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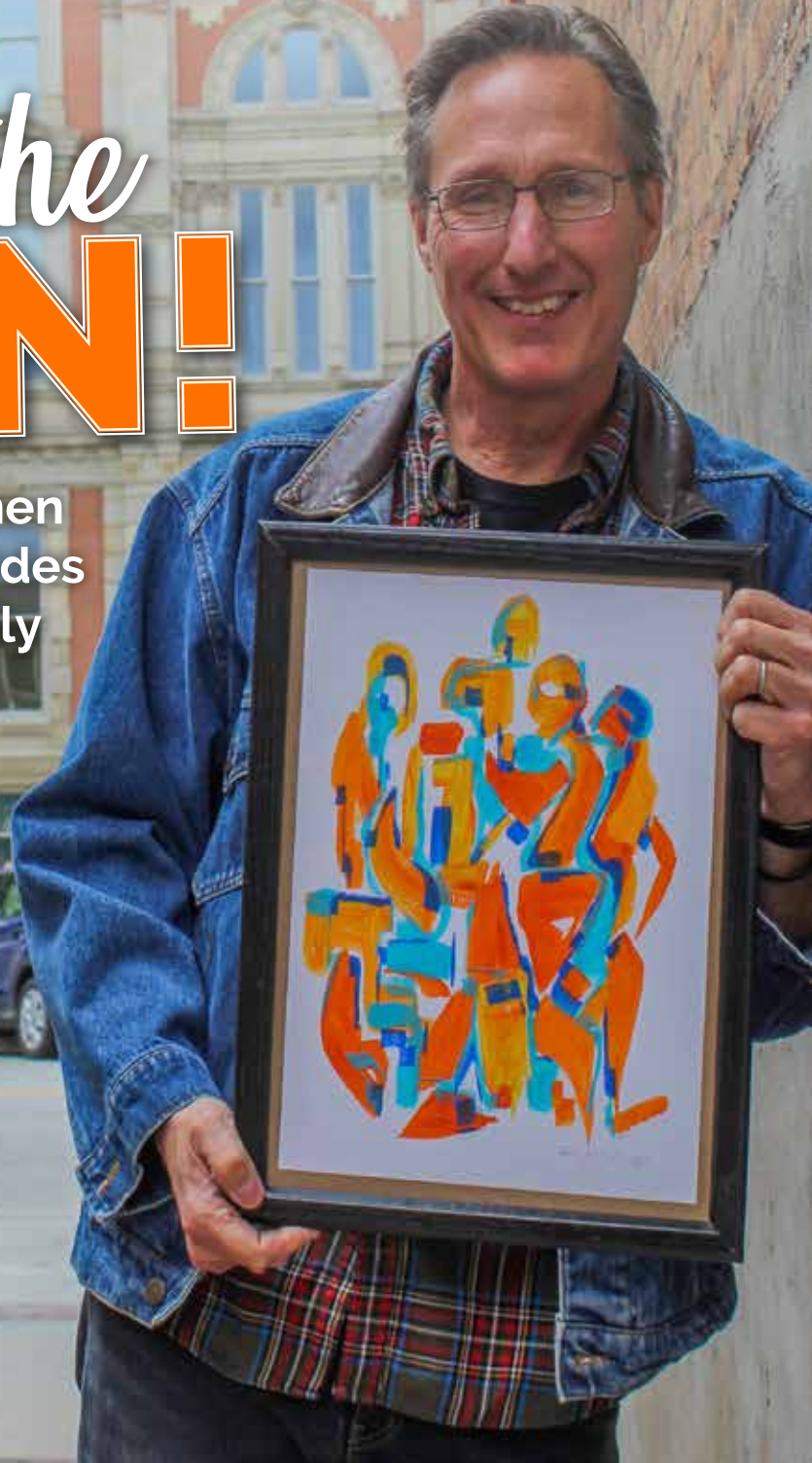
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CROSSING THE CREATIVE CHASM TO GET

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A WORD FROM *Aili*
NICKEL PLATE ARTS DIRECTOR

Are you an artist?

I have learned to pay careful attention to how you answer that question because it can tell me so very much about where you are in your creative journey.

Flashback to 7 years ago. I was a wet-behind-the-ears 30-year-old trying to figure out how to be an Executive Director and how to make the most of the assets that made up this new nonprofit. I was very self-conscious about my identity in this community and unsure of how to build relationships with all the creative people within it.

At that point, I was only drawing recreationally — maybe once every two weeks. Sure, I pursued other artistic endeavors, including theater and music, but I knew that when people turned to me and ask with pointed expectation, "So, are you an artist?" they were expecting me to talk triumphantly about my visual art.

My instincts told me to hedge. I should probably deny my artistic work because it probably wasn't what they expected or wanted...right?

Of course, it didn't help that at that point in time, I had a few, shall we say, "salty" artists who were more than eager to give me very specific direction on this topic. One of them told me quite pointedly that neither I nor anyone like me had any business using the title of Artist. According to him, Artists had to go to Art School and work professionally for years to earn the title. If we let just anyone call themselves an artist, it would dilute the term and devalue everything 'real' Artists did. I wanted to value his perspective, and I didn't have anyone arguing the other side, encouraging me to honor the artistic impulses that were so precious to me.

So, when asked, I quickly said, "Oh, no, I'm not an artist."

However, slowly, my inner voice started to argue, urging me to not only acknowledge my artistic identity, but to champion everyone to explore what it means to be an artist. After a few months on the job, I could see a giant gulf in our community. We had a relatively small group of painters, performers and musicians who had declared themselves Artists and who were producing creative work right out in the open for everyone to see. Then there was a giant, bottomless chasm, and on the other side of the chasm was everyone else. A few curious souls were metaphorically lined up along the edge, looking across longingly, but very few people seemed ready to make the leap, and no one seemed to be having much success in building any sort of bridge. That huge group of people on the non-artist side of the chasm were missing out on so much and they couldn't even connect with the practicing artists - afterall, how can you value something that you have absolutely no access to? I realized that Nickel Plate Arts HAD to build a

bridge to bring these two sides of our community together. I had to get everyone's inner artist out in the open!

The more I worked with practicing artists, the more I started to recognize traits that seemed universal: curiosity, drive, a willingness to try and fail and try again. And joy — a pure enjoyment of the process of creating. These are traits that everyone can have, I realized. They're not something you learn at art school, nor are they mystical talents that you have to be born with.

The more I work with artists and the more I grow in my own identity as an artist, the more convinced I have become that to be an artist, you only need two things: self confidence and a love of the work.

It does not matter if you win awards.

It does not matter if you sell your work.

It does not matter if anyone else understands or even likes your work.

All that matters is whether or not the process of creating brings you joy. You have to believe in yourself to start your creative journey, and then let yourself be fueled by the rewards of the process. You don't need to write the Great American novel; just focus on stringing the words together in a way that is novel to you. Don't worry about making beautiful music, just make a joyful noise. Don't strive to paint something lovely; strive to paint something you love.

When all of us can embrace our creative identity, our entire community becomes stronger. We can better recognize the deep, glowing hearth of ideas, feelings, and creation within each other. We can marvel at each other's unique, gnarled, unusual perfection because, afterall, if nothing else, we are all creating ourselves each and every day. We might as well embrace the process and try to become good at it!

