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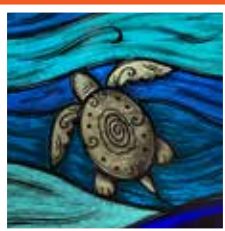
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NEWAYGO COUNTY ARTS & CULTURE CONNECTIONS

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WHO WE ARE:



13 E Main Street, Fremont, MI 49412
231-924-4022
NCCA-ARTSPPLACE.ORG

Hours: Tues. - Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

The mission of NCCA-Artsplace is to promote the arts and enhance the cultural climate in Newaygo County and surrounding areas.

NCCA-Artsplace offers exhibitions, a local artist market, open studio opportunities, and a wide selection of classes for all ages, groups, individuals or organizations.



DOGWOOD
CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS

4734 S Campus Ct., Fremont, MI 49412
231-924-8885
DOGWOODCENTER.COM

Hours: Tues. - Fri. 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Additionally the box office opens two hours prior to event times.

The mission of the Dogwood Center for Performing Arts is to be a creative force and community resource providing cultural experiences for Newaygo County and surrounding areas.

Dogwood Center for Performing Arts offers a wide selection of performances on the Main Stage and in the Black Box, an exhibition gallery, and provides a flexible venue for organizations and individuals for public and private events.



FREMONT AREA
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

**Special Thanks to the
Fremont Area Community Foundation
for their generous support.**

Are you a non-profit organization or business who provides arts and cultural programming in Newaygo County? Share your cultural events with us:

Remaining Publication Deadlines for 2026

October 15, 2026 for consideration in the November/December Issue

December 15, 2026 for consideration in the January/February Issue

Email events to: newaygoartsandculture@gmail.com

Include contact name, title of event, date, time, location, phone number, and website.
Attach graphics you wish to use. Events will be included at the discretion of
NCCA-Artsplace on a first come-first served basis, dependent on space availability.

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Call 231-924-4022, or stop in at 13 E. Main St., to sign up!

Friday, September 25

Biribá Union

Black Box 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$17.50

Borrowing its name from a Brazilian wild sugar-apple, Biribá Union features Mike Block (cello, vocals), Christylez Bacon (beatbox, guitar, rhymes) and Patricia Ligia (electric bass, vocals).

The trio met through Silkroad's Global Musician Workshop, initially bonding over their shared love of Brazilian music. They quickly began co-writing new music that draws on the freestyle theatrics of hip-hop and Go-go music; the effortless beauty of Brazilian forró and choro; the earthiness of American roots music, and the improvisational spontaneity of jazz.



Mike Block is a Grammy Award-winning cellist, singer and composer with a passion for cross-cultural collaboration. Christylez Bacon is a Grammy-nominated songwriter, storyteller, rapper, beat-boxer and guitarist from southeast Washington, DC. Patricia Ligia is an electric bass player and composer from Montevideo, Uruguay. Biribá Union is certainly on a mission — to embody cultural acceptance and unification through music — but always with an infectious groove to hook audiences in.

Sunday, September 27

Absolutely Baffling Bill Magic Show



Main Stage 3:00 p.m.

Tickets:

**Adults \$15.00,
18 and under \$5.00**

Card tricks,
illusions, rabbits,
and puzzling
magic! Things

will disappear and re-appear later in the show when you least expect it! Be ready to giggle, laugh, and then wonder... "How did he do that???" A special appearance by Gus the Bunny will be a special treat!

Friday, October 9

Chicken Wire Empire

Black Box 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$20.00

This Wisconsin-based bluegrass band is known for their dynamic musicality and true-to-life songwriting. The band emerged in 2016 with their debut album and have since released a prolific catalogue of studio projects and live performances. CWE captivates audiences with thoughtful, energetic performances. Americana Highways writes "These musicians must enjoy what they do because their joy translates through their instruments. The energy and fingering techniques



are all proponents that deliver substance with a modicum of joy. There aren't any low points, missteps, loss of heat in any of these melodies." Food Truck: Holy Smokers BBQ, 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.



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Saturday, October 17

Tuvergen Band

Black Box 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$17.50

Tuvergen Band ("galloping" in Mongolian) is a Chicago-based folk-fusion trio founded by Tamir Hargana (lead vocals, folk lutes, morin khuur), Naizal Hargana (morin khuur, vocals), and Brent Roman (percussion, didgeridoo, vocals) in 2020. Hailing from Hulunbuir, Inner Mongolia, Tamir and Naizal bring some of the country's most distinctive sounds to Tuvergen Band, including the cello-like horsehead fiddle (morin khuur), various folk lutes (the Tuvan doshpuluur and West Mongolian tovshuur), and khoomei throat singing. An ethnomusicologist and Asian percussion specialist, Roman augments these sounds with a custom hybrid drum kit of twenty global percussion instruments and didgeridoo. The trio use this rich instrumental palette to perform what they call "modern nomadic music," incorporating bluegrass, blues, rock, and more into its repertoire of Mongolian and Tuvan folk songs and originals.

