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UPCOMING EVENTS

KITE DISPLAY AT WARRENSBURG University Of Central Missouri

Aug 26-Sept 17

<http://www.ucmo.edu/gallery>

University of Central Missouri Gallery of Art and Design

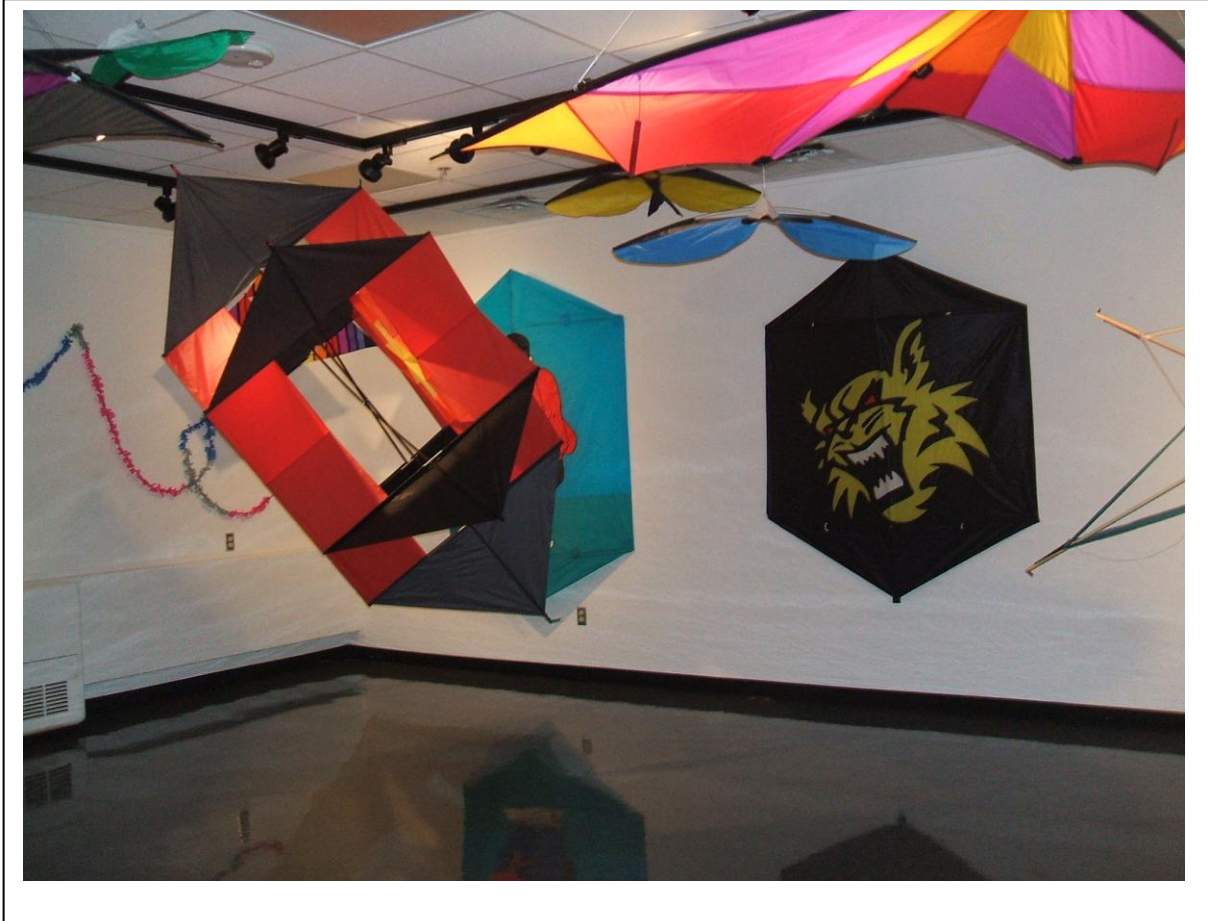


OPENED Aug. 26, "Flight: The Defiance of Gravity," features an installation work (slideshow) by artist Melanie Walker and kites from the Kansas City Kite Club. Walker, a Colorado-based artist, is the co-creator in Airworks Studio and has

worked collaboratively in aerial sculpture since 1996. The mission of the Kansas City Kite Club is to educate the public about the art, technique,

science, technology, and history of kite flying. The exhibition will run through Sept. 17, 2010.