This issue is full of stories of people in our community who have embraced their creative side and brought their art into the open. I hope their stories inspire you to court your own creative identity. Do it in secret, if you must, but celebrate it fully and with abandon. Whether you take a flying leap across the creative chasm or trip lightly across the bridge that Nickel Plate Arts is building, enjoy your creative adventure and let that joy kindle light and warmth through the cold dark of winter.

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Artist **Craig Ogden** poses with his original painting titled "Jambalaya" in downtown Noblesville. Read his story and more on Page 9.



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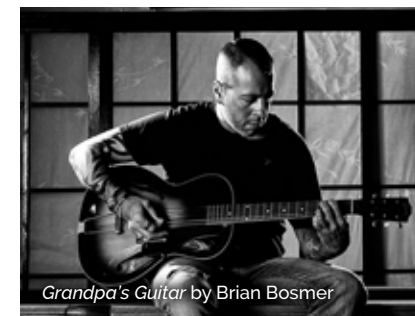
Nickel Plate Arts' hipstoric Noblesville campus is home to two exhibit spaces (Judge Stone House and the Stephenson House) as well as artists' personal studios. All exhibits at Nickel Plate Arts are open to the public for **FREE** during regular hours: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 12-5 p.m.; Saturdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; all other times by appointment.

Masked by Craig Odgen,
February 2020 Showcase Artist

NOVEMBER: PRIZED POSSESSIONS November 1-23

In this juried exhibition where participating artists compete for awards, art enthusiasts will find a variety of work to please art patrons of all palates. Want to cast your vote for "crowd favorite"? Join us for our opening reception on Friday, November 1 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. as we celebrate outstanding artwork.

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Grandpa's Guitar by Brian Bosmer

NOVEMBER-DECEMBER: GIFTED November 29-December 28

"Gifted" is our annual holiday exhibit-turned-gift-market and your one-stop shop for the arts enthusiasts on your holiday shopping list. Shop early for holiday cards, ornaments, gifts, and more in our Judge Stone House in downtown Noblesville.

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Wood carved gift items made by Chris Hayes

JANUARY: INSEPARABLE January 3-31

"INSeparable" is Nickel Plate Art's celebration of Indiana Humanities' two-year initiative called INseparable, which invites Hoosiers to explore urban/rural dynamics and how we relate to each other across boundaries. We regularly hear that America is culturally divided by its geography—but yet, we're all in this together. This show explores how can we get past these real or perceived differences to consider what it will take to be inseparable, in all the ways that matter!

FEBRUARY: TERMS OF ENDEARMENT February 7-29

"Terms of Endearment" is Nickel Plate Art's celebration of all ways, forms, and mediums through which we express love to one another—just in time for Valentine's Day. Whether our chosen language is spoken word, song, creative expression, performing acts of service, adding color to the lives of those around us, or so much more, please join us in exploring some of those passionate media!

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NOVEMBER: BOBBI K. SAMPLES FEATURING ROBERT ADAMS IV "Awww Venice"

November 1 - 30, 2019

Featuring emerging artist Robert Adams IV



Boats in Canal
by Bobbi K. Samples

Bobbi K Samples became an artist later in life, roughly 15 years ago. She took two lessons, and the rest was history! She ended up creating 85 paintings in her first year of painting. In Samples' words, "I couldn't stop — since then, my style has evolved with me. That said, my husband says I now choreograph with my hands instead of my feet, which was from an earlier dance career."

Bobbi's "dance of paints" is a very specific performance, as she only paints with oil on gallery-wrapped canvas. Artistically, she believes that the sides of a painting should be a part of the creation itself. She hopes that the viewer can, in a way, anticipate her paintings merely by walking up to their side this way. In terms of process, Samples tends to start each painting with a large,

flexible brush and then finishes with different sizes and shapes of palette knives. Her trade secret, she proudly claims, is utilizing her favorite knife to finish a piece (her husband's putty knife from his toolbox!).

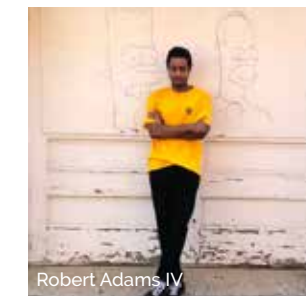
For November 2019, Bobbi K. Samples will showcase her distinctive work detailing her August adventures in Venice, Italy. This showcase will be at Nickel Plate Arts in the Stephenson House from November 1 through 30. Samples says that "Nickel Plate Arts has truly benefited my art hobby by helping transition into an art career," and hopes that all visitors to the venue will truly anticipate a "Venetian Experience" at her reception!



White Flowers by Bobbi K. Samples

Emerging artist **Robert Adams IV** will also be showcasing with Bobbi K. Samples during the month of November.

Adams is an evolving contemporary painter, primarily focusing on works on canvas as well as on mixed media and printmaking paper. While Adams typically employs acrylics in his work, he's not opposed to using house paints!



Robert Adams IV

Robert attended Indiana University Bloomington where he studied Art History and Fashion Design. Outside of school, Adams interns at Dimensions Gallery in Bloomington, IN. He says, "when I'm not painting, I write poetry and play the guitar, too!"

DECEMBER: SIMONA BUNA "Colorful Dreams" December 6-30, 2019



Simona Buna has been an artist all her life. Harkening back to her childhood, she remembers her house as smelling of turpentine and oils and being filled with her mother's and father's canvases. One day

stand out from the crowd and express herself. This passion would follow Buna to the United States, where she moved in 2013.

After a long break from the arts, Buna fell in love again with painting. Nickel Plate Arts was the first organization that Simona joined in this period of painterly renewal, which led to her first show in 2018. Since then, Simona has participated in Art Fair on the Square and was accepted as a member of the Hoosier Salon. Buna is also a juried CCA Gallery member, has shown work at Fishers City Hall, has joined HCAA and Oil Painters of America, and so much more.

when she was thirteen, she picked up a canvas herself and painted some tulips — her first creation! She was immediately intoxicated by her love for the creative.

Her relationship with art evolved throughout her school years when her handbooks were full of drawings of animals, plants from her biology class, or anything that caught her artistic eye. Buna found her passion for the arts in many places and mediums over time, including in textiles and photography. When she lived in communist Romania, she loved sewing her own clothes to

For December, Simona Buna will showcase a broad representation of her work across landscapes, abstracts, flowers, and more. This showcase called "Colorful Dreams" will be at Nickel Plate Arts in the Stephenson House from December 6 to December 31. She invites you to stop by her opening reception on First Friday on December 6 from 6:00-9:00 p.m.



Horses by Simona Buna

Artist Showcases AT NICKEL PLATE ARTS

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JANUARY: MELISSA BRUHN "Polarity" January 3–31, 2020

Melissa Bruhn excitedly debuts her first solo exhibit at Nickel Plate Arts in January 2020. Bruhn will showcase a two-part theme, "Polarity." This theme will firstly highlight the literally "polar" creatures who may no longer be with us in a few years as their polar habitat is threatened or changing with the earth's environment.

Secondly, "Polarity" will explore the duality of human relationships. Bruhn says this of her thematic take on human interaction: "[Given] my strong sense of advocacy for any minority group and interest in power dynamics, I drift toward being a witness or voice of the voiceless. I often explore growth through trauma." That growth is something she hopes shines through her artwork

and brings important social issues to light. Her decades of work as a physical therapist greatly influence this body of work as well, adding another layer to what growth and repair mean in her work.

