

A monthly newsletter for the Chesterton Art Center 115 S. 4th Street Chesterton, IN 46304 219-926-4711

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## In the Galleries...

# Mark My Words: Amos Paul Kennedy, Jr. + print works by regional artists

**EXHIBITION: OCTOBER 3-NOVEMBER 29, 2022** 

ARTIST WORKSHOP\* WITH AMOS PAUL KENNEDY, JR.: NOV 4, 6-8 PM ARTIST TALK\* WITH AMOS PAUL KENNEDY, JR.: NOV 5, 11 AM - FREE

POETRY NIGHT: NOV 10, 6-8 PM - FREE

FAMILY ART DAY: NOV 12, 10 AM-2 PM - FREE

Dive a little deeper into the art of printmaking this month with artist, Amos Paul Kennedy, Jr., as well as a large range of regional print artists on display. *Mark My Words* is a visual exploration of language and how it interfaces with and shapes contemporary material culture and social concerns. Zines and self-published small-run works by artists, illustrators, and printers from the region and beyond are also showcased along with a Pop-Up Shop of artists' works.

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ALL OF OUR EXHIBITIONS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. GALLERY HOURS ARE MONDAY-FRIDAY FROM 11 AM-4 PM AND SATURDAY, 10 AM-2 PM.

#### CHESTERTON ART CENTER



## 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.

#### MEMBER LEVELS

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

## Welcome New Members!

Georgia Geis
Cindy Goldsmith
Kristina Knowski + Aaron Melendez
Mary Koselke
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Sue Oestreich
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Tina + Brian Porter
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# From the Executive Director



Hannah Hammond-Hagman

Art builds community.

This is written on a poster printed by exhibiting artist Amos Paul Kennedy, Jr. that I get to pass multiple times each day in our gallery. Nothing could be truer, and this past year as CAC's Executive Director has proven this time and time again.

I'm grateful to be part of such a robust, thriving, and engaged creative community that surrounds CAC and the Duneland community. I'm equally grateful to be part of an amazing team that does the work of serving that community and providing opportunities to learn, grow, and connect through the arts. We've accomplished so much this past year to deepen the roots of CAC while establishing new programs, events, and exhibits to broaden the reach of our branches.

Thank you to this community of creators, makers, learners, and those that show up---we can't do any of this without you, and we need your continued support to sustain our important work now and into the future. We hope to see you soon as we enter the holiday season for a class, workshop, holiday shopping, or just to say hello.

# Save The Date! Family Art Day



We will be hosting our next free Family Art Day on Saturday, November 12. Visitors are welcome to attend any time between 10 AM-2 PM.

Join us as we explore CAC's exhibit *Mark My Words* featuring the work of Amos Paul Kennedy Jr., a Detroit-based printer whose layered letterpress posters use pattern and words to inspire action. In addition, visitors can enjoy zines and self-published works by artists, illustrators, and printers from the region.

With guidance from the CAC team, your family will explore the exhibit and then move into our classroom to discover a series of printing processes including monoprints, Styrofoam relief printing, and screen printing. All supplies provided, and you may want to dress for mess!

This event is free + all ages are welcome. To register, visit chestertonart.org/classes.

# Members' Exhibit Guidelines

MEMBERS' EXHIBIT: DECEMBER 3, 2022–JANUARY 12, 2023

OPENING RECEPTION: DECEMBER 10, 12-2 PM

Every year, we get the opportunity to showcase the great talents of our artist members. Our annual Members' Exhibit will be on display December 3, 2022 to January 12, 2023 with an opening reception on Saturday, December 10, from 12–2 PM.

Artwork drop off will take place on Thursday, December 1, and Friday, December 2, from 9AM to 4PM. If you need to make other arrangements, please call the Center.

- All current CAC members are invited to submit original work for this annual exhibit.
   Please contact the Center if you are unsure of your membership status.
- Member artists may submit two pieces smaller than 16 in x 20 in OR one larger piece not to exceed 24 x 30 inches. Please contact us with any questions.
- All artworks must be framed and/or ready to hang to be accepted. Sculptural works will be placed on pedestals in the gallery.
- All artworks must be clean (no dust or scratches on frames or mats) to be accepted.
- Members may only submit works that have not been shown at the Center in the past year, including in the member gallery or gift shop and last year's member exhibition.
- Artworks in the Members' Exhibit may be available for sale, and CAC will take a 30% commission on any sold artworks.

