



A monthly newsletter for the
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Emily Casella, *The Wheel of Options*, glazed ceramics (detail)

In Emotion on Entrain Emily Casella Exhibition

Exhibition: July 8–August 30, 2023
Artist Reception: July 15, 12–2 PM
Ceramic Bust Workshop: July 20, 6–9 PM
3rd Friday Special Event: July 21, 4–7 PM
Artist Talk: July 27, 5:30–7:00 PM

Chesterton Art Center is excited to announce our next exhibit, *In Emotion on Entrain*, featuring the work of Emily Casella, July 8–August 30, 2023. An artist reception will be held on Saturday, July 15, from 12–2 PM. All of our exhibitions and artist receptions are free and open to the public. Casella is involved in additional programming with CAC including a Chesterton Arts District evening event, on July 21, 4–7 PM, as part of Chesterton's 3rd Fridays; an Artist Talk on Thursday, July 27, 5:30 PM–7:00 PM; and a Ceramic Bust Workshop on Thursday, July 20, from 6–9 PM. Registration is required.

Casella's artworks transform the Chesterton Art Center's galleries into a train station where viewers can mingle at a cafe kiosk, hop inside a train, and disembark into a vibrant neighborhood park in full color and three dimensions. Each piece poses a different conundrum of thought about the strange motions of life propelled by what society implies, tries to control, or demands what should be versus how an individual may feel. "This show is about love, the trepidation and exasperation of waiting for the promises that media and society told us what love should be, and trying to find what it actually is on Earth."

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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.



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 encourage 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

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From the Executive Director



Hannah Hammond-Hagman

time downtown the evening of the 21st and visit entrepreneurs, local artists, and creative businesses that call Chesterton home.

We're proud to be partnering with several local youth-serving organizations including the Town of Chesterton's Summer Fun program, the Duneland YMCA, and the Portage YMCA to bring visual arts education opportunities to kids in their summer camp programs. We'll also be with Shirley Heinze Land Trust on August 19 at Meadowbrook with a wonderful pollinator project as part of their Nature in the Arts series.

And of course, our Chesterton Art Fair will bring over 80 visual artists to Dogwood Park in a two-day celebration of the arts that will welcome thousands of patrons and art lovers from all over the Midwest and beyond. This year is going to be wonderful with amazing artists from near and far, and we'll have family activities, delicious food from local vendors, and a great lineup of music and entertainment all weekend.

Come see us at the center or around the region and add Chesterton Art Center to your summer plans! We look forward to seeing you soon.

We are in the full swing of summer here at CAC with camps, programs, events, AND our 64th annual Chesterton Art Fair is just around the corner! What I love most about all our summer happenings is that they are all part of partnerships and collaborations with other organizations, businesses, and individuals. Our best work happens when we work with others to build special and unique opportunities for our community to engage with the arts and creativity.

Summer Third Fridays in the Chesterton Arts District continue this month, so please mark your calendars to spend

Book A Group Art Visit

Art Visits invite small groups of all ages to Chesterton Art Center to enjoy a private gallery tour with engaging grade-appropriate discussions, followed by a unique, hands-on art project inspired by the current exhibit on display. These visits are recommended for organizations, school groups, or troops.

Interactive visit / \$5 per student / 90-minute booking

Looking for something more informal? Book a free gallery tour during CAC hours Mon-Fri 11 AM-4 PM.



To book a visit, contact Jillian Bridgeman, Program Director, at programs@chestertonart.org or call the Center at (219) 926-4711.

Chesterton Arts District's Second Summer Third Friday



July 21 – Third Friday at Chesterton Art Center DJ + Doodling, cash bar, and light bites Join us for an evening of drawing and doodling while DJ Lee spins Motown, R&B, and Classic Rock in the galleries. We'll have pens, markers, pencils, and paper of all sizes for folks to doodle away and enjoy each other's company and Emily Casella's solo exhibition.

Call to Artists

The Valparaiso Creative Council in partnership with the Valparaiso Parks Department is seeking an artist to design and complete a public art piece for Valpo's new Flounder & Friends Skate Park.



Proposals are due by midnight on July 17, 2023. Interested artists can email info@valpocreates.org to request the full Request for Proposals with specifications, evaluation criteria, and submission details.

CAC receives 2-year IAC Grant



INDIANA ARTS COMMISSION
MAKING THE ARTS HAPPEN

CAC is pleased to announce our receipt of an Indiana Arts Commission two-year Arts Organization Support grant in the amount of \$14,596.00. This funding supports our continued operations to bring the community access to the arts and arts education opportunities. Thank you, IAC and our Region 1 Partner, South Shore Arts.

