# PRIPE

#### WEEKERD 7. SEPTEMBER 23 & 24

Congratulations to all participants at the festival; our 25th Anniversary was a big success with attendance records being set. If the weather holds up this weekend, we should beat last year's record of 317,000 easily! What a terrific way to celebrate our 25th season! The continued quality of the service, entertainment and organization due in whole to the high caliber of each and every individual participant of the illinnesota Renaissance is what made this a banner anniversary.

The staff of Mid-America Festivals wishes to extend our gratitude and appreciation to all of you for creating such a fabulous event.

Without all of you we would not have the BEST festival in the country!

# HUZZAH AND CHEERS FOR ANOTHER 25 YEARS !!!



# ATTENDANCE SETS RECORDS!

SATURDAY 33,591 \* 2ND BIGGEST DAY EVER

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TOTAL BOTH DAYS 66.12

\* BEST 2 DAYS EVER

CUMULATIVE UP 22,740

# F.Y.I.: FUTURE FESTIVAL DATES

	1996	96 1997 1998	
AUGUST:	17	16	15
	18	17	16
	24	23	22
	25	24	23
	31	30	29
		31	30
SEPTEMBER	1	1	5
	2	6	6
	7	7	7
	8	13	12
	14	14	13
	15	20	19
	21	21	20
	22	27	26
	28	28	27
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Shop #124. Treasure Box Shoppe. Contact Don Wood on site at the shop on show weekends.

Shop # 135-136. Moonfire Porcelain. Contact Roxann Sorenson at the shop on show weekends.

Shop #137. Don and Gloria Zeitelhack. See at shop this weekend. Write or call P.O. Box 419, Alto, NM ph: 505-336-9661

Shop # 221

Contact Todd Anderson at the Smores Booth at the Festival or call 612-445-2750.

Shop #438. Flowering Feather.
Narrows location. See Robert
Sorenson at the shop during show.

Shop #508

Contact Pam Clausen, 612-432-0464

Shop #654. Cheryl and Jim Smeja. See at shop this weekend or call 608-987-3510

hop 844 Contact Regulation site

Vardo Located next to Round A North Contact Martha Thomson at 6 17481-2376.

#### Craft Department Reminders

- Craft Awards: At the participant party this Saturday, the outstanding work being done by Festival craft participants will be recognized. The awards from the craft shops at the Festival. Come
- Taxes, Taxes: Michelle Gilster of the Minnesota Dept. of Revenue will be in the Gate B area on Sunday, 9/ 24, from Noon until 4:00 pm. If you're an
- at Gate B this weekend. They are due by
- per draw varmints. Clean in and around your booth before locking up. Proper disposal of unwanted materials is your re-

#### TURN IN TIME FOOD & GAMES \* NORMA JUREK

WOW! We have reached the final weekend. It is now time to turn in your photo ids and keys that may have been assigned to you.

IDs may be mailed or brought in to the office (attention Norma). Keys must be returned to me this weekend or to the office.



pulling Cabriolet. You are setting a great ex ample for ALL.

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# Interested in Voice-Over Work?

Interested in doing voice-over oay is looking for non-union talent with or without experience to do paid voiceovers for our interactive training protend auditions on Wed., Sept. 27 from 5 - 9 p.m. at Support Technology at 1521 6th St., S. in Hopkins. If you're interested, more Information, talk to Jill Stanton (the

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#### TO THE BEST MEDIA BOOTH PERSON - BARB

- \*Thanks for reducing our stress
- "Dealing with "people"
- \*Folding paper \*Stuffing bags
- \*Bringing us treat
- \*Keeping us company while we're hill
- \*Brightening our day with your stille and awesome outlook or

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## 1995 CRAFT NOMINEES FOR MASTER & ARTISAN

