

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

September 2021



Next in the Galleries - Area Artists Association

Exhibition: A New Beginning

Area Artists Association exhibition, titled *A New Beginning* opens on Friday, September 3, and runs through September 30. Opening reception is Saturday, September 11, from 10 am until 2 pm.

Members showing work are AAA Artists, ANKO (Anneke Dekker), Carol Estes, Connie Kassal, Diane Grams, Dorothy Graden, George Kassal, Ginny Scott, Jane Cowley, Joan Spohrer, Kei J Constantinov, Kevin Firme, Kuhn Hong, Larry Brechner, Laurel Izard, Laurie Schirmer Carpenter, Sara Scherberg, Stephanie Carnell, Suzy Vance, Timothy Lace.

Artists' Statement:

The Area Artists Association was established in 1979 as a part of the membership and foundation of the Blank Community Center for the Arts, now known as the Lubeznik Center for the Arts in Michigan City. The juried organization was created to recognize and encourage active regional artists. Artists in AAA cover many medium art platforms, and exhibit in the Michigan, Indiana, Illinois area, as well as in galleries across the country. You can find video artist profiles and work by the artists at www.areaartistsassociation.org.

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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 below, and we'll look forward to having you in the family! Membership benefits are online at www.chestertonart.org.

Single Membership \$35.00 Family Membership \$50.00 Patron \$70.00 Benefactor \$125.00

Welcome New Members!

Betsy Lydick, Rose Switt, Erin Monroe & family, Patti Scott & family, Kate DeMik, Steven White, Dylan Gutierrez, Sharon Goodall, and Sarah Pierce.

Updated COVID-19 Mask Policy "We would love to see you. Please know the Chesterton Art Center continues to provide

"We would love to see you. Please know the Chesterton Art Center continues to provide the safest environment possible for our visitors/students; therefore, masks are presently required regardless of vaccination status. We continue to clean and sanitize all surfaces and provide hand sanitizer for your use."







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.

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It's A Wrap! Chesterton Art Fair 2021

Thank you to all of our volunteers, sponsors, artists, food vendors, musicians, and patrons. The 2021 Chesterton Art Fair was a huge success.

We want to thank each and every one of you who helped make the Chesterton Art Fair so successful.

Our sponsors this year were **Monet Sponsor - \$2,500** SFC Gallery

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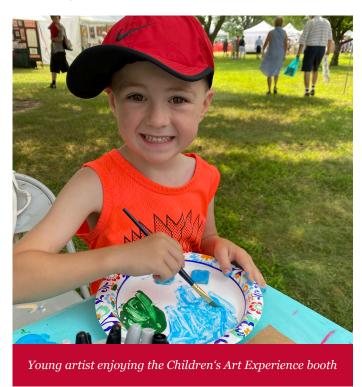
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On-site Art Classes for Kids & Teens

Fall 2021-Spring 2022

Register at chestertonart.org or call (219) 926-4711

Mondays 1:30-3PM Homeschool-All ages 3:30-5PM Kids 8-12 years

 Tuesdays
 1-2PM
 Preschool

 3:30-5PM
 Kids 5-8 years

Wednesdays 1-2PM Preschool

3:30-5PM Kids 5-8 years

Thursdays 3:30-5PM Kids 8-12 years

5:30-7PM Kids Kids 12+

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

Masks are still required for on-site kids' 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.



TAG! Teen Arts Group

CACs Teen Arts Group (TAG) is a free monthly program for passionate high school artists interested in pursuing professional arts experiences and strengthening their own visual art practices. TAG members will learn from one another and professional artists, explore area and Chicago museums and galleries and work on individual portfolio development. TAG will also offer access to various community engagement and exhibition opportunities.

Next meeting: Wednesday, September 8th from 4:30 - 6:30 pm at the Center. We'll be completing our zine exchange and making buttons!

On Saturday, September 11th, we will welcome an admissions representative from the **School of the Art Institute of Chicago** from 11am to 1pm to conduct **15-minute individual portfolio reviews** for any interested teen artists (non-TAG members are welcome also).

