The Cultured Conch Art Events in the Keys

Event information provided by Florida Keys Council of the Arts www.keysarts.com

VISUAL ARTS:

Wednesday, August 1 - Friday, August 31 Front window showcase: "Kimian" will display their colorful Gyotaku fish rubbings. Artists In Paradise Gallery, Big Pine Shopping Plaza, MM 30, Big Pine Key. 872-1828.

Saturday, August 11 -"Art on the Porch." This month featuring Marathon glass artist Alison Schaeffler Murphy. 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. Bougainvillea House Gallery, MM 53.5 bayside, Marathon. 743-0808.

FESTIVALS & BENEFITS: Saturday, August 11 -Lobsterfest. The island celebrates the opening of the annual lobster season with offerings from 16 local restaurants, as well as music and artwork on display. Noon -11 p.m. 100 - 400 blocks of Duval Street, Key West. info@ricksanddurtyharrys. com.

Monday, August 13 -

"A Mid-Summer's Night." Food, music and festivities celebrating our celestial connection. Hosted by Joyce Stahl at her home in Old Town Key West, to benefit Java Studios. Call 394-3804 for more info.

THEATER:

Friday & Saturday, August 3 & 4, 10 & 11 -"Vanities" a comedy by Jack Heifner. Summer play reading. \$10. 8 p.m. Marathon Community Theatre, MM 49.5 Overseas Hwy., Marathon. 743-0994. marathontheater.org. Saturday, August 11 -The Studios of Key West presents "One Night Stand" an experimental collaborative theatre project featuring a live performance of 5 one-act plays written and rehearsed in a 24-hour period. Time TBA. Armory Building, 600 White St., Key West. 296-0458. tskw.org.

Saturday, August 18 - Sunday, August 19 -Auditions for the annual fundraiser, "One Weekend Only." 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Marathon Community Theatre, MM 49.5 Overseas Hwy., Marathon. 743-0994. marathontheater.org.

MUSIC:

Sunday, August 5 -Performance at St. Paul's presents "Hot Jazz in a Cool Place." Dave Burns, piano; Lonnie Jacobsen, bass. \$10 suggested donation. 4 p.m. St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 401 Duval St., Key West. 294-7282.

MUSEUMS:

Wednesdays, August 1, 8 &15 -

Summer movie madness for kids of all ages. Free – made possible by the Friends of the Marathon Library. 3 p.m. Marathon Library, 3251 Overseas Hwy. 743-5156.

Thursdays, August 2 & 9 -2 Cool 4 School. A summer program for the school-age crowd. 10 - 11 a.m. Free Marathon Library, 3251 Overseas Hwy. 743-5156.

FILM:

Wednesday, August 1 -

Key West Library Book Bites presents "The Cider House Rules." Free. 5:30 p.m. Key West Library auditorium, 700 Fleming St., Key West. 292-3595.

Sundays, August 5, 12, 19 & 26 -

The Friends of the Marathon Library Cinema at the Library series. Free admission/ donations to the Friends will be accepted. 2:00 p.m. Marathon Library Community Room, 3251 Overseas Highway. 743-5156.

LITERATURE:

Wednesday, August 8 -Book Bites. This month exploring works by John Irving. 6 p.m. Key West Library, 700 Fleming St., Key West. 292-3595.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES:

Weekly summer programs for the school age. 10 -11 a.m. Marathon Public Library, mm 48.7, 743-5156. Schedule:

August 2 - Hairy & Scary: Monsters, Ghosts & Other Creepy Characters. Not for the easily scared or faint-ofheart! These horrid, hairraising stories will creep you out... if you don't die laughing!

August 9 - Clickety-Clackety, Creaky-Squeaky Stories. These stories will tweak your ears, tie your tongue in a knot, and fill your belly full of laughs.

