



A monthly newsletter for the
Chesterton Art Center
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DECEMBER 4, 2021 - JANUARY 15, 2022



Annual Members' Exhibit

Exhibition dates December 4, 2021–January 15, 2022
Opening Reception Saturday, December 11, 12-2 PM

We are pleased to celebrate our creative and supportive members with our Members' Exhibition, opening on December 4, with a special reception on December 11, from 12–2 PM. Complimentary refreshments will be served and the CAC staff will be there to welcome you.

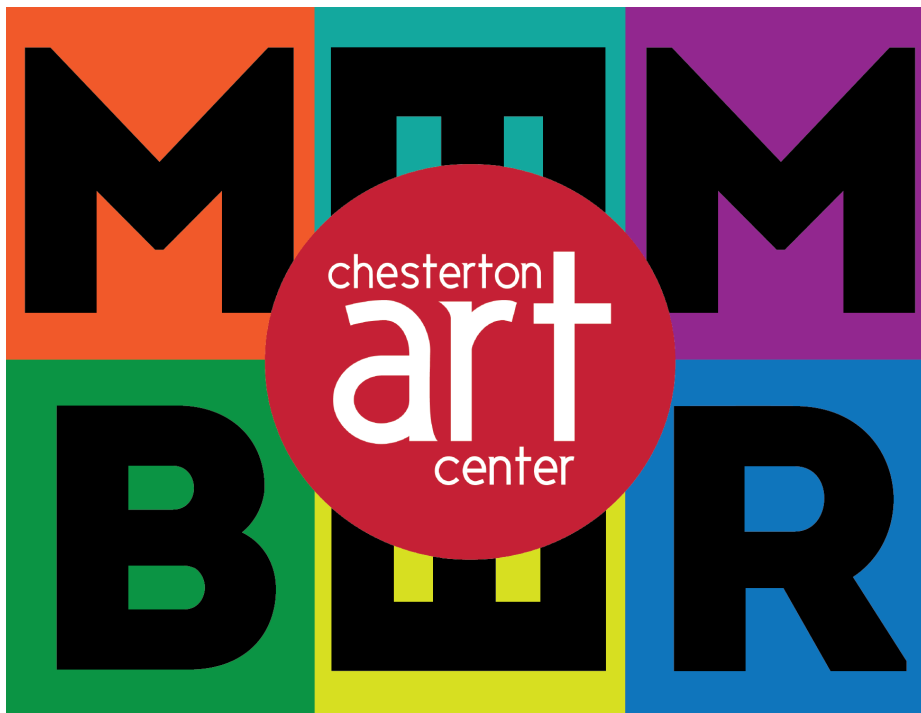
Our artist members are very active in the diverse regional arts community. Every media and style is typically represented at this annual exhibition. We have painters and ceramicists, photographers, sculptors, and mixed media artists. The spectrum of their creativity will be on display and available for purchase unless otherwise noted.

Membership in Chesterton Art Center helps widen access to art, arts education, and outreach in NW Indiana. With their help, we are expanding our mission's impact and building a creative community that includes everyone. The funds raised through memberships support our vision of a more equitable and inclusive Chesterton Art Center.

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Become A Member

Welcome to the Chesterton Art Center!

We hope that you can join us as a member! Each and every member is an essential component of our organization. Our members are the spark that keeps us going and encourages us to move in new and exciting directions. The Chesterton Art Center's goal is to provide arts and culture for NW Indiana and beyond.

And we would love to do that with your help! So please consider one of the membership levels listed and we'll look forward to having you in the family! Membership benefits are online at www.chestertonart.org.

LEVELS

Single Membership	\$35
Family Membership	\$50
Patron	\$70
Benefactor	\$125
Changemaker	\$500

Welcome New Members!

