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Coming attractions

October 2-29
THE PERSISTERS PAINTERS
Torn Edges, Bonded Spirits
Women artists’ exhibit at the Medina County District Library’s B. Smith Gallery, 210 S. Broadway, Medina
RECEPTION: Oct. 15, 2-4 p.m.

October 7
BRASS BAND OF THE WESTERN RESERVE
Let’s Celebrate!
7 p.m., at the Medina Performing Arts Center, 851 Weymouth Rd., Medina
Tickets: $12
new.bbwesternreserve.org

October 8
ORMACO
David Zuder
2 p.m., Free concert at the Wadsworth Library, 132 Broad St., Wadsworth
ORMACO.org

October 28
ORMACO
General Guinness Band
8 p.m., at Highland High School, 4150 Ridge Road, Medina
Tickets: $10, purchase online or at Buehler’s
ORMACO.org

November 2
MEDINA CO. DISTRICT LIBRARY
Emilie Richards
Writer’s Live Series
12 p.m., at Weymouth Country Club
Tickets: $25 at any MCDL location or online: mcdl.info

November 3-5, 10-12
MEDINA SHOW BIZ CO.
Vintage Hitchcock, A Live Radio Play
7:30 p.m. - Fri. & Sat.; 2:30 p.m. Sun.
Haddad Theater, 144. N. Broadway, Medina. Tickets: $12 adult, $10 students & seniors
www.medinashowbiz.org

November 11 & 12
MEDINA COUNTY PARKS
Nature Art Fest
Sat. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. & Sun. 12 - 4 p.m.
Unique nature-inspired gifts & more from professional local artists.
Wolf Creek Environmental Center
6100 Ridge Road, Sharon Center

November 12
ORMACO
Naragon Duo
2 p.m., free concert at the Wadsworth Library, 132 Broad St., Wadsworth
ORMACO.org

November 18
BRASS BAND OF THE WESTERN RESERVE
Let it Shine!
7 p.m., at the Medina Performing Arts Center, 851 Weymouth Rd., Medina
Tickets: $12
new.bbwesternreserve.org

All listings are subject to change
The Medina County Arts Foundation invites local music lovers to join the Akron Symphony Orchestra for a traditional Holiday Pops Concert in Medina on Saturday, December 9, 2017, at 7:30 p.m. at the Medina Performing Arts Center, 851 Weymouth Road, in Medina. The Symphony’s revered holiday tradition expands this year to feature the extraordinary vocal star, Helen Welch, along with other invited community guests.

Welch, one of Akron’s most beloved entertainers, will lead an evening of celebration and inspiration. The directors say, “Helen Welch is a critically acclaimed vocalist whose live stage performances explore a diverse range of musical compositions, starting with the 1930s up through present-day. Whether she’s singing Ella Fitzgerald, Peggy Lee and Sarah Vaughan, or Elton John, Sting and Randy Newman, Helen’s sophisticated vocals and humor leave audiences breezily enchanted. A native of England, Helen is well-known throughout the United Kingdom for her musical theater roles and one-woman shows. Upon moving to the U.S. in 2003, she began appearing in venues throughout the Northeast. She frequently guest-stars or headlines with world-class musical organizations such as The Cleveland Orchestra, The Columbus Symphony Orchestra, The Cleveland Pops Orchestra and The Akron Symphony.”

Join your family and friends in celebrating the holiday season with the Akron Symphony Orchestra, at the Foundation’s signature fundraising event of the year. Proceeds will benefit future arts activities for the students and community of Medina. Tickets can be purchased in the Orchestra or the front half of the Mezzanine for $25. Balcony seats and other Mezzanine seats may still be available for $15. The balcony seats are only accessible by stairs.

Buy online: https://akronsymphony.org/concerts/medina-holiday-pops or by calling the Akron Symphony Ticket Office at 330-535-8131.

- Courtesy Akron Symphony

December 3
WADSWORTH COMMUNITY BAND
Holiday Concert
Free, 2 p.m., at the O.J. Work Auditorium, Wadsworth
sites.google.com/site/wadsworthcommunityband/home

December 3
MEDINA CHORUS
Winter 2017 Concert
3 p.m., at the Medina Presbyterian Church, 5020 Burgundy Bay, Medina
$10 adult, $7 senior & student

All listings are subject to change
October is Arts & Humanities Month—Set YOUR Goals

As an artist, or as someone who just enjoys and loves the arts, there are four goals that you need to consider and to which you need to devote time and energy this month. These goals have been identified by committees of national professionals and leaders in the arts and humanities. They suggest that we must make individual, as well as group efforts, to move forward. Here is a summary of their list for action:

1. work in all the media formats;
2. encourage the active participation of individuals as well as organizations;
3. provide opportunities for federal, state, and local business, government and civic leaders to declare their support for the arts and humanities;
4. establish and support a highly visible campaign for raising public awareness about the values of the arts and humanities in our culture.

Let’s all get to work in October!

