

Arts Fest 2011

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Downtown Seguin was the place to be this past weekend as community members of all ages participated in and enjoyed the first annual Arts

Fest. The event was hosted by the Seguin Commission on the Arts March 25 - 27. Check out pictures from the successful event which showcased local artists, actors, poets, dancers, musicians and more.



Sounds of various musical styles filled the Central Park Bandstand throughout the day. Talent included: Shaakir on saxophone (above left), alternative-pop by Porous, jazz by the Navarro High School Band, Folk-rock-Christian by Vickie Purdy, Tejano-country by Los Soul Brothers, Collage No. 7 by Sandy and Maryah Bennett and mariachi by the Avalos family (above right). The music was enjoyed by many. "I loved the mariachi band's outfits," Maryah Bennett, said.

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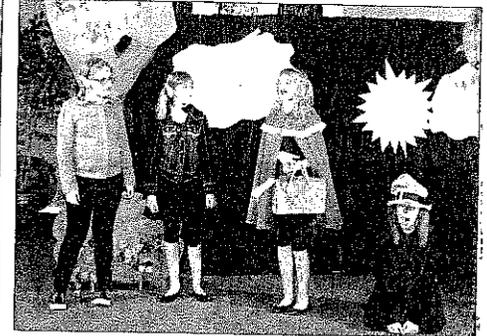
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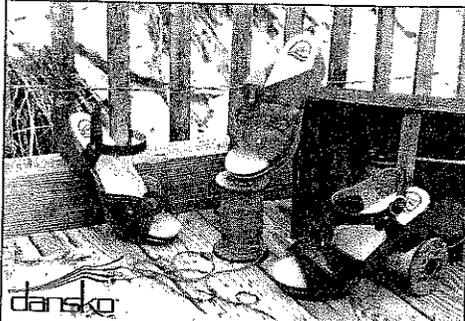
Children participated in several hands-on activities including a large outdoor painting, a tapestry to represent the architectural beauty of downtown Seguin, an interactive poetry reading with crafts and more.



Teenagers and adults were also able to actively participate in activities such as the Art of Compassion: Interactive Art Project. This project taught the imagery of compassion across cultures through decorating paper objects to share compassion with others. The first Compassion Parasol, created by Dr. Robin Bisha and 25 additional participants (pictured above) and photographs of Buddhist Monasteries in Ladakh, India were also shown.



Play performances, poetry and film were also important festivities. Seguin Performing Arts Co. presented a fun, fairy tale spoof of "Little Red Riding Hood" (pictured above). Navarro High School presented a coffeshouse style production of "The Small World of Millie McIvor." Seguin High School presented: "Steel Magnolias" and more. Poetry readings were held in Chiro Java. A film festival for independent film makers was held in the Palace Theatre and classic movies were shown.



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