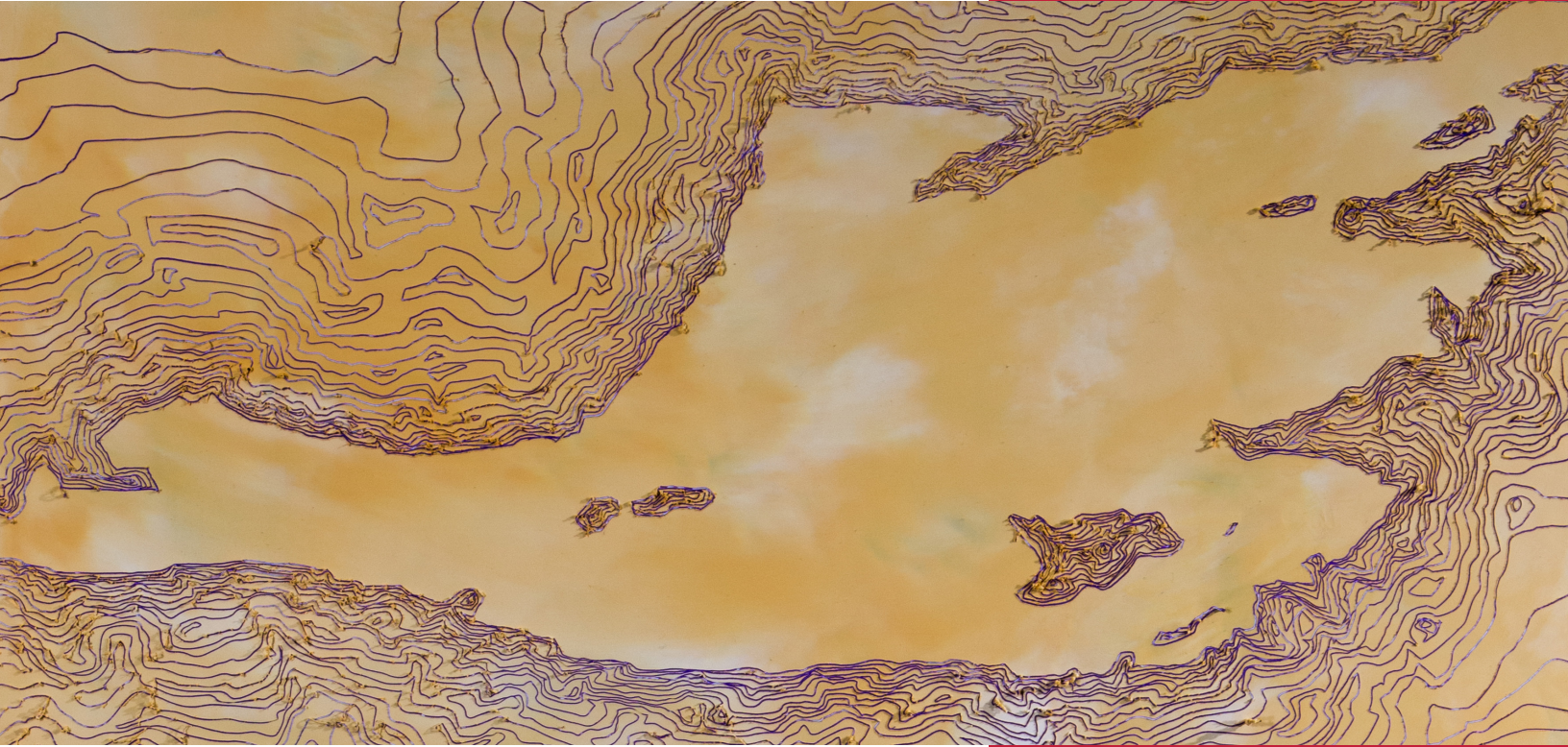




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Formative Transcendence (from Shadow and Mooring), detail, 2017, 24" x 24", oil and wax on panel

Cathy Feeman: Shadow, Mooring + Undercurrents

Exhibition dates February 1–March 26, 2022

Opening Reception Saturday, February 5, 11 AM–2 PM

Chesterton Art Center is pleased to announce a new exhibition from artist Cathy Feeman, titled *Shadow, Mooring + Undercurrents*. The exhibit is on view February 1–March 26, 2022, with an opening reception on February 5, from 11 AM–2 PM. All exhibitions are free and open to the public.

