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ArtsReach, February 2025

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A note from our President



Allison Juliana **Board President**

donors, and community informed of all PCCA has to offer, we are going to publish our newsletter, ArtsReach each quarter.

ArtsReach is back! In the interest of keeping our members,

A big thank you to everyone that donated to our annual appeal. Thanks to these unrestricted funds, PCCA is able to continue the high-quality programming you've come to expect and enjoy. We also want to better understand your interests in the type of programming we provide. Please take a few moments to complete our customer survey. We look forward to hearing from you!

At the gallery, we are currently featuring the exhibit HUGS by Ginny Streckewald. Her artwork will be on display through March 12, with a reception on February 8 from 1 to 4pm.

Youth Art Day, our annual showcase of visual art, literary, and performance talent from Perry County students, is also right around the corner. If you have a talent you wish to share, please submit your entry by February 5th!

To keep up with all of our programs, events, and classes, be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram!

Customer Survey

Let us know what you think!

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MATCH PCCA Joins Madness 2025 Match Madness

We're excited to join the 2025 Match Madness campaign by the Partnership for Better Health. This year, \$150,000 in matching funds will boost your donations.

Support PCCA in March to fund Youth Art Day, camps, workshops, exhibits and performances. One recent project, "Warm Shadows," showcases high school students' art under Teaching Artist Evgeny Krayushkin. Evgeny's own, original

sculptures and paintings can be seen yearround at PCCA Gallery!

Donate online or mail a check to the Partnership for Better Health with PCCA in the memo line.

Thank you for your support!

Jasmine Colbert Executive Director







ON THE CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

On display through March 12: Hugs at PCCA Gallery. Handmade fabric collages by member artist Ginny Streckewald. Free and open to the public.

Through February: Valentine's Day shopping and gifts at PCCA Gallery.

Wed., Feb. 5: Entries Due for Youth Art Day at PCCA Gallery by 4pm. Details at perrycountyarts.org/youth-art-day/.

Sat., Feb. 8, 1-4pm: Meet the Artist - Hugs exhibit by member artist Ginny Streckewald at PCCA Gallery. Free and open to the public.

Sat., Feb. 8, 10am-12pm: Drop-In Art at Newport Public Library featuring Valentine's Day and Easter themed crafts and cards. Free to attend. Details at *perrycountyarts.org/drop-in-art/.*

MARCH

Mar. 1 through Mar. 31: Match Madness: Match your March donations during this campaign.

Wed., Mar. 5, 6-8pm: Four-Leaf Clover Mosiac Class with Amanda Rife of *Mosaic Montage* at Landis House. \$55 - All materials included. Register at *perrycountyarts.org/classes-workshops/* or call 717-567-7023.

Weds., Mar. 5, 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9: 6-Week After School Art Classes with Tom Oakes at Landis House. Geared towards public and homeschool students in grades 4-9. \$75 per student. Register at *perrycountyarts.org/classes-workshops/* or call 717-567-7023.

Thurs., Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3, 10: 6-Week Art Class for All Abilities with Tom Oakes at Landis House. Great for all ages and abilities. Minors must be accompanied by an adult. Free to attend. Please note that students are expected to attend all 6 class sessions. Register at perrycountyarts.org/classes-workshops/ or call 717-567-7023.

Mar. 12 thru Apr. 30: The Art of Change photography/digital art exhibit by member artist Irene VanBuskirk at PCCA Gallery. Free and open to the public.

Sat., Mar. 15, 1-3pm: Art Talk: Aligning Creativity and Commerce: Trends, Techniques: Your Questions Answered at PCCA Gallery. Register at *perrycountyarts.org/classes-workshops/* or call 717-567-7023.

APRIL

Sat., Apr. 5, 11am-3pm: Youth Art Day at Newport High School. Join us for the largest showcase of K-12 Perry County student art, literature, and performance! Adult admission \$5; students get in free. An awards ceremony will be held at 1pm in the auditorium.

