

THE SOULARD SCHOOL NEWS

April, 2011
www.soulardschool.org



The Soulard School will be 1 of 11 diverse presenters to share their story in 20 slides, set to 20 seconds each.

Come celebrate the big ideas and creativity, all from right here in St. Louis.

PK Night is taking place at the Contemporary Art Museum and is happening during St. Louis Design Week. Doors will open at 6, the first presentation at 7.

April 21, 2011 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

St Louis #6

at CAM / Contemporary Art Museum St. Louis

FREE

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- <http://www.pecha-kucha.org>

Thursday, **April 21**, 6:30 PM
@ Contemporary Art Museum



At the Nursery we have been discussing and observing the changes that come with spring. We spend a lot of time outside including neighborhood walks and journeys to the park. Our conversations include discovering new flowers and their names as well as new birds that we meet. Our art projects have been spring-inspired, including painting with mud, water color butterflies, and tissue paper flowers. We are looking forward to planting seeds in our yard and having a little play time in the hose!

SATURDAY MAY 14, 2011 • MCGURK'S

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SILENT & LIVE AUCTIONS PLUS SIGN UP PARTIES
DINNER BUFFET & BEVERAGES WITH ADMISSION

PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS NOW
SOULARDSCHOOL.ORG

Sell! Sell! Sell! those tickets

parent association elections + open meeting

The Parent Association would like to invite you to our next open meeting.

Please join us for drinks, snacks and good company on April 27th @7:00 in the McGurk's room.

On the agenda for the evening are elections for open positions in the PA. Open positions are; Vice president, Social Committee Chair, and Out Reach Co-Chair. If you are interested in learning more about the PA and what we do or would like to join, please come. Or if you just want to have some fun with fellow Soulard School parents, you're invited too.

We will have fireman and fellow PA member, Greg Redmond give us a short informative talk about fire safety. Baby sitting will also be provided for a donation. We hope to see you there!

- Michele Rigsby /PA President/ mommy to Fred and Ada (nursery)

Wednesday, **April 27**, 7:00 PM



Visit The Soulard School on Facebook.

Thanks to those who have started turning in their ticket information. Each family is expected to sell 4 tickets. At the April 27 Open Parent Association Meeting, the family who has sold the most tickets will win a prize! The Binders have already sold their 4 tickets and are in the lead!

Remind your friends if they purchase from you they get the discounted ticket price of What a deal! \$55 for an open bar and dinner! Also, invite others on Facebook to spread the word!

community



the commercial

Watch for our school on t.v.!

Students from the school were recently invited to be in a commercial for American Eagle Credit Union. Pier Alsup, SVP Marketing/Communications, is a long-time TSS Board Member. Our part of the commercial is to show how the credit union supports the community. The commercial should air sometime in June on Channel 5.



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

the Silent Auction and Open House, but she also does a lot of baking and a ton of art stuff for the school, including making bulletin boards, posters and signs.

The Moomeys' efforts demonstrate how much parents help to make our school run smoothly and look great. When asked how they find time to do it all, Kristin says, "We never find time to do it all! We always wish we could do more. But we always try to have fun while we do things, and include Ella (Alchemy) and Frances as much as possible!"

All parents get to help out the school in some way, and the whole family gets to participate, which sets The Soulard School apart from others. So, next time you see a beautiful new sign, or a fixed chair, thank Marcus & Kristin!

- Isabel S., Mosaic

Every year, TSS families are asked for 27 volunteer hours, a number Kristin & Marcus Moomey will have no trouble completing. Kristin & Marcus put in tons of effort to make sure our school looks and runs smoothly.

Marcus is the coordinator for the Handy Helpers, and he and the other Handy Helpers help fix things around the school such as switching out lightbulbs, repairing kitchen chairs, and fixing desks.

