Fridays. **Admission:** Free.

**More information:** Call (229) 333-5835; or visit [www.valdosta.edu/art](http://www.valdosta.edu/art).

- **"We the Beast"**

Dedo Maranville Fine Arts Gallery, Valdosta State University Fine Arts Building, corner of Oak and Brookwood. VSU Art presents woodcuts by artists Patrick Vincent and Lauren Kinney.

**Opening reception:** 6-7:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17. **Run dates:** Oct. 17-Nov. 5.

**Gallery hours:** 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays; 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Fridays.

**Admission:** Free. **More information:** Call (229) 333-5835; or visit [www.valdosta.edu/art](http://www.valdosta.edu/art).

- **"Laffalot"**

The Dosta Playhouse, 122 N. Ashley St. Theatre Guild Valdosta Stage 2 Productions presents a comedy by area writers and performers.

**Synopsis:** "They say laughter cures what ails us, adds quality to our lives, and extends our lives. So, why take a pill when we can enjoy 60 minutes of non-stop laughter



Cross Creek Bridge • by Alfred Phillips

featuring parodies of sketches from television and stage, stand up comedy, and musical comedy? Enjoy the Valdosta version of famous vaudeville and comedy routines and new, original material written and performed by our local writers and performers."

**Run dates:** Oct. 21-23. **More information:** Call (229) 24-STAGE; or visit [www.theatreguildvaldosta.com](http://www.theatreguildvaldosta.com).

- **"The Jungle Book"**

The Dosta Playhouse, 122 N. Ashley St. Gingerbread Players of Theatre Guild Valdosta presents an adaptation by playwright Monica Flory based on the stories by Rudyard Kipling.

**Synopsis:** "In this action-packed adaptation of the classic adventure story, precocious Mowgli grows up believing he's as fierce a wolf as any of the members of his pack

When he learns he is actually a human, he must discover how to reconcile these very different identities, and decide whether to remain with the pack, or return to the human world from which he was born. What will he choose? And will he be trained in the Law of the Jungle in time to defeat Shere Khan, the most feared animal of all?"

**Run dates:** Oct. 7-9; Oct. 14-16.

**More information:** Call (229) 24-STAGE; or visit [www.theatreguildvaldosta.com](http://www.theatreguildvaldosta.com).

- **"TranscendANCE"**

Sawyer Theatre, Valdosta State University Fine Arts Building, corner of Oak and Brookwood. VSU Theatre & Dance presents the annual dance concert, the first following the retirement of Eric Brandt Nielsen after 30 years of founding and running the program. The 31st annual dance concert will present