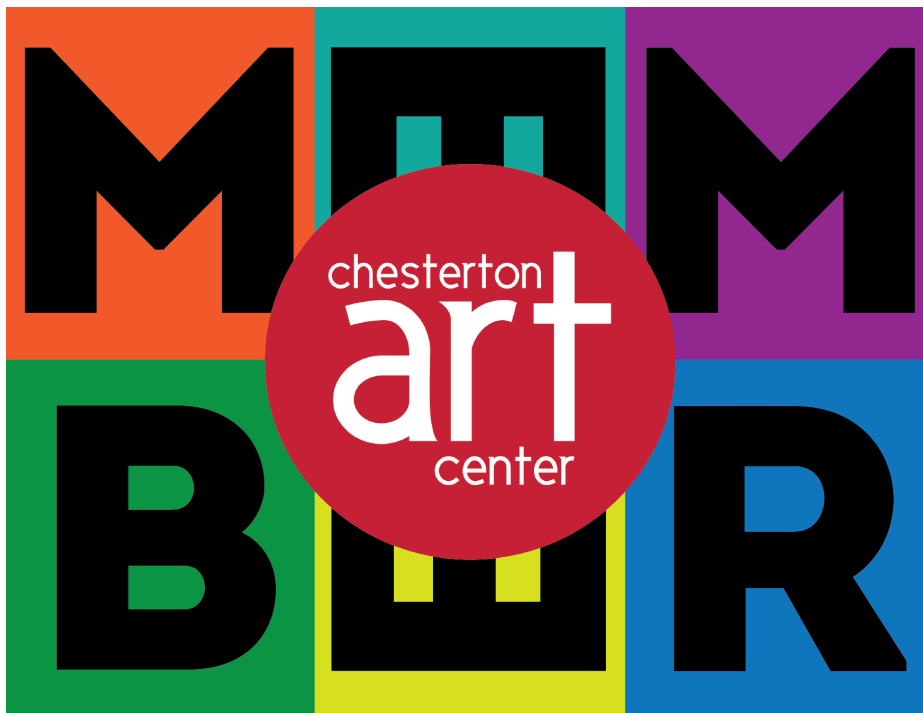
Feeman's mixed-media works explore the relationship between our histories, or our perceived histories, and our identities. Referencing physical geography, she names communities as placeholders and purveyors of individual and collective stories to be told, honored, and not forgotten.

"The goal of this project is to make visible what is hidden, or even in danger of being lost; to honor the lives and stories of the women, past and present, who immigrated to this often-forgotten corner of Chicago; and to give light to the undercurrents of these communities and stories, and the erosion of these cultural moorings," says Feeman.

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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.

MEMBER LEVELS

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

Welcome New Members!

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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



Hannah Hammond-Hagman

February is turning out to be a bit of reopening here at the center, and its certainly time to visit. Our home is improving to work better for all of us. There is a fabulous new exhibit on display of Cathy Feeman's beautiful and provocative works, our downstairs member gallery and gift shop have expanded, and we have a whole new session of classes beginning for all ages.

Now is the time to take full advantage of all your CAC membership benefits—bring in your pieces to sell in the member gallery and shop, take that tuition discount on a class or workshop, and support your local artists with your shop purchase discount as well!

Our best is getting better, and I'm grateful for your involvement and commitment to CAC and all the work we are doing together.

TAG! Teen Arts Group

For the January meeting, TAG finalized work for their upcoming exhibit at Red Cup Cafe in downtown Chesterton. They spent time viewing each other's work, sharing advice on selections, display, and curating their pieces for the show.

The TAG exhibit at Red Cup Cafe will run from February 12–March 25. There will be an opening reception on Saturday, February 12 from 10 AM-1 PM to celebrate the artists and their work. Special thanks to Red Cup Cafe for making this exhibition happen!

TAG Exhibition at Red Cup Cafe
February 12–March 25, 2022
Opening Reception: Saturday, February 12,
10 AM-1 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.



Things to Know

THIS GOES OUT TO ALL ARTIST MEMBERS...

With the expansion of the downstairs member gallery and gift shop, it is time to restock it with all your wonderful artworks! We need your jewelry, pottery, paintings, drawings, fiber pieces, art cards, zines, photographs and more! Please call Amy at (219) 926-4711 with any questions and to schedule an appointment to bring in your items, so that we can be ready to assist. We can't wait to see you!



NEW PROGRAM! CAC FAMILY ART DAY FEEMAN EXHIBIT

We will be hosting our first Family Art Day on Saturday, March 12 from 10 AM-2 PM.