Wed., Apr. 16, 6-8pm: Peeps Mosaic Class with Amanda Rife of *Mosaic Montage* at Landis House. \$55 - All materials included. Register at *perrycountyarts.org/classes-workshops/* or call 717-567-7023.

Sat., Apr. 26, 1-4pm: Meet the Artist - Photography and Digital Art exhibit by member artist Irene VanBuskirk at PCCA Gallery. Free and open to the public.

Apr. 30 through Jul. 8: Jewelry exhibit by member artist Marlene Quigley at PCCA Gallery. Free and open to the public. Details at *perrycountyarts.org/exhibits*.





THEATRE

MARCH 6-8 West Perry High School presents:

A-Wop Bop A-Loo Bop

MARCH 14-16

Susquenita High School presents:

Anastasia

MARCH 27-29

Newport High School presents: High School Musical

MARCH 27-30

Greenwood High School presents:

The Little Mermaid

APRIL 10-12

Lions Community Theatre
- New Bloomfield, presents
Chicago, at West Perry High
School. For more information
visit, nblions.org



OPEN MICS

MONTHLY

Every 3rd Friday, 6-7pm at Newport Public Library.

Open Mic Night featuring local musicians, poets, and storytellers. For more information, contact Newport Public Library at 717-567-6860.

ON DISPLAY

Hugs by Ginny Streckewald at PCCA Gallery through March 12

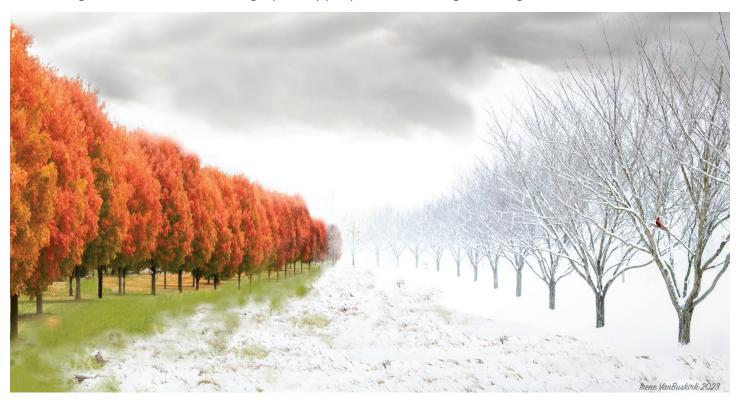
Reception: Saturday, February 8, 1-4pm

The comforting embrace of a hug is a universal language of connection. Artist **Ginny Streckewald's** exhibit invites us to reflect on the power of hugs in our lives. "I don't think I fully realized how wonderful a hug could be until COVID changed our lives in 2020," Ginny shares. From the protective hug of a parent to the reassuring side hug of a trusted friend, her works explore the many ways hugs bring comfort, safety, and unity.

Photography & Digital Art by Irene VanBuskirk at PCCA Gallery, March 19-April 30

Reception: Saturday, April 26, 1-4pm

Change is a constant in life, and photographer **Irene VanBuskirk's** exhibit invites us to embrace its beauty. "Nothing stays the same—everything grows and transforms, just like we do," Irene reflects. Inspired by the ever-changing seasons, Irene focuses on trees as storytellers, showcasing their lush green leaves in summer, fiery hues in autumn, and bare elegance in winter, often sparkling with snow and ice. Recently, she has begun layering photographs to create rich, textured compositions that blend light, shadow, and time, offering a painterly perspective on the magic of change.









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LOCALLY CRAFTED

Gifts for the...



Plant Aficionados

Fused glass plants & plant stakes, night lights by Mosaic Montage. Decorated potted plants by CEE BEE Designs.



Creative Kids

3D Tunnel Books by EyeConnect Crafts. Crochet axolotls & salamanders by Sisters of Stich Craft. Hand-sewn hearts by La Rue de Fleurs. Art pins & stickers by Owlfeathers Watercolor.