For Master: Sandy Barry, M'Lord & Tailors, #125

Lynette Biesanz, Thomas Biesanz Rivertown Potters, #126

Linda Day, Linda Day Pottery, #128

Colleen Kraatz, Doug Kraatz, Glass Images, #150

Randal Spangler, Flights of Imagination, #219

Kevin Caufield, Caufield Clay Works, #316

Gerald Saunders, Spirit of the Trees, #403

Linda Sumner, William Sumner Bear Paw Papers, #408

Don Cherney, Argent, #411

Sharon Cherney, Natterjack's, #411

Mark Reschke, Tooling Around, #419

Carlos Frey, Carlos Frey, #401

Jean Taylor, Storykeep Manor, #426

Pat Landreth, Suzanne Montano The Bungled Jungle, #504

Sean Mobley, Half Moon Travel Clothing #523

Katic Beery, Kris McDonald, Sherwood Calligraphy, #638

P.D. Breeding-Black Fantasy Art, #643 Joe Leach, Dunghanrach Stoneware, #822

Cheryl Lynn Ingberg Cheryl Lynn, #727

#### For Artisan:

Mary Lou Chitwood, The Wizard's Chamber, #151

Donald Blakney, Blakney Studio, #151 A&B

Erin McKee, Flights of Imagination, #219

Marilyn M. Cuellar, Treetop Gallery, #319

Janis Andler, Dave Lynas, The Gnome Wizard, # 420

Da'oud Thompson, Jewelry by Da'oud, #432

Mark Doran, Wood, Willow & What Knots, #607-608

Michael Ferrara, Ferrara Leather, #612

Stephan Lundberg, Randy Peters, Haven Home, #626

Sandi Lockwood, Gypsy Rags, #628-629

Mark Matzke Dreamscape Series #653

Joseph Zulkosky, Joseph's Catpenter, Shoppe, #717

cori Reese, John of Art, 100

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Gary Zahradka, Omega Arts, #720

Elizabeth Nistler, B. Nistler Studio, #724

Colleen Larson, Whimsey Winks, #734

Jay Carr, Carr Srudios, #A 1725

Ruth Craig, R. Craig Leather Works, P-41

Stephen Edmonston, S. Edmondston Art Glass, P-47

Jana Noble, Noble Castings, P-52

Gene Coon, Terry Coon, Cock n' Drugon, #215-216

#### END OF THE SEASON THANKS AND CHEERS,

to all of the crafters, Artisans and Masters who exhibited with us this year. We've really had a wonderful time getting to know you and showeasing your work. We hope everyone will get a chance to come and see this week's huge exhibit featuring the 1995 Arstisan and Master nominees, as well as those who have already achieved Artisan and Master status. Don't forget, the Hall is open on Sunday night by 8:00 p.m. After that we turn back into pumpkins and can't take care of your things.

# BON SOIR

\* Norma Jurek

This is a thank you and end-of-festival goodbye to all of the wonderful people who have worked together with me the past year. Participating in so many areas has given me the opportunity to meet a wonderful and diverse group. Hope to be calling many of you after the first of the year to begin work on 1996.

# THANKS

FROM: Lois Hendries, Norma Jurek, Jodie Belknap, Sarah Herzog & Kathryn Maguet

A record year is coming to a close, and with it our thanks for your ability and willingness to keep your level of participation at an all-time high, We suffered from jungle weather conditions the first few weekends, resulting in lower attendance than anticipated. From there we went to numbers that taxed everyone's ability to keep up and be one step ahead of the crowd! We're proud of all of you. The Festival's 25th Anniversary will indeed be a year to remember.

We've enjoyed working with you and getting to know new faces and renewing the acquaintance of old friends. Huzzah to all of you, and warm thoughts until we see you again.



# HUZZAH FOR CHOCOLATE!

For the final weekend of the festival, we are excited to present: A Celebration in Chocolate. This event will feature sampling, demonstrations and a competition to discover the finest chocolatiers in all the realm. This event will not only tempt the taste buds in all of us, it also will benefit, a very worthy non-profit organization, Missing Children Minnesota.

Missing Children Minnesota assists individuals and families in locating missing children, and also offer educational seminars in schools and communities throughout Minnesota.

Demonstrations will begin at 10:30 and run on the half hour at the Pavillion, featuring chefs from Byerly's, Hilton Hotel & Towers, D'Amico Catering, Sheraton and more. The contest will include 23 entrants in the following three categories: Fine Pastries; Artistic Chocolate Presentation; and Confectionary Chocolate, Truffles and Novelty Fine Candy. Judging will be held from 10:00-11:00a.m. on Saturday and the creations will remain on display for the rest of the weekend.

