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**Greater Livingston
County
Arts Council
&
Pontiac Community
Art Center**

Monday-Thursday
10 am - 5 pm
Friday
10 am - 8 pm
Saturday
12 - 4 p.m.
Sunday
12 - 4 p.m.

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Pontiac Community
Art Center**

Mission Statement

The purpose of the PCAC is to support and encourage individual creativity, promote appreciation and patronage of the visual arts, provide workspace, meeting space, and space to sell or exhibit members' art.



September 2018

Omni Prize for the Arts Event

Congratulations to three of our talented artists who participated in the Omni Arts Festival in Ottawa. Kathy Zehr, Kent Fehr, and John Fitzgerald from PCAC each entered their art in the art contest. John received an honorable mention. All three artists did an outstanding job and we are so proud of all of them.



**Pontiac Community Art Center supported by the
Greater Livingston County Arts Council, a not for profit corporation.**

No Rhyme or Reason

September Show

Featured Artist - Teresa Beard-Lowell



"The painter has the Universe in his mind and hands." — Leonardo da Vinci

Tim Kowalczyk Show



Our October show will open **Saturday, September 29** instead of the first Saturday in October. We will have a guest artist, **Tim Kowalczyk**, who is a noted area ceramic artist with a BFA in Ceramics and Art Education from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale and an MFA from Illinois State University, Normal. He has taught at Illinois Community College, Kankakee Community College, and the University of Illinois Springfield and has shown his work all over the United States.

Tim will demonstrate his techniques in making pottery that looks like it is made from cardboard and using stencils to embellish his art from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the 29th, followed by his show opening from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The demo is free to PCAC and GLCAC members, patrons and the public, but seating is limited. Please come and see Tim's process!

" I make stuff out of stuff that looks like other stuff.

Pathetic, absurd, antiquated, banal or even garbage are words that best describe the objects I am drawn to. These types of objects hold my attention because of the stories they can tell and what they can mean. Many times, I find objects at thrift stores, yard sales or the side of the road. I am collector, picker and poet that sculpts, forms, designs and constructs sculptures with sense of purpose, priority, and preciousness. I want people to see the beauty and narrative that is held within simple overlooked objects." *-Tim Kowalczyk-*

"We have art in order not to die of the truth." — Friedrich Nietzsche

Have you Your Signed Up to Work?

The signup link is: <http://signup.com/go/BUaHoFU>

We are still experiencing dates and times that have not been filled for working at PCAC. We cannot afford to have our doors closed. Members who have not been keeping up with your commitment to work will be notified. If they do not fulfill their duties, their work will be pulled from the showroom. We have more than enough artists to fill every spot each month. PLEASE do your part!

Are YOU Square?

The Square iPad is for sales transactions **ONLY!** It appears that some of us have been using the iPad for surfing the web. This is a **NO NO!** Since the iPad is connected to our banking and sales transactions it is not safe to surf and leave us open to possible hacking. There is a small iPad under the counter that can be used for surfing or better yet--for signing up for your work schedules.

There is also a very helpful booklet on how to use the Square on the counter. Great reading material when you have a few minutes of down-time. Let's all do our part in helping our bookkeeper and treasurers' lives a little less stressful. Remember--a little information is nice but more is better. If you have any doubts--make lots of notes!

Brenda Thompson Honored

Patron **Brenda Thompson** was honored as our *Patron of the Year* at the August 15 general membership meeting. Brenda serves on the GLCAC Board, works shifts at the gallery, and participates in several committees! She helps with education, special events, and day-to-day drudgery. Most recently, she is a Heart and Soul representative and was instrumental in making the recent Art Walk a success. Brenda doesn't just show up; she steps up! Thanks for all that you do, Brenda!

Pontiac Sculpture Walk

Pontiac has some amazing art sculptures. Some of the members from PCAC would like to help to make sure that visitors are aware of these sculptures and where they are located. If you would like to help with this project, please give John Fitzgerald a call and let him know.

Upcoming Retreat

We are planning a PCAC/GLCAC Retreat for Saturday, October 6 at the Strevell House. All members are invited to participate, but please, plan on attending for the whole day. The nature of the retreat is such that it will not lend itself to dropping in and out. Coffee and breakfast breads will be available at 9:30, and the actual Retreat will be from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

The purpose of this event is to reflect on where we have been and where we are going, what has worked and what needs more work, roles established and additional roles needed, and overall definition for our organization.