While Bruhn has really only been painting at this degree and volume for about a year, she says that she simply "must create!" Whether with photography or painting, she paraphrases Frida Kahlo, claiming that creating art "completes me."

Please join Melissa Bruhn for her first-ever showcase reception at Nickel Plate Arts' January First Friday event from 6 to 9 p.m. on January 3, 2020. Her showcase will be held in the Stephenson House Gallery.

Artist Showcases AT OUR PARTNER VENUES

November 2019 - February 2020

The Wave by Jason Kistler

MEYER NAJEM SHOWCASE: FREDERICK J. GREEN

October–December 2019
Mon.–Fri., 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Meyer Najem, 11787 Lantern Road,
Fishers, IN 46038
FREE

For the months of October–December 2019, Nickel Plate Arts is excited to bring **Frederick J. Green** into this art space. Fred brings an impressionistic, contemporary approach to his painting. He's known for using bold colors and brush strokes, and creating pieces using multiple canvases. Three years ago, Fred built himself an art studio, and from that point forward, his creativity and exploration of new styles, mediums, and ideas has flourished. He seeks to capture the essence of places, people, and experiences through his work, and hopes to convey a sense of 'being there' through his creative lens. Green brings a collection of his most celebrated works to the Meyer Najem gallery this fall. Don't miss Frederick J. Green's showcase — this October to December 2019 at the Meyer Najem Gallery in Fishers!

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MEYER NAJEM SHOWCASE: "TRAVELTOPIA" BY JASON KISTLER

January–March 2020
Mon.–Fri., 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Meyer Najem, 11787 Lantern Road,
Fishers, IN 46038
FREE

Jason Kistler, a local artist and photographer, began seriously taking photographs in 1992 during a black and white workshop at Ghost Ranch in northern New Mexico. Over the past 7 years, he has experienced an overflow of photographic creativity. Kistler says, "Photography is my true passion in life, and something I can never live without. I love the feel of being in 'the zone' of creativity...when everything else melts away, and you become one with your art. In these moments, my camera becomes a part of my body, mind and soul."

In 2020, Jason will be showing a selection of photographs in the Meyer Najem Gallery in Fishers on the second floor of the building from January 2 through March 27. Most of Kistler's photographs are from his travels.

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BE WELL FAMILY CARE SHOWCASE: JERRY DREESEN

September–December 2019
Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.
Be Well Family Care,
11495 N. Pennsylvania St #270
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FREE

Be Well Family Care hosts a rotating gallery in the lobby of its Carmel office. All are welcome to come by and see what's on the walls this month! From September–December we're featuring works from local artist **Jerry Dreesen**. Stop by during business hours, Mon–Fri from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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FEBRUARY: CRAIG OGDEN "Different Eyes" February 7–29, 2020

Craig Ogden is a painter who creates from a place of deep emotion. He personifies the term "labor of love." Ogden started putting brush to canvas again after a decade-long hiatus from art as a means to escape his daily routine. Pushing paints around a canvas again made him fall in love with the craft anew. Ogden prefers his current works to remain "unfinished" by nature — not incomplete in thought or composition, but rather in retaining a degree of raw, unrefined emotion that he hopes challenges viewers from their heart and bones outward; that helps them see the world with "different eyes."

Ogden balances warm shades with colder, nude palettes in his spontaneous creative process. He piles acrylic paint on and off masonite, canvas, and canvas papers in layers until, as he puts it, "the magic happens!" You can see many of such works during February 2020 on the Nickel Plate Arts' campus in the Stephenson House Gallery.

Ogden will debut his showcase, 'Different Eyes,' from February 7 through 29. A special reception will take place on First Friday, February 7, from 6 to 9 p.m.

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Noblesville artist finds a new spark to bring his paintings to the public

Craig and Tonya Ogden have owned The Mix in downtown Noblesville for a little over a year. It's an eclectic, highly curated shop filled with the old and the new. From one visit to the next, you might see antique Batman toys next to handmade candles, and rare Pez dispensers behind glass overlooked by some colorful old globes on an overhead shelf. Craig has always loved and appreciated vintage items.

One thing you also might not expect is that, prior to opening the doors for business at The Mix each morning, you'll find Craig hard at work in his makeshift home studio. At the end of the day, you'll find him back at his easel, possibly finishing the same painting he started earlier the same day.

You'd never know about Craig's passion for painting — until recently, that is.

Creative Roots

Ogden graduated from the Heron School of Art with a degree in visual communications. From there, he owned and operated his own marketing and design firm for several years. Along the way, he dabbled with painting, but it was never something that fueled his creative energies. So, about ten years ago, according to Craig, he just quit. "I was mad at my work," Ogden admitted. "In fact, I threw it all away."

Fast forward ten years to early 2019, when something changed inside Craig. Call it a creative spark, an artistic muse, or a flame newly ignited. Whatever it was, Ogden couldn't ignore it. He turned a small corner of the den in his family's Noblesville home into a temporary studio space.

Craig's easel nestles in nicely to one area of the room, as he finds surprising color combinations and shapes hidden in his evolving canvases. Craig uses paper plates as his palettes, piling them next to tubes of paint on a steel table that's easy to wipe clean after a particularly expressive painting session.

But you'd never know.

Art in the Closet

After Craig finishes a piece, he stacks each painting in his kitchen closet and closes the door. These energetic abstract artworks get tucked away into the darkness of the closet until a new painting joins them sometime in the next few days.

Ogden has been incredibly prolific in the short time he's resumed painting. "I've painted between 50 and 60 paintings since April [2019]," Craig explained. But how did his paintings finally find the light of day?

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I just thought — you know — I'm going for it. I'm going to give it all I've got.
-Craig Ogden

Craig Ogden's closet art

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WINTER 2019: EMERGING ARTISTS



KRISTA DARROW: Krista Darrow has skyrocketed in her budding art career. After her first charity exhibition in 2016 with Agape, she developed her art skills to warrant winning the Emerging Artist of the Year award at the 2019 Nickel Plate Arts Gala (pictured). Darrow, a Fishers resident, is also a member of the Equine Arts Guild. She paints passionately with bold colors, vibrant strokes, and unique compositions. Krista has shown her art regularly at Fishers City Hall, Ignite Studio, Nickel Plate Arts Gallery, and in various surrounding communities. Her art can be found in Noble Coffee & Tea as part of their winter "Emerging Artists" exhibit through November and December 2019. To take a closer look at Krista Darrow's work, please visit her Instagram [@darrowkrista](https://www.instagram.com/darrowkrista).



ROBERT ADAMS IV: Emerging artist Robert Adams IV will be showcasing in Noble Coffee & Tea November and December 2019 as part of their "Emerging Artists" exhibit. Adams is an evolving contemporary painter, primarily focusing on works on canvas as well as on mixed media and printmaking paper. While Adams typically employs acrylics in his work, he's not opposed to using house paints! Robert attended Indiana University Bloomington where he studied Art History and Fashion Design. Outside of school, Adams interns at Dimensions Gallery in Bloomington, IN. He says, "when I'm not painting, I write poetry and play the guitar, too!"

SPRING 2020: STUDENT SHOWCASE

STUDENT SHOWCASE: From January through March 2020, Noble Coffee & Tea will be exhibiting student works from 2019 and 2020 Nickel Plate Arts classes as a means to further emerging artists in the local community. Their exhibit will highlight works from watercolor workshops, palette knife classes, drawing series, cartooning classes, writing seminars, abstract courses, and mixed media workshops as well.



