

## ARTS &amp; STYLE

## Calendar of Events

## What's going on in your neighborhood?

**CALIFORNIA****Trollfjell Camp****July 7 – 20****Alta, Calif.**

Sons of Norway – District 6 Camp Trollfjell Language & Heritage Camp for children ages 8 – 13 years at Camp Norge in Alta, California. A 14-day Camp from July 7 – 20; \$750 – postmarked by May 7th; \$800 – postmarked after May 7th. Learning & Living Your Norwegian Heritage through daily activities such as: Rosemaling, Viking History, Crafts, Folk Dancing, Language Lessons, Foods of Norway, and Building Lasting Friendships. Scholarships are available from District 6, Southern California Past Presidents' Club and many local lodges. For more info: (530) 677-2006. Email: [solheim2636@earthlink.net](mailto:solheim2636@earthlink.net). Web Site: <http://www.campnorge.com>.

**IOWA****Trollfjell Camp****July 25****Decorah, Iowa**

Vennskap 1-554 and District 1 Sons of Norway sponsored motor coach tour from Marshall, Minn. to Spring Grove, Minn. to visit the Giants of the Earth Heritage Center and to the annual Nordic Fest at Decorah, Iowa. The \$190 fee includes round trip motor coach ride, two nights lodging with breakfasts, Nordic Fest button and program guide, the entrance to all Nordic Fest exhibits, workshops and musical events; admission to the Vesterheim Museum, an evening Smorgasbord, guided tour of the Seed Savers Exchange & Lillian Goldman Visitors Center and Gardens in Decorah and admission to the Bily Clock Museum in Spillville, Iowa. Celebrate your heritage with other SONS OF NORWAY Members. For more info: (507) 296-4566. Email: [dorothyzimmerman@frontiernet.net](mailto:dorothyzimmerman@frontiernet.net).

**MAINE****10th Anniversary Celebration****July 27****Bath, Maine**

Maine Nordmenn #3-664 will hold their 10th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, July 27, from 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Maine Maritime Museum in Bath, Maine. 11:00 a.m. registration, 12:00 p.m. appetizers and cold beverages (donations for beer and wine gratefully accepted), 12:30 p.m. Anniversary Celebration Ceremony, 1:00 p.m. Dinner Buffet. Adults: \$40. Children 18 and under: \$20. Prices include admission to the museum. Call or email Gedske Szepsy for reservations as soon as possible since seating is limited. (207) 215-6186 [gszepsy@yahoo.com](mailto:gszepsy@yahoo.com). Reservations and payment must be received by July 12th. Send payment to Gedske Szepsy, 34 Buffee Landing, Litchfield, Maine 04350.

**MARYLAND****Rosemaling Exhibit***Opened May 22 for summer***Havre de Grace, Md.**

Summer exhibit will feature rosemaling by Lise Lorentzen, formerly of Staten Island, NY. Find the exhibit at Bay Gallery, 500 Warren St, Ste. B Harve de Grace, MD. For more info call (410) 409-1336, or (410) 939-4441, or visit the website at [www.artsbythebaygallery.com](http://www.artsbythebaygallery.com).

**MINNESOTA****Norway Day****July 14****Minneapolis, Minn.**

82nd year of this Norwegian Heritage and Cultural Event held on the second Sunday in July each year, July 14, free and open to the public. Program book \$2 containing ads and church service at 11 a.m. Ethnic foods, vendors and craftsmen, barnetog children's parade, and entertainment from Norway – Furuleiken Spel og Danselag – musicians and dancers. Norwegian Glee Club and Daughters of Norway bring songs, Leroy Larson and ensemble bring Scandinavian music. For more info: (612) 861-4793. Email: [evenstad@mindspring.com](mailto:evenstad@mindspring.com).

**PENNSYLVANIA****NE Penn. Regional Sports for Health****July 21 – 28****Sherman, Penn.**

Do you enjoy the outdoors and like to hike, canoe/kayak, ride a tandem bike, or do some fishing? Would you like to share your love of this activity with someone who is blind or visually impaired so they too can know the joy of these activities? Do you know an adult (18 and up) who would like to experience these activities? At the Sports for Health program at Land of the Vikings you can do all of that. Sports for Health is the summer equivalent of the winter program, Ski for Light. It is a unique, week long program where visually impaired participants and sighted guides work together as a team to enjoy the summertime activities. Can't stay for the whole week? Sign up for part of the week, or a few days, whatever your schedule allows. You won't be disappointed. Visit our website, [www.nepasf-sfh.org](http://www.nepasf-sfh.org) for more information about our group, contacts, and application forms.

