August: In the galleries...

Corey Hagelberg: The Design is Fine...The Design is not Fine

EXHIBITION: AUGUST 4–SEPTEMBER 28, 2022
ARTIST RECEPTION: AUGUST 13, 12–2 PM

Corey Hagelberg emphasizes and embraces the opposites and contradictions in our everyday experiences blurring the lines between humor and tragedy, natural and industrial, accusation and confession, and beautiful and grotesque. His work with black and white woodcut has highlighted the relationship between the human and natural world, and his social practice addresses issues of food justice, community growing spaces, and regenerative agriculture as it relates to creating resilient local economies and a livable planet.

“The exhibition at Chesterton Art Center will consist of about 20 black and white woodcuts spanning almost 20 years of production. Some as large as 10 feet in length, this body of work speaks to the beauty of the natural world while raising questions about the human impact on the land. Some pieces act to celebrate the beauty of nature while others tell specific stories of environmental destruction on the South Shore of Lake Michigan where industry dominates the resilient, but imperiled, Indiana Dunes.” Hagelberg stated, when asked about the specific focus of the exhibition.

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.

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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.

MEMBER LEVELS

- Single Membership: $35
- Family Membership: $50
- Patron: $70
- Benefactor: $125
- Changemaker: $500

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From the Executive Director

How lucky are we to be welcoming the 63rd year of the Chesterton Art Fair that has a rich history of showcasing amazing regional, Midwestern, and national artists? It is the reason this organization exists. Founded as the Association of Artists and Craftsmen of Porter County, the initial mission of this organization was to design and implement an annual event that highlighted the creative community and produced an event to celebrate and enjoy art and the artists that create it. This it still core to who we are at CAC as we create opportunities for everyone to enjoy art and artmaking and understand the transformative role it can play in our lives.

I hope you’ll join us in Dogwood Park to do exactly that. As you eat some delicious local food and listen to amazing local musicians with your bags full of handmade and unique artworks and treasures, let the breeze blow around you and reflect on this history; the communal accomplishment that transforms a local park into a creative gathering space for two magical days in August. We’ll see you there.

MEMBERS ONLY EVENT

CAC Members,
Please join us for a special free members-only event Thursday September 15 from 5-7PM in the CAC galleries. Exhibiting artist Corey Hagelberg will discuss his exhibition, The Design is Fine….The Design is not Fine, and offer a relief printmaking demonstration. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP to gallery@chestertonart.org to reserve your space.

TAG! Teen Arts Group

This past month, Teen Arts Group (TAG) ventured to Chicago for an exciting visit to the Museum of Contemporary Art, a first-time trip for almost every attending member. The group explored Nick Cave's exhibition, Forothermore, enjoying a combination of installations, fashion, and fine art. This was a really special experience for both members and leaders, and we’re eager to plan our next creative adventure.

This month, TAG artists will be preparing for their first-ever booth at the Chesterton Art Fair. Artists will be showcasing and selling works ranging from paintings, drawings, jewelry, and more. Be sure to stop by Booth 45 at the fair!

Next TAG Meeting at CAC: August 3, 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

CAC REFUND POLICY

CAC REFUND POLICY: No full refunds are permitted for tuitions paid for educational programs. Participants may receive a 50% tuition credit that can be used for a future educational program at CAC. After the start of, or the day of, the educational program, no refunds or credits will be given. Should CAC cancel any educational program, all participants will receive a full refund.

CAC RECEIVES $10,000 GRANT

We are thrilled to announce that we are recipients of a $10,000 Community Fund grant from the Porter County Community Foundation. This operational support grant will help us grow capacity to continue to build and expand our programs, exhibits, partnerships, and outreach to better serve our Duneland community and create access for audiences not previously served by CAC.