ART IN THE OPEN: CRAIG OGDEN *Cont. from page 9*

Craig Ogden's paint supplies at his home studio.

Something to Share

As many artists are prone to do, Craig took photos of his artwork with his phone and found himself increasingly eager to show them to customers at The Mix whenever the topic of art came up. The more compliments he received, the more confident he became. As Nickel Plate Arts employees visited the shop to hand out flyers or posters for various events, Craig couldn't resist sharing the photos of his paintings with the staff members. After several months of this, the incredibly talented closet painter finally decided to bring his art out into the open.

In addition to becoming a Nickel Plate Arts Artist Member and presenting an artist showcase entirely of his own work in February 2020 (see page XX for details), Ogden's work has been featured regionally and internationally. "I just thought — you know — I'm going for it. I'm going to give it all I've got," he reflected. Craig's paintings have appeared in Nickel Plate Arts' themed monthly galleries over the past year. One of his paintings sold during October's First Friday event. In addition, his artwork has appeared in an exhibition at the Anderson Museum of Art. Recently an abstract magazine in Spain contacted him to include some of his paintings in its December issue.

Fanning the Flame

What started as a spark earlier this year has developed into a dream for Ogden. "It's tough putting your art in front of people and figuring out what the next step is," he said. "I hope to have more shows." Craig hopes to outgrow his quasi-home studio in the next year and rent studio space somewhere on the Downtown Noblesville square. From there, he'd like to eventually earn a living through painting full time.

Craig's not unaware of the fact that this dream is something he's realized only recently. "It's still a new thing; it's definitely a work in progress," continued Ogden. "I challenge everybody to learn how to look at art a little differently," he explained, "if nothing else, just to enjoy the experience of seeing something different."

"I was waiting until the passion was ready to go," Ogden emphasized. "Now I realize just how excited I am to paint, and it's a very strong feeling I can't ignore."



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SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY AT NICKEL PLATE ARTS

November 30, 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Nickel Plate Arts Campus, 107 S. 8th Street, Noblesville
FREE

Give yourself the biggest gift this year and simplify your holiday shopping, right here in Noblesville! "Gifted," our annual holiday exhibit-turned-gift-market, is back for its fifth year with a wide selection of unique, handmade items that are sure to please everyone on your "nice" list. Join us on November 24 from 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. for a special Small Business Saturday event and be one of the first to choose from locally-made pottery, woodenware, jewelry, hand-knit accessories, home decor, holiday cards, and more! Early shoppers will get a FREE shopping tote while supplies last. Don't miss it!

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12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS

We've selected 12 days between Thanksgiving and Christmas to celebrate local artists, makers and creatives and to help you check off everyone on your holiday shopping list!

1st Day Sat., Nov 30th SHOP SMALL

White River Sound Chorus live caroling
Woodburning technique demo with Kerry Ruschhaupt

2nd Day Thurs., Dec. 5th BOOKS & COMICS

Facebook Live sales event with Stuart Sayger & friends 8-10 pm

3rd Day Fri., Dec. 6th FOOD & DRINK

Jaws Food Truck & Blackhawk Winery at Nickel Plate Arts 6-9 pm

4th Day Sat., Dec. 7 CERAMICS & POTTERY

Drop-in activities with Kiln Creations
Drop-in clay ornament workshop

5th Day Sun., Dec. 8th HOLIDAY WREATH WORKSHOP

Holiday wreath workshop with Leffel Florals from 3:00-4:30 pm

6th Day Mon., Dec. 9th WOOD ORNAMENT WORKSHOP

Wood ornament workshop with Geoff Davis from 6:30-8:30 pm

7th Day Wed., Dec. 11 JEWELRY

Jewelry workshop with Esperanza Alonzo from 6:00-7:00 pm

8th Day Thurs., Dec. 12 KIDS

Bath bomb-making workshops with Fizzle Bathizzle, 11 am-1 pm and 6-8 pm

9th Day Fri., Dec. 13 RELAXATION

Make your own holiday candle workshop
Make your own tea blend workshop
Make your own clay face mask workshop

10th Day Sat., Dec. 14 TEXTILES & CLOTHING

Ugly Sweater workshop from 11 am-1 pm and 3-5 pm.

11th Day Wed., Dec. 18 PAINTINGS & PRINTS

Artist critique with J. Rodney Reveal from 6:30-8:30 pm

12th Day Sat., Dec. 21 LAST-MINUTE DEALS

Drop-in gingerbread house activity from 10 am-5 pm

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DECEMBER FIRST FRIDAY

December 6, 6:00–9:00 p.m.
Nickel Plate Arts campus
FREE

Join us on Friday, December 6 from 6:00–9:00 p.m. for "Gifted," our very own Holiday Bazaar! We'll feature an array of locally-made, handcrafted goods sure to delight everyone on your holiday gift list. 'Tis the season for giving... and contributing to our local creative economy. Shop "Gifted," enjoy a local artist showcase by Bobbi K. Samples in the Stephenson House gallery, and enjoy a special holiday-themed music showcase from local favorites, Mama's Homemade! Celebrate the season with Nickel Plate Arts this December 6!

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CABIN FEVER DROP-IN ACTIVITIES

December 26–28 and January 2–4,
Noon–5:00 p.m.
Nickel Plate Arts campus/Stephenson House
\$5-\$10/art project

Has the holiday season stretched on a little long for you and your loved ones? Drop by our gallery for some much-needed distraction! We have designed some fun and challenging art stations to get everyone thinking creatively and working with their hands. \$5-10 per craft or \$25 for unlimited crafts for the day.

JANUARY FIRST FRIDAY

January 3, 6:00–9:00 p.m.
Nickel Plate Arts campus
FREE

Start your 2020 with art at January First Friday! We can't wait to show off our January exhibit, "INSeparable," which invites Hoosiers to explore urban/rural dynamics and how we relate to each other across boundaries. Catch artist Melissa Bruhn's artist showcase, "Polarity." Enjoy live music from John Gilmore and Doug Sauter, free New Year snacks, and a cash wine and beer bar. We can't think of a better way for you to start the New Year off on the right foot!

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FEBRUARY FIRST FRIDAY

February 7, 6:00–9:00 p.m.
Nickel Plate Arts campus
FREE

You'll LOVE February First Friday at Nickel Plate Arts. Yes, February brings Valentine's Day, so to stay with the theme, we've decided to play along with our new exhibit entitled "Terms of Endearment," which celebrates love, specifically all the ways in which we express it to one another. See local artist Craig Ogden's debut artist showcase, "Different Eyes." Hear live music from Sara Howe Trio, lovely heart-istic Valentine munchies, and a cash wine and beer bar. Get in the mood for love at Nickel Plate Arts!

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Valentine's Day FOR ALL

NICKEL PLATE ARTS FAMILY VALENTINE'S DAY

February 8, 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.
Nickel Plate Arts, 107 S. 8th Street, Noblesville
\$10 per craft or \$30 for unlimited crafts

The family that creates together, stays together! We have designed heart-warming art stations for you to create art together to give as gifts or keep as mementos of Valentine's Day, 2020! Holiday treats will be provided.

