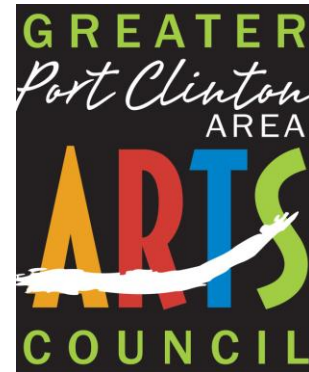


Dear Supporter of the Arts,

We hope this letter finds you enjoying the long days of summer. It is with much excitement we recap the events of the winter and spring and look forward to the upcoming events of the summer and fall.

BYLAWS

THE GREATER PORT CLINTON AREA ARTS COUNCIL (GPCAAC) INTERIM BOARD IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT AFTER MUCH HARD WORK AND DELIBERATION OUR BYLAWS HAVE BEEN COMPLETED. IT WAS A LONG PROCESS; THE END RESULT WAS NOT ONLY REWARDING BUT WILL MAKE FOR A SOLID FOUNDATION TO ENSURE THE FUTURE SUCCESS OF THE GPCAAC.



Winter & Summer Artist Retrospectives

This past winter we held our 1st Winter Artist Retrospective featuring long time Ottawa County resident Pricilla Rhiel. The event was a success with family, friends, community members and even one of her private students, Jeff Bumbara, coming to pay tribute. We are looking forward to an equally successful event on August 22nd, from 12:30-4:30 pm as we will be hosting our 1st Summer Artist Retrospective featuring area artist Virginia Zafirau. We hope you will join us at the historic Island House as we celebrate the amazing talents of this wonderful woman. For all of you that know and love Virginia, we might even have one of her special treats available.

DRAW ME IN

Children's illustrating and story writing clinics "DRAW ME IN," hosted in both winter '10 and summer '10, were attended by many local and visiting children. The events were held at Jodie McCallum's studio in Marblehead, where children attended a one day session where they learned the "ins and outs" of making their own books. Children were furnished with all the supplies they needed to complete their projects. Jodie even continues to extend the use of her studio and supplies for the children, any time they need help or motivation. We will be hosting the Grand Reveal of the children's books on August 10th at 7pm at the McCallum Studio on Main Street in Marblehead. This entire program was and will continue to be FREE of charge thanks to generous contributions and fund-raisers.

DOWNTOWN ARTS & CRAFTS FESTIVAL

IN JUNE, WE HOSTED OUR 2ND ANNUAL ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL. NOT ONLY DID WE HAVE ARTISTS FROM SEVERAL STATES ATTEND, WE ALSO HAD SEVERAL LOCAL ARTISTS SHARING DEMONSTRATIONS ON HOW THEY PRODUCE THEIR ART AS WELL AS SEVERAL ARTS AND CRAFTS STATIONS WHERE KIDS COULD MAKE ART AT NO CHARGE. THIS YEAR WAS INDEED A SUCCESS AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO EXCITING NEW ADDITIONS TO NEXT YEAR'S FESTIVAL!

AMAZING KITE FLIGHT

JULY 24TH WE WILL BE HOSTING OUR 2ND ANNUAL AMAZING KITE FLIGHT, IN THE SPIRIT OF RICK GARDNER, PORT CLINTON AWARD WINNING STUNT KITE FLYER. WE ARE PROUD TO OFFER THIS EVENT AT NO COST TO KIDS OF ALL AGES SO, COME BUILD OR BRING YOUR OWN KITE TO THE DERBY POND 1-4PM AND LET KITE MASTER DAN KLOS AND OTHERS SHARE THE JOY OF KITE FLYING. THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW TIMES YOU WILL ACTUALLY LIKE WHEN SOMEONE TELLS YOU TO GO FLY A KITE!

Appetite for the Arts

Stay tuned for more details on our ever popular "Appetite for the Arts." We have taken artistic license with the venue and date of this event to make it truly a memorable evening. Keep an eye on our website and local papers for information.

Membership

Our membership committee is hard at working plotting and planning. Do not be surprised if you receive a call asking for help. We are always looking for volunteers and creative new ideas; we encourage anyone who has an interest in the arts, not just for the betterment of oneself, but for the community, to attend our meetings and get involved! Please feel free to join us every second Monday of the month at Ida Rupp Public Library, in the meeting room, at 6pm for our board meetings, or contact us at info@portclintonarts.org to learn how to get involved. As always, we appreciate your continued support!

It is our sincere hope we, as a community, continue to work together to strengthen the presence of the arts in our region.

Yours in the Arts,

Carol, Dawn, DOUG, Grant, JODIE, JOHN, Laura, & Sarah

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