Kristin does a lot of things for



soiree - live auction teasers

ONE WEEK STAY IN FRANKFORT, MICHIGAN

Great vacation home on the edge of Frankfort, Michigan. 1 mile from Crystal Lake, 1 mile from Lake Michigan. 3 bedroom, 1 bath house sleeps 6 (3 double beds). Hot tub in large private back deck, gas fireplace, dishwasher, 1 acre lot. Walk to park with playground, tennis courts, picnic area. No TV/internet. Rental includes use of 2 road bikes. Auction is for one week stay, Saturday-to-Saturday. Week to be mutually agreed upon with owners, for use summer/fall 2011. **Value: \$1000**

Available to reserve one of the following weeks:

May 28
June 4, 11, 18, 25
July 23
August 13, 20, 27
September 3, 10

ONE WEEK STAY IN BRECKENRIDGE

Located in the heart of Breckenridge, this two bedroom condo is in the middle of the action with downtown shopping and restaurants within walking distance. Hiking, ski lift rides, horseback riding, whitewater rafting and drives through the mountains are all perfect activities for your summer stay. Colorado in the summer! What could be better? **Value \$1400**

LIVE IN ARIZONA FOR A WEEK!

Head to Scottsdale where you'll have a three+ bedroom house with swimming pool and convertible waiting for you. Beautiful golf courses, day trips, great hiking, and wonderful restaurants are just the beginning of the many activities to choose from. This makes a perfect family vacation - and there's room enough to invite friends! **Value \$2200**

MCGURK'S 5TH ROOM PARTY

Two hours of drinks and an appetizer buffet for up to 50 people. Great for Birthday Parties, Anniversaries or family get-togethers. Can be scheduled Sunday-Thursday. **Value: \$1000**

ORIGINAL CLASSROOM PRINTS: ONE OF ONE

Who wouldn't want an original Soulard School Masterpiece for their home? Collaboratively created by the up and coming masters. **Value: \$Priceless**

CULINARY ARTS DINNER

Give a creative challenge: Choose from a selection of menus and let them enchant you with their skills and charm as they craft a delicious meal for you in your home. You'll experience a fabulous dinner for up to 12 guests, prepared and served by a staff of Soulard School students, under the expert direction of Culinary Arts Instructor extraordinaire Mary Waskow. You and your guests will relax, enjoying cocktails and wine pairings, while the chefs orchestrate an amazing evening of culinary pleasure. **Value \$1400**

WEDDING PHOTOGRAPHY

Looking to tie the knot soon? Award winning photographer Paul Nordmann has the expertise and talent to help you document this momentous day. This package will include an engagement session, 7 hours of photography on the wedding day and DVD of high-res images. Available for 2011 & 2012. **Value: \$3,500**

SHOCK CITY

If you have a little rock star at heart, this is the package for you to bid on.

2 hour party and recording session at Shock City, a world-class full-service facility for 8-10 people. A perfect birthday party experience, complete with custom cake. **Value: \$500+**



happenings



9am-3pm
Monday through Friday
Early Morning &
Extended Care available

THE SOULARD SCHOOL 1110 Victor St. 63104

For more information and registration visit us at www.soulardschool.org or call Catherine @ 314.865.2799

Games, Games, Games

June 6-10 & June 13-17

Urban Camping

June 20-24

Meet Me in St. Louis

July 11-15 & 18-22

Culinary Arts Camp

July 25-29 & Aug 1-5

Wet & Wild

August 8-12



Camp SOULARD



One-Week Sessions: \$145

Two-Week Sessions: \$280

Summer Fun in the City

FOR STUDENTS
ENTERING
1ST-5TH GRADE

Camp Soulard is once again THE place to be this summer! Our one- and two-week camps will unplug summer and bring it back to the way it used to be. Remember your lemonade stand, playing in the creek, making up your own games and changing the rules, running through the sprinkler, pitching a tent in the backyard, catching lightning bugs, and creating the messiest art projects only the outdoors would allow? Camp Soulard will bring back some of those activities and more with all of the spirit.

Camp Soulard is open to students entering 1st and 2nd and entering 3rd grade through 5th. All camps are held from 9 am to 3 pm, Monday through Friday. In addition to theme activities, each week may

include water play, cooking, art activities, neighborhood walks and explorations in our garden. Comfortable clothes and walking shoes/sandals are recommended. Please bring lunch, a water bottle, sunscreen and a hat each day.