NICKEL PLATE ARTS VALENTINE'S DATE NIGHT

February 14–16, 6:00–9:00 p.m.
Nickel Plate Arts, 107 S. 8th Street, Noblesville
\$10 per art activity; includes materials and instruction for two!
Upgrade to the All-In Date Night Package: \$50 for all 6 stations, plus 2 free drinks

Downtown Noblesville is the place to be this Valentine's Day! You can take your date out on the town to enjoy restaurant and bar specials in downtown AND enjoy a one-of-a-kind experience at Nickel Plate Arts. Six local artists host art stations for you and your sweetie to create art together: don't worry—kind and gentle instruction is included! Check out our website for the latest information about our artists and activities, as well as other specials around town. Cash bar (beer & wine only) will be available, plus holiday-themed nibbles.

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MARTIN & MARTIN INSURANCE AGENCY

NICKEL PLATE ARTS SPONSORS

The Martin & Martin team made an incredible fairy house and scarecrow this year! This group of free spirited, undercover back-alley artists "insure" that all of our programs are a big success!





SO YOU WANT TO MAKE ART, BUT...

Common excuses we make that prevent us from making art

Creating art can be incredibly fulfilling. It can give you a sense of overwhelming peace, frenzied passion, well-won accomplishment, meaningful collaboration, and so much more. It's not only a fun way to make a mess, but it can also be a startling path to tap into energies that evolve us as human beings. That being said, making art can also feel like a chore, can be immensely frustrating, and can cause you to hurl paintbrushes across the room as you scream, *"WHY DON'T YOU LOOK LIKE THE PICTURE IN MY MIND?!"*

We all do it—sometimes we make excuses not to make art because art can be so complex of this. It isn't easy, this art thing! We repeat these excuses and logical fallacies in order to justify our lack of creating. Here are a few of these artsy excuses with some Hamilton County-based solutions below!

1. "I'm not an artist (not really...!)"

If you took a couple of art classes in college, but it's been years since you picked up a paintbrush; if you used to sing, but now the showerhead is your only microphone; if you used to write journal after journal of poetry, but the books in your home are more IKEA-inspired decor than homes for literary art these days...don't cut yourself short! The great news about art is that it has no rules or timelines. Art doesn't need to follow any particular movement or style to be valid. You don't have to have a poignant social message to create something that makes you or others feel something relevant. Just because a work isn't in a juried show doesn't mean

it's devoid of a chance to change someone's worldview. It's never too late to create! You don't need to be an expert to enjoy the process of creating art. So, take up your mantle — you are an artist (as long as you have a passion to create). Go create!

If you're looking to hone some of your creative skills as an artist and evolve what that title means to you across different mediums, check out Nickel Plate Arts' 2020 class offerings spanning drawing, watercolor, palette knife, abstract painting, writing, acting, and so much more on pages 15-16 and at nickelplatearts.org/ classes. Don't worry about what others will say: in these classes, you can make art just for the pleasure of the process! It's never too late to start, or to start again!

2. "I don't have time, money, or supplies to create or enjoy art these days!"

This is a really easy excuse to tell ourselves when we're walking through an art store and see a \$100 bundle of beautiful colored pencils. You want it but...that's a week's groceries, pal! It's so easy to believe this fallacy when we're caught running between family, work, friends, fitness, and generally going through our daily grind. Who has time to draw a masterpiece when the lawn needs to be mowed, the kids have to go to ballet practice in twenty minutes, and you still haven't folded last week's laundry?

The solution is simple: we've got to take a small bite out of the apple rather than trying to swallow

the elephant. Make small goals for yourself, and stick to them. If you can spend 30 minutes scrolling through your social media feed — you could easily spend that same time sketching; progressing a painting; practicing scales; writing a haiku; you name it! Creativity is like any other skill: you have to practice to get the most out of it. If you have the time, you also don't have to break the bank to get into art. If you can afford a \$5 coffee, you can often afford materials to get your creative juices flowing! A pack of pens here, a watercolor palette there; they add up to a healthy art stock before you know it.

Plus, there are a multitude of low-cost arts events and activities in the local community as well! Check out Caravan Classes for arts activities starting as low as \$5. Submit that work that has been lying around your house gathering dust to one of Nickel Plate Arts' monthly shows (free to enter), or stop by one of our free First Friday events if you want to soak in art via osmosis. Keep your eyes open for the free kid's art summer camp sponsored by the Noblesville Trustee's office every year. You have time for whatever you make time for — so make art a priority, and don't break the bank doing it — because you don't have to!

3. "I don't make money with my art, so why should I do it?"

If you've taken the leap into creating art as a money-making venture, it can be discouraging when you haul your setup to a fair or store, invest time and energy in marketing and selling, sweat through a long event or staging day, and end

up with less money than you started with. What a bummer! While this "excuse" can leave any artsy entrepreneur with valid business worries, there are so many opportunities right here in Noblesville to improve your business and reach new sales channels!

You can sell your wares and art in Nickel Plate Arts and NobleMade Gift Shop for better-than-wholesale prices in a wholesale mentality, keeping 80% of the profits while not paying any sort of retail/shelving rent. You can participate in events like Maker Faire, Art Fair on the Square, and Nickel Plate Art's First Fridays at little to no cost or commission (partner dependent). You can join groups like HCAA and the Noblesville Arts Council to keep your finger on the pulse of local arts decisions. You can also stay tuned for business classes throughout Hamilton County geared specifically towards artists (stay tuned for Art of Business classes on nickelplatearts.org!) While making your passion a lucrative trade comes with hurdles, as a Hamilton County artist, you don't have to face those challenges alone!

Plus, boiling down the value of your art to a dollar amount destroys all the fun. It's ok to make art just for you: creating art can calm you, help you organize your thoughts, improve your critical thinking skills, and sharpen your ability to see the beauty in the world around you. To improve your worldview, stop making excuses and get your art out into the open today!

Need a little extra inspiration? Check out our class listing! There's something for everyone's inner artist! →

Classes AT NICKEL PLATE ARTS

ABSTRACT FLORAL PAINTING WORKSHOP

WITH STEPHANIE DENNIS

Jan. 4, 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

\$120 per student

This class is all about the process of creating and de-stressing! Let go and come away with a beautiful abstract floral painting uniquely yours. Learn about negative space painting in combination with abstract and freestyle painting techniques.

Provided: canvas, brushes, paints, markers, setting spray etc. India inks and alcohol drop in various colors, but if you have a particular color scheme you can't live without, please purchase them before class. Please bring any special fine tip markers that you have at home.

MONDAY NIGHT DRAWING CLASS

Jan. 6–Mar 9

\$110, Nickel Plate Arts

Nickel Plate Arts is excited to present Jeanette Pomeroy Parssi as our new Monday Night Drawing Class instructor starting in January!

Our popular 10-week drawing class is available to adult artists at all skill levels, basic to advanced. This is a great class for beginners and a relaxed opportunity for more experienced artists! Instructor Jeannette Pomeroy Parssi found her path in 1994 when she left the corporate world to pursue art. She has studied with renowned artists Graham Nickson, Dean of the New York Studio School of Drawing, Painting and Sculpture; and Miraslov Antic, an instructor at the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. She also has traveled extensively to many locales in Europe to hone her craft, sometimes alone and other times part of a group, but always with the goal of becoming a better artist.

Nickel Plate Arts will provide basic materials, but participants may also bring their own supplies. Students must be 15 and older.

This ongoing class will be offered during subsequent sessions in 2020.

ACTING CLASS WITH SPIKE WILSON

Tuesdays, Jan. 7–Mar. 10

6-8 p.m.

