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**TAO celebrates!!
 500 programs in June at 50+ facilities,
 200+ artists & 12,000 clients served**

We are celebrating a milestone this spring, when one of our June programs will put us at the 500 mark, since we were first incorporated four years ago. It has truly been a grass-roots, community effort that never would have come to fruition if not for dozens of volunteers and hundreds of generous artists. It is amazing to see that 12,000 people have been served through TAO programs, but it is testament to a great effort applied consistently over time.

What began as a series of folk

and variety music programs and sing-alongs has evolved into art workshops, guitar lessons, dancing programs and performances involving almost every musical genre.

“We want to continue to be a resource for the community of artists who want to be involved with special needs populations,” said MaryAnn Toboz, TAO founder. “We will work toward giving artists the tools and resources they need to effectively meet the variety of needs and situations they encounter in their work through TAO.”



We are looking for a fun place to hold our Artist Appreciation picnic. Water, shade and electricity are key. Economy, grilling apparatus and tolerance for evening music also are important. If you know of a private Southside spot that can accommodate 100, please email MaryAnn Toboz at TWartsoutreach@cox.net. Help us think outside the bun! Thanks!

House Concerts—throw a party, add live music, collect kudos from your friends and bring in fans and funds for TAO. Folding chairs provided; we’d love to throw a party at your house! Three 2008 house concerts raised nearly \$3,000 for TAO, thanks to generous artists and board members. From L-R: Laura Martier, John Toomey & Jimmy Masters at the Hall home in January; Jimmy and Mary Lou Osterhaus played at the Mackey’s with Bill Gurley in March, and Big Wide Grin at the Bellars’ home in May.



TAO Twilight Golf Tourney is Thursday, October 2, 2008.

The 9-hole Twilight Golf Tournament tees off at 4 pm. We have great give-aways, dozens of high-end raffle items, cigars, mulligans, and more fun than you can shake a golf club at. Help us bring great programs to deserving individuals—please plan on golfing, sponsoring or volunteering to help on our committee. Call 754-4486 or email TWartsoutreach@cox.net for more information.

New Grants Create New Support

The **Irene Leache Memorial Foundation** presented Tidewater Arts Outreach with a check for \$5,000 in May. This is the largest single grant TAO has received to date, and we owe the women who make up this local foundation a great deal of gratitude for their significant investment in our programs. The **Portsmouth Community Foundation** recently renewed its support and awarded TAO a \$1,200 grant. The **Business Consortium for Arts Support** is a new grantor and presented a check for \$500 to TAO in April. The Virginia Beach Foundation has increased its support for our programs by 25% in 2008. We have applied for grants from the state of Virginia and Arts Commissions in Norfolk, Virginia Beach, Hampton, Newport News, Chesapeake and Portsmouth. We continually research private and public funding opportunities, and grants make up nearly 30% of our funding. We are extremely grateful to these foundations for new and ongoing support.

Here's an invitation—join us!

Please consider a gift to help us continue building our programs and serving those in need. We have a growing waiting list of people who want and deserve more music and arts in their lives.

There are many ways to be involved:

- I am a musician, artist, teacher or performer.
(please provide a brief description).
- I would like to make a tax-deductible contribution.
\$25 \$50 \$100 other
- I can volunteer as a program host.
- I can help in the office or on a committee.

Name

Address

Phone

E-mail

...or shoot us an email with questions, comments, suggestions, ideas, or for more information.
Thank you!



Artist Spotlight—Virginia Arts Festival sends Moet Trio to Berger Goldrich Home and Artus Quintet to the VA Hospital—to the delight of residents, visitors and staff.

Thank you,
Virginia Arts Festival!



