July: In the galleries...

Stephanie Samaitis Carnell:
Transition

EXHIBITION: July 2–28
ARTIST RECEPTION: July 9, 12–2 PM

For decades, Carnell has been a committed printmaker producing works in traditional techniques such as etching, drypoint, and aquatint, but also the contemporary process of solarplate etching. Combining various techniques and fusing photography, drawing, digital processes, and printing surfaces, Carnell embraced experimentation and unanticipated results that inspired her.

In seeking new artmaking methods, she became interested in digital art and discovered ways to incorporate digital processes into her artistic practice. Her exploration of fractal art, using calculated fractal patterns to create images, opened new doors and freedom for Carnell to play with color and presentation.

This exhibit explores Carnell’s body of work from traditional printmaking techniques to new digital processes, a transition in media and artistic practice.

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 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 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.

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From the Executive Director

Summer has arrived at CAC!

Our classrooms are alive with young artists in summer camps and folks learning new techniques and processes, our galleries welcome new and returning local artists, our member gallery and gift shop are full of beautiful pieces, and we are gearing up for our amazing 63rd annual Chesterton Art Fair.

A project we are proud of came to fruition this past month, and I want to share it with you all. Working with other local arts and cultural sites in Chesterton, CAC produced a Chesterton Arts District map that highlights fifteen businesses, organizations, or entities that support our local creative community. This is a wonderful collaboration that champions Chesterton’s Art of Living motto and promotes area creatives and small businesses. You can find a copy of that map in this newsletter, on our website, and at the other partner locations. Support local art and local creatives when you’re out and about this summer!

Now is a perfect time to visit and take part in all that CAC does in our community. Spend some creative time in a class or workshop this summer, lose yourself in our galleries, and definitely attend the Chesterton Art Fair on Saturday August 6 and Sunday August 7. All the details about this year’s fair are on further pages in this newsletter, and it’s shaping up to be a wonderful event with amazing artists, live music, delicious food, and engaging kids’ activities. Put that weekend on your calendar!

We’re welcoming hundreds of folks each month to the center—a lot of whom are first time visitors, which is wonderful. Please continue to spread the word about CAC and all the work we do and bring a friend or family member next time you come through our red doors. See you then!

TAG! Teen Arts Group

This past month, Teen Arts Group (TAG) led a special public art project at Upsadaisy Market, a local Sunday market full of upcycled, vintage, and artisan treasures. The project, titled Abode, encouraged visitors to tell a story, share a secret, or recall a memory as they contributed to the community art piece through different creative processes. The piece was temporarily installed at Thomas Centennial Park for the month of June.

This month, TAG artists will be visiting the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago as well as preparing work for their first-ever booth at the Chesterton Art Fair.

Next TAG Meeting at CAC: July 13, 2022 - 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.
Things to Know

DROP-IN LIFE DRAWING

Every Tuesday, 2–4 PM
No registration required.
Bring your own supplies.
$15 model fee

CLASS CANCELLATION REFUND POLICY

If a student needs to cancel more than 2 weeks out from the start of class, they will be provided with a full refund. If a student cancels less than 2 weeks out from the start of class, they will be provided 75% of the class fee as ‘store credit’. This credit can be used toward another class, or toward a gift/art purchase from the Center.

ART VISITS: CAC WELCOMES GROUPS FOR GALLERY TOURS & ARTMAKING TOGETHER.

CAC has started an exciting new initiative – Art Visits! Art Visits invite small groups to the 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.

Book your group Art Visit today! For information on details, costs, and scheduling, contact Jillian Bridgeman, Program Director, at programs@chestertonart.org.

CAC YOUTH ART POSTCARDS FOR SALE

Purchase a set of 8 different postcards created by our talented CAC youth artists. Available in the gift shop for $10. Proceeds from the sale of these postcards support our educational programming.

Thank You Chesterton-Porter Rotary

Thank you to the Chesterton-Porter Rotary Club for their generous gift of $1,000 to Chesterton Art Center. CAC is grateful for this contribution that will further fund our youth outreach programs in honor of Dr. Daniel Keilman.

Pictured L to R:
Jane Dellagatti, Rotary member and Board Chair of CAC, Hannah Hammond-Hagman, Executive Director of CAC, and Barbara Black, Rotary President and Board Member of CAC.

Call All Volunteers!

WE NEED YOU FOR OUR 63RD ANNUAL CHESTERTON ART FAIR!

Volunteers are an essential part of the success of this large-scale annual event. Individual volunteers and groups are welcome to join us on Saturday and Sunday August 6 and 7 at beautiful Dogwood Park. Volunteer tasks and shifts are varied—there is something for everyone, and all volunteers get free entry to the fair.

Interested? Please reach out to CAC Board Member and Chesterton Art Fair Volunteer Coordinator, Barbara Black, at bblack1888@outlook.com.
In its 63rd year, Chesterton Art Fair draws artists and art lovers from all over the Midwest and beyond. Always the first full weekend in August, this year's dates are August 6 and 7, 2022, 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.

