



STAR ARTS NEWS

March 2026

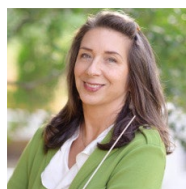
2026 Workshops



Movement

African-Rooted Dance: Movement, Rhythm, and Cultural Connection with Noel Staples-Freeman

This lively and culturally rich dance class invites participants to explore the roots of African and Diaspora movement traditions through rhythm, song, and storytelling.



Music

Veins of Rock: Singing Classic Rock in Harmony on Star Island with Danielle Grace

Join Encore Creativity's ROCKS program Director and Grace Note Studios Owner/Educator Danielle Grace for an energizing, joy-filled vocal workshop celebrating classic ROCK music in rich choral arrangements.



Photography

Photographic Storytelling with Amy Lovera

In this class, we will explore narrative strategies including pacing, sequencing, linear vs. non linear storytelling and how text functions with image.



Theater

Pat Your Head & Rub Your Tummy: Theater Improv for All with Richard Kuhlman

During our week together, we will create structured games and scenes enjoyable for all involved.



Visual Arts

Layered Painting Exploration with Judy Klima

Come and explore the inroads of self-discovery and unbridled joy, as you learn to combine a variety of media to create an abstract, highly textured, colorful and layered painting.



Writing

Deepening the Writing Life with Barbara O'Neil

In generative writing sessions, we will leave the inner critic at the door and keep our hands moving across the pages of our notebooks.

Star Arts 2026
Sunday June 21st
to
Sunday June 28th

[Register](#)

Read more about each workshop here: stararts.org

Minister of the Week

The Minister of the Week (MOW), is asked to lead our morning chapel services during Arts. She will also be there to speak with any Arts attendee who may be in need of guidance. For 2026, our Co-Chairs have asked Rev. Kate Wilkinson to join us in June.

Read more about Kate here: <https://stararts.org/minister-of-the-week/>



Financial Aid

Scholarships are intended to make it possible for anyone wanting to attend the Star Arts to be able to do so. Awards cover part of a recipient's room and board, but not the Star Island registration fee, the Arts programming fee, or any other expenses, including parking at the dock. Details that Arts registrants should know:

- First, register for Arts Retreat.
- To apply for a grant, go to <https://starisland.org/programs/registration/#financial-grants> and follow instructions to apply.
- Note that applications are due by April 15.
- Decisions are emailed by May 15.
- All applications are confidential.

An applicant needs only fill out the 1 form and can be awarded funds from BOTH the Star Island Corporation (SIC) and the Arts Retreat.

Contact the Star Island Registrar (saucclair@starisland.org) to discuss issues, not the conference registrar.

Deadline is April 15th!



Flowers on Star Island, photo by Barbara Reynolds 2025

Discounts: New and Old Shoalers

10/10 Bring A Friend Discount

The 10-10 discount: If you bring a new person, you both get 10% off your bill. Bring 3 and they each get 10% off, you get 30%!

Read the information about this carefully!
<https://starisland.org/discounts/>

- Discounts must be submitted 2 Weeks *PRIOR* to Arts
- The application for this discount is filled out by the person who is *NEW* to attending a Star Island conference.

Please note: The April Newsletter will be going out mid-April!

Deadline for Next Newsletter!

The Deadline for the next Newsletter will be April 10th!
If you would like to include pictures, art, poetry and/or news please submit items to:
stararts.newsletter@gmail.com

(Questions about Star Arts you can email Barbara Reynolds at stararts.registrar@gmail.com)