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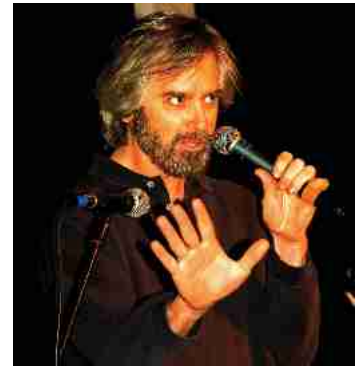
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Tidewater Arts Outreach June Programs

2-Jun-08	6:15 PM	Stuart Goldwag, Bob Woodward & Kara O'Brien	Beginnner Guitar Instruction	13th St. Crisis Center	Virginia Beach
4-Jun-08	10:00 AM	Paul & Marilyn Jersild	Piano & Violin Duo	Tandem/Consulate of Norfolk	Norfolk
6-Jun-08	12:00 PM	Thad Dixon	Classical & Popular Piano	Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital	Virginia Beach
6-Jun-08	1:30 PM	Eric Stevens	Piano Program; Variety and sing-along	Leigh Hall Assisted Living	Norfolk
10-Jun-08	2:00 PM	Visual Artist Angela Stroup, Guitarist Larry Berwald	Visual Arts Workshop w/ accompaniment	Coliseum Park Nursing Home	Hampton
10-Jun-08	3:00 PM	Annie Johnson	Guitarist/Singer-Songwriter - Rock, Blues & Original Music	Hiddenwood Assisted Living	Newport News
13-Jun-08	10:00 AM	Angela Hudson with Mika Thompson	Visual Arts Program	Carrington Place of Chesapeake	Chesapeake
14-Jun-08	2:30 PM	Marsha Wallace	Celtic & Folk Music on Traditional Instruments	St. Mary's Home for Disabled Children	Norfolk
17-Jun-08	6:00 PM	Lynn Ruehlmann	Healing Story Workshop	Transitions Family Violence Program	Hampton
17-Jun-08	7:00 PM	Cardinal State Harmonica Club	Big Band Era, Polkas & Patriotic Music	Brighton Gardens Assisted Living	Virginia Beach
25-Jun-08	1:00 PM	Scott Howe	Tour of the Chrysler Museum	Centerville Girls' Group Home	Chesapeake
26-Jun-08	6:30 PM	Victor & Julie Butler	Guitar & Piano Duo, Acoustic Folk, Country & Mellow Rock	Civitan Acres	Chesapeake
26-Jun-08	7:00 PM	Girls with Guitars	Rock, Folk, Americana and Dance	Camp Horizon (The Up Center)	Norfolk

Sea Level Singer/Songwriter Festival—April 20, 2008



Tidewater Arts Outreach hosted its first Sea Level Singer/Songwriter Festival on Sunday, April 20. The event included workshops, an art auction, a guitar raffle and an afternoon and evening of great live music. Proceeds from the festival benefited Tidewater Arts Outreach, whose mission is to share the healing power of the arts with special needs populations, by matching artists, musicians, instructors and performers with opportunities to share their talents in hospitals, shelters, nursing homes, and other facilities and programs throughout Hampton Roads.

1. Jim Newsom, Julie Clark and Kelly Murphy spread joy with a cake and birthday wishes for Hunter Hughes.
2. The event featured performances by Skip Friel, M.S.G. The Acoustic Blues Trio, the Annie Johnson Band, Julie Clark, Trina Hamlin and Susan Werner. Here, M.S.G. present their Piedmont blues-infused original music.
3. One of the festival emcees, Out of the Box spinmaster Paul Shugrue makes a musical point.
4. MaryAnn Toboz and Kara O'Brien of Tidewater Arts Outreach with BOB FMs Hunter Hughes, to draw the guitar raffle winning ticket.
5. Singer/songwriter Julie Clark with videographer Rebecca Rhode.
6. Randy Hernandez, Sea Level Festival volunteer and guitar raffle winner, with his beautiful, new all-koa Takamine guitar. What will they raffle next year?
7. Trina Hamlin (l) and Susan Werner found their groove— and then some—at the Sea Level Festival.
8. The mellifluous Ms. Resa Gibbs of M.S.G. The Acoustic Blues Trio.

