

MAY 2021 NEWSLETTER

# chesterton art center

CELEBRATING OUR 60TH YEAR

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[www.chestertonart.org](http://www.chestertonart.org) ▪ [gallery@chestertonart.org](mailto:gallery@chestertonart.org)



## HOURS OF OPERATION

Weekdays 11 am - 4 pm ▪ Saturdays 10 am - 2 pm

Closed on Sundays unless there is a special event.

UNLOCK YOUR CREATIVITY

## *In the Galleries in May:*

### **The Works of the Duneland School Corporation**

### **Kindergarten through Eighth Grade Art Exhibit**

Representative artwork of students from the Duneland School Corporation in grades K-8 will be on display starting May 6 through May 26.

Each art teacher from Bailly, Brummitt, Jackson, Yost, Liberty, Westchester Intermediate and Liberty Intermediate as well as Chesterton Middle School chose to display some of the best artwork produced by students in the Duneland School Corporation.

These honored students, along with their families and friends, are invited to the Art Center at special times to view the exhibit., due to COVID-19. This will limit the amount of people in the gallery at the same time.

All are invited to stop by the Art Center any day we are open to view the exhibit. Hours are Monday through Friday from 11 am until 4 pm and Saturday from 10 am until 2 pm. There is never a charge to view exhibits at the Chesterton Art Center, and all are welcome!

## Duneland School Corporation Annual K - 8 Art Exhibit May 6 - May 26, 2021

### RECEPTION

May 11  
Jackson, Liberty,  
LIS, & CMS

May 13  
Bailly, Brummitt, Yost,  
WIS, & CMS

**From: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**  
Recommended times are as follows per grade level:

K-2 6:00 - 6:30  
3-4 6:30 - 7:00  
5-6 7:00 - 7:30  
7-8 7:30 - 8:00

**The virtual art show will be released on May 6, 2021.**

## CONNECTIONS

Art is an invaluable connecting force in our culture, our inner worlds and our everyday lives.

### Cheterton Art Center

May be visited:  
May 6, 2021 - May 26, 2021  
Monday through Friday - 11:00 am to 4:00 pm  
Saturday - 10:00 am to 2:00 pm  
Sunday - Closed





# Children's Art Education

## SPONSORS

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## Clayworks for Kids! with Sarah Fantuzzo

3 Saturdays - May 8, 15, & 22nd - 10:00 am -11:30

The tactile medium of clay is a perfect way to express your creativity! This course will cover the basics of hand building including slab construction, coiling, and pinching as kids create unique pottery and sculptural pieces using air dry clay. Cost of the class is \$50 for members and \$60 for non-members. All supplies are included. This onsite class will be smaller to allow for social distancing, and children will need to wear masks. We will be diligent in our sanitizing efforts to keep your children safe as they enjoy creating at the Art Center with other children. Parents/guardians will be asked to sign a COVID waiver. To register, call the Art Center or register on Eventbrite from the link on our website.

# Summer Art Camps for Kids are here!

Reserve your spot early! These camps fill up fast.

## Summer camp weeks begin June 7.

Each Camp will run from Monday through Thursday for one week.

Campers will learn various art techniques while using multiple media. Every session includes painting and drawing. A little time will be spent learning about a modern artist while working in the "theme" of the week. Kids will take home their fine art and craft projects at the end of the week. Classes for children ages 5 - 8 will run from 8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Ages 8 and up will run from 12:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.



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### Week 1 - June 7- 10 - OUR LAKESHORE

Students will create artwork expressing the beauty of our ever-changing local natural wonder, Lake Michigan. Local artist Frank Dudley is famous for creating work that inspired conservation. We will enjoy his work in our discussions. We will use various media on fun projects and a special dunes acrylic painting will be created.

- 8:30 am - 11:00 am — Live Virtual Zoom Class — Ages 5 - 8 years old

(All materials are included and picked up the Friday before camp starts for the week.)

- 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm — In Person Class — Ages 8 - Teen years

### Week 2 - June 14 - 17 - BOB ROSS PAINTERS

Calling all fans of "The Joy of Painting" let's make some happy little clouds and trees. We are going to experiment with trying out Ross techniques on landscape paintings in acrylics. He makes it look so easy in 30 minutes, but we can hit pause and spend a little more time creating one of these classic pieces. The younger children will practice some Bob Ross style on some age-appropriate landscapes. We have some other fun craft "quote" projects in mind as well.

