

## Artwork by Local Students On Display in Nashville and Bristol

Young artists from Northeast Tennessee are being recognized with two exhibitions of their work — one will be displayed through March 31 at the Bristol Mall and another is being staged at the Legislative Plaza in Nashville. The exhibits are part of **"My Home is Tennessee,"** a project sponsored by the **Tennessee Arts Commission** to emphasize the important role of arts in education. The Bristol Mall show was coordinated by **Arts Alliance Mountain Empire**, publisher of *A! Magazine for the Arts*. For "My Home is Tennessee," students were asked to create a poster that depicted what is unique and important about their community and could possibly inspire others to visit. The subjects they chose ranged from performing arts venues and historic sites to nature parks and sports venues like Bristol Motor Speedway. Winners of the competition, along with their families, will be invited to attend a reception in Nashville where they will be recognized by their state legislators for their participation.

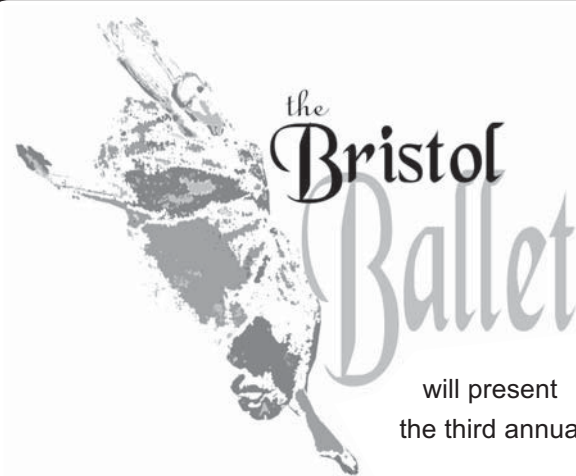


Providing music for St. Patrick's Day will be Ardrossan, above, and Sandra Parker, below.

## St. Patrick's Day Celebrations

• Locally-based Celtic bands will provide music for St. Patrick's Day celebrations: **Celtic Air** and **Fire in the Kitchen** will perform March 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Kingsport Renaissance Center, 423-392-8414, while **Sigean** will play at 9 p.m. at DownHome in Johnson City, 423-929-9822. Ticket prices vary.

• The Upper East Tennessee Celtic Society will celebrate St. Patrick's Day March 18 at the Kingsport Renaissance Center. The day-long event will begin at 10 a.m. Featured will be **Mythic Tales with Charlotte Ross**, **Celtic Harpist Sandra Parker**, **Fun with Irish Penny Whistles**, **Scottish Fiddling with Jane MacMorran**, **a Contra Dance**, and more. Tickets for A Taste of Ireland, from 5-7 p.m., are \$12. A concert at 7:30 p.m. will feature **Ardrossan**, along with **Scott Gould and the School of Music Fiddlers** (concert: \$6-\$7). 423-392-8414.



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