

"City of Arts" designation sought

**(KLZA)-- The Falls City Council heard a presentation Monday evening from Christina Wertenberger, curator of the Stalder Art Gallery at the Falls City Library and Arts Center, seeking a proclamation declaring Falls City "A city of arts."**

**The City has a rich history of art in Falls City. Collecting and preserving visual arts of local artists as well as other has been ongoing for more than 100 years.**

**In addition to the art collection, Falls City has The Stalder Gallery, John P. Falter Museum, Richardson County Historical Museum, Area Artist association Gallery and public sculpture showcasing the dedication the community has towards the arts.**

**Wertenberger believes Falls City would be the first community in Nebraska to claim to be a "city of the arts." The purpose would be to help increase foot traffic as art patrons tour communities that support the arts. It would be an opportunity to showcase the community and a chance to honor those who have made arts so important in the community.**

**Saturday Evening Post Illustrator John Falter is a native son as well as painter Alice Cleaver, artist and author Alan Tubach and jazz musician Pee Wee Erwin.**

**The City Council is expected to take action on the proposed proclamation during their October 7 meeting.**

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