Saturday, October 24

Comedians Andy Beningo and Mark Bonto

Black Box 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$20.00

Andy Beningo:

With over 3,500 career performances, Andy Beningo hailed for his clean and "every man" style, has been named one of the 40 Best Up and

Coming comedians in the country, as well as "Best Comedian" by both the Detroit Metro Times and Detroit Hour magazine. Andy has appeared on AXS TV's Gotham Comedy Live, CMT's Next Big Comic and YesTV's The Date Night Tour in Canada. His Drybar Comedy special, 'Adorable Tough Guy' is currently on both



Amazon Prime and Comedy Dynamics.

Andy has been heard on the nationally syndicated Bob

and Tom radio show and was a special guest on Larry the Cable Guy's 'Weekly Round Up' on Sirius XM radio. His first comedy album, 'Quiet Coyote' regularly plays on Laugh USA. His rare ability to find humor in subjects like growing up the middle child, his short-lived career as a middle school teacher and our society's obsession with technology has made him a crowd favorite in audiences worldwide.



Mark Bonto:

Extremely energetic and highly entertaining, Mark Bonto is

a clean comedian known mostly for his hilarious one liners. He has won several acting and writing awards, has appeared in seven major films and hundreds of theatrical productions. He has hosted the very popular radio show, 'Comedy on Tap' an in-depth interview show with comedians. He has won "Funniest Comedian" in Genesee County 3 times and has opened for Bob Saget and Howie Mandel.

Sunday, December 13
30th Annual Christmas
with John Berry Tour
Main Stage 7:30 p.m.

CONCERT TICKETS are \$52.50 each, reserved seating. This does not include access to the Meet and Greet.

VIP MEET AND GREET are \$30.00 each, general admission in our Black Box Venue. This is a ticket for John Berry Meet and Greet 2026 only. This is NOT a concert ticket. This event will happen from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Black Box, doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Tickets for the concert at 7:30 p.m. must be purchased separately; Doors for the concert on the Main Stage will open at 7:00 p.m.

VIP Meet and Greet Experience
Package to include:

- **Early access for VIP holders (1) one hour before doors**
- **Casual Meet & Greet with John**
- **Questions and answer session with John and fans**
- **2-3 acoustic songs performed by John**
- **VIP gift lanyard**
- **Relaxed autograph opportunity with John**
- **Relaxed photo opportunity with John**

John Berry rose to stardom on the country charts of the 1990s with such mega hits as *Your Love Amazes Me*, *Standing on the Edge of Goodbye* and *She's Taken a Shine*. His annual Christmas tours brighten the holidays



for thousands, as does his electrifying rendition of *O' Holy Night*. During his star-making decade, John placed 20 singles on the county charts, 6 of which went Top 5, with *Your Love Amazes Me*, scoring a #1 on the Billboard and Radio & Records Country Chart and earning the #1 slot in Radio & Records. Born in South Carolina, raised in Georgia, he began playing guitar at 13, performing at 14 and making records at 19. It was his stunning performance of the title track of the 1995 CD *O' Holy Night* that led to his most enduring legacy to date. John began doing special Christmas tours that year. He has also issued three more Christmas-music collections. "If *O' Holy Night* is all that anyone remembers of me, that's fine with me," he comments about his perennial Christmas popularity. "It is a truly inspired piece of music." 2017 found John touring in several configurations culminating in the year-ending legendary Christmas Tour, marking its 30th year this year.

For more information, follow John on his website at www.johnberry.com



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Reserve the Dogwood Center for Your Event Rental Needs!

The Dogwood Center is an affordable venue whether your event is a performance, corporate meeting, community event or personal celebration.



The Main Stage

The Main Stage theater seats 400 and is equipped with state of the art technology, superb sound, and very adaptable lighting, booms, and an orchestra pit.



The Black Box

The Black Box, a cabaret style venue, has an adjacent catering room and is ideal for dinner theater or receptions while the entire building can be utilized for conventions, expositions or trade shows. Theatrical, musical and dance performances may choose the 400-seat main stage or flexible theater space depending on their needs.

Not-for-profit groups receive discounted rates.

For reservations, rates or further information please call 231-924-8885 or use our rental request form online at www.dogwoodcenter.com.





**NCCA-Artsplace
YOUTH & ADULT
Holiday Card
Competition**

**Deadline November 9
Awards Presentation
November 21, 11:00 a.m.**

**WE'RE HOSTING 2
COMPETITIONS in 2026!**

Youth Competition
Open to students K-12
in Newaygo County.

Adult Competition
Open to Newaygo County
residents 18+.

Submit 5"x7" original art
Pointers: Avoid Graphite • Don't
use text unless it's critical for
design • No neon, metallic
or glittery materials, they don't
reproduce well.

Registration forms
available online at
www.ncca-artsplace.org.

**NCCA-Artsplace
13 E Main St • Fremont
231-924-4022**

**NCCA-Artsplace Exhibit:
The Alchemy of Sand
August 26 - October 3
Open House Sat. September 19
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

*Ray & Phyllis Jansma Gallery at NCCA-Artsplace, 13 E.
Main St., Fremont, 231-924-4022.*

Glass art is an ancient craft that evolved from
crafting small
decorative beads in
early Mesopotamia
and Egypt to
modern fusing
and assemblage
techniques. The craft
was revolutionized
by the Roman



invention of glassblowing which
transformed a rare, precious
luxury into an accessible
medium for delicate vessels
and vibrant architectural
installations.