## Check this out!



# Youth Arts Outreach Program



In October, the first session of CAC's 25-week Youth Arts Outreach Program wrapped up at the Duneland Boys & Girls Club and YMCA. During this 5-week camp, teaching artists Brian Dortmund and Katie Wiley worked with eager artists as they explored the topic of Art, Animals, and Ecosystems. Students learned about perspective through watercolor landscapes, discussed different environmental climates as they invented their own creatures, and constructed collage jungles and colorful birds.

For the November session, we will be exploring the topic of 'Imaginative Minds'.

The Youth Arts Outreach Program supports CAC's mission of creating accessible, enriching arts programming for our community. Special thanks to our partners at Boys & Girls Club, the YMCA, and all sponsors who make these outreach programs possible.

# TAG! Teen Arts Group

This past month, Teen Arts Group (TAG) members worked together to create the annual edition of the TAG zine. Each artist designed their own pages for the collaborative zine that emulated their personal style through different creative processes like collage, drawing, and writing.

This month, TAG artists will enjoy a private glass fusing workshop with teaching artist Mindy Milan.

Next TAG Meeting at CAC: Wednesday, November 9, 2022 4:30–6:30 PM

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 programs@chestertonart.org.



# Youth Art Classes

#### Afterschool Art Classes



Afterschool Art Classes are offered every month from September-May for ages 5-16. During each 4-class monthly session, students will explore an arts-related theme, topic, or movement through a wide variety of 2D media such as watercolor, pastel, graphite, acrylic, or printmaking.

Because each monthly session offers a different theme and set of projects, families are welcomed to register for one session, a few, or the whole year!

Tuition for each 4-week session

is \$90 for non-members and \$70 for current CAC Family Members. All supplies provided.

The November sessions of Afterschool Art will focus on the Impressionism Movement and are instructed by Jen Aitchison. Painting, brush skills, and color theory will be the focus this month as students explore how the famous Impressionists like Monet, Renoir, and Degas captured light and transformed the art world forever. Students will take a closer look at the details of Impressionist paintings as they work to replicate the unique brushwork in their canvas paintings and other 2D pieces.

#### CLASS SCHEDULE | SELECT AGE GROUP/DAY FOR YOUR ARTIST

Ages 8-12 Monday, Nov 7-28 at 3:30-5 PM

Ages 5-8 Tuesday, Nov 1-22 at 3:30-5 PM

Ages 5-8 Wednesday, Nov 2-30 (No Nov 23) at 3:30-5 PM Ages 8-12 Thursday, Nov 3-Dec 1 (No Nov 24) at 3:30-5 PM

Ages 12-16 Thursday, Nov 3-Dec 1 (No Nov 24) at 5:30-7 PM

#### Preschool Pop-In Classes

Preschool Pop-Ins are offered on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10-11:30 AM and are recommended for ages 3-5. Young artists will focus on the development of fine motor skills through creative arts learning experiences. Each class will focus on a unique theme that highlights color, shape, cutting, building, or painting. Parents and/or caregivers are encouraged to stay & create together with their young artist.

Because each monthly session offers a different theme and special project, families are welcomed to register for one session, a few, or the whole year!

Tuition for each 1-class session is \$30 for non-members and \$20 for current CAC Family Members. All supplies provided.
The November Preschool Pop-In session meets on Tuesday, November 8 at 10-11:30 AM and is recommended for ages 3-5.

This month's Pop-In will focus on painting skills and the lakeshore. Inspired by the style of artist Claude Monet, students will create a wonderful masterpiece of the Lake Michigan beach using warm and cool colors.

In December, students will pull inspiration from Fauvism as they create colorful winter landscapes.



## Additional Youth Programming

Give the gift of creativity this holiday season! Purchase a gift certificate that can be used towards a class, or attend one of CAC's family events together.

#### In November:

Family Art Day - November 12 Family Ceramic Ornament Workshop - November 19

#### In the New Year:

Intro to Animation - Ages 12+ Teen Architecture - Ages 10+

Scholarships are available for students of all ages. The scholarship application can be found on our website at chestertonart.org/scholarships.



