

chesterton art center

CELEBRATING OUR 59TH YEAR

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HOURS OF OPERATION

Weekdays: 11 AM - 4 PM // Saturdays: 10 AM - 2 PM // Sundays: Closed unless there is an event scheduled



In the Galleries in February:

18 Artists - Recent Works

The 18 Artists will host an opening reception for their February exhibit at the Chesterton Art Center on Sunday, February 2 from 2-4.

The exhibit titled, "18 Artists, Recent Works" will include both 2D and 3D pieces from approximately (12) of their members. 18 Artists is a cooperative online gallery engaged in furthering the careers of emerging and established artists in the Northwest Indiana and the Chicagoland area.

Established in 1994, their goal is to "engender a supportive community of artists that provides honest feedback & critique, thereby encouraging growth as individual artists and as a group. By collaborating, we can learn, develop and expand our views as individual artists."

Ken Blumenthal, a local photographer, has been part of the group for about a year. While making his career as a doctor, he has always enjoyed taking photographs - especially of his travels. His pieces in the exhibit include images from Vienna, Prague, and Puerto Vallarta.



Ken Blumenthal

The exhibit will hang at the Chesterton Art Center through February 26.



Jan Stewart



Joanne Rayter



Ken Blumenthal



Artist Opportunities

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KATHY THOMASON

Grant Opportunities and Deadlines:

Indiana Arts Commission Individual Advancement Program:

The Individual Advancement Program (IAP) provides support (up to \$2,000) to Indiana artists for career development projects. Applicants must plan a project (or phase of a project) that is feasible within the requested budget and completed within the proposed timeline. **The deadline to apply for this grant is February 6, 2020, 4:30 p.m. eastern time.**

Because the Individual Advancement Program is so popular we only accept certain disciplines per year. This cycle, we're accepting visual arts (crafts, design, media arts, photography) applications.

For more information about both of this opportunity, visit <https://www.in.gov/arts/>



It's Coming... March Membership Madness!

**Join us on Saturday, March 14
10 am until 2 pm**

Tour the building. • Have some treats. • Free drawings!

Meet the teachers. • Watch some demos.

Shop for art and gifts. • Sign up for kids & adult classes.

AND become a member! Bring friends.

Special incentives for current members!

Learn more in next month's newsletter.



Are you ready for spring? We won't have kids' classes the week of March 23, due to Spring Break.

Here's some of the amazing work our young students have been doing this year so far!



Looking for Inspiration?

Did You Know...that to compliment your classes, you are able to borrow books from our extensive library?

Members are encouraged to visit the library and check out books for as long as you need them.

The checkout process is simple, and there is no such thing as an overdue book!

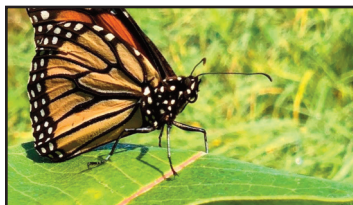
The new Chesterton Art Center library has a section called "Subjects to Paint and Draw." There are over 65 books on various subjects (Birds, Flowers, Travels, Marine Life, etc.) with handsome illustrations that will encourage you to pick up that paintbrush!

Adult Art Classes

Beginning Cell Phone Photography with Deb Armstrong

Beginning Cell Phone Photography Works is a great introduction to anyone interested in taking better images for their social media accounts!

Beginning Cell Phone Photography Workshop - Saturday, February 1 from 10-1. This 3-hour class will include basic camera settings for both iPhone and Android, shooting tips and techniques, as well as simple rules of composition for better shots. Each student is asked to bring their smart phone with them to class. The cost for Cell Phone Photography is \$50, with members of the Art Center receiving a \$20 discount.



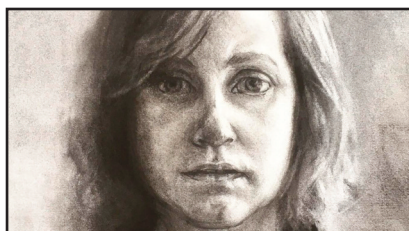
Intermediate Cell Phone Photography with Deb Armstrong

Intermediate Cell Phone Photography class is a great way to continue honing your photography skills with your phone!