This multifaceted exhibit
focuses on the many ways raw,
earthy materials like silica are
transformed into glass art. Enjoy
stained glass, fused glass,
mosaic, blown glass, leaded glass and glass
lampwork beads. Artwork by Bobby Luce, Eric
Brown, Deb Medendorp, Kris Vredeveld, George
Bochnig, Mary Anderson, Maria Orr and more
will be included in this glass arts exhibit.

Enjoy live demonstrations and talk to artists
during our exhibit
open house on
Saturday, September
19, 10:00 a.m. -
12:00 p.m.





Dogwood Lobby Gallery Exhibit: Photography by Don Spezia through October 17

*Dogwood Center for Performing Arts Lobby Gallery,
4734 S. Campus Ct., Fremont, 231-924-8885*

Don Spezia's photographic work explores the intersection of nature, light, form, and chance. Drawn to landscapes, wildlife, architecture, and abstract details found in everyday surroundings, he seeks to capture moments that might otherwise go unnoticed. Working primarily outdoors, he is inspired by the changing conditions of the natural

world and the unexpected visual discoveries that emerge through observation and timing. Don's work can be found at donspezia-friznicmusic.com.

NCCA-Artsplace Exhibit: Quilting Traditions and Explorations October 6 through November 7

Open House Sat. October 10 - 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

*Ray & Phyllis Jansma Gallery at NCCA-Artsplace,
13 E. Main St., Fremont, 231-924-4022.*

Quilting is tradition, craftsmanship, function, history and an expression of fine art. Enjoy a wide variety of traditional, exploratory and fine art quilts from west Michigan artists. Saturday, October 10, stop in between 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. to meet some quilters and make your own mini no-sew quilt!



NCCA-Artsplace Fall Photo Competition Deadline: Tuesday, October 6 - 5:00 p.m.

Eligibility: Open to everyone, photos must be unframed, 8" x 10" and involve a fall theme.

Awards, Thursday, October 8, 5:00 p.m. at NCCA-Artsplace. On display until November 7. Call NCCA 231-924-4022 for details.

Entry forms available online at www.ncca-artsplace.org.

NCCA-Artstplace Holiday Artist Market November 14 - December 30

*Grand Opening November 14,
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.*

*Ray & Phyllis Jansma Gallery at NCCA-Artsplace
13 E. Main St., Fremont, 231-924-4022.*

Original artwork by over 70 local artisans and craftsmen, are for sale during this popular annual event! Stop in to shop from a wide range of jewelry, pottery, wood working, painting, photography, fiber art, ornaments, stationary, regional authors, illustrators, and so much more! If you would like to be part of the NCCA-Artsplace Holiday Artist Market please contact Lindsay Isenhardt at 231-924-4022.



NEWAYGO COUNTY COMMUNITY CULTURAL RESOURCES

Performance Venues

Dogwood Center for Performing Arts
dogwoodcenter.com
4734 S. Campus Court
Fremont, MI 49412
Phone: 231-924-8885

Grant Fine Arts Center
grantps.net/GFAC
331 East State St.
Grant, MI 49327
Phone: 231-834-5630

Stage Door Theatre
stagedoorplayers.webs.com
1147 E. Wilcox
White Cloud, MI 49349

Theater Groups

LionHeart Productions
lionheartproductions.org
77 South Front St.
Grant, MI 49327

Stage Door Players
stagedoorplayers.webs.com
1147 E. Wilcox
White Cloud, MI 49349

Galleries

NCCA-Artsplace
ncca-artsplace.org
13 E. Main Street
Fremont, MI 49412
Phone: 231-924-4022
artsplace@ncca-artsplace.org

Dogwood Center Lobby Gallery
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Fremont, MI 49412
Phone: 231-924-8885

Art Interests

NCCA-Artsplace
ncca-artsplace.org
13 E. Main Street
Fremont, MI 49412
Phone: 231-924-4022

Blue Lake Fine Arts Camp & Blue Lake Public Radio
bluelake.org
300 East Crystal Lake Rd.
Twin Lake, MI 49457
Phone: 800-221-3796

Libraries

Fremont Area District Library
fremontlibrary.net
104 E. Main Street
Fremont, MI 49412
Phone: 231-924-3480

Newaygo Area District Library
newaygolibrary.org
44 North State Road
Newaygo, MI 49337
Phone: 231-652-6723

Croton Township Library
mi-crotonlibrary.org
8260 S. Croton-Hardy Dr.
Newaygo, MI 49337
Phone: 231-652-1615

Grant Community Library
grantlibrary.net
122 S. Elder Street
Grant, MI 49327
Phone: 231-834-5713

Hesperia Community Library
hesperialibrary.org
80 S. Division Street
Hesperia, MI 49421
Phone: 231-854-5125

