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Looking forward to Summer Camps at the Averitt

Monday, May 30 is the opening date for our annual array of **Averitt Center Summer Art Camps**. During the nine weeks of summer, there are 58 week-long camps for children ranging from three-year old dancers to 18-year old artists. There are two ceramics workshops for adults as well as one ceramics class.

Some of the summer offerings include:

Lego Camp, STEAM camp, Painting for Gamers, Art In Nature, Space Camp, Summer Ceramics Sampler, Lion King Kids, Modern Dance Camp, Camp 9 ¾, Mermaids and Pirates, Encanto Dance Camps, Magical Fairytale Camp and many, many more. For a complete list and descriptions of the camps, visit our website at www.averittcenterforthearts.org/summer-camps.

Registration is underway for the annual program, which is sponsored by **Synovus**. The ACA Summer Art Camp program provides kids from ages 3 to 18 with the opportunity to be creative, have fun, meet new friends and start or continue a life-long love of the arts. When you register your child or children for any of our 2022 summer camps, he or she will receive a free t-shirt with the Summer Camp logo emblazoned on the front. T-shirts will be available beginning Tuesday, May 24. One free t-shirt per camper but additional t-shirts may be purchased.

To register, call the Averitt Main Desk at 912-212-2787 or Tony Phillips at 912-259-9228.

Week-long, full-day or half-day camps are available in the areas of visual arts, dance, theater and music. Tuition is \$125 for half-day camps (\$100 for members) and \$175 for full-day camps (\$150 for members). But, if you register your child or children 10 days or more before camps start, there is a \$25 Early Bird Discount per camp.

Visit the Averitt Center website for full camp descriptions and get ready to spend the summer with us!

The crazy characters of Fayro, Texas return to the Emma Kelly stage on May 5-8 in **Southern Hospitality**, the second in the trilogy of laugh-out-loud, knee-slapping comedies which follow the escapades of the wacky Futrelle Sisters. An popular all-local cast performed **Dearly Beloved**, which was the first play of the series, last season and the response was so overwhelming that the only next logical step was to bring back the hijinks for a second time.

In **Southern Hospitality**, Frankie (**Rachel Elkins**), Twink (**Nichole Deal**), Honey Raye (**Julie Moody**) and Rhonda Lynn (**Christie McLendon**) are on a mission to save their beloved hometown. Ever since the Super SmartMart and the rendering plant closed, folks have been leaving Fayro in droves.

It seems a salsa manufacturing factory is looking to re-locate, and a company representative is headed to the small town on a scouting mission. Honey Raye makes promises that are not to be believed in order to woo the rep to choose Fayro.

In fact, Honey Raye has told them that on the very weekend of the rep's visit, the town just happens to be having their biggest celebration of the year - "Fayro Days." So now it's up to the citizens of Fayro to quickly make her promises a reality.

Other beloved cast members include **Alan Tyson, Eileen Baynes, Lee Walker, Pam Baggett, Jamey Saunders, Tate Miller, John Oglesby** and **Dena Walden**. The slap-stick comedy will also be presented in the Twin City Auditorium on May 14. Southern Hospitality is directed by **Tony Phillips** and sponsored by **CORE Credit Union**.

The **Statesboro Chamber Orchestra** is gearing up for another performance and this time it's a doozy - *West Side Story*! Come enjoy your favorites from this classic, which features the music of legendary composer Leonard Bernstein. This May 13th concert in the Emma Kelly Theater will include the orchestra's take on hits such as "*Tonight*," "*One Hand, One Heart*" and, of course, "*Somewhere*." Special guest vocalists, **Rachel Elkins** and **Robert Cottle**, will join the orchestra for several numbers.

The monthly **Paint-N-Party** in the Roxie Remley Center for Fine Arts (31 East Vine Street) on Friday, May 13 begins at 6 p.m. This is a great opportunity to have fun with friends and you can also enjoy your favorite adult beverage (21+). The workshop is \$35 per session and includes a 16x20 canvas and art supplies for you to use. Instructor **Erika Busbee** will guide you through the steps to paint your version of the painting-of-the-month. Paint-n-Party is exclusively sponsored by borotakeout.com and features different foods each month.