Brian Dortmund, Bette Norris, Holly Jackson, Kuhn Hong, Jeannette White, Suzanne Lacount, Melissa Coleman, Kristal Chenault, Edward Doxtator, Cindy Klapp, Diane Grams, Tim Lace, Cinda Urschel, Kei Contantinov, Megan Henning, Teresina Pavel, Maria Overlay, Margaret Sullivan and Brian McElwee, Lisa Misch, Billie Childress, Carolyn Lelek

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This project is made possible with the support of the Indiana Arts Commission, South Shore Arts, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

From the Executive Director



December is a shift. The landscape shows us how to pare down and rest for the work ahead. It's a time for taking stock and looking ahead to another new year with anticipation and hope while spending time with those we cherish. That's exactly the frame of mind we're in here at CAC. After a year of return, we are eager to grow. Our plans for 2022 include all of you. We can't wait to see you for more events, classes, exhibits, and programs here at the center and in community.

Welcoming our member artists into the galleries for the annual showcase of their talents is a perfect way to end—and begin again. Our artist members are a part of our core mission to serve the local creative community, and we greet this annual exhibit with gratitude. Please gather with us for the opening reception on Saturday December 11 from noon to 2 PM in celebration of the work and community that make CAC who we are.

All of us here wish you and yours a safe and joyous holiday season.

TAG! Teen Arts Group

TAG will meet Wednesday December 8 from 4:30 - 6:30 PM here at the Center. We'll be welcoming our new TAG Coordinator, the amazing Katie Wiley, and preparing for our upcoming exhibit at Red Cup Cafe in February 2022! TAG members are asked to bring 3-4 artworks that they would consider exhibiting---these can be finished or in-progress.

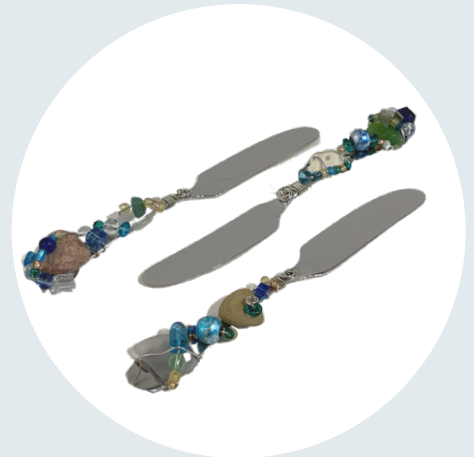
CAC's Teen Arts Group (TAG) is a free monthly program for passionate teen artists interested in pursuing professional arts experiences and strengthening their own visual art practices. TAG members learn from one another as well as professional artists, explore area and Chicago museums and galleries, and work on individual portfolio development. TAG also offers access to various community engagement and exhibition opportunities. Interested artists can contact hannah@chestertonart.org.



Holiday Gift Ideas

We have a wonderful assortment of artisan gifts in our member gift store.

(Top left to right) Carol Underwood, Tribe Six Pottery, Barbara Hoenle, Scented Seasons, Laurel Izard, Beach Glass Passion, Beach Glass Passion, Dale Nichols, Jan Doolittle, and so much more!



Art Classes for Kids & Teens

Winter 2021-Spring 2022
Register at chestertonart.org
or call (219) 926-4711

These classes are taught by the amazing Miss Jen.

Masks are still required for on-site classes at CAC regardless of vaccination status. Visit our website for our COVID-19 guidelines. There will be no make-up days for missed classes at this time.



One of Ms. Jen's guided painting projects by one of our young artists.

December brings us closer to home in more ways than one! Right here in Indiana some of the biggest artists of the American Impressionism movement were producing world class art. We will be discussing this exciting local history while we paint our own masterpieces of local views. T.C. Steele, William Forsyth, John Singer Sargent and Mary Cassatt are some of the artists we will review as we create with paints and pastels.

Register today! There are classes available for pre-school, home school, and middle/high school-age kids. For more information and registration visit our website chestertonart.org or call (219) 926-4711.

