



Action 29 Palms *The Mural People!*

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CHALKFEST 29 IS AROUND THE CORNER!

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October 30, 2014 - The 5th Annual Chalkfest 29 will be held this November 8 and 9, at the Old Schoolhouse Museum on Cottonwood Road. Action 29 Palms, "The Mural People," invite children of all ages to try their hand at street chalking during this free public event. Full details are available at the Action 29 Palms website at www.Action29PalmsMurals.com.

Interest in this annual event has continued to grow among chalk artists throughout the Southwest and this year we expect more professional artists than ever before. Local artists including Marco Garcia, Anna Houghton, Kody Kendall, Brianna Sears, and Courtney Stanford will be competing for the grand prize of \$500 with the following artists from across California, Lori Antoinette, Lysa Ashley, Everado Galvez, Lury Norris, and William Zin.

As in the past, all kids, young and old, are invited to try their hand at chalk art in the KiDz ZoNe area where chalk supplies will be provided along with games and crafts. School age children may also participate in judged competitions by age group and will be eligible for medals and gift cards. Judged artwork must be completed by 1 p.m. on Sunday, November 9, to qualify for awards and competitors must be present at the awards presentation beginning at 2:30.

Awards will be presented by 29 Palms Mayor Dan Mintz and Tom Baumgartner, Acting Superintendent of the Morongo Unified School District.

So, if you're a budding artist or just want to see some of California's best chalk artists bring to life this year's theme of "Desert Wildlife," come out and celebrate street art with us Saturday November 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday November 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Special Opportunity for Kids

Local kids have an opportunity to learn chalk art or improve their skills through free chalk workshops being given Saturday, November 1, at the Community Services building located on Joe Davis Drive in Twentynine Palms. Children in grades 3 – 6 are invited to sign up for the morning class which will run from 10 a.m. to noon. Children in grades 7 – 12 may sign up for the afternoon class which will run from 1:30 to 3:30. Space is limited. You can reserve a place by sending name, age, contact information, and grade, to: Action29palms@gmail.com. Or, register at the door – space permitting. Details are available at www.Action29PalmsMurals.com under Events.

This workshop, provided through a generous grant from the City of Twentynine Palms Public Arts Advisory Council, will be taught by renowned chalk artist Lysa Ashley. Lysa, who will be competing for our top prize at Chalkfest 29, is a teacher who has been street "painting" with chalk for over 16 years. Her creative images have won her numerous awards as well as television and newspaper interviews.