**WISCONSIN****Vennelag 513 Kaffe Stue****July 20****Mt. Horeb, Wisc.**

If you hanker for some good Norwegian food, come to the Community Center where Vennelag Lodge 513 hosts their 42nd Annual Kaffe Stue. You can sample genuine foods of the old country, such as lefse, rommegrøt, sandbakkle, smørbrød, sotsuppe and more. Once again they will offer their popular Troll Roll sandwiches. For more info: (608) 437-5468. Email: [george@sonsofnorway5.com](mailto:george@sonsofnorway5.com). Web Site: <http://www.vennelag513.com>.

## Norwegian art in N.Y.

Agora Gallery in Chelsea, N.Y.C. will be featuring artwork by Norwegian artist Sirenes through August 13



Photos courtesy of Agora Gallery  
Above: Sirenes' work, "Fantasy," Acrylic on Canvas, 27.5" x 39.5." Right: the artist, Sirenes, is a Norwegian painter.



PRESS RELEASE  
Agora Gallery

Chelsea, New York's Agora Gallery will feature the original work of Norwegian artist Sirenes in Degrees of Abstraction. The exhibition is scheduled to run from July 23, 2013 through August 13, 2013. The opening reception will be held on Thursday night, July 25, 2013 from 6 – 8 p.m.

**About the Artist**

For Norwegian artist Sirenes, painting is a visceral undertaking, one that represents an organic connection between painter and canvas. Often foregoing the use of even a brush as an intermediary, she will apply her paints with her fingers, creating what she calls "abstract expressions on the canvas." The artist loved painting with her hands when she was a child, and there are appealing echoes of a childlike openness in her work. But that freedom comes hand in hand with a well-developed sense of composition, as well as an ability to use color for maximum impact.

"I have always been fascinated by colors," says Sirenes. Using acrylics, she works with a palette that takes advantage of the saturated shades that acrylics offer. That palette is employed in a wide variety of ways, from images that work through the subtle variations of one shade to others that juxtapose a near-kaleidoscopic array of hues. "I am trying to express my inner feelings," Sirenes explains, and, indeed, her open-handed style brings those feelings vividly to life.

Exhibition Dates: July 23, 2013 – August 13, 2013.

Reception: Thursday, July 25, 2013, 6 – 8 p.m.

Gallery Location: 530 West 25th St., New York City, N.Y.

Gallery Hours: Tues – Sat, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Event URL: <http://www.agora-gallery.com/artistpage/Sirenes.aspx>

**About the Exhibition**

Agora Gallery has a summer treat for

art lovers, with two wonderful exhibitions that will leave visitors feeling refreshed and ready to appreciate the world around them. Interpretive Realms features art that represents the physical expression of the sensitivity, ingenuity and integrity of talented artists who use their impressive skills to share their thoughts and ideas with others. Multifaceted, the works reflect and emphasize the distinctive perspectives and techniques that the artists consider key to their engagement and communication with the world. Degrees of Abstraction presents art of strength, courage and beauty as artists experiment with the possibilities offered by colors, textures and forms. Carefully balanced to convey both a clear impression and a moving sense of emotion, these works are fascinating in composition as well as undoubtedly affecting in their overall impact. The exhibitions open on July 23, 2013 and continue until August 13, 2013, with an opening reception on the evening of Thursday July 25, 2013. Don't miss this opportunity to put some energy back into your summer!

**About Agora Gallery**

Agora Gallery is a fine art gallery, established in 1984 and located in the heart of New York City's Chelsea art galleries district. It is famous for showcasing a spectacular array of talented artists from around the world and around the corner, while providing quality and original art to collectors. Exhibitions are usually group exhibits, presenting the work of a number of artists, but sometimes solo exhibitions focus on the work of one particular artist. The gallery publishes ARTis-Spectrum Magazine, a bi-annual magazine that is distributed to museums, galleries, art institutions and art schools around the world. It provides artists, collectors, museums, galleries, art organizations and enthusiasts with access to the work of international talented artists as well as feature articles, reviews and interviews.

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