Camp sessions are \$145 for one-week sessions, \$280 for two-week sessions. Early Morning Care is available at 8:00 for no charge. Extended Day is available until 6:00pm for \$55 per week.

Come enjoy some great art and music, Soulard School Style!

student art show + studio notes

Mums will reveal their study of Spring Trees. Mums have been outdoors observing the transformation of these spring trees. Students are drawing and painting their own trees as well as working on a collaborative class tree.

Enigma Class Has started working on Mola designs inspired from the art of Panama. Students are also going to the park on Sunny days to work collaboratively producing a video inspired from balloons and bubbles.

Alchemists shared with the school, the beginnings of a collaborative class sculpture based on found objects which will be on display at the art show. These 2nd & 3rd graders are also using their sewing, knitting, and batik skills to create a mixed media banner!

Mosaics have just completed a study of German expressionism. These student artists have created an original artwork inspired from "The Scream" by Edvard Munch, only these students are creating about "What makes them want to scream". The big reveal for all of these art works will be May 25th! - Studio Instructor, Sarah Rye Bliss

Wednesday, **May 25**, 6:00—8:00PM

orchestra concert w/ trigger 5

Come join The Soulard School Orchestra for a honky-tonkin good time at the Atomic Cowboy. The orchestra will be playing a set with Trigger 5, and we will be collecting old, unused violins for the school. If you have a too small or unneeded violin we can give it a good home. \$5 at the door.

Friday, **April 29**, 7:00 PM
@ Atomic Cowboy



2010/11 calendar + more

note: PA elections + open meeting are April 27th.

April

1	F		School Closed-Prof. Development
5	Tu	8:30am	Parent Coffee – hosted by the Enigmas
8	F	6:00pm	Soulard School Birthday Party
16	SA	2:00pm	Lois Lowry @ Schlafly Library
21	Th	6:30pm	TSS @ Pecha Kucha
22	F	10:30am	Teaching Peace Parade
25	M	2:30pm	Assembly: Birthday Book
27	W	7:00pm	PA Board Elections
29	F	7:00 pm	Orchestra Concert w/ Trigger 5

May

3	Tu	8:30am	Parent Coffee – hosted by the PA
13	F		School Closed-Records Day
14	Sa		Soulard Soiree
23	M	2:30pm	Assembly: Birthday Book
25	W	6-8pm	Student Art Show & Concert
27	F		Last Day: Field Day & Portfolios

* event added/changed this month + mandatory attendance

running + knitting clubs

Our two inaugural clubs are off to a great start! We have eleven students enrolled in the running club and our sponsors, Heather Johnson and Angela Cooper, are helping the kids train for the Benton Park race on May 14th. The five members of the knitting club are learning how to cast-on and will start learning basic knitting stitches. The knitting club sponsor, Tracy Yates, is hoping that the children will soon be proficient enough to make squares to stitch together to create a blanket to donate to charity. Don't forget to go online and check out our summer camp offerings on the Soulard School home page.

- Catherine Hund, After School Coordinator

Nothing says Spring like NEW BIKES! Pavel & Juan Manuel get a kick out of the new ones provided by the Parent Association.



author lois lowry @ schlafly

Authors @ Your Library Presents: Lois Lowry

Lois Lowry will discuss and sign her novel, *The Giver*, in which 12-year-old boy, Jonas, is singled out to receive special training from The Giver. Now, it's time for Jonas to receive the truth. There is no turning back. Lois Lowry is a multi-award-winning author who has written many popular books. She lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts. She is the author of the popular Anastasia Krupnik books and was the recipient of the Newbery Medal for *Number the Stars* and for *The Giver*. This program is part of Read St. Louis, a community reading initiative. For more Read St. Louis events, please visit www.readstlouis.org. Books available for sale courtesy of Pudd'nHead Books.



Saturday, **April 16**, 2:00—3:30PM
@ Schlafly Library Branch