Shirley Heinze Land Trust
Nature in the Arts

Saturday, August 20, 2022
9 AM-12 PM
Meadowbrook Nature Preserve
109 W 700 N, Valparaiso, IN 46385

CAC is thrilled to partner with Shirley Heinze Land Trust for their Nature in the Arts program, a special series of events that combine the outdoors with hands-on art experiences for all ages. Join us at Meadowbrook on August 20 where we will be creating magical nature wands from foraged sticks and decorative materials.

Mark My Words and Amos P. Kennedy Jr. coming to CAC this fall!

Mark My Words is a visual exploration of language and how it interfaces with and shapes contemporary material culture and social concerns. This exhibit will run October 3 through November 29, 2022, and will feature an installation of letterpress posters by Detroit artist Amos Paul Kennedy Jr. Kennedy’s bold and poignant letterpress posters featuring social and environmental justice messages and calls to action will completely cover the four walls of CAC’s lower gallery. Our upper gallery will feature the zines and self-published small run works by artists, illustrators, and printers from the region and beyond. Mark My Words will also include a Pop-Up Shop of exhibiting artists who create zines, comics, self-published works, chapbooks, letterpress work, pins, patches, and/or hand-lettered signs. An artists’ talk and reception is scheduled for Saturday November 5, 10 AM to 2 PM.

Amos Paul Kennedy Jr. is a Detroit-based printer, book artist and papemaker best known for social and political commentary, particularly in printed posters. One critic noted that Kennedy was “...unafraid of asking uncomfortable questions about race and artistic pretension.”
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 Villareal
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

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Youth Art Classes

Afterschool Art Classes
Afterschool Art Classes are offered every month from September-May for ages 5-16. During each 4-class monthly session, students will explore an arts-related theme, topic, or movement through a wide variety of 2D media such as watercolor, pastel, graphite, acrylic, or printmaking.

Because each monthly session offers a different theme and set of projects, families are welcomed to register for one session, a few, or the whole year!

Tuition for each 4-week session is $90 for non-members and $70 for current CAC Family Members. All supplies provided.

AFTERSCHOOL ART: SEPTEMBER
The September sessions of After School Art will focus on the Realist Art Movement and is instructed by Jen Aitchison. Students will discuss Realist artists Courbet and Millet, leaders of the first modern art movement. Both artists were known for portraying everyday people, landscapes, and animals in a natural way. There will be a strong focus on animals as students work in both drawing and painting.

CLASS SCHEDULE
SELECT THE AGE GROUP/DAY THAT SUITS YOUR ARTIST
Ages 8-12 | Monday, Aug 29-Sep 26 (No Sep 5) at 3:30-5 PM
Ages 5-8 | Tuesday, Sep 6-27 at 3:30-5 PM
Ages 5-8 | Wednesday, Sep 7-28 at 3:30-5 PM
Ages 8-12 | Thursday, Sep 1-22 at 3:30-5 PM
Ages 12-16 | Thursday, Sep 1-22 at 5:30-7 PM

New! Preschool Pop-In Classes
Preschool Pop-Ins are offered on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 10-11:30 AM and are recommended for ages 3-5. Young artists will focus on the development of fine motor skills through creative arts learning experiences. Each class will focus on a unique theme that highlights color, shape, cutting, building, or painting. Parents and/or caregivers are encouraged to stay & create together with their young artist. Drop-off requires potty training.

Because each monthly session offers a different theme and special project, families are welcomed to register for one session, a few, or the whole year!

Tuition for each 1-class session is $30 for non-members and $20 for current CAC Family Members. All supplies provided.

PRESCHOOL POP-IN | SEPTEMBER
The September Preschool Pop-In session meets on Tuesday, September 13 at 10-11:30 AM and is recommended for ages 3-5. This month’s Pop-In will focus on owls. Let’s make paintings of a wonderful feathered friend! With inspiration from the Realism Art Movement, and guidance from Jen Aitchison, students will create an owl painting while practicing holding a brush and filling in shapes.