The Fair features 80+ artists, live music, family activities, food vendors and free parking for our almost four thousand visitors.

Proceeds from the fair support Chesterton Art Center (CAC), a non-profit arts organization providing high-quality educational and outreach programs that serve hundreds of students of all ages, a calendar of exhibitions that showcase local and regional artists, and various community events and partnerships that bring the arts to the Duneland community and beyond.

Tickets for the fair are $5 per person. Children 12 and under are free. You can purchase your tickets at the Art Center, in advance on our website, or at the gate.

For a complete listing of 2022 participating artists please go to our website, select events, and you will see all the Art Fair information listed.

Entertainment Schedule
Saturday August 6
10:00 – 11:45 AM Patti Shaffner
12:00 – 1:45 PM Billy Foster
2:00 – 3:45 PM Marco Villereal
4:00 – 5:00 PM Ross + Young

Sunday August 7
10:00 – 11:45 AM Alexis Bratsakis
12:00 – 1:45 PM Mike Owens
2:00 – 2:45 PM Leann Stutler
3:00 – 4:00 PM Captain Ambivalent

Food Vendors
Ivy’s Bohemia House
Dog Days Ice Cream
Big D’s Eats
St. Elizabeth’s Orthodox Church
Sweet Lou’s That’s Who
July Summer Art Camps

Impressions of the Lakeshore
Mon, July 11-Thu, July 14
Ages 5-8 @ 8:30-11 AM | Ages 8+ @ 12-2:30 PM
Tuition | $120 for non-members and $100 for current CAC Family Members
Let’s explore the beauty of our ever-changing, local natural wonder, Lake Michigan. We will uncover the works of local artist, Frank Dudley, whose landscape artworks inspired Dunes conservation in our area. Working in the Impressionistic style, students will explore various media with a strong focus on acrylic painting, working to creatively capture moments of the lovely lakeshore.

Fantastical Worlds & Beyond
Mon, July 18-Thu, July 21
Ages 5-8 @ 8:30-11 AM | Ages 8+ @ 12-2:30 PM
Tuition | $120 for non-members and $100 for current CAC Family Members
You are the builder, and your imagination is your toolkit! During this fantastical week, we will invent landscapes and creatures that exist only in the artist’s mind. Let your imagination run wild as anything from flying tigers to underwater worlds can inhabit the pages of your sketchbook. Students can look forward to drawing their own creatures and painting their own worlds, all while sharing discussions about artists who are famous for bringing imaginative worlds to life in art, books, video games, and movies.

To register, visit our website chestertonart.org/classes or contact the Center at (219) 926-4711. Scholarships are available for students of all ages. The scholarship application is on our website at chestertonart.org/scholarships. For more information, contact Jillian, Program Director, at programs@chestertonart.org.
Adult Art Classes
Our classes provide a creative space for artists to learn at every age and level.

Intermediate Ceramics with Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis
This 6-week class will meet from Friday, July 1-August 5 at 6-9 PM.

With guidance from Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis, students will continue to learn technique, refine their skills, and further expand their knowledge of standard decorating and glazing styles. There will be 5 wheel throwing spots available and 3 hand-building spots available; students must commit to their technique of choice when they register. This class is for students who have previously taken Beginning Ceramics at Chesterton Art Center. 
Prerequisite: Beginning Ceramics

Tuition is $185 for non-members and $165 for current CAC members. All materials are provided, including 12 lbs. of clay.

Glass Fusing Workshop with Mindy Milan
This 1-day workshop will meet on Saturday, July 9 from 1-4 PM.

With guidance from Mindy Milan, students can look forward to creating 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. All materials are provided.

This workshop is a prerequisite for the Glass Fusing II class.

Tuition is $45 for current CAC members and $55 for non-members. (A $15 material and firing fee is payable to the instructor at the beginning of class.)

Floral Watercolor Workshop with Nora Block
This one-day workshop is held on Thursday, July 14, 6-8:30 PM.

With guidance from Nora Block, this introductory workshop will allow students to learn watercolor basics through the subject of florals and greenery.

We will discuss watercolor supplies, painting techniques, and composition so you can bring your ideas to life and become a more confident painter. This workshop is recommended for beginners & is held in the upstairs classroom.

Tuition for non-members is $60 and $50 for current CAC members.

Glass Fusing II with Mindy Milan
This 6-week class will meet from Tuesday, July 19-August 23 at 6-8 PM.

Glass Fusing II is for those who wish to expand their glass fusing experience and knowledge. With guidance from Mindy Milan, students will explore new glass forming and embellishing techniques -- including strip cutting, kiln forming, draping, frits and powders, and enamel painting. All supplies are provided. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Prerequisite: Glass Fusing workshop

Tuition is $180 for non-members and $160 for current CAC members. (A $25 material/firing fee is due to the instructor at the first class.)