10 week course, \$125 per student, capstone performance afterward

This is a master class in acting for adults, but older teens are certainly welcome.

RODNEY REVEAL WATERCOLOR CLASS

Jan. 7–28, 10 a.m.-1 p.m

4 sessions, Nickel Plate Arts

\$150 for all four sessions or \$40 for one

Is 2020 your year to learn how to paint with watercolors? Let Nickel Plate Arts Studio Artist and HCAA member J. Rodney Reveal be your

guide and create a new painting every week in his popular watercolor class. Rodney is an award-winning painter both locally and nationally and is well known for his works involving natural landscapes, animals, and nostalgic scenes of Noblesville. **To secure your seat in this class, call Rodney at (317) 432-3648 or email rareveal@gmail.com.**

TWEEN DRAWING CLASS

Wednesdays, Jan. 8-Feb. 19

4:30-5:30 p.m.

\$75 per student for the full 7-week course

Nickel Plate Arts is excited to present Jeanette Pomeroy Parssi as our new Monday Night Drawing Class instructor starting in January!

This 7-week drawing class is available to tween artists at all skill levels, basic to advanced. This is a great class for beginners and a relaxed opportunity for more experienced tween artists! Instructor Jeannette Pomeroy Parssi is truly passionate about art and looks forward to teaching participants skills and techniques of artistic expression through drawing.

Nickel Plate Arts will provide basic materials, but participants may also bring their own supplies.

THE WRITING LIFE: STARTING AND FINISHING YOUR NOVEL - WORKSHOP 2020

Jan. 11, 2020, 1–5 p.m.

Feb. 22, 2020, 1–5 p.m.

\$100

That unfinished book is sitting in the drawer because you don't have time to finish it. Life got in the way of your dream so you set it aside, promising to get back to it. Regardless of where you are on your path to fulfilling your writing dream, whether you write novels, short stories, or screenplays, you will encounter roadblocks, time drains, and the lack of energy and the desire to finish what you started.

This intensive workshop will help you focus on your masterpiece. It will offer exercises, practical advice on where to find ideas, time management tips, and step-by-step guidelines to encourage you to put writing at the top of your to-do list. Classes are part lecture, exercise, and critique. Writers are asked to submit no more than ten pages of their work, professionally formatted, if they are going to participate in the critique sessions. Bring a laptop or pen + paper and be prepared to write!

More information can be found at larrydsweazy.com.

Find more information and to register visit: NickelPlateArts.org/Classes

CLASSES CONT. FROM PG. 15

CARTOONING 201: STORY AND CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

**Saturdays, 1:30-3 p.m.
Jan 18-Feb 22, 2020**

\$36 - supplies included

Local cartoonist Ed Gedeon returns with another class about cartooning! In this class, he will help students focus on story and character development in order to grab and keep their reader's attention! This class is geared for artists with a little bit of cartooning experience, but all experience levels are welcome. Ed will supply each student with all basic materials! Advanced registration is required.

Sneak Preview: If you'd like to meet Mr. Gedeon and try out some cartooning techniques, drop in on Saturday, Jan 11th as Ed leads our Second Saturday Art Lab! He'll be offering some interesting drawing activities from 1-5 pm. \$5 per participant, geared for ages 5 and up.

ABSTRACT INTUITIVE CLASS

**Wednesdays, Feb. 19-Mar. 11
6-9 p.m.**

4 sessions, Nickel Plate Arts
\$130, includes all supplies

Local artist Addie Hirschten leads students in this abstract painting class. Abstract painting is a fresh new painting technique with roots in the abstract expressionist and art therapy movements. Learn to spontaneously paint inspired by your emotions and what is important to you. In this class, you will each create one abstract painting over the course of four weeks and learn about this exciting new painting movement together.

Find more information and to register visit: NickelPlateArts.org/Classes



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Art in the OPEN

PUBLIC ART EMERGES THROUGHOUT THE NICKEL PLATE REGION AND BEYOND

In addition to supporting artists, art-lovers, and arts students, Nickel Plate Arts also supports cities and businesses that want to create public art that everyone can enjoy. We've gathered a list of some recent additions for you. As you attend events or drive around to find the best holiday lights this year, keep your eyes peeled for these gems:



**Indiana Seasons
Riverview Health Fishers Complex Sculpture**
developed by Intuitive Health
Artist: Rachel Kavathe
Completed: Nov, 2019



**Siege the Day
Meyer Najem in Fishers**
Artist: Kevin Huff
Completed: June, 2015



Fishers District Murals
developed by Thompson Thrift
Artists: Koda Witsken, Travis Neal,
Megan Jefferson and Dan Toro
To be completed: Spring, 2020



**Riverview Health Courtney Cox Cole
Infusion Center in Noblesville**
Artist: Rachel Kavathe
To be completed: Spring, 2020



**The Leviathan mural under the
trestle bridge by Forest Park in
Noblesville**
Artist: Travis Neal
Completed: August, 2019



**Little Beauty Carousel in Forest Park
(restored)**
Artist: Scott Shoemaker
Completed: May, 2018



Forest Park Crosswalks
Artist: Darren Peterson
Completed: May 2018, refreshed in
June, 2019 by volunteers during Serve
Noblesville



The White River Monster - portable sculpture
commissioned by Hamilton County Tourism
Artist: Expo Designs
Completed: Aug, 2019 - on tour through 2019!



**Trailhead Sculpture commissioned by Keep
Noblesville Beautiful**
Artist: Kevin Huff
To be completed: Spring 2020



Seminary Park Archway
Artist: Kevin Huff
To be completed: Nov, 2019



**Noble Coffee & Tea Bird Murals
and Art Wall**
Artist: Koda Witsken
Completed: Bird Murals, May 2019
Art Wall, Oct. 2019



*"It's fun,
you meet creative
people and you
discover that you
love it."
-Teresa Rusk*

A NOD TO NOBLE MADE *and its Artisans*

Since the all-things-Noblesville store on the south side of the city's downtown square became official in March as NobleMade, it has proved itself as an outlet for artists and makers looking to put themselves and their work on display.

Through the spring, summer and fall, those who have visited and shopped the store have been able to see what previously may have only been sold out of someone's living room, garage or through an online store.

Now, with winter and the holiday season on the horizon, NobleMade will celebrate one year since its original iteration, which was aimed at encouraging folks to buy close to home for the holidays — a way for anyone to easily discover local art and artists.



1. MAPLE LEAF CERAMICS
Heather Garrison, owner of Maple Leaf Ceramics, admits she began small by simply giving away pieces to family and friends before opening up an online shop to sell her functional pottery, which includes holiday ornaments, mugs, platters, vases, spoons and more.

Last year, Garrison said she discovered Nickel Plate Arts after taking a painting class and quickly became a member.

"I was later informed about a new store they were opening called NobleMade. Since I created Indiana mugs and ornaments, we decided it would be a good venue to sell my pottery," she said. "Selling at NobleMade has been a wonderful experience. The Nickel Plate Arts and NobleMade people are so helpful and encourage all forms of art. (It's always great to share your art with your community. Selling your art online can spur sales, but having the support of people in your community is invaluable."

2. UNDER THE GLAZE
Another duo of ceramics artists, Amber McKibben and Marlina Koonce, also sell their user-friendly and food-safe pieces at NobleMade.