C H E S T E R T O N Art Fair

64th Annual Chesterton Art Fair
August 5+6



Food Vendors

- Ben's Soft Pretzels
- Dog Days Ice Cream Parlor
- Tacos My Fren taco truck
- Sweet treats from St. Elizabeth's Orthodox Church
- The Cheesy Food Truck

Music Lineup

Sat., Aug. 5	10 AM	Patti Shaffner
	12 PM	Billy Foster
	2:30 PM	Marco Villarreal
Sun., Aug 6	10 AM	Alexis Bratsakis
	12 PM	Jeff Abbott
	2 PM	Leann Stutler
	3 PM	Captain Ambivalent

About the Fair

Chesterton Art Fair is a premier juried art festival with a deep history of providing a stellar experience for both participating artists and visitors. In its 64th year, Chesterton Art Fair draws artists and patrons from all over the Midwest and beyond. The Fair features 80+ artists, live music, family activities, food vendors and free parking for our almost four thousand visitors.

Always the first full weekend in August, this year's dates are August 5 and 6, 2023, and fair hours are 10 AM to 5 PM on Saturday, and 10 AM to 4 PM on Sunday. Chesterton Art Fair is held in beautiful Dogwood Park, a municipal park with plenty of shade trees and amenities.

Admission: \$5/person/day - 12 and under FREE! Tickets can be purchased online at chestertonart.org, at the Center, or at the Fair gates. *We can't wait to see you there!*

TAG! Teen Arts Group

This past month, Teen Arts Group (TAG) members finished their woven pieces for the public art project and finalized the installation plan. The project will be installed on Thursday, July 6. So please visit Chesterton Park at 5th and Porter Streets to see this new public work.

This month, TAG artists will install the woven mural, enjoy a Ceramics workshop, and begin preparing work for their booth at the Chesterton Art Fair. A busy summer is ahead!

Next TAG Meeting at CAC:
Wednesday, July 12 - 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.



Chesterton Art Center

Summer Art Camps 2023



July Camps

July 10-13 / World of Mario *(Ages 5-9 Sold Out)*

Ages 5-9 @ 8:30-11 AM / Ages 10+ @ 12-2:30 PM / instructed by Jen Aitchison
\$120 for non-members / \$108 for current CAC Family Members
Mushrooms, coins, blocks, and stars galore will fill the classroom as students study the magical world of Mario! Students will learn about Japanese artist-turned-designer Shigeru Miyamoto who is known for his contributions to popular video games like Mario, Zelda, and Donkey Kong. Students will create stylized projects while drawing, painting, and building all the way to Bowser's castle.

July 17-20 / Exploring Marine Life *(Ages 5-9 Sold Out)*

Ages 5-9 @ 8:30-11 AM / Ages 10+ @ 12-2:30 PM / instructed by Jen Aitchison
\$120 for non-members / \$108 for current CAC Family Members
It's all about water this week! Sketchbooks will be filled with sea turtles, sharks, whales, dolphins, and tropical fish as students learn about our underwater world. Students will focus on watercolor and watermedia techniques as they create a series of illustrations and paintings using value and texture.

July 24-28 / Makers + Thinkers

Ages 9-12 @ 8:30-11 AM / Ages 13+ @ 12-2:30 PM / instructed by Emily Casella
\$140 for non-members and \$126 for current CAC Family Members
With sculpture as the focus, this camp will force students to 'think outside the box' as they must consider perspective from all angles, accurate scale, and proper construction. Students will explore three-dimensional art forms as they work with paper mache, construct a moveable art piece, and experiment with additional 3D media. Students will view the instructor's exhibition on display in the CAC galleries and grow inspired by the concepts of movement, sculpture, and human forms.



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Registration Information

To register, visit our website <https://www.chestertonart.org/youth-and-teen-classes> or contact the Center at (219) 926-4711. Please note: Tuitions are non-transferrable; students must attend the week that they are registered.

Scholarships are available for students of all ages. The scholarship application is on our website at [chestertonart.org/scholarships](https://www.chestertonart.org/scholarships).

For more information, contact Jillian Bridgeman, Program Director, at programs@chestertonart.org.

Adult Art Classes

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

Watercolor Flamingos Workshop

1-day workshop
Thursday, July 6 from 9:30-3 PM

With guided instruction from Herb Helm, students can look forward to creating a unique watercolor project that features colorful flamingos surrounded by water and greenery. Through a combination of both experimental watercolor techniques and controlled painting, the project will incorporate pouring/splattering methods and negative/positive painting practices. This workshop is recommended for advanced beginners + above. This class is held in the downstairs classroom.