White Cloud Community Library
whitecloudlibrary.net
1038 Wilcox Avenue
White Cloud, MI 49349
Phone: 231-689-6631

Special Interests

Heritage Museum of Newaygo County
newaygocountyhistory.org
12 Quarterline St.
Newaygo, MI 49337
Phone: 231-652-5003

Michigan Music Teachers Association
Find local music tutors.
michiganmusicteachers.org

Newaygo County Agricultural Fair Association
newaygocountyfair.org
815 Stewart - P.O. Box 14
Fremont, MI 49412
Phone: 231-924-4450

Newaygo County Tourism Council
newaygocountyexploring.com
4684 S. Evergreen – M-37
Newaygo, MI 49337
Phone: 231-652-9298

TrueNorth Community Services
truenorthservices.org
6308 S. Warner Avenue
Fremont, MI 49412
Phone: 231-924-0641

Stephen F. Wessling Observatory and Kropscott Farm Environmental Center
Newaygo County Dark Sky Astronomers
sfwobservatory.org
6523 West Baseline Road
Fremont MI 49412
Phone: 231-225-3189

Tall Pine Quilters Guild
Meeting second Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the Center for Hope & Healing, 601 N. Evergreen, White Cloud MI 49349.

Terry Wantz Historical Research Center
twhistoricalresearchcenter.com
30 E Main St.
Fremont, MI 49412
Phone: 231-335-2221

WGVU Public Media
301 Fulton W.
Grand Rapids, MI 49504
Phone: 616-331-6666

Letha Fulton School of Dance
10 W Main St
Fremont, MI 49412
231-845-1491

West Michigan Woodworking
Find us on Facebook
pr2Lman@msn.com
231-578-1595



Stage Door Players Events!

Stage Door Theater

1147 E Wilcox Ave,
White Cloud, MI 49349
sdptheater@gmail.com

Watch Stage Door Players
Facebook page for more information!



Route 66 - Show dates: November 6, 7, 8, 13, 14

Beginning with the sounds of 1950s Chicago and traveling along the 'Main Street of America' to the California coast with the surf music of the 1960s, this exciting musical revue features 34 of the greatest 'Rock 'n' Road' hits of the 20th century. Songs include "Dead Man's Curve," "King of the Road," "Little Old Lady from Pasadena," "Beep Beep," "Six Days on the Road," "Little GTO," "Fun, Fun, Fun," and many more. Get your kicks with this smash coast-to-coast hit musical revue!

AUDITIONS: It's A Wonderful Life Radio Show November

9 & 11 Times on Facebook. Show dates December 11, 12, 13. Check out Stage Door Players Facebook page for more information!



LionHeart Productions Upcoming Show: BIG FISH The Musical

Based on the celebrated novel by
Daniel Wallace and the acclaimed film
directed by Tim Burton (screenplay

by John August), BIG FISH is a fantastical, heartwarming musical. The story follows the life of Edward Bloom, a traveling salesman whose larger-than-life tales captivate everyone around him, especially his loving wife, Sandra. As their son, Will—who is about to become a father himself—sets out to uncover the truth behind his father's epic tales, he embarks on a journey to understand the man behind the myth. Be entertained by the power of storytelling, family bonds, the search for identity.

Fri. November 6 - 7:00 p.m.
Sat. November 7 - 7:00 p.m.
Sun. November 8 - 2:00 p.m.
Fri. November 13 - 7:00 p.m.
Sat. November 14 - 2:00 p.m.
Sat. November 14 - 7:00 p.m.



Location: Grant Fine Arts Center, 331 E State Rd, Grant, MI 493272
(231) 834-5630 • lionheartproductions.org



**Heritage
Museum
of Newaygo
County
Speaker Series**

**Thurs. September 17
Newaygo County
Environmental Coalition
Prescribed Fire**

The Michigan Nature Association will share how prescribed fire is used as a conservation tool across Michigan. This presentation will explore why fire can be healthy for the land, how burns are safely managed, and the ways they support native habitats and biodiversity.



**Thurs. October 15
Connor MacArthur
The Muskegon River Valley:
A Historical Overview**

Trace the story of how the river shaped Newaygo's landscape, early communities, lumbering era, transportation routes, recreation, and the local history still connected to its waters today.

Presentations begin at 6:30 p.m.

**Heritage Museum
of Newaygo County
12 Quarterline St.
Newaygo, MI 49337
newaygocountyhistory.org
231-652-5003**



**Fremont Area
District Library
Writers Live!
Speaker Series**

**Thurs. September 3
Sally Kane presents
From Cornfields to Cuba**

Shaped by the Civil Rights and Women's Movements, the Vietnam War era, and the opportunity to experience life in post-revolutionary Cuba; Kane recounts her path of social justice activism, personal discovery, spiritual growth, and finding her own voice.

**Thurs. September 10
Katie Trippi presents YMCA
Camp Echo: A Brief History of
a Legendary Summer Camp**

Katie Trippi has served Camp Echo since the summer of 1993. Her talk will include the history of the region before Camp Echo, located on Long Lake northeast of Fremont in 1924, and continue through the current day with plans for summer camping in the future.