"We create unique functional and sculptural ceramics inspired by textiles, textures and designs," Koonce said. "Our pieces are initially wheel-thrown or slip cast and then altered by hand to add in textures, designs, elegance and whimsy."



McKibben and Koonce officially began their ceramics business, Under the Glaze, four years ago but have been working together for more than 13 years.

"We love to play with clay and create items for others to enjoy," Koonce said. "We started selling our work as a means for pay for our materials, including clay, glaze and fun new tools to use. Selling at art fairs and local shops, such as NobleMade, is a way for us to share our creations directly with our community. We love to see our work find new homes and be enjoyed on a daily basis."

3. PET WANTS
Theresa Harris, owner of Pet Wants Indy and a maker who specializes in animal care products, said her desire to share her own findings when fine tuning what her own dog needed inspired her to begin selling the products. Now, she sells natural, limited-ingredient treats, food and bug sprays, salves, soaps and more.

"I started this because my dog has a ton of environmental and food allergies," Harris said. "After almost 2 years of research and testing I found what worked well for him and wanted to share a healthier pet lifestyle with all my neighbors."

4. T.RUSK4U
Teresa Rusk's handmade jewelry is nearly exclusive to NobleMade after she decided to scale back her business in recent years.



"I began exploring jewelry making in 2003. I got more serious about it in 2008. I thought it would be pretty cool to have people wearing something I created," she said. "I love having handmade things; it's so much more special the mass produced products."

Rusk specifically focuses in making pieces that are tarnish resistant and nickel- and lead-free with a combination of wire and colorful beads.

"It's fun, you meet creative people and you discover that you love it," Rusk said about selling pieces at NobleMade. "Art is a very subjective thing. Some people may like what you make or they may not. The thrill of having a total stranger love your stuff is a rush like nothing else."

5. TAYSDREAMERS
Tay Ashcraft is the owner of TaysDreamers and makes soy candles, dream catchers and crystal jewelry. Her crystal candles are sold at NobleMade.

"Being able to connect with my community has been so important in this business," Ashcraft said. "Making a product that someone feels is needed in their sacred space makes me thrilled. I want the community that I started this business in to have easy access to my handmade products and for them to know how much of a difference it makes when you buy local."

NOBLE MADE

NOBLEMADE Holiday Hours run Nov 29 through Jan 5th. Holiday hours are:
Wednesday-Friday: 11 am - 7 pm
Saturday: 10 am - 7 pm
Sunday: 10 am - 5 pm
 After Jan 5th, our 'regular' hours resume:
Wed-Sat: 11am-6 pm, Sun 11 am-4pm
839 Conner Street, Noblesville

A LOOK BACK: 7TH ANNIVERSARY GALA IN REVIEW

**NICKEL
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More Than Luck

On September 18, 2019, we celebrated our 7th Anniversary at the Milltop Conference & Banquet Center in Noblesville. Elected officials, community leaders, business leaders, and artists all gathered together to celebrate the fact that our seven years of success have been much more than luck. Here are some photos of the highlights:



HCAA President Sue Payne and friends chat with Geoff Davis as he carves a small creature out of wood.



County Commissioner Christine Altman and Noblesville City Councilmember and Nickel Plate Art Board President Darren Peterson pose for a photo early in the evening.



A particularly fun and attractive group commemorates their time together by posing for Stewart Imagery.



Musicians John Gilmore and Doug Sauter entertain the crowd.



Arts supporters compete for the chance to win a four-some at the Hawthornes by guessing Heads or Tails



Noblesville Mayor John Distlear and Nickel Plate Arts Board Member and Mayor-Elect Chris Jensen share a laugh before dinner.



Noblesville's Mayor-Elect Chris Jensen models a particularly popular set of woolen gauntlets and tam o'shanter to raise funds.

WE ALSO RECOGNIZED FIVE ARTS LEADERS DURING OUR NICKEL PLATE ARTS AWARDS CEREMONY:



After a triumphant walk through the crowd, pumping her fist, Krista Darrow took home the trophy for Emerging Artist of the Year.



Deanna Leonard humbly accepts recognition as Arts Educator of the Year.



Geoff B. Davis, Artist of the Year, invites the crowd to visit his studio on 9th Street in Noblesville.



Robyn and Mark Littler accept the Public Art Project of the Year Award for the interior bird murals they commissioned earlier this year. The Noble Coffee & Tea Art Wall will begin displaying the work of emerging artists prior to the 2019 holiday season.

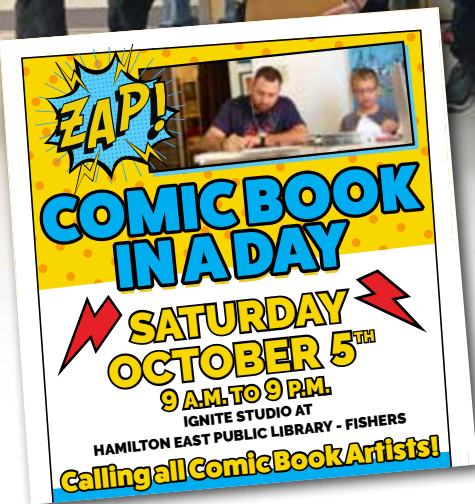


Noblesville Realtor Meredith Ziegenhagel proudly accepts the Arts Champion of the Year award and expresses her excitement for supporting more and greater projects in the near future.

HISTORY MEETS
Urban Chic!

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A LOOK BACK: COMIC BOOK IN A DAY 2019



On October 5, twenty-three artists gathered at the Ignite Studio in the Fishers Library and created their own comic books from scratch. In all, they created over one hundred pages of original content and dazzled over two hundred guests. Here are some of the highlights:

PICTURED:

1. Friends Rebecca and Cam collaborate on a story about Halloween.
2. Legendary Comic Book Artist Mike DeCarlo demonstrates his quick-drawing techniques as he sketches a man during his drawing workshop.
3. Artist and filmmaker Yuri Duncan shared his award-winning animated short "The Outcast."
4. Sterling Clark showed us how to draw just about anything with just five shapes.
5. Returning champions Kenna Al-Sayed and Drew Curtis collaborated on another hilarious story about farm animals and mad scientists.

In all, seven people took home awards for their work during the evening. Find the complete results at NickelPlateArts.org. Here are some highlights:

6. Christina Erin Kievit won 'Best Story'
7. 'Best Art' went to Lina Carter
8. 'Best Overall' — and this year's championship — went to sisters Gabrielle and Raquel Zacherl for their story-with-a-twist called "Left Alone."

Of course, everyone who participated deserves major respect: a 12-hour drawing challenge is no small feat! As you can see above, they're all obviously superheroes!



FEATURED PARTNER

Holiday Happenings

Photo courtesy of Hamilton County Tourism

CARAVAN CLASSES

Create handmade gifts at Caravan Classes for the holidays. Both seasonal and gift-able projects of many price points. We have projects for family members of all ages and group options that would be wonderful for an office party or friend group. February is a season for booking date nights with us, we will be offering a few opportunities for couples to book date sessions or attend a workshop. Experience a handmade holiday at Caravan Classes Studio!