Additional Youth Classes
These classes are offered throughout the year in addition to our afterschool art classes and focus on a specific media. Check our website for the current schedule.
Comics
Animation
Ceramics
Videography
Printmaking
Adult Art Classes

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

Beginning Ceramics with Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis
This 6-week class will meet from Wednesday, August 10-September 14 at 6-9 PM.

With guidance from Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis, students will learn basic techniques for wheel throwing, hand building, and how to finish their works using standard decorating and glazing styles. With 5 wheels and plenty of workspace for hand building, students will rotate between both methods to create finished ceramic works. This class is recommended for beginners & advanced beginners.

This class is a prerequisite for the Intermediate Ceramics class.

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

Koi & Water Lilies Watercolor Workshop with Herb Helm
This 1-day workshop will meet on Thursday, August 11 from 9:30 AM-3 PM and is recommended for advanced beginners + above.

With guided instruction from Herb Helm, students can look forward to creating a unique watercolor project that features koi fish within a pond of water lilies. Through a combination of both experimental watercolor techniques and controlled painting, the project will incorporate pouring/splattering methods and negative/positive painting practices.

Students will have a 30-minute lunch break, so bring a bag lunch or partake in any number of great restaurants in downtown Chesterton.

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

Intermediate Ceramics with Maureen Duffy-Daugavietis
This 6-week class will meet from Friday, August 19-September 30 (No Sept 2) at 6-9 PM.

Students will 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.

Beginning Stained Glass
This 8-week class will meet from Tuesday, August 23-October 11 at 7-9 PM.

With guidance from Judy Gregurich and Mark Montgomery, students will learn the art of copper foil stained glass, originally invented by Louis Tiffany. Tools and supplies are provided.

This class is a prerequisite for Stained Glass Open Studio.

Tuition is $250 for non-members and $230 for current CAC members. (supplies included)

Fun & Funky Letters: Lettering Workshop with Julie Wildman
This 1-day workshop is held on Thursday, August 18 from 6-9 PM.

With guidance from lettering artist, Julie Wildman, students will learn how to create playful letters, both in color and black & white. Through a series of exercises, we will explore new ways to make letters with both traditional and non-traditional tools. We will work with black on white, white on black, walnut ink, watercolors, metallics, and gel pens on different papers. All skill levels welcomed.

Tuition is $50.00 for non-members and $40.00 for current CAC members. (A $15 supply fee is payable to the instructor at the beginning of class.)

Open Studio Stained Glass
This 8-week Open Studio class will meet from Tuesday, August 23-October 11 at 7-9 PM.

With guidance from Judy Gregurich and Mark Montgomery, this class is designed for students who have taken a previous stained glass class at the Center. Students may work on their own projects at their own pace with assistance from the instructors as needed.

Prerequisite: Beginning Stained Glass
Tuition for non-members is $105 and $85 for current CAC members. (Students are expected to provide their own tools and supplies.)

Open Studio Stained Glass starts August 23
Duneland Photography Club News

Next meeting
August 2, 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 August 2 is Tommy Gonzalez, speaking on the topic of Concert Photography. Tommy photographs local groups at small venues, as well as other events. He will be sharing the techniques of getting great photos in these situations.

In July, the club did a photo shoot of sunflowers in southern Lake County and practiced night photography at the Porter County Fair. Members also did volunteer work for a couple of worthy groups. Several, including Gretchen Maguire, Dan Ruggaber, Norman Turner, and Robert Evans, did a photography seminar with teens from Gary through the Faith UDC Urban Garden project (Faith Farms). Suzan Perry worked with Opportunity Enterprises to photograph their Camp Lakeside activities at their new camp in Lake Eliza. In August, upcoming activities include sunset photography and photographing a butterfly release. There is also another volunteer activity planned for taking headshots for a children’s program with the Memorial Opera House in Valparaiso.

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?

OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

Mark My Words +
Amos P. Kennedy Jr.
Exhibition: Oct 3–Nov 29, 2022
Reception: Nov 5, 10 AM–2 PM

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