Art Classes for Preschoolers Tuesdays, 1-2 PM or Wednesdays, 1-2 PM	Art Classes for Kids 5-8 years Tuesdays, 3:30-5 PM or Wednesdays, 3:30-5 PM	Art Classes for Kids 8-12 years Mondays, 3:30-5 PM or Thursdays, 3:30-5 PM	Art Classes for Homeschool-All ages Mondays, 1:30-3 PM	Art Classes for Kids 12+ Thursdays, 5:30-7 PM
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Class Tuition

Preschool: \$75/month non-members , \$55/month current CAC Family Members
Elementary-Teen: \$90/month for non-member, \$70/month current CAC Family Members
(December classes will meet for three weeks and tuitions are pro-rated.)

Comics I with Katie Wiley (ages 6-11)

This three-week introductory comics class is open to children ages 6-11 and will teach basic story structure. Students will create their own 3-part story with original characters and will learn to lay out their comic book and finish with coloring.

Each young artist will create a 2-3 page comic book from their imagination. Class will meet for three Saturdays, January 15, 22 and 29, 2022.

Tuition for the Comic I class is \$75 for non-members and \$65 for current CAC Family Members. All supplies are provided.

Comics II with Katie Wiley (ages 12+)

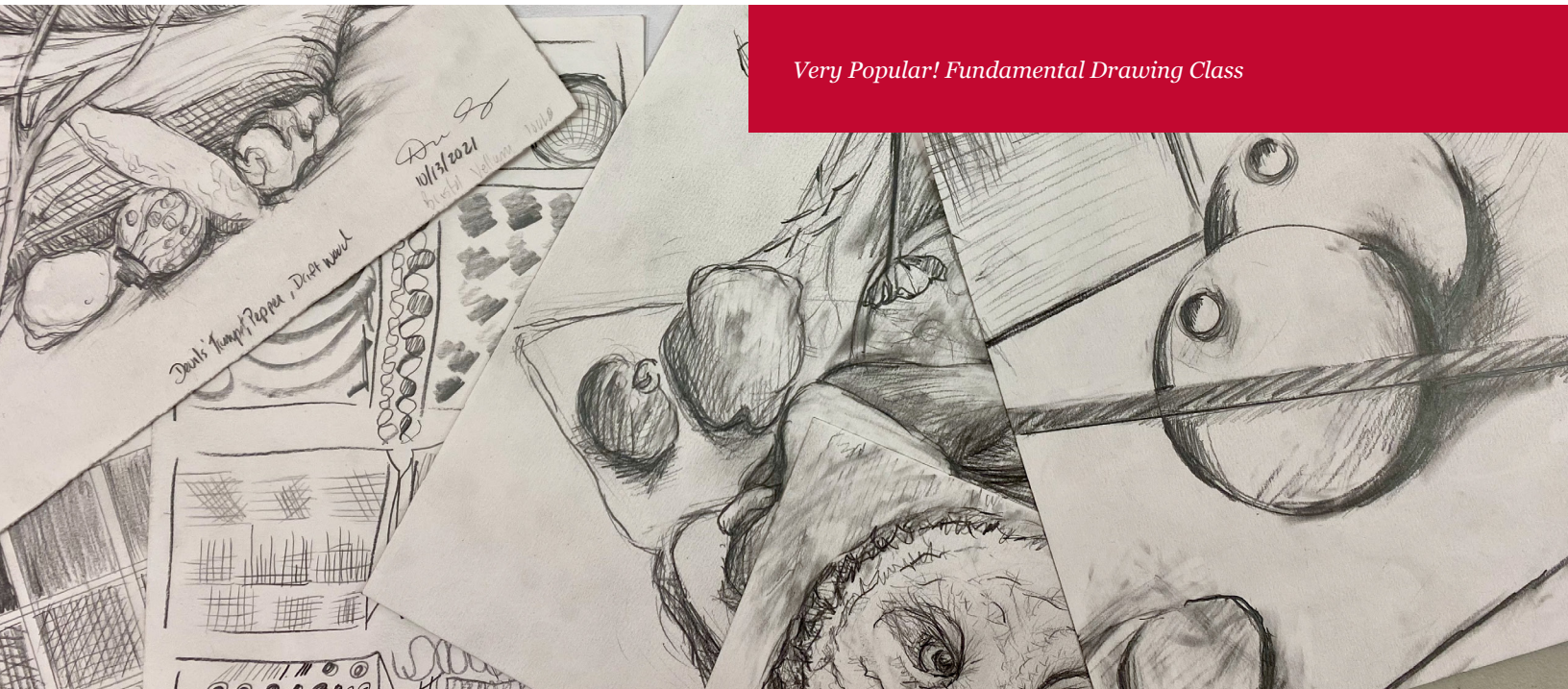
Comics II is a great five-week class, Saturdays, January 15–February 12, for those that wish to build on their comics knowledge or wish to challenge themselves with improving their storytelling. Students ages 12 and up will dive deeper into their understanding of comics by learning to script their own story, develop characters, organize thumbnails, ink their comic and use color effectively. On the last day, students will swap their 4-8 page comic books and share their stories with one another.

