



Artwork by Jonathan Sobol — 40 Years After

Calendar

Saturday, April 18, 6:30–9 PM
Muñoz Waxman Gallery, CCA 1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe
Tickets: 505.982.1338
\$75 | \$90

CCA celebrates its 30-year anniversary with an evening of food, wine, and martinis, followed by a lively art auction in the midst of artwork and artists who have participated the organization's vibrant programming since 1979. The event will honor CCA founders and will showcase current programming as well highlighting past achievements. Images from the extensive archive will be projected.

April 25, 2009

World Tai Chi and Qigong Day

World Tai Chi & QiGong Day is a global health and healing event that will unfold in more than 65 nations and in hundreds of cities around the world. In Taos it will be held at Kit Carson Park at 9:30 a.m. For more information call Carmen at 575-737.5749 or Martha at 575-758.9197
Location: Kit Carson Park

April 26, 2009

Mark Jackson, Tina Sandoval and Kathleen Mills in Concert

Benefit concert and champagne reception. Enjoy a romantic evening of opera arias and duets. 5:30pm.

May 3, 2009

Santa Cruz Feast Day

Blessing of the fields and corn dance at Taos Pueblo (no cameras or cell phones). Call 575-758 1028.
Location: Taos Pueblo

May 9, 2009

Taos Summer of Love Kick Off with Dennis Hopper at The Harwood

Two shows: Silver Gelatin Prints by Hopper and Hopper Curates, artwork by five artists. Call 575-758.9826 for more information.

Want to come to Taos later this year? Check out the Taos Summer of Love 2009, learn about this great celebration with roots 40 years ago, and [register](#) for our \$4,000 travel sweepstakes.

Location: Throughout Taos



May 09 - June 30, 2009

40 Years After

Featuring artist, Jonathan Sobol, Spring Arts poster artist. Also features William C. Davis, J. Chris Morel and Barbara Bartels. Call 575-758.0767 or visit www.brazosfineart.com for more information.

Location: Brazos Fine Art Gallery

May 25 – September 7, 2009

Taos Plaza Live Celebrates the Summer of Love

The Taos County Chamber of Commerce celebrates the Summer of Love legacy with Taos Plaza Live. Each Thursday from 6 to 8pm the plaza resonates with the sound of local musicians. Performances are free. For information contact Steve Fuhlendorf at 575-751.8800 or steve@taoschamber.com, or visit www.taosplazalive.com.
Location: Taos Plaza

[Click here](#) for more events.

The Taos Express

Contemplating your trip to Taos this year, but wondering about your travel options from Albuquerque into Taos?

This summer (June through Sept.) the Town of Taos is offering weekend non-stop shuttle service direct from Taos to Santa Fe's northern most New Mexico Rail Runner station for less than \$10 per round trip.

This pilot program service is scheduled to run during the Taos Summer of Love from June through September 2009. For specific shuttle fare, schedule, connection information and suggested itineraries, go to www.taosgov.com or www.taosvacationguide.com after May 1st and click on "Transportation" or call 575-751-4459.

Public transit connection information includes notes and links about how to easily access Taos, Santa Fe and Albuquerque museums, historic sites, shopping, lodging, trails and the Albuquerque International Support, in addition to other key locations/transportation providers. Trip planning information can also be accessed on the New Mexico Rail Runner site, www.nmrrailrunner.com.

Whether you're out to save money, reduce stress, be more 'green', have everyone relax and enjoy the views, or simply experience the new transit services—the Taos Express is the ride for you this summer.

Enjoy the Freshest Food at the Stakeout Grill and Bar



Almost everywhere you trek in the Southwest, you can feel history underfoot. In Taos, Old West heritage runs rampant and tales are as wild as the rugged terrain. Outlaw Hill, home of the famous Stakeout Grill and Bar, stakes its own claim to the great frontier.

The Stakeout at Outlaw Hill has existed since 1976, our bicentennial year, but Outlaw Hill has been here for centuries. Located at an altitude of 7,200 feet, the Stakeout overlooks the Rio Grande Gorge State Park to the west, and Taos to the north.

The Stakeout at Outlaw Hill is situated on the original Santa Fe Trail, which is the same Pan American highway that stretches from Alaska to South America. Before the road to Pilar was cut in and the current highway was made, the Santa Fe Trail was the major thoroughfare between Taos and Santa Fe.

With an eclectic menu featuring Elk, Buffalo and of course classics like the New York Strip and the Filet Mignon, you'll find dining at The Stakeout one of the highlights of your trip to Taos. Visit www.stakeoutrestaurant.com for the full menu.

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Learn more about all of the wonders of New Mexico. Check out New Mexico Tourism Deputy Cabinet Secretary, Jen Hoffman's blog [here](#).



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for more information, visit [Taos Vacation Guide](#)

Taos Summer of Love—Celebrating Decades of Art and Inspiration



The Taos Summer of Love is an homage to an inspirational and unforgettable time in the history of Taos. It is a series of celebrations taking place this Summer in Taos, May through September, 2009, and features two art shows curated by and featuring the art of actor and one time Taos resident, Dennis Hopper. Hopper first visited Taos, in 1968 while directing one of the '60s most powerfully iconic visions, *Easy Rider*, a film that helped define a social movement—and, some may say, the way a nation saw itself. Much of the movie was filmed in and around Taos.