Meagan Dion, a junior art history major in the Department of Art and Design, begins her tenure as Gallery 115 student assistant curator with the planning and preparation for the current exhibition season.



The UCM Gallery of Art and Design, located at 217 E. Clark St., is open to the public at no charge.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Thursdays, noon to 4 p.m. Saturdays, or by appointment. Group tours also may be arranged.



Above, visitors watch the slide show—kites from around the world.

Below, a Pyro Delta hangs in the hall for the Open House of Flight: The Defiance of Gravity



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September 25, 2010 STEP UP FOR DOWN SYNDROME WALK

Arrowhead Stadium, Parking Lot C

9:00am to 1:00 pm Come fly at Arrowhead! Last year we had mostly ground display, this year we have room to fly. Lunch provided!

Schedule of activities for September 25, 2010:

- 9:00-11:00am - Registration
- 9:00am-1:00pm- Festivities & Radio Disney
- 10:00am-12:00 noon- Food
- 10:45am- Awards & Announcements
- 11:00-11:20am- BEST Network Performance
- 11:30am- Kids' Dash (ages 5 and younger)
- 11:40am- Color Guard/ National Anthem
- 11:45am- Walk Begins
- 1:00pm- Walk & Festivities Conclude

October 10, 2010 One Sky/One World Columbia Joint Fly 2010

www.kckiteclub.org Hope to see you at this event that has kilters from

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AKA NEWS

[America's Got Talent](#)

Connor Doran, a 17 year old kite flier from Bend, OR had the brilliant idea of entering America's Got Talent with indoor kite flying. Connor easily was noticed with his act (*Do you use FANS to fly indoors? *Kites?!? *Indoors?!?) and despite AGT rule of covering Rev's Logo (Like we didn't know what kind of kite it was!) Connor was able to adjust to the weight and wind difference that the logo blocking material caused to win a trip to Los Vegas for the Finals. Connor was not selected in the finals, but several days

Amy Doran reports
"this is what Howie
posted on just Aug
26th on Twitter!!!"

"My wife says I must
leave my work at the
office . It's her way of
stopping me from
flying my kite in the
bedroom" Howie
Mandel

before airing, AGT brought Connor back as a Wild Card act, and he flew a stack of Revs and won a place in the Simi Finals at Hollywood. Connor made it into the final Top Ten before being voted out by Sharon Osborne, but the impact Connor has made on making kiteflying more visible is still being felt. Below are just a few of Connor's links to videos:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LpEqJi5BoQM>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jjiMHaQyk9k>

RECORD BREAKING MEGA FLY

Photos and story thanks to the Drachen Foundation

www.drachen.org



Bristol Old Record for Rev Fly

The Washington State International Kite Festival (**WSIKF**) in Long Beach, WA is a week-long kite celebration and competition held annually during the third week of

August. This year was a record breaker. In 2008, for Revolution's 20th Anniversary a world record was set with 54 Revs in Flight Formation in Bristol, England.

Events at WSIKF 2010 broke that record. Organizer Team iQuad led attempts on Thursday, Friday and Saturday in varying wind conditions.

Thursday—56 Rev pilots and kites—world record for one day! Fliers created a stack grid of 7 columns with 8 in a stack.

Friday—64 Rev pilots and kites---NEW WORLD RECORD!! It only took 5 minutes to put this in the sky once the first kites launched

Saturday—60 Rev pilots and kites--(winds light and shifting).

Below....Pilots meeting on the beach





Pilots waiting for the word, below, kites waiting for the launch word.



Below—part of the 64 Revs setting the new World Record at Long Beach.





KITEBUILDING BY KITEGUY

Dave Ellis is once again offering kite classes at his

home. If you are interested, contact Dave.

By Dave Ellis....

The August KCKitebuilders session had one participant. A new person came, but was unable to attend.

The one participant, named Ron, learned about three different appliqué techniques. He is a quilter, so he knew of other techniques, but two of these three were new to him.

One of the techniques he used was Reverse Appliqué. This works on ripstop, but not on quilting materials.

Ron's design was simple, but striking. He went away a very happy kite builder, and is excited about the next project.



The KCKiteBuilders can be found on Yahoo Groups. Tune in there to become informed on the monthly building sessions. There IS limited enrollment, so if you want to be included, be sure to RSVP as soon as possible.

We meet on the Third Sunday afternoon each month as we have since April.