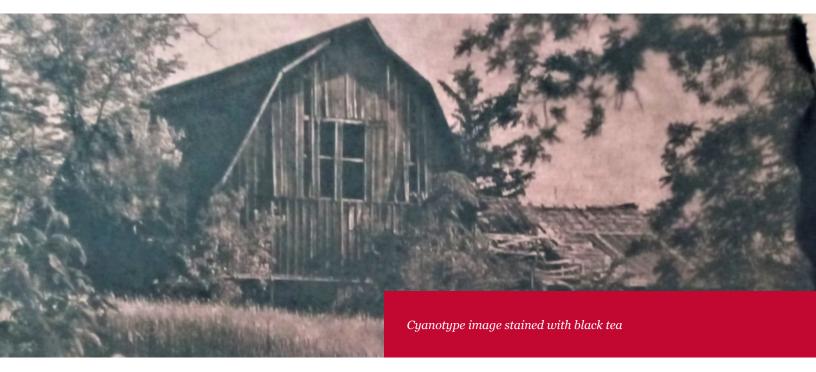
These are informal and conversational reviews where artists have the chance to discuss the direction of their work---regardless of age or intention to attend art school. Interested teen artists should email hannah@chestertonart. org to grab a review timeslot. Deadline to sign up is Friday September 3rd.





Adult Art Classes

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



Printing Cyanotypes with Dave Lasayko Mondays beginning September 13th through October 4th., from 6-8 pm

The cyanotype, invented in 1842 by Sir John Herschel, is one of the oldest photographic processes. In many ways, cyanotype is a perfect entry into the world of alternative photographic processes. In this four-week class, participants will learn to make cyanotypes from either traditional or digital negatives. In the latter case, participants will send digital files (black and white photos) to the instructor ahead of time for printing. Students may also bring in flowers, leaves, or other found objects if they so choose.

Participants will also explore the toning of cyanotypes to give hues other than the basic blue.

Printing Cyanotypes will meet from 6 pm to 8 pm CST for four Mondays: September 13, 20, 27, and October 4th. Tuition is \$180 for non-members and \$160 for current CAC members. In addition, there is a \$15 supply fee that is due to the instructor at the first class.

All materials are provided, but students should bring pencils (no pens) and a notebook of some sort. Keeping good notes in the darkroom is very helpful in learning from one's mistakes! Aprons and rubber gloves are optional to student's preference.

Warm Glass Fusing with Mindy Milan Saturday, November 6th OR Saturday, December 4th, from 1-4 pm

Students will create jewelrysize 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 giftmaking process.

All materials are provided with a \$15 material/firing fee paid to the instructor at the beginning of the class. Cost is \$45 for members and \$55 for nonmembers, plus the \$15 material/firing fee paid to the instructor at the beginning of class.

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.

Visit our website for our COVID-19 quidelines.

CRITIQUE NIGHT-SEPTEMBER 1, 7:30 PM

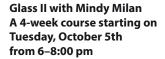
Join Mark VanderVinne on the first Wednesday of each month. All ability levels and artistic styles are welcome. Attendees are encouraged to bring work to share with the group. While Mark is a painter, he will be able to advise artists in other mediums as well. There is no charge to attend.

Adult Art Classes

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



Glass II



Glass II is for those who wish to expand their glass fusing experience and knowledge. In this four-week course that meets on Tuesdays October 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 6 pm to 8 pm.

Students will explore new glass forming and embellishing techniques, including strip cutting, kilnforming, draping, frits and powders and enamel painting.

All materials are provided with a \$25 material/firing fee paid to the instructor at the beginning of the class. Cost is \$120 for members and \$140 for nonmembers, plus the \$25 material/firing fee paid to the instructor at the beginning of class.

Prerequisite: Intro to Glass Fusing workshop.

Mosaic Jewelry Workshop with Sue Coombs Saturday, October 16th, from 10 am-12:30 pm

Join Sue Coombs on Saturday October 16th from 10:00 pm to 12:30 pm for a special Mosaic Jewelry Workshop. Students will create 2 pendants of unique, wearable mosaic art.

Participants can choose from a bounty of varied mosaic materials, including dichroic and stained glass, millefiori, metal, stone, slate and more. Basic glass cutting techniques and appropriate adhesives will be discussed. Come join the fun and make something unique for yourself and a gift for someone special!

Tuition is \$55 for non-members and \$45 for current CAC members. All materials provided. A \$10 supply fee is due to the instructor at the beginning of the class.

More information is available on our website.



If you are looking for me... you'll find me somewhere on a beach...

Dear Friends,

For the last nearly 7 years, I have had the joy and privilege of being at the helm of the Chesterton Art Center. Together with the Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, and the Duneland community we have accomplished so much! Though I will miss everything about the Art Center, it is now time for me to spend quality time with my family and friends and get back to my own art making.

The Chesterton Art Center will always hold a special place in my heart, and I can't wait to see what the future holds for this amazing organization. During this journey I have met so many wonderful artists, art lovers, and people in the community who have become friends. I'm hopeful that our paths will cross again, and I am grateful for all of you. Thanks to all and keep living an artful life!

