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### Come Join the Arts Association New York City & Theater Tour

The Art Association of Henry County presents their third New York City & Theater Tour, June 2 through June 7.

Hosted by Dick Willis and Beth Schulte, the tour will include five nights at the Edison Hotel, round-trip airfare, three Broadway shows, two special meals, and several walking tours.

Planned tours include Ellis Island, the Financial District, the Museum of Modern Art, the United Nations, Fifth Avenue, the Empire State Building and much more.

Cost of the tour is \$1,975. Space is limited, so call today.

For more information, or to make reservations, please call 521-0981 or 529-2634.

## **Arts Association Launches First Music & Arts Festival**

Artists are invited to take part in The Music & Arts Festival 2013. The Festival will begin September 7 from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. and feature a variety of music throughout the day and evening under the Pavilion in our lovely Arts Part in downtown New Castle. Entertainment will be provided by performers from school age to the most seasoned professional performers in the area.

Participating in the Music & Arts Festival will provide you with a unique opportunity to showcase your merchandise and network with others from the Central Indiana area. We hope to encourage hospitality, tourism and great family fun with the festival. This is the first year of this community event and we hope to make it a cultural destination each year in the future.

Spaces for artisans must be secured by July 20, 2013 and will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. The cost for the space is \$25.00. Booth set-up begins at 8 a.m. and teardown at 8 p.m.

Each artisan who participates will receive: a 10'x10' area to display merchandise; one 8' table and two chairs; free admission to all concerts; inclusion in website, Facebook, and printed promotions (if registered by the July 20<sup>th</sup> deadline), continental breakfast, electricity can be provided upon request (limited access available).

To receive a registration form, please email [aahc2@comcast.net](mailto:aahc2@comcast.net) or call the Arts Association at 765-529-2634.

## **Nancy Dietz: No Ordinary Citizen**

Anyone who frequents the Art Center, Arts Park, and Annex in New Castle has most likely met Nancy Dietz. They will know her as a dedicated worker, caring person and volunteer. She is indispensable to the Art Association and takes care of the Arts Park as if it were her own.

On March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013, the New Castle Area Chamber of Commerce awarded Nancy the title of "Citizen of the Year". As co-conspirators in this surprise announcement, many Art Association Board members, Nancy's dearest friends, including Lynda Graeb and Mike Montgomery, Nancy's mom, Betty Cashner, members from the Saddle Club and New Castle Animal Shelter, as well as numerous others, gathered in the front hall of the First Baptist Church of New Castle. Suppressing whispers, listening to accolades about an individual yet to be named Citizen of the Year to the expectant Chamber audience, we waited. As it was revealed and Nancy took the stage, we all filed into the meeting room, cheering congratulations, and further astonishing the deserving recipient, Nancy Dietz.

Nancy is especially valuable to Henry County's Art Association. She has been here from the beginning and was instrumental in the organization and dedication of the Arts Park. Nancy works diligently keeping the park beautiful and growing. Her dog and constant side-kick, "Baxter", keeps her company as she plants, tends, and prunes all living things in the little oasis she has helped make of the Arts Park. Not only is she a hard worker, but she has a natural instinct of design, the ability to think in the abstract, and motivate others to get involved in her ideas. Nancy Dietz is a breath of fresh air seen breezing into the Art Center every Thursday in any kind of weather at all. She appears full of joy and peace busily sprucing up the Arts Park and everything else around it. Nancy is someone who literally "gets her hands dirty" when serving the community. It doesn't matter if she's playing in the dirt at the Arts Park or shoveling horse manure at the Saddle Club show grounds, Nancy always stops to say hello, and is interested in whatever project others are working on. She is very positive, encouraging, and

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willing to lend a hand in many facets of the workings of the Arts Center facilities, events, exhibits, and more. She assists in hanging exhibits in the gallery, hosting receptions, helping out during events under the pavilion, or anything needed, with a smile and much patience.

Everything she does, from starting the annual Easter Egg Hunt in 1983, therapeutic horseback riding for underprivileged and physically challenged kids, spending countless hours helping people and charitable organizations, to simply having a kind word to say, Nancy does to help others, never expecting anything in return. That is what makes people love her. Several claim her as their best friend. She is an artist and always sees the best in people or a situation.

Sharing ideas and constructive suggestions, Nancy keeps the rest of us at the Art Association motivated and inspired. Whether one has known her for years, or only a few weeks, it is apparent that Nancy is a devoted worker, friend, and gives of herself unselfishly, expecting nothing in return. Most importantly, she makes the best chocolate covered strawberries! Nancy Dietz makes everywhere she goes a better place to be.