Tuition for the Comic II class is \$85 for non-members and \$75 for current CAC Family Members. All supplies are provided.

For more information and registration visit our website chestertonart.org or call (219) 926-4711.

Adult Art Classes

Our classes provide a creative space for artists to learn at every age and level.



Very Popular! Fundamental Drawing Class

**Fundamental Drawing
with Diane Grams
Wed, Jan 5 – Mar 9, 2022
3–5 PM**

This introduction to drawing class will meet for six weeks on Wednesdays from 3:00 to 5:00 PM from January 5 to March 9, 2022. Students will leap over their fear and develop their passion for drawing. Participants will learn about different kinds of drawing tools, papers and sketchbooks. Lessons will include strategies to find yourself on the page by mark making, eyeballing, measuring, using templates, and using shapes in one-point perspective. Students will practice drawing abstractions, still life and nature journaling.

Tuition for non-members is \$150 and \$130 for current CAC members.

**Painting with Watercolor I
with Diane Grams
Wed, Jan 5 – Mar 9, 2022
5:30–7:30 PM**

This introductory watercolor class will meet for six Wednesdays from 5:30 - 7:30 PM from January 5 to March 9, 2022 and is meant for beginning and intermediate painters. Participants will learn about different kinds of brushes, watercolor paints, papers and sketchbooks. Lesson will include strategies for starting a painting, finding yourself on the page, and how quality of paint and paper may impact your approach. Techniques with different brushes and marks will be taught along with masking, using templates and working with watercolor pens and pencils. Students will practice mark-making with paint to create abstractions and paint from observation.

Tuition for non-members is \$160 and \$140 for current CAC members.

**Beginning Oil Painting
with Jane Cowley
Mon, Jan 10 – Mar 14, 2022
7–9 PM**

In this class, students will be introduced to the methods and materials of oil painting with award-winning artist Jane Cowley. Beginning Monday January 10, this class will meet for six Mondays from 7:00 - 9:00 PM. Lessons will include composition, color mixing, values, various techniques, spatial relations and perspective.

Tuition is \$150 for non-members and \$130 for current CAC members.

**Friday Beginning Ceramics
with Milissa Beale
Fri, Jan 14 – Mar 11, 2022,
10 AM–1 PM**

During this 5-week course that meets from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Fridays January 14 to March 11, 2022 participants will study with the amazing Milissa Beale of Beale Pottery to learn basic techniques for wheel throwing, hand building, and how to finish their works using standard decorating and glazing styles. Students will make 3-5 finished pieces of artwork.