Tuition is \$110 for non-members / \$99 for current CAC members + supply list



Printmaking Workshop - July 8

Printmaking Workshop

1-day workshop
Saturday, July 8 from 10 AM-2 PM

With guidance from Katie Wiley, students will learn the art of linocut printmaking as they create their own small edition of relief prints. Linocut printmaking is an exciting process whereby a design is carved into a rubber-like material, inked, and then transferred onto a piece of paper to create a series of 'relief prints'. Students will learn safe carving techniques, proper inking with a brayer, how to pull a clean print, and how to title their masterpiece. The final product will be a series of 3+ prints, each completed with a unique title, edition number, and artist's signature. This class is held in the downstairs classroom.

Tuition is \$85 for non-members / \$76.50 for current CAC members, supplies included

Loosen Up with Oil Paints

4-class session
Monday, July 10-31 from 7-9 PM

With guidance from award-winning artist Jane Cowley, this exploratory class aims to teach students a looser approach to oil painting in hopes of building confidence and achieving more successful works. Lessons will include composition, color mixing, value, perspective, spatial relations, and various techniques that help students loosen up their hand and see things in a new way. This class is open to all levels, including beginners. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Tuition is \$125 for non-members / \$112.50 for current CAC members + supply list

Critique Club

1-day workshop
Friday, July 14 from 4-6 PM

Facilitated by award-winning painter Mark Vander Vinne, Critique Club invites artists of all skill levels, media, and styles to gain direct feedback on their work in an encouraging and friendly environment. Artists can bring up to two pieces of their original work for analysis and critique from peers. Work can be in any stage — from general concept to final version. Let's learn, grow, and talk about art together! This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Tuition is \$10/person, bring 1-2 pieces for critique

Sun Prints + Cyanotypes Workshop

1-day workshop
Saturday, July 15 10 AM-1 PM

Try something new! With guidance from Dave Lasayko, students will learn about the analog printing process of cyanotypes, commonly nicknamed "sun prints". Using light-sensitive paper and the sun as a creative tool, students will arrange flowers and leaves, flat objects, and/or photo negatives into a composition to create a unique blue-toned print. Once their exposure has developed, students will then have the ability to enhance their print using watercolor pencils and/or other drawing media. Each student will take home a handmade, framed 8x10 work of art. All skill levels welcome, including beginners. This class is held in the downstairs classroom.

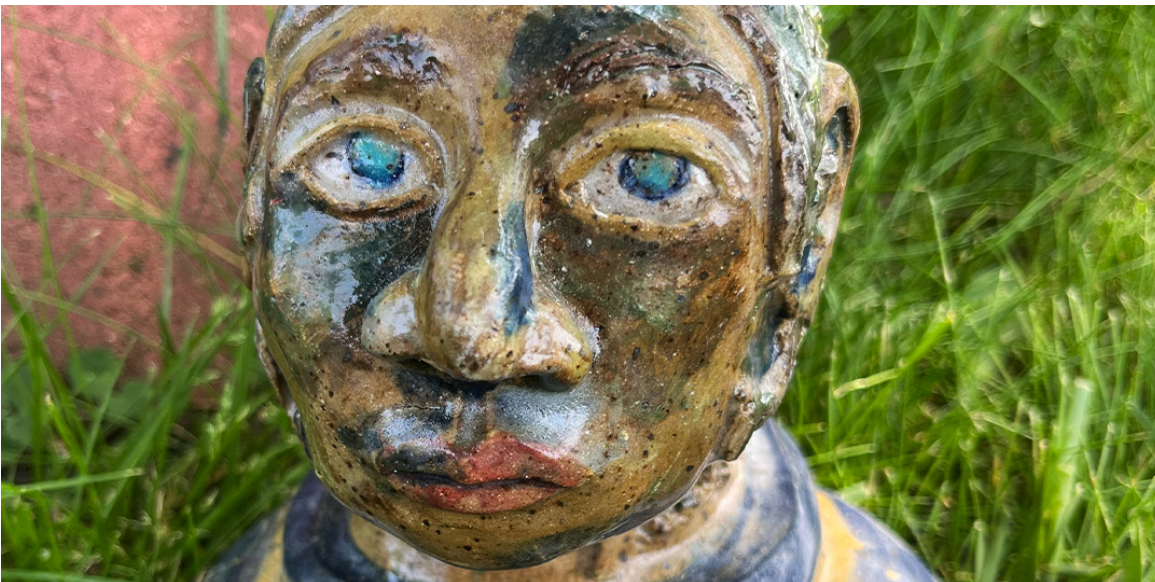
Tuition is \$50 for non-members / \$45 for current CAC members, supplies included

Scholarships are available for students of all ages.