Join us as we explore the work of Cathy Feeman, a local artist whose work highlights ideas of familial & cultural history and the impact of storytelling. With guidance from the CAC team, your family can explore Feeman's exhibit and then move to the classroom to create a mixed media accordion book inspired by her work. All supplies provided.

This event is free & all ages are welcome. You must reserve a 1-hour timeslot spot for each guest in your group. Limit 8 guests per hour. Visit our website or call to save your spots.

Family Art Days are a quarterly program where we encourage families to visit CAC and explore the current exhibit, followed by creating art together! In line with our mission to create accessible programming, these events are totally free & all ages are welcome.

January at Duneland Boys & Girls Club



During this session at Boys & Girls Club, artists explore the topic of Comics, Zines, & Stickers. This past week, CAC teaching artist Brian Dortmund led students in a printmaking lesson where students sketched their ideas, carved a unique design, and printed it onto stickers.

CAC's outreach program with @Duneland Boys & Girls Club is generously funded by Urschel Giving, Janel Borsos and Luella DeWulf.

Family Member Profile

Jess and Lincoln Rhoda

Jess and her son Lincoln have been CAC family members for two years, and Lincoln has regularly enrolled in youth classes and camps since then where Jess says that he has learned so much more than painting and drawing. Lincoln is also an active member of our Teen Arts Group (TAG) where he has explored various media and met other young artists. Jess says, "His portfolio is growing as well as his talent in art." We are always thrilled to have young artists find a place to grow with us!



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.



Art student explores mixed media

During February, our focus will be on Cubism. Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque are artists who made abstractions on reality. We will work to learn to interpret these thoughts and the intentions the cubism arts had. There will be a focus on watercolor painting techniques and the use of shapes and form in art.

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.

<p>Art Classes for Preschoolers Tuesdays, 1-2 PM or Wednesdays, 1-2 PM</p>	<p>Art Classes for Kids 5-8 years Tuesdays, 3:30-5 PM or Wednesdays, 3:30-5 PM</p>	<p>Art Classes for Kids 8-12 years Mondays, 3:30-5 PM or Thursdays, 3:30-5 PM</p>	<p>Art Classes for Homeschool-All ages Mondays, 1:30-3 PM</p>	<p>Art Classes for Kids 12+ Thursdays, 5:30-7 PM</p>
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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.)

Intro to Comics for ages 6-13 with Katie Wiley

This is a 4-class session that will meet on Saturdays, March 5, 12, 19, and 26 at 10-11:30 AM.

This introductory comics class is open to children ages 6-13 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. The goal of the class is to finish with a 4-8 page comic book made from their imagination.

Tuition for class is \$90 for non-members and \$80 for current CAC Family Members. All supplies are provided.

Kids' Clay with Emily Casella

Sat, Mar 26–Sat, Apr 9, 2022, 10–11:30 AM

This Kids' Clay class is instructed by Emily Casella and meets on Saturday March 26, April 2, & 9 from 10–11:30 AM for kids ages 6 to 12. As nature springs into life and your critter neighbors return to your yard, make them feel right at home with a new ceramic house! With a concentration on slab building construction, students will learn how to create and design a house that is perfect for birds, frogs, or chipmunks. The little house will be the perfect spot for your yard friends to sleep and eat.

Tuition for non-members is \$95 and \$85 for current CAC Family members. All materials are provided, and class is limited to 8 students.

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.

Intro to Digital Photography with Deb Armstrong Mon, Feb 7–28 6:30–8:30 PM

This four-week course will meet on Mondays from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM February 7 - 28, 2022. The class will include the basics on camera functions and settings, lighting and exposure, composition, file management and storage, digital editing and online use.

Participants will learn how to operate their digital cameras and compose eye-catching photos rather than just snapshots. 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.

Cell Phone Photography Workshop with Deb Armstrong Sat, Feb 12, 10 AM–1 PM

Participants will learn expanded cell phone camera settings as well as basic composition and lighting techniques that will boost your creativity.

Since we're all using our cell phones as a primary camera—for social media, for family, etc—learn to use all of the tricks and techniques to use it even better.

Tuition is \$55.00 and \$45.00 for current CAC members.



Intro to Digital Photography starts Monday, February 7!

Beginning Ceramics with Milissa of Beale Pottery Fri, Feb 18–March 18 10 AM–1 PM

This 5-week course meets on Fridays from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM and runs from February 18th - March 18th.

Working with the amazing Milissa Beale of Beale Pottery, participants will 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.