- 8:30 am - 11:00 am — In Person Class — Ages 5 - 8 years old

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### Week 3 - June 21 - 24 - PRINTMAKING

We will explore various techniques in fine art printing, including traditional linoleum cuts and modern stencil work. Younger children will work in foam boards instead of linoleum. Making prints is something that artists of all ages enjoy. Drawing and color will also be a focus this week as we create unique, one of a kind prints as well as other 2-D pieces of art.

- 8:30 am - 11:00 am — In Person Class — Ages 5 - 8 years old

- 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm — In Person Class — Ages 8 - Teen years

### Week 4 - July 12 - 15 - LOCAL ANIMALS

A week of fun mixed media projects inspired by some of our native creatures children may see in their outdoor play this summer. We will work on our drawing skills and watercolor techniques as a focus, but also use other art supplies in our exciting camp week. Learning to draw birds, amphibians and furry animals is always a hit with young artists.

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(All materials are included and picked up the Friday before camp starts for the week.)

- 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm — In Person Class — Ages 5 - 8 years old

### Week 5 - July 19 - 22 - INDIANA DUNES

Let's paint our local beauty! Students will create amazing paintings inspired by the dunes and local landscapes. We will discuss the history of the famous Indiana Impressionism Movement and learn about their work. Painting, drawing and crafting will be included for our amazing young artist campers.

- 8:30 am - 11:00 am — In Person Class — Ages 5 - 8 years old

- 12:00 pm - 2:30 pm — In Person Class — Ages 8 - Teen years

The cost for each week is \$110 with members receiving a \$20 discount.

For questions or to register, call or stop into the Art Center, (219) 926-4711

For List of full classes, see the website at [www.chestertonart.org](http://www.chestertonart.org).

The Chesterton Art Center is located at 115 S. 4th St. Chesterton IN 46304



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

PLEASE NOTE: Masks are still required for all onsite classes and events. Hand sanitizer will be available. Social distancing will be practiced. The classroom will be cleaned and sanitized upon students' arrival. All students' parent(s)/legal guardian(s) will be asked to sign a waiver regarding COVID-19. There will be no make-up days for missed classes due to COVID-19.





# Adult Art Education

Adult classes are resuming onsite at the Art Center in May!

## Adobe Lightroom with George Kassal



George Kassal will be teaching a (4) session Adobe Lightroom Class at the Chesterton Art Center on Thursdays beginning May 20th and ending on Thursday, June 10th from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Lightroom has become the industry standard image processing software for digital photography, and this class will concentrate on using it with the goal of creating images that look the way you envision them. The basics and beyond will be covered, providing countless tips and techniques to help you become more productive with the program. It is preferred that each student has their own laptop with the latest copy of Lightroom Classic installed, but (2) people who register together may share the same laptop. Some sample images will be provided for demonstration, but students are recommended to have some of their own images available for individual projects. The class limit is (8) students to ensure each student has a great experience. If you do not now have Lightroom, it is available as part of the Adobe Creative Cloud Photography plan for \$9.99 per month. Please make sure your laptop meets the minimum system requirements; also note that Lightroom Classic is formally referred to as "Adobe Photoshop Lightroom Classic". This name can be confusing, but it is Lightroom not Photoshop.

The cost of class is \$130 for members and \$150 for non-members. To register, call or stop into the Art Center or sign up on Eventbrite. **PLEASE NOTE:** Masks are still required for all onsite classes and events. Hand sanitizer will be available. Social distancing will be practiced. The classroom will be cleaned and sanitized upon students' arrival. All students will be asked to sign a waiver regarding COVID-19. There will be no make-up days for missed classes.

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## Warm Glass Fusing with Mindy Milan - Saturday, June 5 from 1-4 pm.

Come and spend the afternoon creating some beautiful fused glass pieces that you can call your very own. Students will be able 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. All materials provided, with \$10 materials/firing fee paid to the instructor at the beginning of the class. Cost is \$45 for members and \$55 for non-members, plus \$10 material/firing fee paid to the instructor at the beginning of class. Masks will be worn by all and social distancing will be practiced.

