



## **WHEELS MUSEUM**

### **Newsletter**

**Spring 2022**

### **Events, Gatherings and New Exhibits**

#### **Letter From the President**

Dear Friends,

The wheels at WHEELS are turning very fast and we have a full calendar of events that are described in this newsletter. We are thrilled with all the visitors, groups and interested people as well as new volunteers. Please see opportunities for you to visit with your group or come see us and visit as an individual or family. We are hoping you will call so that we can schedule your group, club, school, church or professional organization. If you are interested in joining us at WHEELS, call Leba at (505) 243-6269 or visit us at 1100 Second St. SW in Albuquerque.

Love, Leba

**Coming Attraction**  
**Saturday, April 2, 1 P.M.**  
**at Albuquerque's Wheels Museum**



**Doug Figgs (and Badger)**

**International Western Music  
Association's 2021 Male  
performer of the Year**

**Tickets \$10 each, limited  
seating. RSVP to Leba or Janet  
505-243-6269**

**More details on page 2**

Lots of fun events, attractions and community gatherings are happening at WHEELS

Doug Figgs and Badger promise to be a fun musical event for all ages.

Doug Figgs is a Western music singer/songwriter from Lemitar, NM. His musical influences include Country, Western, and Southern Rock. "The Cowboy Way" received the IWMA Group of the Year and the "Caballo del Fuego" written by Doug Figgs, Floyd Beard, and Mariam was awarded the prestigious "Wrangler Award" from the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum!

Visit his website at [www.dougfiggs.com/home](http://www.dougfiggs.com/home)



## Cinco de Mayo Celebration



Please join us on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at 1:00P.M. for a CINCO DE MAYO SPANISH MUSIC AND VARIETY SHOW with The Silver Fox, Greg Cordova, on Guitar and Fred Sanchez on bass.

This will be lot of fun with singing and dancing to the New Mexico songs that we love.

**NO CHARGE BUT DONATIONS ARE APPRECIATED.**

## More Events Coming to WHEELS



**The Antique Truck Club**  
will meet at WHEELS at 9:00  
A.M. on March 12. The  
public is invited to attend  
and explore your interest in  
possibly joining the club.



**Celebrate Spring at WHEELS**  
Saturday March 26, 9 AM-  
2PM  
Free Seed Fair for the whole  
family. All are welcome. No  
admission charge.  
Free seed, plants and



March 21 at 10:30 A.M.

A group of seniors from Jubilee  
at Los Lunas will meet and enjoy  
a talk about the Railyards by  
Leba Freed and a tour of the  
museum.

For more information about  
attending, please contact Leba  
or Janet at 505-243-6269.



## THAT'S SMART

April 5, at 8:00 A.M.

SmartSpider.net is New  
Mexico's association of  
professionals and  
consultants. Every month  
they share their knowledge  
and experience through  
organized events and  
interpersonal networks.  
Public is welcome to attend.

## More events, education and entertainment news



Amtrak train approaching Isleta N.M.  
April 23, Time to be announced.  
Eric LeGrey of Isleta Pueblo will talk about his harrowing experience as a child being rescued by Amtrak personnel after he was struck by the train.

Call for time and details 505-243-6269 .



WHEELS will be holding a raffle on April 22. We have some gorgeous items including antiques, signed Kachina Doll, vintage toys and lots more. Please buy some tickets when you visit. Please donate items to benefit WHEELS.



Oasis Senior Learning Center

On February 8, Wheels hosted a lively group of senior learners who heard Leba Freed discuss the history of the Albuquerque Railyards.



Valentine Picnic on February 12

Wheels hosted a Valentine Picnic for fifty guests. They feasted on Fred Harvey style fried chicken box lunches and watched the classic western film "My Darlin' Clementine".





## Silver Iris News

WHEELS' historic vintage passenger car, the Silver Iris, is currently in Santa Fe and historic Lamy, N.M. The car, along with the Santa Fe vintage car, the Acoma, hosted an open house for legislators on February 1 so that they could learn more about the cars, about Santa Fe Steam Engine 2926, and the economic advantages of developing historic rail tourism in New Mexico. Stay tuned for more developments as they happen.

Would you like to visit WHEELS or hold meetings or events in our museum?

As you can see from the articles in this newsletter issue, we are a great place for groups or organizations to hold events, have meetings and have the added bonus of museum tours.

We can serve groups of up to fifty people, have conference facilities and audio/visual support. If you are interested come and visit and see if your group, organization, church, school, senior group or other folks would be comfortable here.

And we love having individuals or families visits. Currently we are open from Mondays through Thursdays from 9:00 AM to noon.

We very much want to be open for more hours and on weekends but we need more volunteers to be able to do so. If you are interested please contact Leba or Janet at (505) 243-6269.

WHEELS Museum is a non-profit, volunteer run organization.

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