The scholarship application can be found on our website at chestertonart.org/scholarships.

Adult Art Classes

Register today at chestertonart.org



Ceramic Bust Workshop - July 20

Independent Study Studio Art

5-class session
Tuesday, Jul 18-Aug 15
from 5:30-7:30PM

With guidance from Diana Stezalski, this class is designed for experienced students who are ready to move beyond foundational skills and want dedicated studio time. Each class will present a new exercise that challenges students to escape creative blocks and push their creative practice further along. The rest of class time will be dedicated to independent studio time, critique and feedback, and/or collaboration with peers. This class is recommended for intermediate+ students who work with acrylics, oils, drawing media, or mixed media. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Tuition is \$90 for non-members / \$81 for current CAC members + supply list

Multi-Range Drawing

4-class session
Wednesday, July 19-August 9
from 4-6 PM

With guidance from Diana Stezalski, this multi-range class will allow students to explore the vast possibilities of drawing methods and media. Students will learn to draw from observation, practice shading techniques, and work with a variety of media including ink pens, charcoal, and graphite. Line, tone, perspective, and composition will be addressed throughout each lesson as students study the work of other artists as a point of reference. This class is recommended for beginners, but all levels are welcome. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Tuition is \$110 for non-members / \$99 for current CAC members + supply list

Ceramic Bust Workshop

1-day workshop
Thursday, July 20 from 6-9 PM

With guidance from Emily Casella, students will create a medium-sized figurative sculpture of a head and shoulders, commonly known as a 'bust'. Students will utilize coil and slab hand-building techniques as they construct shoulders and heads, sculpt facial features and hair, and add decorative details. Their bust can become a self-portrait, pet, character, or creature. All skill levels welcome, including beginners. Students will complete glazing, and the Center will complete firing. This class is held in the downstairs classroom. Tuition is \$50 for non-members / \$45 for current CAC members, supplies included

Partner Wheel Throwing Workshop

1-day workshop
Friday, July 28 from 6-9 PM

Grab your bestie, partner, spouse, or sibling for a fun evening of creating together in pairs! With guidance from Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis, students will learn basic wheel throwing techniques with a partner as each student throws a small bowl or vessel. Registration is per pair, and students will share a wheel with their partner. Students will complete glazing, and the Center will complete firing. This class is held in the downstairs classroom.

Tuition is \$90 (per pair) for non-members / \$81 for current CAC members, supplies included

Figure Drawing Workshop

1-day workshop
Saturday, July 29 10 AM-1 PM

With guidance from Diana Stezalski, students will grow their observational figure drawing skills as they learn to draw from a clothed figure model. This introductory workshop will cover essential elements of figure drawing including gesture, contour, proportion, and composition as students develop a series of quick studies. This class is open to all skill levels, including beginners. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Tuition is \$55 for non-members / \$49.50 for current CAC members, supplies included

Life Drawing Drop-In every Tuesday afternoon, 1-3 PM - \$15 model fee (cash) to instructor. Bring your own supplies and creativity! *This drop-in group meets in the upstairs classroom.*

We are always looking for new models. Interested individuals can contact CAC at programs@chestertonart.org.



Duneland Photography Club News

No meeting in July.

The month of July is a busy one for the Duneland Photography Club. A picnic is scheduled for members, family, and guests. The Porter County Fair will be a time of fun, photography, and photo competition. Also planned is a sunflower photoshoot. Club members are photographing Camp Funset activities at the Sunset Hill Farm County Park.

The Duneland Photography Club usually meets the first Tuesday of each month at Sunset Hill Farm County Park at 7:00 PM in the Horton Family Education Center. Since it falls on the 4th of July this year, there will NOT be a regular monthly meeting. Stay tuned for a special meeting in August.

Last month members of the Duneland Photography Club did a second Birds of Prey photoshoot in Holland, MI. They also photographed the cast for *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* at the Memorial Opera House in Valparaiso. In June, the club also enjoyed a field trip to Fernwood Botanical Garden in Niles, MI.



Right: Duneland Photography Club Members at the Fernwood Garden in Niles, MI. Pictured are: Terry Fairchild, Georganna Edmonds, Peggy Carter, Sheila Stephenson, John Roquet, Steve Bensing, Suzan Perry, Barb Russ, Paul Ewing, Sharon Kerner, Cy Powers, Doug Clark, Teresa Sheppard, Jerry Straw, Marianne Straw, and Virginia Clark. Photo by Steve Bensing

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?

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