Charm of Colored Pencils with Emily Casella
This 4-week class will meet from Wednesday, July 20-August 10 at 5:30-7:30 PM.

Students will uncover the vast properties of contemporary color pencils & fundamental drawing. A whimsical still life will be transformed into a vibrant composition using complementary color blending, transparency vs. color density, and different stroke techniques. By the end, students will create a unique 11x14 drawing and gain confidence with color pencils. This class is recommended for all skill levels, including beginners. This class is held in the upstairs classroom.

Tuition is $110 for non-members and $90 for current CAC members.

Pysanky Egg Dyeing Workshop on July 23
Pysanky Egg Dyeing Workshop with Mary Acton
This one-day workshop is held on Saturday, July 23 from 9 AM-12 PM.

Pysanky (from the Ukrainian verb pysaty, meaning “to write”) are beautiful creations on the shells of eggs. With the guidance of Mary Acton, students will learn the art of Pysanky egg dyeing using a wax resist process to control the various dyes on the eggs, ending with a beautiful pattern or image. Participants may choose from a variety of patterns for their egg, or they may design their own. No experience necessary. All materials are provided.

Tuition is $55.00 for non-members, and $45.00 for current CAC members. (A $10 supply fee is payable to the instructor at the beginning of class.)
Duneland Photography Club News

Next meeting
July 5, 2022 at 7 pm

The Duneland Photography Club meets the first Tuesday of each month at Sunset Hill Farm County Park in the Horton Family Education Center at 7:00pm. Doors open at 5:30 for hands-on mentoring and question time. The speaker for the next meeting on July 5th is Rafi Wilkenson, Ranger at the Indiana Dunes National Park. Not only does he work in the park, but Rafi spends a lot of time taking photos of the wonders our National Park has to offer. He will be sharing his photos and insights on the history and some of his favorite places to photograph.

The Duneland Photography Club currently has an exhibit, “The Best of Duneland Photography Club” at the Gallery at 8585 Broadway (formerly known as the Chase Bank Building) in Merrillville. Eleven members are showing 27 pieces of their work in this exclusive show. The exhibit runs through July 30th.

In June, the club enjoyed a field trip to Hamstra Gardens in Wheatfield, IN. Upcoming plans in July include a photo shoot of sunflowers in southern Lake County and another outing at the Porter County Fair.

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?

AUGUST

Chesterton Art Fair: Aug 6 & 7

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER

Corey Hagelberg
Exhibition: Aug 4-Sept 28, 2022
Artist Reception: Sat, Aug 13, 12–2 PM

OCTOBER-NOVEMBER

Mark My Words: The Works of Amos P. Kennedy, Jr. + Regional Zine + Print Artists
Exhibition: Oct 4–Nov 28, 2022
Reception: Sat, Nov 5, 11–2 PM
EXPLORE THE ARTS

THE ARTS DISTRICT
OF CHESTERTON INDIANA

A 219 Taproom*  
109 S 3rd St  
219taproom.com

B 4th Street Theater  
125 N 4th St  
4thstreettncca.com

C Ashley's Jewelry By Design  
221 Broadway  
ashleysjewelrybydesign.com

D Chesterton Art Center  
135 S 4th St  
chestertonart.org

E Holly Jackson Art Studio and Gallery  
303 S 2nd St  
FB: hollyjacksonartist

F Moth Wing Studio  
325 S Calumet Rd  
mothwingstudio.com

G Pieces of Jadye  
1597 S Calumet Rd  
piecesojadye.com

H Red Cup Cafe & Deli*  
115 Broadway  
@redcupchesterton

I Stephanie Swanson Jewelry Design  
1531 S Calumet Rd #5  
stephanieswansonjewelry.com

J Sweet Stitches Quilt Shop  
1575 S Calumet Rd  
sweetstitchesquiltshop.com

K The Good Earth Pots Studio  
500 Broadway, Ste A  
thegoodearthpots.com

L Third Coast Spice Cafe*  
761 Indian Boundary Rd # 6  
thirdcoastspice.com

M Three Moons Fiberworks  
402 Broadway  
threemoonsfiberworks.com

N Three Wicked Apples  
135 S Calumet Rd  
threewickedapples.com

O European Market (Saturday)  
dunelandchamber.org

Upsadaisy Market (Sunday)  
visitchesterton.org  
Thomas Centennial Park  
105 S Calumet Rd  
*exhibits local area artwork

This map was created by Chesterton Art Center to help visitors and patrons explore and experience all the wonderful arts and culture Chesterton has to offer.

Chesterton Art Center is a vibrant hub of artistic and cultural activity in the Duneland area. CAC widens access to art and arts education while expanding our mission’s impact and building a creative community that includes everyone.

Located in downtown Chesterton, CAC has two main exhibition galleries, classrooms, community library, a member gallery and artisan gift shop.