Saturday, February 15 from 10-1. This 3-hour class will include editing photos with popular apps, backing up photos, sharing / social media, printing (prints, books, decor, gifts, etc.). Each student is asked to bring their smart phone with them to class. The cost for Cell Phone Photography is \$50, with members of the Art Center receiving a \$20 discount.

Life Drawing Open Studio

February 5th this month. Fully clothed model. Artists may use any media- pencil, charcoal, pastel or paint. Open studio setting, so each artist needs to come prepared with their own supplies and will be asked to help clean up afterwards. This is not a structured class. Facilitator Ivan Chermel can provide some guidance to students. The cost of each session is \$15. *Note: Special Life Drawing session on February 19. Please call for details. Students MUST pre-register for all Life Drawing sessions.



Drawing Toolbox with Sarah Fantuzzo

In this series, Sarah will touch on a different topic once a month, with techniques and tips for how to effectively improve a student's drawing skills. Sessions take place on a Saturday from 10-2, with a 30-minute break for lunch. Students may bring a bag lunch, or step out. Topics are: February 8 - Drawing the Head; March 14 - Drawing Facial Features; April 11 - Drawing Textures; May 9 - Drawing Nature; and June 13 - Drawing On The Go. (Portable Studio)

On February 8, Sarah will teach techniques for drawing the head. She will focus on basic structure and various angles. By the end of the workshop, participants will have a solid idea of how to create realistic heads in their future drawings. The cost of the Drawing Toolbox workshops are \$60 per (members of the Chesterton Art Center receive a \$20 discount). A supply list will be provided upon registration.

Monday Night Ceramics with Tom Cernius

Begins Monday, February 24. 5:30-8:30. 5-weeks. New students will learn wheel-throwing techniques, while returning students will refine their skills to create more complex forms. Tom will demonstrate while assisting students individually. Hand-building and sculpture are also encouraged. All pieces will be glazed during the final class. The cost for class is \$135, with members receiving a \$25 discount. The cost of clay is an additional \$15, payable to the instructor on the first day of class. All other supplies are included.

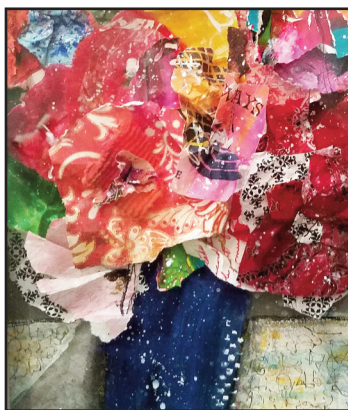
Discover Drawing with Sarah Fantuzzo

4 week class, Wednesday Feb 19th - March 11 from 10-12pm. This class is designed for a beginner with little to no drawing experience. Class will afford students the opportunity to try a variety of techniques while determining if they want to continue on to a more in-depth class. The cost of class is \$90, with members of the Art Center receiving a \$20 discount. A supply list will be included upon registration.

Mixed Media Flowers on Canvas with Sue Vrska

Friday, February 28th from 9 am until 1 pm. In this workshop, students will begin by creating individually designed papers, and turning them into works of art. Then, they will design the backdrop by painting and composing on the canvas. Taking those papers, participants will fashion lovely flowers that will then be attached to the hand-painted canvases. The end result is a fun, vibrant, 3-D piece of art that can enhance any wall. Come paint, rip, glue and get messy all in the name of having fun!

All supplies to create two floral canvases will be provided for the Mixed Media Flower Canvas Workshop. The cost for the class is \$90, with members receiving a \$20 discount.



Member News

Members: Please send us your art news about exhibits, awards, etc. for the March newsletter no later than February 25, 2020.

The Duneland Photography Club News:

The next meeting of the Duneland Photography Club is Tuesday, February 4, 2020 at Sunset Hill Farm County Park in the new education center (round silver building that looks like a grain bin). Mentoring is at 5:30pm, and the regular meeting starts at 7:00. Our guest speaker, Norman Turner, will be doing a hand-on presentation on "Table-Top Photography". Show and tell for the month will be "Creative Photos".

We are starting a new exhibition "Anticipating Spring . . ." at the Art Barn in Valparaiso from February 4th - March 14th. There will be an Artists' Reception on Feb. 15th from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. About twenty members of the Duneland Photo Club are exhibiting.

