Next in the Galleries - Duneland Plein Air Painters

Exhibition: Together Again

Exhibition dates November 6-30, 2021
Opening Reception Saturday, November 6, 11-2 PM

Plein Air refers to painting in the “open air” or particularly painting outdoors directly from life. The Duneland Plein Air Painters travel weekly from May to October throughout Northwest Indiana and Southwest Michigan to paint dunes, beaches, surrounding farmlands, town squares, private gardens and many other familiar sites. The beauty and diversity of this unique region is captured by the artists using a variety of techniques and media including oil, watercolor, pastel, charcoal, pencil and ink.

This exhibit will feature their latest works. To join the group and find out weekly painting locations, check out their facebook page: Duneland Plein Air Painters. Participation is voluntary each week and there is no charge... come to paint when you can!

List of Participants:
Sandy Appleby, Lee Bauman, Kei Constantinov (pictured above), Kris Cook, Jane Cowley, Bunny Dimke, Sharon Goodall, Sandra Hass, Pat Herman, Kuhn Hong, Sue Hughes, Laura Krentz, Carolyn Lelek, Claire Merrill, Linda Monahan, Chris Newton, Diana Plenys, Kirsten Renehan, Carleen Rivera, Linda Swanson, Betty Thomas, Nicole Willbur, Gail Wolever
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.

Welcome New Members!

Richard Johnson, Tony Martin & Morgan McCabe, Joyce Recktenwall, Suzanne Philbrick, Susanne Hughes, Susan Cashmer, Sue Spitler, Jan Zotti, Karen Calvert, Suzanna Perrell, Suzy Vance, Eileen Telesky, Leota Baum

Congratulations Luella!

Chesterton Art Center honors the amazing Luella DeWulf as an Emeritus member of our Board of Directors. She has been an integral part of the center for decades and will continue to be a guiding light in this new role. Luella’s unwavering support and passion for our mission has enhanced the arts and arts education for our Duneland community and beyond.
From the Executive Director

Thank you all for the gracious welcome and well wishes this past month. I’ve enjoyed settling in and getting to know so many new faces and hear folks’ stories of and dreams for CAC. The community history and support of this art center is tremendous, and I honor the responsibility of holding our collective history while bridging and building new ideas as we look toward our future.

The heart of CAC is you. I, and the entire CAC team, are grateful for your support of our mission to provide engaging programs and events that widen access to the arts and arts education for our Duneland community and beyond, and I can’t wait to build even more with all of you. We couldn’t accomplish this without each of you and your support.

Our red doors are always open for a visit. Stop in to view our latest exhibit, shop local artisan gifts for the upcoming holiday season, see what our students are making and consider joining us for some creative time this fall in an upcoming class or workshop. Or simply stop in to say hello and share more stories and dreams. We can’t wait to see you.

Member Spotlight

Scott Ness

This month, we would like to profile the amazing Scott Ness who volunteers with us on a weekly basis and is always generous with his time, spirit and advice. Scott has lived in Chesterton for 26 years and only retired in February 2020 after years with Amoco in transportation logistics and with another freight company. He is a proud grandfather to three grandchildren; two of them live locally and another in Bloomington.

Scott can be found volunteering his talents to multiple local organizations, including Giant Paw Prints, Duneland YMCA, Kiwanis and Hoosier Valley Railroad Museum. He is an avid train hobbyist and enthusiast. His favorite artform is photography, and he always takes in the exhibits here at CAC.

We are so grateful for Scott’s untiring dedication to his community. Next time you see him at the Center or out and about, offer him a big “thank you”.

Community Events

Interwoven Expressions... Unexpected Fibers

Saturday, November 13, 2021
9 AM-5 PM
Sand Creek Country Club
1001 Sand Creek Drive
Chesterton, IN 46304

Celebrate our 36th Interwoven Expressions Exhibit and Sale with 25 artists at Sand Creek Country Club.

Exquisite creations from hands that weave, dye, knit, felt, quilt, stitch and design contemporary and traditional fashions, home decor, and holiday gifts.

Contact: Lu Terock at (219)762-7748 or TerockL@aol.com
www.InterwovenExpressions.com
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Free admission! Free parking!

Hometown Holiday Celebration

Saturday Nov 27, 2021
8 AM-7 PM
Thomas Centennial Park

Come and celebrate the holidays, Duneland style! Hometown Holiday Outdoor Market, Carriage Rides, Tree Lighting Ceremony, and the Twilight Christmas Parade. Everyone is invited!

