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## Creative Opportunities Surround April 15 at Creative Spirit Center

**What:** Free and affordable classes  
**When:** Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday; April 14, 15 or 16  
**Where:** Creative Spirit Center, 1517 Bayliss Street, Midland  
**Information:** Call 989-837-1885 or visit [www.creativespiritcenter.org](http://www.creativespiritcenter.org)

[Midland] – For those needing a break from thinking about tax returns or celebrating completion of the annual chore, Creative Spirit Center offers a variety of creative experiences during the week that tax returns are due. Any one or all three sessions are guaranteed to be full of laughter, enjoyable people, and easy-to-digest learning that supports the creative process.

On Tuesday, **April 14**, artists are invited to network during **Pecha Kucha Night**. The **free** event offers everyone 6 minutes and 20 seconds of time to share their work in the visual or performing arts, using versatile audio-visual equipment in the Center's gallery. Midland designers Thad Hallberg and John Metcalf host the event. It is not necessary to make a presentation in order to attend. Most people bring a dish to pass. What is *Pecha Kucha*? Japanese for the sound of conversational buzz.

On Wednesday and Thursday, April 15 and 16, a Midland couple are scheduled on successive nights to teach right-brain (creative) and left-brain (logical) skills. Artist Molly Warren Haycock offers help to those interested in "**Breaking out of the Canvas**," on **April 15** from 6.00 – 9.00 pm, demonstrating and teaching painting on alternative surfaces. Registration of \$45 (\$40 members) includes all materials. Her husband, information technology guru Ed Haycock, leads a "**Geek-Guided Tour through the World of Open-Source Computing**" on **April 16** from 6.30 – 8 pm. Ed will demonstrate free downloadable software that supports people in their creative endeavors and show them how to access and use these free alternatives to expensive computer programs. Registration is \$20 (\$15 members).

### About Creative Spirit Center

Creative Spirit Center is a not-for-profit community arts organization founded in 1994. The Center's mission is to create an environment for people of all ages to experience the creative process through ongoing classes, conferences, concerts, speakers and outreach programs; and its goal is to enhance the development of physical, psychological and spiritual wellness through the arts and humanities.

Printed Winter/Spring 2009 schedules showing all classes and events at Creative Spirit Center are available at no charge. Telephone 837-1885 to have schedules delivered to your business or location, or mailed to your home.

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