

New art exhibits opening at the library

The Georgetown Public Library will open two new art exhibits on Tuesday. In the first floor Café Gallery, Mark Stalnak's Fine Lines exhibit opens, with recent works created with India ink on stretched canvas or paper. Stalnak uses dip pens and thin brushes to create finely detailed works that encourage the viewer to look closely. A re-

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ception for the artist will be held on November 5 from 2-4 p.m. and the exhibit will last through January 16. Stalnak's subject matter is varied and includes portraits, landscapes, and re-arranged still life, with recent works focusing on

scenes from small Texas towns. While the themes in this exhibit are mixed, there is a common thread of style that runs throughout the pieces. Drawing a building's windows in a cityscape is akin to scales on a fish or texture on a wall. Scenes are stripped to their essential components and are often portrayed using only black ink on a white background. Brush-



Mark Stalnak's Fine Lines exhibit will be in the Georgetown Public Library's first floor Café Gallery through January 16. A reception will be held November 5 from 4-6 p.m. All library art receptions are open to the public. The exhibit will include the drawing shown here by Mark Stalnak.

— in my columns I'll keep writing about the library's art exhibits, which I still coordinate, and about other library-related ideas and adventures that interest me; Ann will provide her own perspective and voice on other topics of interest. Look for Ann to introduce herself in her first column in the November 14 issue. See you in the library!

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What's going on in the library?

- November 2: Tuesday Talks with Britin and Ann (virtual event)
- November 2-December 12: Waterloo Watercolor Group: Better Together exhibit (second floor Bridge and Hall)
- November 2-January 16: Mark Stalnak: Fine Lines exhibit (first floor Café Gallery)
- November 5, 4-6 p.m.: Reception for Mark Stalnak (first floor Café Gallery)
- November 14, 2-4 p.m.: Reception for Waterloo Watercolor Group (Second floor Bridge)
- Throughout November 15: "Let Me Be Myself: The Life Story of Anne Frank" exhibit
- November 21, 2 p.m.: Live Music at the Library: Chaski (registration required)
- November 25-26: Library closed for Thanksgiving holiday

For more information about these and other library events, visit library.georgetown.org/events/calendar or call 512.930.3551.

strokes are not hidden, but rather they are used to emphasize that all art is an abstraction from reality. It is left to the interaction with the viewer to breathe life back into the works.

And on the second floor, in the Bridge and Hall galleries, we will have the Waterloo Watercolor Group with their exhibit Better Together, focused on the artists' experiences of getting slowly back to interacting with people during 2021 after the pandemic isolation of 2020. A reception for the artists will be held on November 14 from 2-4 p.m. Waterloo Watercolor Group is a nonprofit organization made up of artists who have been teaching and sharing the joy of wa-

tercolor for more than 43 years. To many of them, being able to paint during the lockdown has been a blessing, and they say they look forward to sharing that at the library.

New writer for BiblioFiles

I also have some exciting news about the BiblioFiles column itself. Ann Evans, the library's adult services librarian, has agreed to join me in authoring the column for readers of the Sun. Ann has been with the library since March 2020, and she oversees our adult programs and services. Beginning next month, readers will sometimes see Ann's byline on the column, and other times mine. We will take different focuses

I'M VOTING FOR PROP J GEORGETOWN

Why Voting FOR Prop J is Good for Georgetown

Since the repeal of Prohibition, the State of Texas allows elections to be held in either counties, justice of the peace precincts, or municipal city limits. There are now ten different versions of legal alcohol sales.

There have been more than twenty local option efforts in Williamson County including three that affected the City of Georgetown. In 2004, Georgetown voters approved beer and wine sales in retail stores and mixed beverage sales in restaurants. In 2010, voters approved all alcohol sales inside the city limits.

However, the property now known as Wolf Lakes Village was not annexed into the city limits until 2017. Since the elections in 2004 and 2010, the city has annexed more land, but the "wet-dry" status that was in effect prior to annexation remains in force. To have the rules apply to all of Georgetown, state law requires an election to be held in the city's current boundaries.

A New H-E-B for Georgetown

By changing the law, we can welcome a new 117,000 square foot H-E-B store, to replace the 60,000 square foot store located at Highway 29 and I-35.

Known for its innovation and community service, H-E-B strives to provide the best customer experience and lowest prices for customers across Texas and Mexico. This new H-E-B will significantly enhance the quality of life in Georgetown by adding hundreds of new jobs, increasing local tax revenue, and providing an extensive array of new food products and services in one of the biggest and most beautiful grocery stores in Texas. This state-of-the-art H-E-B will also act as a powerful magnet to attract other high-quality retail and commercial users to Wolf Lakes Village.

How You Can Help—ote FOR Prop J

This summer a group of business and community leaders embarked on a plan to ensure all city businesses work under the same rules. They gathered more than 11,000 signatures of Georgetown registered voters to call this election on Proposition J.

By passing Proposition J will allow all properties, including Wolf Lakes Village to be under the same rules as was approved by voters in 2010. This will allow Wolf Lakes Village to be able to recruit nice restaurants, a fine-wine package store and enable the new H-E-B to be able to sell both beer and wine.

One Set of Rules for All—Economic Fairness

This is an economic and fairness issue. Georgetown is not reaching its full potential with this large area under different rules. By passing Proposition J, all of the City of Georgetown will be once again under the same set of rules relating to alcohol sales. While part of the city is fully 'wet', studies show we are not maximizing our jobs and economic potential. Should we change the law, we can finally maximize our economic potential to generate nearly \$64 million in annual spending, create hundreds of jobs, and more than \$1.3 million in local sales tax revenue per year. Those figures are only based on Georgetown city population and do not include sales based on the surrounding population that comes to Georgetown to shop. By voting FOR Prop J, the Georgetown Alcohol Proposition, we as a city can once again be under one set of rules for all businesses.

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