- Hometown Holiday Outdoor Market 8 AM-2 PM
- Carriage Rides 11 AM-2 PM
- Tree Lighting Ceremony 5 PM
- Twilight Christmas Parade 5:15 PM

Duneland Chamber of Commerce
220 Broadway
Chesterton, IN 46304

CAC is open from 12-8 PM hosting St. Elizabeth Orthodox Church and their delicious baked goods for sale.
Art Classes for Kids & Teens

Fall 2021-Spring 2022
Register at chestertonart.org or call (219) 926-4711

These classes are taught by the amazing Miss Jen.

November’s focus... think Van Gogh, Gauguin, and Cézanne... and their amazing brush strokes and paint techniques! They produced some of the most recognizable works in the history of art. We will explore how these artists broke free from the Impressionists with bold color choices and obscured perspectives. Young students will work on still life pieces in class as well as other painting and drawing work with brave color choices.

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.

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

Art Classes for Preschoolers
Tuesdays, 1-2 PM
or
Wednesdays, 1-2 PM

Art Classes for Kids 5-8 years
Tuesdays, 3:30-5 PM
or
Wednesdays, 3:30-5 PM

Art Classes for Kids 8-12 years
Mondays, 3:30-5 PM
or
Thursdays, 3:30-5 PM

Art Classes for Homeschool-All ages
Mondays, 1:30-3 PM

Art Classes for Kids 12+
Thursdays, 5:30-7 PM

Comics I with Katie Wiley (ages 6-11)
This 3-week introductory comics course starts Saturday, Nov 6, 10 AM-11:30 AM. This class is open to children ages 6-11 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. Each young artist will create a 2-3 page comic book from their imagination.

Tuition for the Comics I class is $75 for non-members and $65 for current CAC Family Members. All supplies are provided. Class limited to 10 students.

Comics II with Katie Wiley (ages 12+)
This 5-week course starts Saturday, Nov 6, 12:30 AM-2 PM. Comics II is a great class for those that wish to build on their comics knowledge or wish to improve their storytelling. Students will dive deeper into their understanding of comics by learning to script their own story, develop characters, organize thumbnails, ink their comic and use color effectively.

Tuition for the Comics II class is $75 for non-members and $65 for current CAC Family Members. All supplies are provided. Class limited to 10 students.

Kids’ Clay with Emily Casella
Kids ages 6-12 years old can celebrate the holidays and winter solstice while preparing for the hot chocolate season! Kids will create their own ceramic pinecone cup and saucer! Join Emily Casella this December for a 3-week session to learn how to hand-build cups and slab roll pine needle saucers! Class will meet for three Saturdays Dec 4, 11, and 18 from 10 - 11:30 AM.

Tuition for non-members is $95 and $75 for current CAC Family members. All materials are provided, and class is limited to 8 students.
TAG! Teen Arts Group

TAG will meet Wednesday November 17, from 4:30 – 6:30 PM for a glass fusing workshop with artist Mindy Milan. TAG artists will learn the techniques of glass fusing to create small individual pieces as well as a larger collaborative glass piece. All supplies are provided, and all teen artists are welcome. Contact the Center to rsvp.

In October, TAG artists created prints and stickers using relief printing techniques with local artist Katie Wiley. These works will be on exhibit in collaboration with IUN School of the Arts’ presentation of the original play, Kaminski’s Lot, with performances throughout November.

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 hannah@chestertonart.org.

CAC Member Exhibit Information

Every year, we get the opportunity to showcase the great talents of our local artist members. Our annual Members’ Exhibit will be on display December 4, 2021 to January 15, 2022 with an opening reception on Saturday December 11 from noon to 2 PM.

- All current CAC members are invited to submit 2 pieces for the exhibit.
- Artwork drop off will take place on Thursday December 2 and Friday December 3 from 11AM to 4 PM each day.
- Artwork must be framed and ready to hang or they will not be accepted.
- Members should submit works that have not been shown at the Center in the past six months, so works currently on display in our upstairs Member Gallery are not eligible for this exhibit.
- Artworks in the Members’ Exhibit may be available for sale, and CAC will take a 30% commission on any sold artworks.
- Contact us with any questions.
Adult Art Classes

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

Friday Beginning Ceramics with Milissa Beale
Fri, Nov 5-Dec 10, 2021 from 10 AM - 1 PM

During this 5-week course starting on Friday, November 5, from 10:00AM - 1:00PM, participants will study with the amazing Milissa Beale of Beale Pottery to 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. There will be no class Friday November 26.