2018-2019 Grant Applications due February 28

If your organization is considering applying for one of our grants, it is time for you to start work on planning. Grant applications are due February 28, 2018. Forms and Guidelines will be available December 1st and may be printed out from our website: www.medinacountyarts council.org. All grants will be reviewed in March by a committee of trustees and voted on by the Board in April. Applicants will be notified by May 15 if they have been awarded a grant or not. The requesting non-profit organization must have 501(c) status. Profits from any event or special project of the requesting organization must be used to promote the arts. Be sure your reports on previous grants have been turned in.
The Medina County Arts Council's July 2017 Arts Week Festival featured free evening performances on Medina's Square, Sharon Center's circle, Valley City's Mill Stream Park and the Wadsworth Library. Artists and performers presented children's afternoon programs in Medina, the Brunswick Library and the Wadsworth Library. This year's Arts Week Committee included Jill Morton, Dan Hostetler, Amy Winnicki, and Vicki Sheridan, with support from Tom Stugmyer and Main Street Wadsworth.

Photos (clockwise from top right): Adam Michel, Mary Jo Oklessen, Chip Richter, Walking in Circles, The Permanents, and Dave Parsons.
Special Tributes for Arts Week Festival Support

Our Arts Week committee and our Board would like to make sure that our members and the public recognize and appreciate the organizational support we have depended on for our Arts Week Festival programming around the county.

Thanks go to administrators and staff in the facilities hosting events. The events and performances were made financially possible through special grants from both the Ohio Arts Council and the Medina County Community Fund.

Ohio Arts Council
Medina County Community Fund

Below: Hogwart’s Camp with Weather-vane Playhouse at the Wadsworth Library.

Children’s Art Classes

The Medina County Arts Council has offered summer classes for years, giving children an opportunity to discover their creative side. In July, we presented two popular arts education programs for children—“Drawing and Cartooning” with Jim Gill, and “Fantasy Garden in Polymer Clay” with Annette Carruthers. The art classes were produced in cooperation with the Medina County District Library.

This summer, the Arts Council was pleased to present “Harmony in Art” visual art exhibit. This collaborative exhibit featured artwork by Brunswick City Schools art teachers and their students, and was on display in the Medina Library’s “B. Smith Gallery” June 19-July 15, then traveled to the Brunswick Library for display July 24-Aug. 6. Kelly Harrison was exhibit coordinator.

Art Views Newsletter*
Facebook and Website.

Email your information to: medinaart-buzz@gmail.com

*Deadline is December 1 for inclusion in our Winter Newsletter (January- March events).
Our dedicated actors and directors once again provided us with our annual Fall “Walk into History” to introduce local residents to important highlights and people in Medina’s early life. Many thanks, to not only the “characters”, but also committee members Donna Bica, Marcia Aguiar, Brian Feron, Dan Hostetler, and Judy and Mike Davanzo, who scheduled guides.

**Characters** and actors involved included (clockwise):

- **Harrison Gray (H.G.) Blake**, abolitionist and founder of Old Phoenix Bank (portrayed by Manuel Aguiar);
- **Mrs. Rufus Ferris (Marcia Aguiar)**, Mrs. Northrup (Cyndi McClintock) and Mrs. Zenith Hamilton (Stefanie Plymale) talked about life in early Medina;
- **Dr. Samuel Hudson (Mark Levigne)** and helpers (Aaron and Stephen Levigne) stole corpses in Old Town Cemetery;
- **Robert (Charlie Richards) and Rachel Whipp (Carrie Robinson)** discussed her plot to murder her husband;
- **Edward Welling (Ron Svoboda) and Charlie Iper (Mike McClintock)** talked about the founding of the Medina Community Band;
- **Attorney Charlie Alcott (Barry Frey)** talked about his rough life.

Spirits of the Past has always been cooperatively staged by the Medina County Show Biz Company, the Medina County Historical Society, and the Medina County Arts Council.
Join today and be a part of the ARTS in Medina County

What does a Medina County Arts Council membership mean to the community? By your paid membership, you become part of the greater good, by helping fund various forms of artistic nourishment to Medina County programs for children and adults. The arts continually lose government funding, but are critically needed to nurture hearts and souls, which allow individual abilities to surface and help others. It’s an ongoing gift that knows no end. All because you cared.

Please renew your membership or become a member during our annual drive and contribute to a brighter future.

Since 1983, the Medina County Arts Council’s purpose has been to promote and build community excellence through the arts in Medina County.
The Medina County Arts Council, Inc.
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Return Service Requested

2018 Arts Council Events

Annual Meeting
FEBRUARY 21, 2018
Medina County Arts Council members are invited to attend our Annual Meeting, at the Medina County Library, 210 S. Broadway in Medina. Refreshments will be served.

SERVICE TO THE ARTS AWARDS & SUMMER SOIRÉE
JUNE 7, 2018
Our annual Awards celebration and Summer Soirée fundraiser. More about this special event at Buffalo Creek Lodge in our spring newsletter.

Summer Art Exhibit
JUNE 25 - JULY 21, 2018
At the Medina Library’s “B. Smith Gallery”.

Children’s Art Classes
JULY 2018

Arts Week Festival
JULY 9 - 13, 2018
Free arts activities and concerts for the whole family!

Spirits of the Past
SEPTEMBER 6 - 9, 2018

Check our website for updates:
medinacountyartscouncil.org

facebook.com/medcoartscouncil/