Foodies

Fused pink glass platter by Diane Hoffer. Pepper mills by Bill Gray. Cheese knife & spatula by Wise Wood Creations. Wooden spoon by CEE BEE Designs. Charcuterie boards by Buffalo Mountain Craftworks.



Book Lovers

Fused glass trees by Mosaic Montage. The Trees Remember, series by local author, Joyce Kieffer. Pressed flower bookmarks by Karen Alleman. Floral frameable cards by Floral Harvest Designs.



Knitters & Crocheters

Knit socks by Birgit Hoppenjans. Seasonal, hand-poured vegan candles by Moth to Flame Candles. Hand-spun & dyed yarns by Lynne Hoffman. Yarn bowl by Muddy Rox Pottery. Heart baskets by Teena Beutel. Stained glass heart suncatcher by Conni Herr.



Tea & Coffee Drinkers

Mugs by Hometown Potters' Studio, and Michelle Hare. Honey pot by Muddy Rox Pottery. Woven mug coasters by Lynne Hoffman.

Visit us in-person! Wed-Sat 10AM - 4PM | 1 S. Second St., Newport, PA | 717.567.7023



ARTIST DEVELOPMENT

Aligning Creativity and Commerce: Trends, Techniques: Your Questions Answered Free event for artists | Register online at perrycountyarts.org/artist-development/

March 15, 1-3pm at PCCA Gallery

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CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

Whether you're interested in relaxing mosaics or 6-week art classes, there's something for everyone. Join us for an inspiring and creative experience in 2025! **Register at perrycountyarts.org**

Opportunities made possible through EITC partners and The Stabler Foundation.







6-Week After-School Art Classes for Public & Homeschoolers | Grades 4-9 March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9 at Landis House

Instructor: Tom Oakes

Our after-school art classes provide an affordable opportunity for public and homeschool students in grades 4–9 to explore their creativity outside the classroom. Classes are held at Landis House in Newport, PA, with time slots from 2:00–3:30 p.m. and 4:30–6:00 p.m. Past projects have included printmaking, pottery, drawing, and more. Our upcoming series may include projects in wood working and copper enameling, just to name a few!

6-Week Art Class for All Abilities | All Ages March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10 at Landis House

Instructor: Tom Oakes

Whether you're 6 or 106, our 6-week series of art classes offers accessible and enriching art education. These classes are designed to welcome individuals of all abilities. Past projects have included paper making, pottery, stained glass, candle making, mosaics, fiber arts, printmaking, drawing, painting, and more. Our upcoming series may include projects in wood working and copper enameling, just to name a few!

Summer Art Camps | Grades 4-9

June - August

Instructor: Various

Mark your calendars—early bird registration for summer camps opens in March! Don't miss the opportunity to register your child for a reduced rate. Our 2025 summer camps will feature exciting topics, including theatre, art in nature, fiber arts & sewing, watercolor painting, and pottery. Scholarships are available, and application forms can be found online in mid-March at perrycountyarts.org. Join us for a summer full of creativity and fun!



CALL FOR ENTRIES



11th Annual Juried Art Exhibition Entries due July 9

On display September 25 through November 20 Reception: September 26, 6-8pm, awards at 7pm

Calling all 2D and 3D artists, makers, and craftspeople! Enter your original art into Perry County Council of the Arts' 11th Annual Juried Art Exhibition at Landis House, Newport, PA.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes for each art category, as well as a People's Choice winner will be awarded. Selected 2D works will go on to be displayed at the Pennsylvania State Capitol during December 2025 as part of our Capitol Art on Tour Exhibit.



27th Annual Poetic Excellence Awards Entries due June 11

Awards Ceremony Saturday, October 4

Little Buffalo Festival, Little Buffalo State Park, Newport, PA.

We encourage local poets to submit their orginal works to this year's Poetic Excellence Awards. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes will be awarded, as well as the Perry County Poet Laureate Award and Honorable Mentions.

Entries for all contests may be submitted at perrycountyarts.org







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Your contributions make a significant difference in our students' lives and our community's future.

Thank you for your commitment to education!

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