Ceramic Open Studio with Milissa Beale
Fri, Nov 5-Dec 10, 2021 from 6:30-9:30 PM

This 5-week Open Studio class begins Friday November 5 and meets from 6:30-9:30 PM. Open Studio allows students time and space to create their own ceramic works under the guidance of Milissa Beale of Beale Pottery. Students may create works on the wheel or hand-build. This class is for students who have previously taken Beginning Ceramics at Chesterton Art Center.

Tuition for non-members is $165, and $145 for current CAC members. A $20 fee for 25 lbs of clay is payable to the instructor at the first class. There will be no class Friday November 26.

Warm Glass Fusing with Mindy Milan
Sat, Nov 6 OR Sat, Dec 4, from 1-4 PM

Students will 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 are provided with a $15 material/firing fee paid to the instructor at the beginning of the class. Cost is $45 for members and $55 for non-members, plus the $15 material/firing fee paid to the instructor at the beginning of class.

Ceramic Figurative Bust Workshop with Emily Casella
Sat, Nov 13, Sun, Nov 14, and Sat, Nov 20, from 10-Noon

Learn how to make character head busts with Emily Casella. Choose from existing people or characters, or invent your own! This workshop for adults and teens will run Sat, Nov 13, Sun, Nov 14, and Sat, Nov 20, from 10-Noon.

The first weekend will be focused on how to build up shoulders to head using coil building methods and sculpt facial features, hair, and neck/shoulder accessories. The second Saturday will be dedicated to underglazing the sculptures.

Tuition for non-members is $95, and $75 for current CAC members. All materials are provided, and the workshop is limited to six students.

APPLIES TO ALL CLASSES - 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. There will be no make-up days for any missed classes at this time.
Glass II with Mindy Milan
A 6-week course starting on Tuesday, November 2 from 6–8:00 PM

Glass II is for those who wish to expand their glass fusing experience and knowledge. This six-week course meets on Tuesdays from 6 PM to 8 PM November 2 through December 14; no class Tuesday November 23. Students will explore new glass forming and embellishing techniques, including strip cutting, kilnforming, draping, frits and powders and enamel painting. All supplies are provided.

Prerequisite: Intro to 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. This class will meet in our upstairs classroom.

CRITIQUE NIGHT
NOV. 3, 7:30 PM

Join Mark Vander Vinne on the first Wednesday of each month. All ability levels and artistic styles are welcome. Attendees are encouraged to bring work to share with the group. While Mark is a painter, he will be able to advise artists in other mediums as well. There is no charge to attend. New artists always welcome!

Congratulations to Mark on his double award win in the Midwest Museum of American Art’s 43rd Elkhart Juried Regional Art Exhibition!

Visit our website for our COVID-19 guidelines.

Shop Local Artists at CAC
(You don’t have to wait for the cargo ships!)
Duneland Photography Club News

Next meeting
November 2, 2021 at 7 pm

The Duneland Photography Club meets the first Tuesday of each month. On November 2 at 7 PM at Sunset Hill County Park, we will be led by our own Susan Kirt. She is doing a presentation on insect photography, “What Bugs You?” Susan is an expert in pollinators, and has some of her photos in Save the Dunes publications. She teaches biology at the college level.

Our upcoming activities include a class on Photoshop Elements by LeAnn Angerman on November 13 at Sunset Hill. On November 20 we will have two opportunities to photograph Sandhill Cranes at Jasper-Pulaski Fish and Wildlife area at 7 AM and 3 PM.

In October, we had a fall hike at the Indiana Dunes State Park, led by Indiana Dunes Hiking expert Ron Seman. Here is a photo by member Ben Soeter of our group at the Beach House Blowout. We also had the opportunity to do community service in October by doing headshots of the performers of upcoming productions at the Memorial Opera House.

The Duneland Photography Club seeks to provide opportunities for members to help each other grow in their photography and to benefit the greater community.

Find us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/dunelandphotoclub or contact us at DunelandPhotographyClub@gmail.com for more information.

What’s next at CAC?

DECEMBER
Members’ Exhibit - December 3–January 15
Opening Reception December 11, 12–2 PM

JANUARY
Galleries closed - January 16–31, 2022

FEBRUARY
Cathy Feeman - Feb 1–March 26, 2022