## Duneland Photography Club News

Spring is a great time for the Duneland Photography Club. This photo is from a Nature Photography Class at Brincka-Cross Gardens in April taught by Deb Armstrong. There were 45 people in attendance. Our May 4th meeting will be outdoors at Sunset Hill Farm County Park at 5:00 pm. Deb



will give a brief history of Sunset Hill Farm, followed by a time of exploring the trails at the park and photographing what we find. A week later, May 11th, there will be a Zoom meeting at 7:00 pm to share spring photos. On Saturday, May 15th, we will have a photoshoot at Community Veteran's Memorial Park in Munster, led by Sherri Holt, who is the coordinator for the park. Our June meeting will be at Brookdale Park, led by Sharon Kerner. For more information, find the Duneland Photography Club on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/dunelandphotoclub](http://www.facebook.com/dunelandphotoclub) You may also contact us on our new email, [DunelandPhotographyClub@gmail.com](mailto:DunelandPhotographyClub@gmail.com). (Photo courtesy of Steve Bensing)

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Photo by Larry Brechner

# Artist Opportunities

## PHOTO CONTEST

**Hindsight  
is 2020**

**1st Prize  
\$500**

**2nd Prize \$250  
3rd Prize \$100**

### SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE!

This theme of the contest is about telling the story of the last year in photos... reflecting back on what we've all been through and continue to go through and appreciating what the future will bring!

**April 15 - June 30, 2021**

**\$25 entry fee for each submission.**

All proceeds will be used to fund programs within our community.

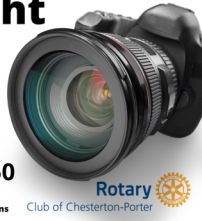
SCAN TO ENTER

Reach out to  
Trent Albert at  
219-406-2191



**Questions?**

[www.chesterton-porterrotary.org/photo](http://www.chesterton-porterrotary.org/photo)



## Chesterton-Porter Rotary Club Photo Contest

Chesterton Porter Rotary Club invites everyone to submit a photo or two of your experiences during the pandemic.

You do not have to be a professional photographer! This contest is open to everyone. If you took photos of nature because it helped get you through tough times, or took other photos of interest, Rotary would love to share them through this contest. For more information visit [www.chesterton-porterrotary.org/photo](http://www.chesterton-porterrotary.org/photo)

Your local Rotary Club does a whole lot of good for the Duneland community. Due to the pandemic, they were unable to hold their famous Fish Fry, a much-loved community event and also the Nelson's Golden Glo Chicken fundraiser as well.

Some of the local projects Rotary supports are scholarships for graduating seniors, the Westchester Migratory Bird Sanctuary, clean up days at Coffee Creek Park and the Indiana Dunes, and at true North Stables just to name a few.

## Art on the Air - Tune In!

**ART ON THE AIR** is an hour-long radio show (available as a podcast) that opens with a short **Spotlight Interview** about local art events in North-west Indiana's three county area, then continues with a **long-form feature interview**. Guests include individual artists, photographers, gallery owner/curators, festival sponsors, authors, musicians, the shakers and movers in NW Indiana, Chicago and beyond discussing the art, theater, and music scene, plus much more. Hosts are Larry A. Brechner, long-time musical theater director, photographic artist, and arts organization board member, and Ester Golden, artist and gallery owner of The Nest in Michigan City. Go to

SHOW: ART ON THE AIR

HOSTS: Larry A Brechner and Ester Golden

FORMAT: One Hour Talk (6 minute Spotlight Interview / two 23 minute guest interviews)

STATION: WVLP 103.1 FM (Valparaiso) Streaming live 24/7 at [WVLP.org](http://WVLP.org)

## Critique Night is back!

Join Mark VanderVinne on the first Wednesday of each month. This month's meetup will be held on Wednesday May 5 at 7:30 pm. at the Art Center. All ability levels and artistic styles are encouraged to attend. While Mark is a painter, he will be able to advise artists in other mediums as well. There is no charge to attend.



*Please note:* Due to COVID -19 masks must be worn by all in the building and social distancing practiced. There will be hand sanitizer available and common surfaces sanitized before your arrival. Participants will be asked to sign a COVID waiver.



**The Chesterton Woman's Club will be holding their Annual Art Show in June. Jean Barger is the cover artist, and will be donating her oil painting entitled "Great Marsh, Summer" for raffle. Tickets are \$5.00 each, or 5 for \$20.00.**

Registration information can be obtained from Chesterton Woman's Club member Jenny Gaff. Leave a message at 219-926-4575. A few paper applications are available at the Art Center.

Registration is Tuesday June 1, from 10am to 7pm.

Sadly, no opening reception this year due to COVID-19.

At the conclusion of the show work must be picked up on June 30, 10am-7pm Raffle tickets will be sold at the Art Center for Jean's painting and the winner will be chosen at the show's end.

## Welcome New Members!

Karen Pazour, Kevin & Gabrielle Pazour, Roy Norell, Julie Tanis, Barb Teerlinck, John Reilly, Joanne Kashani, Amanda Doman and Laura Kittle. Thank you for becoming members!