**Tues. September 22
Nan Sanders Pokerwinski:
The Utterly Unacceptable
Atrocity of Isabelle Marsden**

Meet local author Nan Sanders Pokerwinski for a book signing featuring her novel *The Utterly Unacceptable Atrocity of Isabelle Marsden*. Follow Belle Marsden as she rebuilds her life after trauma with the help of an unforgettable community of eccentric artists, outsiders, and friends.

**Presentations begin at 7:00 p.m.
in the Community Room**

**Fremont Area District Library
Community Room
104 E. Main St., Fremont, MI 49412
fremontlibrary.net • 231-924-3480**

Newaygo Logging Festival September 5 & 6



LumberJack & LumberJill Showdowns:

Professional Lumberjack Competition
Two man saw to axe-throwing!

Amateur Lumberjack Competition:

All equipment provided. Must be 18 or older. \$10/event or all 3 for \$25. (Chainsaw, axe throw, 2 man cross cut) Registration Aug. 31 at 9:00 a.m. Competition begins at 10:00 a.m.

Lumberjack and Logging Museum
featuring a Lumberjack Encampment

Sidewalk Sales, Food Trucks and Vendor Village

Grand Parade theme: Newaygo - A Cut Above the Rest! Sunday featuring vintage logging equipment, local floats, and hometown charm.

Fireman's Waterball Battle following the parade on Sunday

Live Chainsaw Carving with Mateo Montoya Saturday & Sunday

Dancing Spirit Studio on Sunday

So grab your flannel shirts, dust off your favorite boots, and head to Newaygo for a weekend of unforgettable fun at Logging Festival!

**For more information contact the
River Valley Chamber of Commerce**
www.rivercountrychamber.com
231-652-3068
krider@rivercountrychamber.com

Fremont Harvest Festival Flea Market, Food Trucks, Dessert Contest, Harvest Family, Parade, Hay Art and more!

2026 festival theme is, "Honky Tonk Heroes," honoring the everyday legends who live life with grit, heart, and a love for great country music. Individuals, businesses, clubs, and organizations are invited to create a fun hay bale display inspired by country living, western traditions, music, and hometown heroes.

Harvest Festival Parade:

Thursday, September 24 - 6:00 p.m.

Hay Art:

August 28 Registration Deadline
(if you'd like to be on Hay Art
Community Listing Page)

September 1 Hay Art Completed
& Photo Submission Emailed to
info@fremontcommerce.com
Voting September 2–23

Vote for favorite hay art creations
by donating non-perishable food
items at the Fremont Area Chamber
of Commerce. All food donations
collected will be donated to
TrueNorth Community Services.



**For more information
contact the Fremont Area
Chamber of Commerce**
(231) 924-0770
info@fremontcommerce.com
7 E. Main St., Fremont, MI 49412



CLASSES AGES 4 - 6

Shape City at Midnight

Sat. Sept. 12 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 4-6 \$7

Our young artists will use watercolor and markers to make a colorful city at night learning how to build a composition with basic shapes, texture and repetition.

Catitude Collage

Sat. September 19 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 4-6 \$7

While building this cat themed art work our students will also learn how to recognize lines, shapes, colors, patterns, and space. We are building artists.

Scribble Monster

Sat. September 26 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 4-6 \$7

Reserve a space on your refrigerator and plug your ears. A screaming monster built with lots of lines, shapes and colors is coming to a kitchen near you.

Welcome Autumn

Sat. October 3 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 4-6 \$7

Our young artists will take the time to use color, shape and line to capture the wonder of a Michigan autumn landscape.

Pumpkin Patch at Night

Sat. October 17 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 4-6 \$7

Using a variety of fun painting techniques our creative young artists will build a patch of pumpkins under the dark sky.



See You Later Alligator

Sat. October 24 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 4-6 \$7

Using clay our students will form a charming alligator by doing a lot of pinching. The pieces will be formed and glazed and be ready to come to your house after firing.



Hello, Mr. Spider

Sat. October 31 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 4-6 Free - Must Pre-Register!

Celebrate Halloween at NCCA-Artsplace! This hairy spider is looking for a comfy spot on the web. Our artists will use paint techniques to capture his style.



Art Signs

Sat. November 7 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Ages 4-6 \$7

Using papers, paint, and a wood stand our young students will create a three dimensional artistic sign. How fun!



CLASSES AGES 7-12

Owl - What a relief!

Thurs. September 10 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 7 - 12 \$12

Using simple cardboard scraps and vibrant acrylic paint our student artists will create an owl with great personality. Finished work will be matted.

3D Color Trail

Sat. September 19 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Ages 7 - 12 \$12

Starting with a base of a variety of lines students will then add a 3D paint brush and trail of colors in rainbow order.





Patterned Vase of Flowers

Sat. September 26 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Ages 7 - 12 \$12

Using simple shapes and lots of patterns our students will design a colorful bouquet.



Mixed Media Self Portrait

Sat. October 3 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Ages 7 - 12 \$12

This project starts with a photo and then continues with shapes, colors and patterns. Oh my!