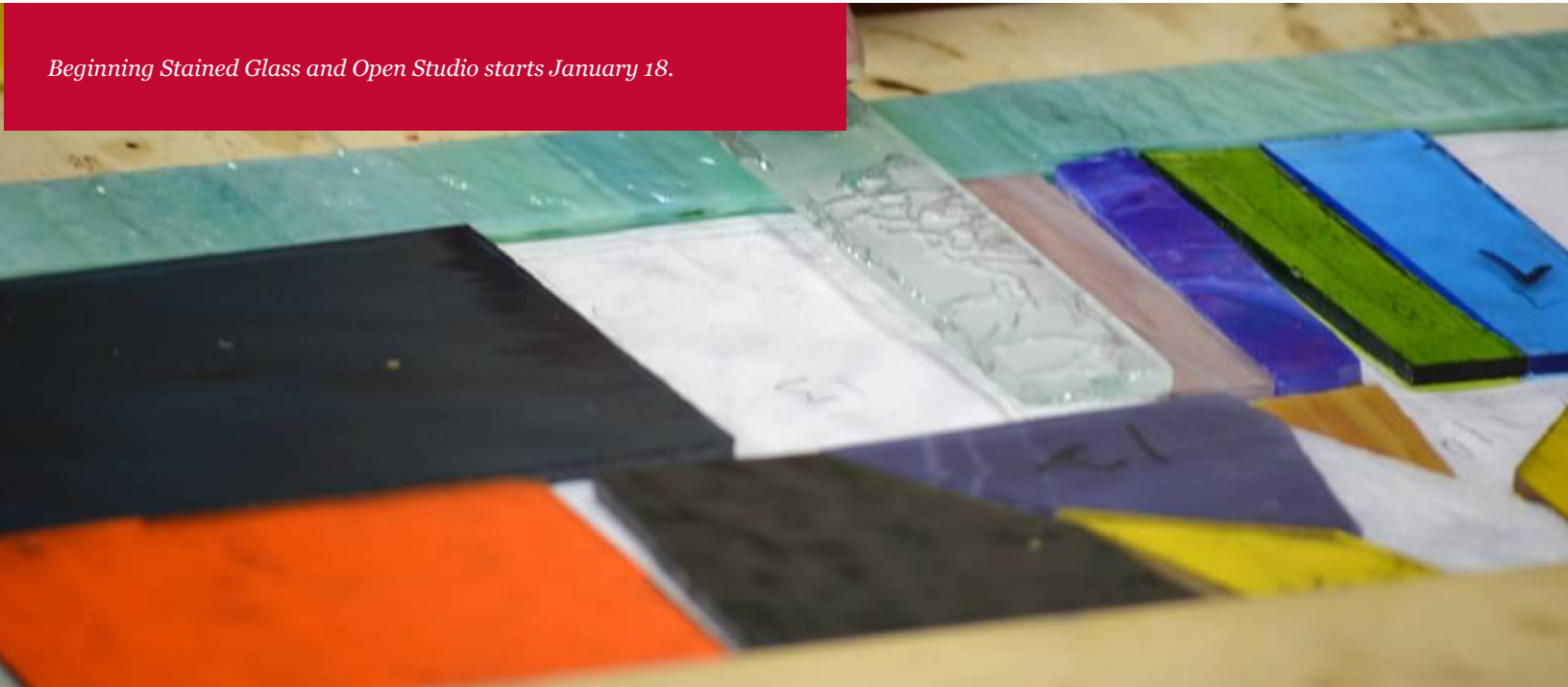
Tuition for non-members is \$165, and \$145 for current CAC members. A clay fee of \$20 for 25 lbs of clay is payable to the instructor at the first class. All other materials are provided.

APPLIES TO ALL CLASSES - Attendees can receive a full refund up to 2 weeks before class begins. If they cancel less than 2 weeks from the start of class, a participant will be refunded 75% of the class amount as a „store credit“ to be used towards another class or gift/art purchase. There will be no make-up days for any missed classes at this time.

Adult Art Classes

For a full schedule of adult classes, please see the website at www.chestertonart.org

Beginning Stained Glass and Open Studio starts January 18.



**Ceramic Open Studio
with Milissa Beale
Fri, Jan 14 – Mar 11, 2022
6:30–9:30 PM**

This 5-week Open Studio class meets Fridays from 6:30-9:30 PM from January 14 - March 11, 2022. Open Studio allows students time and space to create their own ceramic works under the guidance of Milissa Beale of Beale Pottery. Students may create works on the wheel or hand-build. This class is for students who have previously taken Beginning Ceramics at Chesterton Art Center.