CARAVAN CLASSES STUDIO: 92 S. 9th Street, Noblesville
3rd annual Small Business Saturday Pop-Up Market: Nov 30, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.
Wednesday Art Classes: Age-specific class times 11 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
Drop-In Art Classes and Workshops: Follow us to stay current on pop-up workshops and weekly schedule for open studio times:
 @CaravanClasses or call (765) 557-1969

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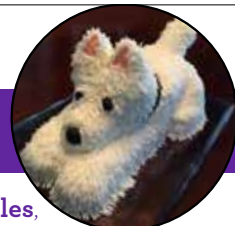
Formerly known as Logan Street Sanctuary, Community • Education • Arts (CEArts) is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) Arts organization based in Noblesville that supports community participation and involvement in the

Arts by hosting arts projects and events in a variety of community spaces and online. We're excited to grow our digital opportunities with podcasts, short videos, online exhibits and contests, webinars, and more! Visit us online to find out more about our mission and upcoming projects at CEArts.org.

2020 THE POLK STREET REVIEW BOOK LAUNCH: Feb 29, 6-8:30 p.m., Hamilton County Artists' Association's Birdie Gallery at 195 South 5th Street in Noblesville.
 CEArts.org

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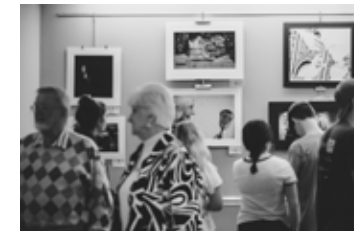
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FISHERS ARTS COUNCIL



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arts opportunities and hope you will join us for a few during the holidays!

THE ART GALLERY AT FISHERS CITY HALL:
 1 Municipal Drive, Fishers, Mon.-Fri., 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Scenes of Indiana and Beyond Exhibit: Nov 4-27, exhibit reception on Nov 8, 6-8 p.m.
Shop Fishers! Small Business Saturday Interactive Demonstrations and Sales: Nov 30, 12-5 p.m.
Winter Wonderland Exhibit: Dec 3-27, exhibit reception on Dec 13th, 6-8 p.m.
Winter Wonderland Artist Interactive Demonstrations & Sales: Dec 7, 3-8 p.m. as part of Winter Wonderland event festivities.
The Art of Jeannette Parssi Exhibit: Jan 2-30, exhibit reception on Jan 10, 6-8 p.m.
Black History in America Exhibit: Feb 4-27, exhibit reception on Feb 7, 6-8 p.m.

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FISHERS MUSIC WORKS

Fishers very own community organization devoted to music! Fishers Music Works brings neighbors together to ignite their passion for quality performing arts. Visit our Facebook page to learn about our holiday performance schedule that will include live music and holiday caroling in the Fishers area.

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HAMILTON COUNTY ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION

HCAA is the original juried fine arts organization in Hamilton County, IN whose mission is to provide opportunities for artistic development for its members as well as enhancing the quality of life in the community. Since 1950, HCAA has fostered art appreciation and fellowship. Celebrate the holiday season with original creativity!

THE BIRDIE GALLERY OF HCAA:
 195 S. 5th St., Noblesville
\$100 Gift Market: Nov 1-14, extended hours:
 Thurs & Fri 1-7 p.m., Sat 10 a.m.-7 p.m., & Dec 6, 1-8:30 pm
Hamilton County Artists' Association Monthly Meeting – Public Welcome: Nov 13, Jan 9 & Feb 12, 7-9 p.m.
Acrylic Painting for Beginners (and anyone else!) by Julie Crum: Session 1: Tuesdays, Jan 7-28 & Session 2: Feb 18, 25, Mar 3, 10, 7-8:30 p.m.
New Juried Members Exhibit: Feb 6-29, Thurs 1-3 p.m., Fri 1-4 p.m., Sat 10 a.m.-4 p.m., First Friday Reception: Feb 7, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

NOBLESVILLE CITY HALL:
 16 S 10th St, Noblesville (South Corridor) 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Hamilton County Artists' Association Juried Artist Members Exhibit: Oct 1-Nov 29
Hamilton County Artists' Association "Loving Large" Exhibit: Feb 3-Mar 27

FISHERS PUBLIC LIBRARY:
 5 Municipal Dr., Fishers
"Remember" Exhibit: Nov 15-Feb 1, Mon-Thurs 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Fri-Sat 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sun 1:30-5:30 p.m.

NOBLESVILLE MAIN STREET:
 839 Conner St, Noblesville, Conference Room (located in the south alley)
Shop Local with HCAA: Nov 30, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. & Dec 1, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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NOBLESVILLE MAIN STREET

Noblesville Main Street is all about eat, play, shop, and drink local! The holiday season is super important to do all we can to support the local businesses downtown and to encourage everyone to do their holiday shopping downtown. We do that through various events and through the support of other community events, like the Santa House on the square!

December in the Downtown District: Dec 6, 5–9 p.m.
Downtown Noblesville
Holiday Market: Dec 7, 9 a.m.–2 p.m.
4-H Fairgrounds: 2003 Pleasant St, Noblesville
Celebrate Main Street: Dec 8, 5–8 p.m., Matteo's: 40 N 9th St, Noblesville
i noblesvillemainstreet.org

NOBLESVILLE PRESERVATION ALLIANCE

For more than 30 years, the Noblesville Preservation Alliance has been working to protect our historic architecture. We believe that respecting and restoring our built environment is crucial to preserving the character of our neighborhoods and maintaining the kind of city we can be proud of. During this holiday season, please celebrate with us and support our great city!

PRESERVATION HALL:
1274 Logan Street, Noblesville
Raggedy Edge Second Saturday Showcase Concert:
 Nov 9, 8–10 p.m.
Comedy Showcase Series: Nov 16 & Dec 21, 8–10 p.m.
Young Songwriter Series: Nov 29 & Dec 27, 7–9 p.m.

SEMINARY PARK:
200 S 10th St, Noblesville
Seminary Park Lighting Celebration:
 Dec 6, 5:30–8 p.m.
 The lights will be on 5–11 p.m. nightly through Dec.
OLD TOWN NOBLESVILLE
Holiday Historic Home Tour:
 Dec 14, 6–9 p.m.
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THE BELFRY THEATRE

This Christmas season, Hamilton County Theatre Guild invites you to join them for a holiday play with a comedic twist in the Doris Baizley adaptation of Charles Dickens' classic, "A Christmas Carol." This version of "A Christmas Carol" is certain to be a delight for all ages. Audiences will leave the theater with good feelings and the holiday spirit. Watch for The Belfry Theatre participating in the annual Noblesville Christmas Parade. The Belfry Theatre is a friendly, welcoming place where those who wish to express their acting or other creative skills meet those who enjoy and appreciate quality productions of comedies, musicals, and dramas. Our goal is to attract and develop good actors and production personnel and showcase their talents in exceptional productions that will enrich and entertain our prospective audiences.

THE BELFRY THEATRE:
10690 Greenfield Ave, Noblesville
A Christmas Carol: Nov 29–Dec 15, Fri & Sat at 8 p.m., Sun at 2 p.m.
 Guests are invited to join The Belfry Theatre for its Christmas Fundraiser, the 12 Baskets of Christmas, a silent auction event during these performances.
Side by Side by Sondheim: Jan 24–Feb 9, Fri & Sat at 8 p.m., Sun at 2 p.m.
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UPCOMING PERFORMANCE:
SLQ Performance: Nov 7, 6–9 p.m.
Vineyard Vines at the Fashion Mall
Holiday Gift and Hobby Show Performance: Indiana State Fairgrounds, Nov 9, 6 p.m.
Carols and Cookies: Dec 15, 7 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church
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