## **Adult Art Classes**

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

#### Beginning Ceramics with Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis (Wednesday evenings)

This 6-week class will meet from Wednesday, November 2-December 14 (No Nov. 23) at 6-9 PM.

With guidance from Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis, students will learn basic techniques for wheel throwing, hand building, and how to finish their works using standard decorating and glazing styles. With 5 wheels and plenty of workspace for hand building, students will rotate between both methods to create finished ceramic works. This class is recommended for beginners & advanced beginners.

This class is a prerequisite for the Open Studio class.

Tuition is \$185 for non-members and \$165 for current CAC members. All materials are provided, including 12 lbs. of clay.

## Fall Trees Watercolor Workshop with Herb Helm

This 1-day workshop will meet on Thursday, November 3 from 9:30 AM-3 PM and is recommended for advanced beginners + above.

With guided instruction from Herb Helm, students can look forward to creating a unique watercolor project that features a forest scene full of vibrant autumn colors and trees. Through a combination of both experimental watercolor techniques and controlled painting, the project will incorporate pouring/splattering methods and negative/positive painting practices. This class is held in the upstairs classroom. Students will have a 30-minute lunch break, so bring a bag lunch or partake in any number of great restaurants in downtown Chesterton.

Tuition is \$110 for non-members and \$90 for current CAC members.



Family Fun! Ceramic Ornament Workshop

## Print Workshop with Visiting Artist Amos Paul Kennedy, Jr.

This 1-day workshop will meet on Friday, November 4 at 6-8 PM and is recommended for teens and adults, ages 16+.

Join us for this special opportunity to learn about the letterpress process and create prints with exhibiting artist Amos Paul Kennedy, Jr. Kennedy will discuss his letterpress works on exhibit at CAC and how printmaking builds and nurtures community as a social practice. Participants will make their own small prints using a tabletop press. Masks are required for this event, and spaces are limited.

Tuition is \$60 for non-members and \$50 for current CAC members. All materials are provided.

## Pysanky Egg Dyeing Workshop with Mary Acton

This 1-day workshop is held on Saturday, November 5 from 9 AM-12 PM.

Pysanky (from the Ukrainian verb pysaty, meaning "to write") are beautiful creations on the shells of eggs.

With guidance from Mary Acton, students will learn the art of Pysanky egg dyeing using a wax resist process to control the various dyes on the eggs, ending with a beautiful pattern or image. Participants can enjoy festive designs for the holiday season, or they may design their own. No experience necessary. All materials are provided.

Tuition is \$55 for non-members and \$45 for current CAC members. (A \$10 supply fee is payable to the instructor at the beginning of class.)

#### Oil Painting with Jane Cowley

This 6-week class will meet from Monday, November 7-December 12 at 7-9 PM.

Students will be introduced to the methods and materials of oil painting with award-winning artist Jane Cowley. While oil painting is often viewed as a tricky medium, the instructor will make students feel at ease as they learn at a comfortable pace that works for their skill level. Lessons will include composition, color mixing, values, various techniques, spatial relations, and perspective. This class is open to all levels, including beginners. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

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

# **Adult Art Classes**

Register at chestertonart.org/classes



New Class! Fundamentals of Acrylic Painting with Diana Stezalski

#### Fundamentals of Acrylic Painting with Diana Stezalski

This 6-week class will meet from Tuesday, November 8-December 13 at 6-8 PM.

With guidance from Diana Stezalski, students will be introduced to the language of painting using the versatile medium of acrylic paint. Color mixing, value, composition, structure, scale, perspective, and texture will be addressed. Students will develop an understanding of the characteristics of acrylic paint and mediums, brush types, and the supports suitable for acrylic painting. This course is geared towards the beginner painter. but all levels are welcome. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Tuition is \$165 for non-members and \$145 for current CAC members.

#### Beginning Ceramics with Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis (Monday mornings)

This 6-week class will meet from Monday, November 7-December 12 at 9 AM–12 PM.

With guidance from Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis, students will learn basic techniques for wheel throwing, hand building, and how to finish their works using standard decorating and glazing styles. With 5 wheels and plenty of workspace for hand building, students will rotate between both methods to create finished ceramic works. This class is recommended for beginners & advanced beginners.