Tuition for non-members is \$165, and \$145 for current CAC members. A \$20 fee for 25 lbs of clay is payable to the instructor at the first class. There will be no class on Friday November 26th.

**Beginning Stained Glass
Tue, Jan 18 – Mar 8, 2022
7–9 PM**

Judy Gregurich and Mark Montgomery will be offering Beginning Stained Glass starting on Tuesday, January 18 from 7-9 PM. During this 8-week class, students will learn the art of copper foil stained glass, originally invented by Louis Tiffany. Tools and supplies are provided.

Tuition is \$250 for non-members and \$230 for current CAC members.

**Stained Glass Open Studio
Tue, Jan 18 – Mar 8, 2022
7–9 PM**

Judy Gregurich and Mark Montgomery will be teaching an 8-week Stained Glass Open Studio starting Tuesday, January 18 from 7-9 PM. This class is designed for students who have taken a previous stained glass class at the Center. Students may work on their own projects at their own pace with assistance from the instructors as needed. Students are expected to provide their own tools and supplies. Limit 10 students.

Tuition for non-members is \$105, and \$85 for CAC members.

**Glass Fusing Workshop
with Mindy Milan
Sat, Jan 29, 2022
1–4 PM**

Join us on Saturday January 29 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM for this fusing workshop to create jewelry-size pieces, small plates, garden stakes, and other items utilizing several glass forming techniques. Watch some glass melt in the kiln, and learn about the forms, colors and processes of fusing glass. A great gift-making process.

Tuition is \$45 for current CAC members and \$55 for non-members. A \$15 material and firing fee is payable to the instructor at the beginning of class. All materials are provided.

CRITIQUE NIGHT DEC 1, 7:30 PM

Join Mark Vander Vinne on the first Wednesday of each month. All ability levels and artistic styles are welcome. Attendees are encouraged to bring work to share with the group. While Mark is a painter, he will be able to advise artists in other mediums as well. There is no charge to attend. *New artists always welcome!*

**LIFE DRAWING STARTS
AGAIN ON JAN 4, 2022
TIME CHANGE! 2-4 PM**

MODELS NEEDED!

Duneland Photography Club News

Next meeting

December 7, 2021 at 7 pm

The Duneland Photography Club meets the first Tuesday of each month. On December 7 at 7:00pm at Sunset Hill County Park, we will be led by our own Jim Rettker. Jim will be speaking on the topic, "Wildlife Photography." Jim has traveled many places in the U.S. and other countries to photograph wildlife. He will be showing techniques for great wildlife photography. Join us for this fun and informative presentation. Come early at 5:30 to get instruction on "Display Your Photography." Steve Bensing will be helping us prepare our work for exhibition. The Duneland Photography Club has an upcoming show at the Art Barn.

In December we are planning a photoshoot of Christmas Lights. The Duneland Photography Club will also be photographing kids with Santa for the Porter County Parks for the Santa Day event at 10:00am to Noon on December 18 at Sunset Hill Farm County Park.



*Insect Photography presentation by Susan Kirt
Photo by Steve Bensing*

Last month the club had a Portraiture and Off-Camera Flash Seminar and a class on Photoshop Elements. Members also photographed Sandhill Cranes as the Jasper-Pulaski Fish and Wildlife Area. Pictured is the November meeting on Insect Photography by Susan Kirt.

The Duneland Photography Club seeks to provide opportunities for members to help each other grow in their photography and to benefit the greater community.

Find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/dunelandphotoclub> or contact us at DunelandPhotographyClub@gmail.com for more information.

What's next at CAC?

JANUARY

Galleries closed - January 16-31, 2022

FEBRUARY-MARCH

Cathy Feeman - Feb 1-March 26, 2022

Opening Reception - February 5, 11 AM-2 PM

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Weekdays 11 am-4 pm
Saturday 10 am-2 pm
Closed on Sundays