(Submitted by Angela Dishman)

### **Informal Paint-Out at the Art Association of Henry County**

The AAHC invites you to a very informal Paint-Out Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. It will be a day of painting and socializing with old friends and soon to be friends. This day is not juried and there is no cost to participate. Plans are to paint all morning, have a late lunch in the Arts Park, and then have a group critique of the work. Lisa Pfenninger and Marilyn Witt will be painting and are helping organize the event. The community will be invited to walk around and watch the painting. It will be a relaxed day of painting and conversation. Registration is 8 to 9 a.m. Lunch in the Arts Park at 2 p.m. and group critique at 3 p.m. Be sure to call and confirm your participation to insure there is plenty of food. Call 765-529-2634 or email [aahc2@comcast.net](mailto:aahc2@comcast.net).

### **Opportunities and Announcements**

IN-FOCUS 2013 – Juried Photography Show at Anderson Center for the Arts, Joyce Miller, AAHC member and Docent, won Honorable Mention. Marvin Groves, AAHC member and active painter, won Special Merit Award.

Angel Works, and organization of volunteers, is looking for a person to volunteer to teach crochet to inmates at the local prison. The project is to learn basic crochet to make lap robes for shut-ins and other like projects. Anyone interested in volunteering to teach crochet should contact Emily Keesling, at GEO, 593—111 X 4013#.

Volunteers needed for the Concert Series for Concessions, Gallery Sitting, and Tickets. Concerts are at 7 p.m. and the dates are May 17, June 14, July 12, August 9, and Fall Festival is September 7 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Call 765-529-2634 to sign up.

Instructors in every aspect of the Arts are being sought for new classes. We are especially in need of adult instruction of oil, acrylic, & watercolor painting. Call the Art Center or Angela Dishman for more information: 765-529-2634.

Artists & Fine Craftsmen: Booth Rental for Fall Festival on September 7, 10 a.m. to dark. A 10'x10' booth is \$25. No commission. Call 765-529-2634 for more information.

Old computer parts, key boards, mouse, headphones, etc., needed for Mary Morris Summer Art Days project. Drop them off at the AAHC.

## 2013 Adult Spring Classes at the Art Center

The Art Association announces the following adult programs offered at the Arts Center.

### **Sip & Dip Acrylic Painting** (ages 21 & over) (with Katherine Shumaker)

Bring your favorite beverage and sip while you dip your brush to follow the strokes of Katherine.

All classes are \$40 / \$30 for AAHC members. All classes are 6 – 9 p.m. at the Annex

**May 3** – “Flowers for Mother’s Day”

**May 11** – “Café Latte”

**May 17** – “Puddle Ponies”

### **Crochet**

(with Cindy Shamy)

Beginners 12 to adult, learn crochet single, double & triple crochet stitches.

**May 6, 13, & 20** 6 – 8 p.m.

Upstairs studio. Min 3 students / max. 10  
\$35 / \$25 AAHC members

### **Fiber Folk Art Rug Hooking**

(with Tracy Burns)

This is NOT latch hook, but a technique dating back to the 1850s. Choose from four designs to create your own wall hanging, pillow, or artwork.

Three Fridays 6 – 8 p.m.

**May 17, 24, & 31**

Adults \$80 / \$70 AAHC members  
Students 10 to high school \$40 / \$35

### **Beginning Knitting**

(with Susan Gibson)

Three Mondays 5 – 7 p.m. (No class the first Monday of the month) at the Annex

\$35 / \$25 AAHC members, also weekly open knitting \$5.

### **Intro to Throwing**

(with Austin Custer)

Teen to adult introduction to basic throwing  
Four Thursdays **June 6, 13, 20 & 27** 6 – 8 p.m.  
\$50 / \$40 AAHC members

### **Glass Slumping**

(with Angela Dishman)

Two Saturdays 3 – 5 p.m. in the Pottery Studio  
**June 22 & 29**  
Cost is \$20 / \$10 for AAHC members

## 2013 Youth Spring Classes at the Art Center

The Art Association announces the following youth classes offered at the Art Center.

### **Mother’s Day Paint**

Ages 6 - 12 – Acrylic Painting

**May 10** 6 – 8 p.m.

Registration deadline: May 3  
\$35/\$25 AAHC Members

### **May Mini Mondays Pre-school Art**

(with Angela Dishman)

Ages 3 – 5 (limit 10 students)

\$35 / \$25 per class 2 different classes:

**May 13** “Michelangelo Ceilings” 5 – 6 p.m.

**May 20** “Mosaic Monarchs” 5 – 6 p.m.

### **Father’s Day Stoneware Mugs**

Ages 6 – 12 in the Pottery Studio

Three Saturdays: **May 25 & June 8** 3 – 5 p.m.