September session will be on the 19th. We will be making a kite of which there are only two



in the world, at this moment. Attached are pictures of those two kites. They are based on the "Shard" kite, designed by Kevin Sanders in Australia. This workshop is being offered with the kind permission from Kevin. The "Splinter" kite has a triangular sail that is appx. 3 ft tall and 1.5 ft wide. The tail varies according to the builder's desires.

My version is smaller, different proportions, and construction methods. So, I guess it will be called the "Splinter". Or "Fragment"? Workshop costs for this kite have not been computed, as yet.

However, best guess would be less than \$20. These sessions are usually free, or very low cost. Mostly just a chance to interact with people of like mind.

If you want to be part of the action, email me at kiteguy@kiteguy.info, or give me a call at 980-913-8327. Also be sure to get involved with the KCKiteBuilders group, at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/KCKiteBuilders/>

MEMBER NEWS

This will be a new feature where you can tell us about your new

**THIS COULD BE YOUR
PHOTO!!!!**

**Send it in to the
website and be a part
of our Member News!**

kite, or you can submit a photo of your weekend kiting adventure, or your grandchild/neighbor flying your kite. Let us know what you are doing! Show us some extreme kiting! Miniature kiting! KAP!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept 4-6 2010 Callaway Kite Flight Callaway, NE

www.callawaykiteflight.com

If you have been thinking about attending this event, this is the year—possibly the **last** year. This is a true kite lover's fly. No schedules, few motels, just kite flying.

Sept 4-5th 2010 Kites Over Lake Michigan (KOLM) Two Rivers,

WI www.uniqueflyingobjects.com

<http://www.tworiverseconomicdevelopment.org/tourism/kites.htm>

This is the 5th year for this two day fly on the beach. A new addition will be fireworks on Saturday night. Contact Unique Flying Objects for more info.

Sept 12, 2010 Second Sunday Fly Heritage Park, Olathe, KS

Shelter 1 1-4pm www.kckiteclub.org Hope to see you at this fun fly!

Remember, it is weather and time dependent—whichever can make it will be there.

Sept 12, 2010 DeKalb, IL Fly www.chicagokite.com

Saturday September 25, 2010, Step Up for Down Syndrome Walk Arrowhead Stadium, Parking Lot C. The event will be from 9:00am to 1:00 pm

Everyone will enjoy a hamburger/hot dog lunch with fruit, KFC cole slaw, chips and a drink. Ice cream, yogurt, milk and coffee will be featured within the event, along with Poppin Joe's Famous Kettle Korn.

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October 12-16, 2010 AKA Convention Seaside, OR www.aka.kite.org

Oct 16 2009 Family Fall Festival Pumpkin Fest Overland Park KS www.bluevalleyrec.org

Nov 6-7, 2010 South Padre Island Kite Festival South Padre Island, TX GuyBlatnik@kiteshop.com

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Nov 20-28, 2010 Dead Bird Buggy Bash and Kite Fly Galveston, TX www.deadbirdbuggybash.com

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EVENTS IN REVIEW

Aug 8, 2010 Pickup for kites for Kite Display UCM Gallery of Art and Design Aug 26-Sept 17, 2010—by Linda Larkey

A big **Thank You** for Don Larkie for providing a huge bag of kites to select kites to hang at the UCM Display. Dave Ellis generously offered the one kite he had with him. And another huge thank you to Ryan Larkey who bit the bullet and spent a day in my company setting up kites. It was really fun pulling kites out of Don's bag and looking at the beautiful kite we pulled out.

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Girl Scout Fly, Kitemaking, and Club Picnic!

KCKC members met at Heritage Park to demonstrate and make kites for an Olathe Girl Scout troop who was "Flying Up" from Brownies to Junior Girl Scouts.

The Kansas City Kite Club provided color in the sky, bol races, candy drops and kite making for this troop of 15 girls and their families.

Afterwards members relaxed with a club picnic.

2010 KITE EVENTS

If you would like to plan a kite weekend for 2010, please keep these dates in mind. Remember dates/events may change closer to event time. Please check with event organizer for more information.

Kite events are held world-wide. Be sure to experience an out-of-town event. All (local, or worldwide) are great fun, and educational.

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Want to learn more about Kite Surfing?

Visit <http://www.kitesurfies.com/>



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Kansas City Kite Club

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