Sincerely, Wendy Marciniak President/CEO

New! Boys & Girls Club Art Camps

Chesterton Art Center (CAC) is thrilled to announce a new program partnership with Duneland Boys & Girls Club that will bring 25 weeks of art classes to serve up to 120 youth beginning in September. The weekly visual arts classes will be offered in a series of five-week "Art Camps" for kids ages 8 and up, the largest population of students at the Club.

Our five-week "camp" programs will have various engaging and inspirational themes for Club youth, including STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math), Famous Artists, Comics, Global Art Traditions, and a Cardboard Build-A-Thon to unleash all their creativity. Students will create drawings with electrical circuits, build robots that draw, make relief sculptures, design stickers and comic books, and so much more. The five-week camp format allows flexibility with family schedules and multiple opportunities for students to engage in arts education at their already trusted after-school site.

"The club is excited for this new partnership with the Art Center to bring more enrichment opportunities for our kids," says Ron Ranta, Club Director.

Generously funded by Urschel Laboratories Giving, Luella DeWulf, and Janel Boros, these art camps will give our local youth further opportunities to engage with creative learning and design thinking. Studies confirm that, especially with sustained engagement, arts experiences and artmaking can help young people gain new perspectives, deepen empathy, picture what is possible, collaborate, and even fuel civic engagement. "Our vision is to extend our essential and relevant arts education work beyond the walls of the Center and equitably engage more of our Duneland community in all that CAC offers," says CAC Program Director, Hannah Hammond-Hagman, "we are grateful to the generous donors and the Duneland Boys & Girls Club for their collaboration and support in launching this important initiative."



LUELLA DEWULF AND JANEL BORSOS



Coming up... Hooked On Art

Chesterton Art Center is thrilled to be participating in the 9th annual **Hooked on Art Street Festival** on Saturday, September 18th in downtown Chesterton.

Come see us in the Creative Kids' area in Centennial Park from 8 am to 3 pm with a fabulous comic book activity.

Hooked on Art, presented by Three20 Recovery Community, presents live street artists, music, food and fun for the whole family.

For more event information, go to 320recovery.com/hooked-on-art-festival.



ARTIST OPPORTUNITY

The Midwest Museum of American Art is pleased to announce the 43rd **Elkhart Juried Regional Art Exhibition,** October 9 - December 19, 2021. This all-media competition is open to artists 18 years and older who are residents of Allen, DeKalb, Elkhart, Fulton, Huntington, Jasper, Kosciusko, Lake, LaGrange, LaPorte, Marshall, Newton, Noble, Porter, Pulaski, St. Joseph, Starke, Steuben, Wabash or Whitley counties in Indiana and Berrien, Branch, Cass, or St. Joseph counties in Michigan. Each entrant may submit one (1) or two (2) works which must be original in concept and execution; created within the last two (2) years; not completed under instruction; and, not previously exhibited at the Midwest Museum or any other competition within the region.

ENTRIES DUE:

All works must be hand delivered Sept. 7-18, during regular museum hours.

Duneland Photography Club News

Next meeting September 7, 2021 at 7 pm

The Duneland Photography Club normally meets the first Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is September 7th at 7:00pm. It will be at our regular meeting place in the Horton Family Education Center at Sunset Hill County Park with a presentation by Carol Estes on "Photography with Other Things." She will be showing how she combines her photography with other objects to create her art.

There are a lot of local events coming up to photograph. On September 11th is the Popcorn Festival in Valparaiso. The weekend of the 18th and 19th is the Art Blitz at the Art Barn. The Duneland Photography Club has also scheduled a photoshoot at the Friendship Gardens in Michigan City on September 18th.



The Club is looking at possible exhibits this fall and winter. Stay tuned!

The photo above is from our August meeting at Sunset Hill led by George Kassal.

For more information about the Duneland Photography Club, or any of our upcoming activities, find us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/dunelandphotoclub or email the club at DunelandPhotographyClub@gmail.com.

What's next at CAC?

OCTOBER

Through Our Eyes - October 1-31

Opening Reception Sunday, October 3, 1-4 PM A Retrospective exhibit featuring the photographic visions of Larry A Brechner and Carol Lynn Brechner

NOVEMBER

Duneland Plein Air Painters - November 6-30Opening: Saturday, November 6 through November 30

DECEMBER

December Member Show - December 4 - January 4



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HOURS OF OPERATION

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