Additionally, two club members, Deb Armstrong and Henry Schultz, will have an exhibit at the Ellen Firme Gallery in Beverly Shores. The Opening Reception will be February 14th from 5:00 - 8:00 pm. Members of the Photo Club were awarded 14 ribbons in the Porter County Gardening Show Photo Contest on January 25th at the Porter County Expo Center.

The Duneland Photography Club meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at Sunset Hill County Park, U.S. 6 and Meridian Road, Valparaiso.

The club may be contacted at dunelandphoto-club@gmail.com. Find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/dunelandphotoclub/>.

Critique Night

Mark VanderVenne will host the first Critique Night of the new year on Wednesday, February 5 at 7:30 p.m. Guests are welcome with no prior registration required. All ability levels and artistic styles are encouraged to attend. There is no charge for this monthly event. Thank you, Mark!



Welcome New Members!

In January we welcomed new members Tanya Buff, Lorie Butler, Becca Evans, Randy & Deb Grieger, Sharon Kerner, Farel Krueger Family, Kylan Lottich Family, James & Pamela Moore Family, Bob & Meghan Rogers Family, Agnes Sech, Jennifer Werner, and Nicole Willbur.

Thank you for becoming members!



Children's Art Education

Preschool Classes for ages 3-5 are taught by Emily Blossom. Homeschool and after school classes for elementary through high school are taught by Jen Aitchison.

President/CEO
Wendy Marciniak

February class schedule:

Board of Directors

Jane Delligatti
Chair

Students of all ages will actively participate in learning, while studying one of the major movements of modern art history each month. All classes will include drawing throughout the month in some form. Students will be exposed to a mix of mediums, including painting, printmaking, sculpture, collage, drawing, weaving, paper arts, etc. The schedule of classes is as follows:

Larry Brechner
Vice Chair

Barbara Black
Treasurer

Monday 1:30-3:00 p.m., Home School 8-15 year-olds
Monday 3:30-5 p.m., Elementary 7-12 year-olds
Tuesday 1-2 p.m., Preschool 3-5 year-olds
Tuesday 4-5:30 p.m., Elementary 5-8 year-olds
Wednesday 1-2 p.m., Preschool 3-5 year-olds
Wednesday 3:30-5 p.m., Elementary 5-8 year-olds
Thursday 3:30-5 p.m., Elementary 7-12 year-olds
Thursday 5:30-7:00 p.m., Middle School 5-8th grade
Friday 3:30-5:00 p.m., High School 9-12th grade

Robert Kollar
Secretary



Rita Berg

Janel Borsos

Tuition is \$90 per month for high school, middle school, elementary, and home school students (the member rate is \$70), and \$75 for preschool students (the member rate is \$55). Families must be current members of the Chesterton Art Center to receive the member rate. Supplies and a nut-free snack are included. Students must register and pay before the first class. A \$20 fee will be added to any late payments made after the 10th of each month. To register, please contact the Art Center, or register online through Eventbrite at eventbrite.com.

Luella DeWulf

Kathryn Harris

In February, students will be learning about the period of Post-Impressionism and a bit of history about that time. Artists like van Gogh, Cézanne, and Seurat will be discussed. Students will be using their drawing skills and painting skills this month with still life work. The element of art referred to as "space" will be the focus this month as kids learn how the masters of the post-impersonism movement used this concept, and apply it to their own work.

Joel J. Janowski

Daniel Keilman

Robert Kollar

Ashley Lafata

Christine Newton

Marcia O'Sullivan

Brooke Sutter

STAFF:

Chris Acton
Administrative
Assistant

Marie Englehart



Photo by Larry Brechner

The Art Center
is a GREAT place for a party!

Birthday Parties!

Parties can celebrate
other occasions as well.

Call the office for more information.



COOKIES AND CANVAS



February 7

The Chesterton Art Center will be hosting the February Cookies and Canvas on Friday, February 7. Children ages 3-7 can attend from 5-6:30, and ages 8 & up can attend from 7-8:30. This fun art evening will include an 8" x 10" giraffe-themed, stretched canvas painting, as well as cookies and juice. The cost is \$10 per child, or \$5 for those who are members of the Chesterton Art Center. All interested students must register and pay no later than Thursday, February 6.



Our Policy Regarding Class/Workshop Fee Payments

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.

All classes must be paid for in full one day before class starts. This can be done by calling the Art Center with credit/debit card, stopping in, or by using Eventbrite online ticketing. 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. Thank you!