Don't miss this sweet event on closing weekend of Festival!



#### ~FEASTS ~

The sales department is extremely optimistic about the 1995 Phantom's Feast. The sales volumes are increasing daily!

The Phantom's Feast is in its second year and will deliver a Halloween experience like none other. The feast will feature three Halloween skits, a fivecourse gourmet meal with all the beer, wine or soda you can drink and two gifts to celebrate the season. You will also be able to tour our haunted Castle Black Skull and for-all-ages Boo Bash area.

Reservations are going quickly so call and reserve seats at 445-7361 or 800-966-8215.

# THARK YOU - THARK YOU -THARK YOU

A big thanks goes out to a SUPER sales team...

Marfy: - Could we get just one more thing of lemonade? Thanks for schlepping coffee and lemonade and the rest of the help you gave for weddings and Feast "stuff".

Shawna: Do you know where that one booth is with pottery? Thanks for answering the silly, dumb, Dairy Queen, and not so dumb questions.

Susan: Remember, watch your step on the way to B-Gate. Thanks for all the meetings and wedding help.

Tim: Where did you get that candy? Thanks for giving the bus program your best effort.



When: Tonight!!!

Saturday, September 23

Where: Blue Barn

Who: EVERYONE ...

CKC employees Crafters Entertainers

Food Independents & Gamers hat: A BIG thank you for helping

us (Mid-America Festivals) make this a VERY success

ful season.

Why: Why not???

Don't forget . .

If you're 21 years old, you will need your ID if you plan on partaking in cocktails.

The same DJ will be there with lots of musicand lights.

There will be munchies, soda, beer and wine.

Dress Code . . . Please wear some!!!





candidates. Area Managers and Group Liasons select these individuals from a who have graced our village over the past six weekends of merriment. They are:

#### Best Entertainment by a Non-entertainer:

Steve Lundberg of Flaven Home Heather Cook, our littlest nun Caricaturist Bill Luse Beth Knutson of MacGregor Games Genr Ochs & Michael Buczynski of 364 Wine

#### Best New Act:

Tatterdemalions (Annie Baril, Sam Choo, Missy Clarakson, Mike Hood, Shawn Mikkelson, Kirk Peek, Sandy Shallcross Lilting Banshees Fiel Teler, Junes Newlish, Anna Visional Limerick(Ton Schrupfer, Eric Yeartle, William Alies Smith)

Vagabond (Randy Everson, Mark Hansen) Wildwood Warblers (Kirsten Kelso, Emily Wennelind) Flery Waters (Meghan Brunner, Bill Peltiman, Jr., Sharlana Barchus, Jennifer Fierke, Joleen Geisel)

#### Cracked Cup (Rookie of the Year)

Bingo - Tom Grewe Uncle Vanya - Cory Lerbs Phuff & Fluff - Steve Wilson & Robert Shug Annie Baril - of Tatterdenialions

#### Late Bloomer Award (Most Improved Veteran)

Dementia - Melissa Kyro Fanny - Kerry Kerl D'Artagnan - Matt Niels Grund - Christopher Morlo



Festival one worthy of high praise!

## Fare Thee Well...

with tempr tures rising and wilting my gown

For twenty-five seasons my coinage turned down for instead of a dollar, I'd offered a crown. Fool, sayth the beggar who ereeps through the town collecting more coinage

My child be is healthy in privies he doth sit equating religion and education to this

I've listened to grapevines or gripevines, or such and beard BoBo, nay Toby a whimsical much

I've gobbled a turkey's leg and downed some sweet wine not plumbed from a heg stomped by rottery swine But served here by maidens too temptingly sweet and young

have passed down through the ages Penn and Teller, Bean Monde, Pulse and Snot, and such sages

The revelry won some coinage for all and fantasy's spun in this Festival's fall Cleaver craftsmen to market, actors to and we to our planning our next season's task

We bid you ado, and thank thee in hind for your tending our village with fantastical

And granting us leave as the cold doth set in To get thee to bed, this village herein.

Best wishes for your 1995-1996 histus from the staff at Mid-America Festivals. Thanks for your partication and your continued support.

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