We have come so far! This event is intended to ensure that we are all on the same path for the future!

GLCAC Annual Reports

GLCAC Annual Reports were distributed at the August 15 meeting. There are copies available in the office, if you are a member and didn't get yours. Please take only one. These were a little pricey to get copied.

Are You Really on that Committee?

Committees and their members are listed in the 2017-2017 GLCAC Annual Report. Please take a look at them. Committee chairs were sometimes uncertain about their membership because of lack of participation by some. If you are listed but are not active, please let the committee chair know so that your name can be removed. By the same token, if you think that you are on a committee, but you do not see your name, please contact your committee chairperson to get your name added! And finally, if you see a committee that you are not currently on but would like to join, please contact those same committee chairs.

UPCOMING CLASSES

- 9/20/18 6-8 p.m. **HALLOWEEN ROCKS!** With Patty Mackinson
Kids and adults will enjoy painting our spooky, scary, and fun Halloween rocks! Class cost is \$20 and includes all materials.
- 9/30/18 1-3 p.m. **HALLOWEEN CANVASES** with Patty Mackinson
Adult class for painting an assortment of mini canvases. Class Cost is \$25 and includes all materials.
- 10/27/18 9-11 a.m. **PAINT A PLATE** with Vickie Fitzgerald
Paint a beautiful ceramic plate in your choice of design. Vickie will have sample ideas, or design your own masterpiece! Cost of the class is \$30 and includes all materials needed.
- 10/28/18 1-3 p.m. **BEGINNER MANDALA** with Patty Mackinson
Come and join us to learn how to create a beautiful mandala on a rock. They are beautiful, fun and are proving to be very addictive! Cost of the 2 hour class is \$20 and includes all materials.
- 11/4/18 1-3 p.m. **PAINT A CONCRETE SNOWMAN** with Kathy Zehr
Join Kathy as she helps you create an adorable snowman on your choice of 2 styles of concrete blocks! Cost for this class is \$30 and includes all materials.
- 11/9 & 10/18 ALL DAY
UGLIEST CHRISTMAS SWEATER ORNAMENT DECORATING CONTEST!
This is the Jolley Trolley Christmas Open House Weekend in downtown Pontiac. Please come in and paint an ugly sweater ornament as part of our Ugliest Christmas Sweater Decorating Contest! Wood ornament and paint will be provided, but you will need to bring in your own "special touches" to make your sweater the ugliest Christmas sweater ever! Prizes will be awarded by age, and there will be 1 overall winner. Get your ideas going and get ready for this fun kickoff to the Christmas holiday in downtown Pontiac!
- 11/17/18 9-12 a.m. **LARGE SNOWFLAKE MANDALA CANVAS** with Patty Mackinson
This class will paint a beautiful snowflake mandala on a large canvas! Cost of the class is \$25 and \$10 in materials.
- 12/1/18 9-11 a.m. **CHRISTMAS ROCKS!** with Patty Mackinson
Please join us as we create some adorable Christmas rocks, just in time for the holiday season! Choose which rocks you want to paint, but they are all adorable and just in time for some special holiday gift giving! Cost of the class is \$20 and includes all materials!
- 12/2/18 1-3 p.m. **MAKE IT/TAKE IT**
Bring the kids in and let them create gifts or ornaments for Mom, Dad, Grandma, or Grandpa! More details to come!
- 12/8/18 1-3 p.m. **LARGE WOOD SNOWMAN** with Kathy Zehr
Paint a beautiful snowman on a large wooden board. Kathy will help you create what is sure to become a special treasure in your Christmas decorating! Cost of the class is \$35, materials included.

Our New Art Center Sign is in the Works!



Next Jury Session:
October 13- 20, 2018

Please send newsletter items and information to nflessner@mchsi.com.

Calendar of Events and Meeting Dates

Please see the list of classes on pages 3 for class descriptions, dates and times

September 29	October Show Opening and Pottery Demo
October 6	PCAC/GLCAC Retreat

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"Everything you can imagine is real." - Pablo Picasso
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