The Colors and Shapes of Fall

Sat. October 17 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Ages 7 - 12 \$12

Our students will paint a background of moving air and then add colorful leaves waiting to dance in the sky.



If You were a Bird - Aerial Landscape

Sat. October 24 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Ages 7 - 12 \$12

Imagine viewing a beautiful landscape from the sky. What will you see - a lake, a house, a bridge...? Students will use clay to create their own vision.



Haunted House Print

Sat. October 31 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Ages 7 - 12 Free - Must Pre-register

Celebrate Halloween at NCCA-Artsplace. First, our students will paint an interesting sky, next they will draw on a sheet of foam and print their house on the sky. Maybe a few bats could be soaring through the air.



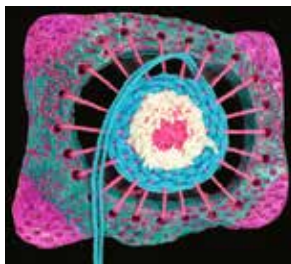
Mexican Mirror Design

Sat. November 7 12:30 - 2:00 p.m.

Ages 7 - 12 \$12

In this class students will use a piece of tin to create a detailed line pattern. Next, they will design a colorful patterned background. These are so fun.

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CLASSES AGES 10-15

Watercolor Landscape

Sat. September 12 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Ages 10-15 \$12

Using a variety of watercolor techniques our student artists will create a dramatic landscape.

My Point of View - Art Illusions

Thurs. September 24 3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 10-15 \$12

This project is designed for the student that likes math and using a ruler. Each student will design a room that will be surprisingly dimensional. Get your ruler ready!!

Clay Bell

Thurs. Oct. 8 and 15 3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 10-15 \$12

Imagine an art work that creates sound. This is a clay animal bell. What animal will ring your bell? Day one building, day two glazing.

Weaving on Clay Looms

Tues. Oct. 20 and 27 3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 10-15 \$12

This is a two part class. The first week students will make their looms. The next week color will be added with watercolor paint and then the yarn weaving begins.

Imaginary Books

Tues./Thurs Nov. 3 and 5 3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 10-15 \$12

This class is for the brave student who likes to create art from old books. Each student will imagine a piece of art that will become the whimsical new story for their book cover. All sorts of fun found objects will be used to add to this fun art book!

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In the Woods

Thurs. October 1

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 10-15

\$12

This is a mini collage using painted papers, water-colors, and markers to assemble a landscape of their choice. A selection of twigs and other natural materials will be available.

Birch Tree Mosaic

Tues. October 6

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 10-15

\$12

This class is for the beginning mosaic student. Each student will use a birch tree as inspiration. Glass cutting and grouting will be used to make this charming design. Pick up October 9.



Needle Felted Book Marks

Thurs. October 22

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 10-15

\$12

This class is designed for the student who would like to try the art of needle felting. They will be introduced to the technique and then create two book marks.



Mini Mask Totem

Thurs. Nov. 12 and 19

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 10-15

\$12

Three clay masks will be sculpted for this wooden totem. Students will add texture and design before the clay pieces are fired. The second week students will stain, mount and add detailed elements to finish their design.



Christmas Girl's Club With Mrs. Vredeveld

Tues. Nov. 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15

3:45 - 5:15 p.m.

Ages 8-15

\$55 (\$50 Members)

This is a favorite time of the year for the Artsplace. We love hosting the Christmas Girl's Club. In this series of classes students will start with a snack and then begin creating handmade artsy gifts for Christmas giving. Call a friend and take this class together.



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CLASSES AGES 13 - 18

Autumn Leaf Design

Thurs. September 17 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 13 - 18 \$12.00

A combination of printing and pattern making is a beautiful way to capture autumn design.



Autumn Amore Acrylic Painting

Tues. September 22 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Ages 13 - 18 \$12

Acrylic painting is the focus of this fun fall themed painting of a brightly colored tree canopy on canvas. Blending, layering, masking, and a variety of brushing techniques will be explored.



Mosaic Pumpkin

Tues. September 29 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Ages 13 - 18 \$12

Use stained glass, beads and more to create this pumpkin mosaic glued on a wooden base. Final projects will be grouted and ready to pick up October 3.



Polymer Clay Hat & House

Tues. October 20 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Ages 13 - 18 \$12

Use hand tools, texture tools, and die cuts to sculpt polymer clay into tiny witches hats and haunted houses! Finish as jewelry, pins, or magnets. Perfect for the spooky season!



Prismacolor Pencil Illuminated Letter

Tues. November 24 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Ages 13 - 18 \$12

Learn to layer Prismacolor pencil in bold colors and metallics to design an Irish inspired illuminated letter harking back to the medieval illuminated manuscript days! All materials provided.

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ALL AGES/BIGS & LITTLES

ALL AGES (UNDER 10 WITH ADULT)

Drop-In Mug Painting

Sat. September 5 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

All Ages \$9 Preregister

Any ages can enjoy stamping, sponging, dot painting, stenciling and free painting a 12 ounce mug with glazes. Pick up mugs September 12.