Registration deadline: **May 17**

\$35 / \$25 AAHC members

### **Mary Morris Summer Art Days 2013**

Technology – Past, Present, Future

**Program A** ages 8 & up

\$60 / \$50 five days: **July 8, 9, 10, 18 & 19**  
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Program B** ages 5 – 7

\$40 / \$30 three days: **July 15, 16 & 17**  
9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Program C** ages 3 – 5

\$25 / \$15 one day: **July 11**, 1 – 3 p.m.

### **Birthday Painting pARTies**

Schedule a Birthday Painting pARTy for your child! Acrylic paintings, art games, & painting prizes to take home. pARTies should be scheduled one month in advance. AAHC Member families only. Two-hour pARTy for up to 10 children: \$75. Additional children, \$10 each. pARTies allow additional time for presents, to sing “Happy Birthday” have cake & ice cream. Bring your own food that you may store in the refrigerator/freezer.

Contact the Art Center at 765-529-2634 or Educational Programs Director Angela Dishman at 765-256-0177 to register. Pre-registration & payment required to ensure space in class.

## Membership Corner

Please look at the label on your newsletter and you will find the date that your membership expires. If your membership expires in the next couple of months, we hope that you will rejoin us. Just fill out the form included in this newsletter. We need your support.



## Membership 2013

Yes, please include me as a member of the AAHC.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Individual: \$25.00    Student: \$15.00

Family: 40.00

Club: \$40.00\*\*

Sustaining: \$200.00

Benefactor: \$300.00

Make checks payable to:  
AAHC, Inc.

I would like to volunteer at the Henry County Art Center or Arts Park \_\_\_\_\_

## Spring Needle Art Show at AAHC Seeks Exhibitors

This spring, once again, we will be turning the Henry County Art Center into a gallery for your needle art.

You may enter all types of needle art, quilts, embroidery, knitting, crochet, weaving, tatting, etc.

This show will not be judged, but is just an opportunity for you to share your lovely work with fellow stitchers and other interested patrons who will enjoy viewing the fruits of your labor.

You may bring your work to the Art Center May 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>. The dates of the show are May 19<sup>th</sup> through June 23<sup>rd</sup>. There will be a reception on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6 to 8 p.m.

The show is sponsored by Edward Jones Investments

Keep busy stitching, we are all eager to see what you have been doing.

## Concession Volunteers Needed for Summer Concert Series

The Arts Park will be the sight of the Henry County Concert Series. There will be some great free, summer concerts. We can really use your help volunteering for the concessions.

The concerts will be June 14<sup>th</sup>, July 12<sup>th</sup>, August 9<sup>th</sup>, and September 7<sup>th</sup>. All concerts are in the evenings.

Email [aahc2@comcast.net](mailto:aahc2@comcast.net) or call 765-529-2634.

Come enjoy the music, and we would love you have your help.

## We Still Need Your Email

Help us reduce printing and postage costs, which helps every budgeted dollar go further. You also might help save a tree!

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## 2013 AAHC Board and Staff

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## 2013 Exhibits

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Date</u>
Henry Co. Student Show Reception: Sponsored by:	Apr. 14 – May 12 Apr. 21, 1 – 4 p.m. Alpha Tau Chapter Tri Kappa
Needle Art Show Reception: Sponsor:	May 19 – Jun. 23 May 23, 6 – 8 p.m. Edward Jones Investments
Raintree Camera Club Reception: Sponsor:	Jun. 30 – Jul. 28 Jul. 11, 6 – 8 p.m. Hayes, Copenhaver, Crider, Harvey
Jim Cannon & Friends Reception: Sponsor:	Aug. 4 – Aug. 25 TBA Brown & Brown Law Office
48 <sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Show Reception: Sponsor:	Sep. 15 – Oct. 20 Sep. 19, 6 – 8 p.m. Pfenninger, Claxton, Estelle
Open Space: Art About the Land Reception: Sponsor:	Oct. 27 – Nov. 24 Nov. 7, 6 – 8 p.m. Shoreline Asset Management
Terry Dukeman Reception by invitation only Sponsor:	Dec. 6 – Dec. 7 Terry Dukeman
Permanent Collection Reception:	Dec. 12 – Jan. 26 Dec. 12, 6 – 8 p.m.

The Art Association Board typically meets the first Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Arts Center. Association members are welcome to attend.

