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Welcome to new Board Members Madisun Elizabeth Clark and Elaine Gore. Elaine will be serving as our Arts in Education Program Director. Madisun will be our new Media Specialist and Event Consultant. We appreciate their service. We also would like to say goodbye to longtime board member Don Wodjenski. Don has served the Council for many years and we all thank him for his contributions to the Council.

### Fall and Early Winter Events

#### **Island Consort**

Oct 15-16, 2016: **Schubertiad!**

An all-Schubert program featuring his "Notturmo" Piano Trio and the String Quartet Opus 125, No 1, along with lieder sung by the inimitable Fumi Tagata!

Dec 17-18, 2016: **An Early Christmas**

Music of the Renaissance and Baroque Featuring our Island Consort Singers performing works by Monteverdi, Bach, Mendelssohn and even Rachmaninoff! This program includes works for duo guitar, as well as instrumental works by Handel and Geminiani.

#### **Poetry Slams**

October 29th (**Halloween Theme!**)

Freeland Cafe 7:30pm

December 17th

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#### **Whidbey Girls Choir**

Friday, December 16, 7 pm. **Christmas Concert**

LUMC Sanctuary

#### **Whidbey Art Trail**

**Studios open year round!**

Pink Parasol Productions, Our newest umbrella program

Pink Parasol is on a mission to engage the power of community through non-profit social events. We believe that access to arts and culture are community rights, not privileges. We believe in nurturing community to inspire a safe and healthy future on Earth. With these guiding beliefs, we have been working to provide free, family-friendly events that invoke the spirit of wonder, creativity, and interrupt the doldrums of day-to-day life. We think of community organizing as our art form.

So far, all of our Pink Parasol events have been made possible on volunteered time with donated supplies and limited funding. Our events have included an early summer's World Music Picnic, and several Art & Play Activities, including three wildly successful Whidbey Island Rocks painting parties. That's not all folks - prior to

becoming Pink Parasol, we have decades of combined experience providing free non-profit events in the PNW and beyond. We have big plans ahead that we can't wait to share with our community and supporters!

Why Pink Parasol? Anyone familiar with our past works may know that "Follow the Pink Parasol!" is a phrase regularly heard over the commotion of our events. Having a pink parasol on hand as a visual guide is our trademark in leading successful community gatherings, parades and processions. There is nothing that stands out in a crowd so much as having a bright, pink parasol overhead to serve as a guiding symbol.

We are very grateful to each person who helps our programming exist. Each tax-deductible donation that we receive will go directly towards enriching the community with accessible arts and culture. Many thanks to the Whidbey Island Arts Council as our non-profit umbrella, helping our dreams become reality.

If you want to change the world, throw a better party.. Follow the Pink Parasol!

With Joy & Gratitude,  
Madisun Elizabeth & David Stern  
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### **Donations!**

To support any of our programs go to our donation page at [islandartscouncil.org](http://islandartscouncil.org). Choose which program you wish to support. We Thank You!

Enjoy Beautiful Whidbey Island!

Whidbey invites artists. We show up from all corners of the globe. And We stay. It would be easy to say it is the landscape, but it is something more. Maybe the quiet rural life that is deceptively not rural. Maybe it is the ability here to find your way to the interior landscape, that elusive place and time where all creativity begins.

## Sense of Place.

Sacred places, be they interior or in the world, are more difficult to find now, those places where you stand in your nakedness and disappear into that identity that is so much more than self meticulously dressed and daily prepared to go forth and battle in our modern world. Maybe it is the space to see the depth of the interior landscape and the small island community which reaches out for the handcrafted moment and knows itself as living artistically, understanding that living creatively defines the best of human growth and gives us all the space to move forward.

Creativity defined as hope.

Talent is the place we travel back to. Revelation. Labor of craft, vision, trust. Trusting eye, mind, interpreting, fully realizing voice and finally speaking out loud. That vulnerable moment when we reach out to the world with our craft and say I am of this world, of this experience, this is my dimension, making the universe, the world, this little island one tiny bit bigger.

Art Speaks. Listen.



Gordy Edberg, *My Neighbor's Farm*

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