Clay Ghost

Wed. September 23 & 30 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

All Ages (under 10 with adult) \$25 (\$20 Members)

Build your own clay ghost using slab, pinch and coil techniques. First day is building second day is glazing. Pick up projects October 7.



Glazed Ceramic Christmas Tree

Tues. October 13 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. **OR**

Thurs. October 22 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

All Ages (under 10 with adult)

18" Large - \$90.00 13" Regular - \$60.00

11" Medium - \$45.00 9" Small - \$38.00

Create a glazed ceramic Christmas tree. Light up your tabletop this season with the Lighted Christmas Tree! Choose size and register early! This can be a fun family project or done individually. Prepay to order tree. Ready to pick up October 29.



Crochet Scarf for Beginners

with Jordyn Raymo

Thurs. Oct 29 & Nov 5 6:00 - 8:30 pm

All Ages (rec 8+) \$45

Make your own scarf and be ready for the Michigan weather! Day 1 students will be introduced to tools, chaining, and simple stitches. Day 2 will focus on practicing stitches and completing the projects with practice in between classes.



Mini Mosaic Ornament Workshop

with Deb Medendorp

Sat. November 14 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

All Ages \$25.00

Students will create two stained glass mosaic ornaments using an entire rainbow of colors, several patterns and examples provided. Grouted ornaments will be ready to pick up November 21.



ADULT CLASSES

Stained Glass Bat or Spiderweb

*Thurs. September 10 & 17 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. **FULL***

Sat.. September 12 & 19 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$65 (\$60 Members)

Finish these projects just in time for Halloween season! Choose from a bat or spider web pattern. Then choose your glass to cut, grind, tape and solder into a spooktacular decoration!

Lapidary Arts

Friday, September 11 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$35 (\$30 Members)

Learn the lapidary arts through slab cutting, shaping and polishing stone to create a beautiful cabochon for a finished piece of jewelry. Medium soft stone will be provided for this introductory class. We will be using a flat lap, cab king, slab saw, and a variety of grinders in this process.

Silver Clay Basics

Sat. September 12 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Age 16 - Adult \$70 (\$65 Members)

Explore Art Clay that turns to 99.9% pure silver when fired. Start out small, making earrings or small pendants with basic techniques that can built upon.

Apple Drawing with Watercolor Wash

Tues. September 15 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$35 (\$30 Members)

Refine your drawing skills while focusing on this perfect harvest time theme! Students will learn to use weighted contour line, cross hatching, and shading to draw this beautiful apple with leaves and branch. In addition, watercolor wash techniques will be used to add a splash of color! Finished drawing will have a mat added, ready for framing!

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Clay: Pottery at the Wheel with Denise Herzhaft

Mon. Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Mon. October 19 (Glaze) 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$135 (\$125 Members)

Focus on centering, opening and raising walls, trimming and glazing in this introductory wheel class. The first three weeks will focus on building with instructor Denise Herzhaft and the last week will be glazing. During class students can use up to 20 lbs of clay and practice during open studio.



Glass Mosaic Trays with Deb Medendorp

Tues. Sept. 22 & Oct. 6 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$65 (\$60 Members)

Create a bold glass mosaic set into a fun functional and decorative wooden serving tray.



Block Printing

Thur. Sept. 24 & Oct. 1 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ages 16-Adult \$55 (\$50 Members)

Students will design and print their holiday cards using soft cut block printing methods. We will have a variety of paper and envelope stock, and many ink colors to choose from.



Oil Painted Pumpkin

Fri. September 25 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$40 (\$35 Members)

Get your first taste of oil painting on canvas with this festive fall pumpkin or expand your skills if you've taken oils before! Students will paint a bold pumpkin still life on a 8"x8" gallery wrap canvas using oil paints, focusing on blocking in, adding layers, and using color theory.



Fused Glass Plate or Wall Hanging

Sat. September 26 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Age 16 - Adult \$60 (\$55 Members)

Use frit, stringers, glass paint and sheet glass to create this 7.5 inch square slumped plate. Pick up fired plates on September 30.

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Acrylic Painting with Jane Stroschin - Storm Approaching

Wed. October 7

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Ages 16-Adult

\$50 (\$45 Members)

Paint a stormy landscape acrylic painting with local artist & illustrator Jane Stroschin. All materials are provided, students will complete an 11x14 acrylic canvas.

Handbuilding Platters with Denise Herzhaft

Sat. October 10

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Glaze October 24

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult

\$65 (\$60 Members)

Learn to roll out slab, use an extruder, add texture and create beautiful clay pieces using Grand Rapids Pottery Forms and other hand building techniques. Great gift idea!

Watercolor for Beginners with Marlies Manning

Sat. October 10

9:30-11:30, lunch break, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult

\$95 (\$90 Members)

This class will lead you through the important basics of how to control watercolor. We will explore techniques for laying down paint and mixing colors. You will build on the skills we learn in the morning in order to create your own color chart, color mixing chart, and end with a bold landscape.