Glass II with Mindy Milan Tue, Mar 1–Apr 5, 6–8 PM

Glass II is for those who wish to expand their glass fusing experience and knowledge. This 6-week course meets on Tuesdays from 6 - 8 PM from March 1 to April 5, 2022.

Students will explore new glass forming and embellishing techniques -- including strip cutting, kilnforming, draping, frits and powders, and enamel painting. All supplies are provided. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Prerequisite: Glass Fusing workshop

Tuition is \$180 for non-members and \$160 for current CAC members. A \$25 material fee is due to the instructor at the first class.

Painting with Watercolor I with Diane Grams Wed, Mar 2–Apr 6, 3–5 PM

This introductory watercolor class will meet for six Wednesdays from 3:00 - 5:00 PM from March 2 to April 6, 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 pencils.

Students will practice mark-making with paint to create abstractions and paint from observation. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

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

NOTE:

CRITIQUE NIGHT WITH MARK VANDER VINNE HAS BEEN CANCELED FOR FEBRUARY. WE WILL KEEP YOU POSTED ABOUT THE RETURN OF THIS GROUP.

Adult Art Classes

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

Abstract Watercolor Workshop



Fundamental Drawing with Diane Grams Wed, Mar 2–Apr 6, 2022 5:30–7:30 PM

This introductory drawing class will meet for six weeks on Wednesdays from 5:30 to 7:30 PM from March 2 to April 6, 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. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Tuition for non-members is \$150 and for current CAC member is \$130. Supply list is online at registration.

Abstract Watercolor Workshop with Herb Helm March 3, 10 AM–3 PM

This workshop is set for Thursday, March 3 from 10 AM–3 PM and is recommended for advanced beginners + above. With the guidance of Herb Helm, students will focus on creating an abstract base and then find ways to pull fish and other aquatic life from the shapes & forms they discover.

The project will incorporate negative painting techniques, a creative imagination, and opening your mind to new watercolor practices. This workshop will be 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.

Beginning Oil Painting with Jane Cowley Mon, Mar 7–Apr 11 7–9 PM

This 6-week class will meet from Monday, March 7th - April 11th from 7:00 - 9:00 PM.

Students will be introduced to the methods and materials of oil painting with award-winning artist Jane Cowley.

Lessons will include composition, color mixing, values, various techniques, spatial relations, and perspective. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

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

Haiku Creative Writing Workshop with Suzy Vance Sat, March 5, 1-3 PM

This workshop is held on Saturday, March 5th from 1-3pm. With the guidance of Suzy Vance, students will learn the art of writing poetry in the style of Haiku. Toe in the water of meaningful words and bring your memories to life! This workshop will be an exploration of creating memoirs in just 3 short lines. All supplies included.

Tuition is \$40 for non-members, and \$30 for current CAC members.

CANCELLATION POLICY

If a student needs to cancel more than 2 weeks out from the start of class, they will be provided with a full refund. If a student cancels less than 2 weeks out from the start of class, they will be provided 75% of the class fee as „store credit“. This credit can be used toward another class, or toward a gift/art purchase from the Center.

Duneland Photography Club News

Next meeting

February 1, 2022 at 7 pm

The Duneland Photography Club meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm. The February 1 meeting will not be in-person, but it will be online via Zoom with a special guest speaker, Barry Butler. He is a Chicago-based/Ireland-born, internationally published landscape and cityscape photographer. Getting his start over 20 years ago, Barry, a self-taught photographer, has captured images from locales around the world, but he is legendary for his Chicago imagery. Reporter Mike Lowe of WGN-TV nicknamed him "Chicago's Picture Poet". Barry's work has appeared in a variety of media spanning television, books, advertising and music album covers. Interested members of the public may contact us at DunelandPhotographyClub@gmail.com to get connected with this special meeting. Contact the club prior to the meeting time to get an invitation.

In January, we did headshots at the Memorial Opera House and also met for some winter



Photo shoot at Brincka-Cross Gardens by Scott Miller

photo shoots at Brincka-Cross Gardens. Scott Miller took this photo of the group at Brincka-Cross. Our exhibit, "Finding Light in the Dark Days," continues at the Art Barn through February 12, 2022.

In February, the Duneland Photography Club will also be doing a hike, led by Ron Seman, on interesting things to see and photograph in the winter at Indiana Dunes State Park.

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>.

What's next at CAC?

MARCH

Cathy Feeman: Shadow, Mooring + Undercurrents
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APRIL

Duneland Community Schools Student Exhibition

Chesterton Art Fair

ZAPP Artist Application Deadline - April 30



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