This class is a prerequisite for the Open Studio class.

Tuition is \$185 for non-members and \$165 for current CAC members. All materials are provided, including 12 lbs. of clay.

## Family Ceramic Ornament Workshop

This 1-day workshop will meet on Saturday, November 19 at 10-11:30 AM and is for families, ages 5+. All kids must be accompanied by an adult.

This workshop invites families to join us for a fun, festive morning of creating together!

With guidance from Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis, each student will construct a pair of handmade ornaments using the slab process and various decorative techniques to make each student's ornaments uniquely their own. Texture tools, stamps, sprig molds, and shape cutters will be available. Students will apply underglaze, and the Center will complete firing.

Tuition is \$15/person. All materials are provided, including glazing & firing.

**Please note:** Every attending child and adult needs to have their own individual ticket.

#### **Glass Fusing Workshop**

This 1-day workshop will meet on Saturday, November 19 from 1:30-4:30 PM.

With guidance from Mindy Milan, students can look forward to creating holiday-inspired projects that range from jewelry-size pieces, small plates, ornaments or window hangers, and other items utilizing several glass forming techniques. Among general colors, this workshop will highlight holiday hues of reds, greens, blues, whites and silvers. Watch some glass melt in the kiln & learn about the forms, colors, and processes of fusing glass.

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.)

#### **Intro to Digital Photography**

This 4-week class will meet from Monday, November 21-December 12 at 6-8 PM.

With instruction from Deb Armstrong, participants will learn how to operate their digital cameras and compose eyecatching photos rather than just snapshots. The class will include the basics on camera functions and settings, lighting and exposure, composition, file management and storage, digital editing and online use. There will be assignments and group critiques along the way to advance photography skills. This course is geared toward beginners and will offer question-and-answer time before and after each class.

Tuition is \$95.00 for non-members and \$85.00 for current CAC members. Students must bring their own digital cameras. This class is focuses on DSLR cameras, all brands welcomed.

# Duneland Photography Club News

Next Meeting November 1, 2022 at 7 pm

The Duneland Photography Club meets the first Tuesday of each month at Sunset Hill Farm County Park at 7:00pm in the Horton Family Education Center. Doors open at 5:30 PM for hands-on mentoring and question time. At 7:00pm on November 1st, member and professional photographer Norman Turner will be leading our discussion.

Henry Schultz will be giving a 5 minute tip on fixing skin in photos.

On November 5th, Sharon Kerner will be leading a free class on Photo Editing for the public through the Porter County Parks Department. Contact the Parks or the Club for more information.

The Duneland Photography Club is a group of individuals helping each other improve their photography skills through classes, photoshoots, meetings, individual mentoring, community service, and other activities.

For more information, contact the club at DunelandPhotographyClub@gmail.com or find us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/dunelandphotoclub.



Fall Hike at the Indiana Dunes State Park, led by Ron Seman. Photo by Steve Bensing

## Calling All Poets!



As part of our *Mark My Words* exhibition, CAC is hosting a Poetry Night on November 10, from 6–8 PM.

Email us at **hannah@chestertonart.org** to sign up for a 5-minute spot.

# New Partnership!

Chesterton Art Center is thrilled to announce an exciting new partnership with Jacob's Ladder, a pediatric rehabilitation center for children. CAC will be hosting private workshops for Jacob's Ladder families that highlight different art processes and media. In November, JL families will enjoy a ceramic ornament workshop.

This new partnership with Jacob's Ladder supports CAC's mission of creating accessible, enriching arts programming for our community and establishing strong, local partnerships.

# What's next at CAC?

#### **DECEMBER**

**CAC Members Exhibit** December 3, 2022–January 12, 2023

Opening Reception: December 10, 12–2 PM

Office Closed

December 27, 2022-January 2, 2023

Sense of Place: Works from the Artists in Residence at the Indiana Dunes National Park January 17–February 28, 2023

Artist Reception: January 21, 2023 12–2 PM

This exhibit is generously supported by Friends of Indiana Dunes.



#### **CELEBRATING OVER 60 YEARS!**

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#### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

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