Glass Mosaic Christmas Tree with Deb Medendorp

Tues. October 13 & 20

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult

\$55 (\$50 Members)

Create glass mosaic patterns on an 8"x10" wood tree cutout to display all throughout the holidays! Students will learn to use nippers, cutting pliers, glass cutters, and more to cut glass and arrange in a mosaic pattern before grouting!

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En Plein Air Autumn Color

Thurs. October 15 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$20 - Branstrom Park

En plein air is the act of painting outdoors. Be present, observe, and translate what you see with brush strokes, blocking and simple detail in the fall landscape. All materials provided. Get started or expand your skill!



Coptic Bound Clay Book!

Wed., Oct. 21, 28 & Nov. 4 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$60 (\$55 Members)

Create a book out of stoneware clay, laying a design into it using a carved printmaking block! Day one will be designing and "printing" the clay slabs, day two will be glazing, and day 3 will be folding signatures and coptic binding your book together!



Landscape Art Quilt Bookmarks with Susan Kruszynski

Sat. October 24 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$40 (\$35 Members)

Learn to create a work of art with fabrics and threads using Susan's time tested techniques. Students must bring a bobbin of black, and white thread, sewing scissors, fabric cutting tool, sewing machine, all other materials provided. 4 bookmarks.



Fused Glass Birch Trees

Tues. October 27 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$60 (\$55 Members)

Beginners or experienced students will use frit, stringers, glass paint and sheet glass to create this 6 inch square fused glass panel featuring birch trees!



Rockin' Resin Coaster Casting

Fri. October 30 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$45 (\$40 Members)

Great gift ideas! Cast stones, leaves and other ephemera in resin, backed with a mica powder tint. Four coasters each.

Clay: Pottery at the Wheel with Sarah Mottashed

Tues. November 3, 10, 17 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Tues. December 1 (Glaze) 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$135 (\$125 Members)

Learn centering, opening and raising walls, trimming and glazing in this introductory wheel class. Three weeks will focus on building with instructor Sarah Mottashed and the last week will be glazing. Students can use up to 20 lbs of clay and practice during open studio time.





Fused Glass Ornaments

Thurs., Nov. 5 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. **OR**

Fri., Nov. 20 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

Ages 16 - Adult \$50 (Members \$45)

Choose from 2 dates! A great introduction to glass fusing. Using glass cutting tools and techniques students will use a wide selection of fusible glass sheets, stringers, frit and glass paint to create two fused glass ornaments.

Clay: Snow Friend Luminaries with Sarah Mottashed

Fri. November 6 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Fri. November 20 (Glaze) 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$65 (\$60 Members)

Use slab building techniques to create three tiered playful snow friend luminaries. Day one will focus on building, an day two will be all about the glaze! Ready for pickup November 28.

Clay: Twisted Chip and Dip Bowl with Sarah Mottashed

Sat. November 7 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$60 (\$55 Members)

Use slab building techniques to create this fun chip & dip bowl with a twist! Learn to hand build, add details and texture to this fun party show-stopper! Students will pick from a selection of high fire glazes to be applied by staff before final firing. Ready to pick up by November 21.

Glass Mosaic Snowman with Deb Medendorp

Tues. November 10 & 17 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$55 (\$50 Members)

Create glass mosaic patterns on a 12" wood snowman cutout to display all winter long! Students will learn to use nippers, cutting pliers, glass cutters, and more to cut glass and arrange in a mosaic pattern before grouting!

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Stained Glass Christmas Tree

Thurs. November 12 & 19 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$65 (\$60 Members)

Add 3D construction skills to your beginner stained glass cutting, grinding, foiling and soldering skills! Students will use a fun pattern to create a festive tree, complete with decorative wire soldering for those garlands and lights! Students complete a 4" & 6" tree.



Clay: Terrific Tumblers with Sarah Mottashed

Fri. November 13 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Fri. November 20 (Glaze) 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$65 (\$60 Members)

Use slab building techniques to create a set of two tumblers. Day one will focus on building, and day two will be all about the glaze! Ready for pickup November 28.



Ornament Painting with Jane Stroschin

Wed. November 18 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Ages 16-Adult \$35 (\$30 Members)

Use acrylic paints, coptic pens, and more to illustrate three ornaments with local artist and illustrator Jane Stroschin.



Expressions In Clay with Raelynn Jewison

Sat. November 21 Build 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Mon. November 30 Glaze 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Ages 16 - Adult \$60 (\$55 Members)

Participants will create a vessel using pinch and coil techniques and then sculpt a face onto their pot. While Raelynn is demonstrating students will hear the history of faces in clay and sculptural art of various cultures. Day one is building and day two is glazing.

Private Arts Experience!

NCCA-Artsplace books private group lessons in any of the listed mediums! Minimum of four, maximums range from 8-25 depending on subject matter. Book your arts experience today!

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NCCA-Artsplace Fall

Photo Competition

Deadline: Tuesday,

October 6 - 5:00 p.m.

Eligibility: Open to

everyone, photos must be
unframed, 8" x 10" with a
fall theme.

Awards, Thurs. October 8,
5:00 p.m. at

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