For the next 15 years, Hopper took up residence at the Mabel Dodge Luhan house, continuing Mabel's former tradition of hosting the best, brightest, and surely the most creatively innovative of her generation.

But before Taos and *Easy Rider*, Hopper was part of the vibrant modern art movement forming in Los Angeles. As a chronicler of the scene, he worked as a photographer, and also collected the early work of his artist friends Larry Bell, Ken Price, Ron Cooper, Ronald Davis, and Robert Dean Stockwell, among many others.

Once Hopper established himself in Taos a slow but steady migration of these LA artists to Taos began, drawing to the area the third wave of internationally recognized artists after the "Taos Founders" (1898–1920s) and the "Taos Moderns" (1939–1950s).

To mark his years in Taos, his internationally acclaimed art and long-time friendships, and the 40th anniversary of the release of *Easy Rider*, The University of New Mexico Harwood Museum of Art, in conjunction with Taos' "Summer of Love" celebrations, presents "Hopper at the Harwood," opening to the public **May 9th**. Hopper at the Harwood features two exhibitions: one focusing on his work, "Selected Photographs and Paintings" and the other, "Forty Years of Friendship: LA to Taos," a curatorial expression with the work of the aforementioned Bell, Cooper, Davis, Price and Stockwell. All this is a key part of the ongoing celebrations that are part of the Taos Summer of Love '09.

While the Summer of Love may give visitors a good dose of nostalgia, it is also a building block in the history of Taos' artistic influence on the world. This summer get inspired and take a trip to Taos for this one-of-a-kind happening. Visit www.taossummeroflove.com for more information.

Enter to win a 4-Day vacation to Taos (valued at \$4,000), [click here](#) to sign up.

Refresh Your Soul In Taos This Spring!



This Spring, join Domino on a llama trek

With the economic pinch affecting everyone, a relaxing getaway may be needed now more than ever—but how to fit it into your schedule and budget? A short getaway to Taos may be just the solution—relaxing, great for your travel dollar, different, and a long weekend gives you enough time to really explore.

Taos offers cost effective fun options—whether you're taking your family, meeting up with friends, or planning that much needed romantic reconnect. [Click here](#) to see how far a drive Taos is from you. [Click here](#) to check out flight options to Albuquerque International Support and/or new commercial flights into Santa Fe— just a 1 hour and 25 minutes drive from Taos. And, options will be in June to get visitors to Taos from Albuquerque or Santa Fe via new, cool, safe and cost-saving public transit — The Taos Express and New Mexico Rail Runner ([click here](#) for details). [Click here](#) after May 1st for more information on this new transit program.

This Spring, great adventures are happening in Taos. Reserve a white water rafting trip, celebrate art at the Spring Arts Festival. The festival features some of the Southwest's finest artists. It's also a great time to explore the cultural and historic living treasure that is Taos Pueblo, the only United Nations Living World Heritage Site in the U.S. Taos Pueblo has been continuously inhabited for over 1,100 years. [Click here](#) for more information. Taos also offers llama trekking for a one-of-a-kind experience, [click here](#) for more information.

Authentic Southwest lodging destinations are also a memorable part of your trip to Taos. Below are some can't miss deals that will get your Spring and Summer fun started (and let's face it, we could all use a little more fun right now).

La Posada De Taos Specials

Taos Summer Of Love Specials

04/20/09 - 09/30/09

Give us a call and mention the Summer of Love celebration and we'll give you a 10% discount off your entire stay.

Ojo Caliente Specials

03/01/09 – 04/30/09 Spring Fling ~ \$369 (\$40 Savings)

One Night for Two in an Enchanting Plaza Cottage -Two 50-

minute Custom Massages -

50-minutes in a Delightful Private Outdoor Pool w/Kiva Fireplace

-Visit www.ojospa.com for full details.



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The Psychedelic Experience

Take a trip to the psychedelic era through 300 posters and the music, art, and culture that inspired their experimental design. The Psychedelic Experience includes works by the psychedelic poster movement's major contributors, plus video, music, and activities that will transport you to Haight-Ashbury. The Psychedelic Side Trip offers interactive experiences to transport you back with listening stations, and spaces to stage your own far-out lightshow and design your own poster. For show tickets and info visit www.denverartmuseum.org.

New Creative Institute Opens for Artists and Students

By Tara Somerville

The teardrop bead dangling from Delinda VanneBrightyn's neck was as long as her index finger and as wide as a quarter at the top. The bits of foil and precious metals floating inside reflected light as the bead shifted around her neck, creating infinite ways to look at the bead.

"I love working in glass because the whole interior world is revealed," said VanneBrightyn, who exuded effervescence akin to the work she was discussing. "The result is a multi-faceted contemplation, like looking into the heart and soul of the work." In January, Van-neBrightyn teamed up with fellow glass artists Michael Miro, Margo RaelNimon and Carol Savid to found the Taos Institute for Glass Arts (TIGA). The studio, at the Taos County Economic Development Corporation complex, is in the process of becoming a nonprofit.

The organization's aim is to have a space for current and future glass artists to learn and create; and for collectors and curious community members to attend demonstrations, lectures, workshops and other events. Educational programs should be in full swing by July 2009, coordinated by Educational Directors JoNael and William C. Davis. For more information, contact Michael Miro at (575) 6136484 or visit www.taosinstituteforglassarts.org.