



Rock Piqua

As the pandemic raged through the country, we searched for a way to still deliver concerts to the citizens of Piqua. With a little adaptation, Piqua Arts Council and Mainstreet Piqua were able to have one of the scheduled concerts. In August, we hosted the Rock Piqua Drive-In Concert featuring Jamie Suttle and Clark Manson. The concert also featured a food truck rally sponsored by Awesome Pigua with Susie's Big Dipper, Hannah's Southern Bistro, Buckeye Burgers, Cumberland Kettle Corn & Yummy Gyro Food Truck.

Additional sponsorships beyond our Headlining sponsors were WPTW Classic Hits, Hartzell Industries, Buckeye Insurance Group, Koverman Staley Dickerson Insurance, Awesome Pigua, AM Leonard, Troy Community Radio, Miami Valley Centre Mall, Harmony Systems & Service, McVety Realty, Jackson Tube Service & Miami County YMCA.



















Kick Off Celebration

As with the last several years, PAC started the year with a bang! The Kick Off Celebration took place on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at Apple Tree Gallery. It features artwork from local artists, a performance by Quintessential Winds, appetizers by Stillwater Valley Catering and a presentation about the goals for the upcoming year, by Piqua Arts Council Executive Director Jordan Knepper. The presentation focused on the accomplishments of 2019 and a historical overview of how far the organization has progressed over the past several years.

Welcome 2021 Board Members!

2020 brought eight new board members to the board of trustees in Ann Bradl, Michael Girouard, Mark Greenwood, Darrin Michaels, Joe Shaffer, Melanie Walker, Tim Wells and Tom Younce. Additionally in 2020, Aaron Scott and Melissa Leingang were elected to a second three year term. These ten trustees joined Mike Cox, Mike McCorkle, Katie Sarver and Brittany Van Horn on the board.

For 2021, the board of trustees has made no recommendations on new board members, and has motioned for the acceptance of Mike McCorkle as President, Ann Bradl as Vice-President, Brittany Van Horn as Secretary, Mike Cox as Treasurer and Aaron Scott as Immediate Past-President for the Executive Board. These trustees will be appointed at our Kick Off Celebration on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 in our virtual event.



President Mike McCorkle



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Trustees

Mark Greenwood Michael Girouard Melissa Leingang Darrin Michael

Joe Shaffer Katie Sarver Melanie Walker Tim Wells Tom Younce

EVENTS













Dancing with the Piqua Stars

After a little shuffling, Dancing with the Piqua Stars took place as a virtual event in November and featured a lineup change from the original lineup. Jeremy and Kat Weber, Chris Shoulders, Pam Cornett, Miles Dixon and Brett Marrs all invested a lot of time and energy in the program, but weren't able to participate in November. Instead, Tara Miller & Dan Rosenbaum, Candi Etter & Maria Weaver, Carla Zugelder & Ron Mullins, Veronica Gaier & Kyle Magoteaux and Katie Voisinet & John Voisinet finished out the program.

The dancing was prerecorded with the judges and emcee being live. Judges for the evening were Jim Oda, Executive Director of the Piqua Public Library, Blair Elliott, former dancer and owner of Elliott Land and Hardscaping, as well as Amanda Horn, ballroom dance instructor at Arthur Murray Dance in Dayton. At the end of the night, Katie and John Voisinet took home the most entertaining trophy and Carla Zugelder took home the Mirror Ball Trophy for raising the most money.

A very special thank you to our sponsor, Hartzell Propeller and to our dance instructors, Ron and Cindy Mullins of Studio Outback, Rick and Judy Bowerman of RJ Ballroom, Tammy Bellamy-Chaney of Bellamy's School of Dance and Liz Maxson. This year's event wouldn't have happened without the help of Ella Gover, Jim Gover and Indian Nation Station (AJ Ganger).









KICK OFF CELEBRATION

Tuesday, January 19, 6:00p Virtually - Facebook/YouTube

POETRY OUT LOUD

Thursday, February 11, 7:00p Edison State Community College, Piqua

COMMUNITY NIGHT at MOELLER

Tuesday, February 23, 5:00 - 9:00p Moeller Brew Barn, Troy

DAN KNEPPPER FOUNDATIONS WORKSHOP

March 24 - March 26, 9:00a-4:00p \$250 / \$225 Members Apple Tree Gallery, Piqua

HOME GROWN ARTS SERIES

April
Virtually - Facebook/YouTube

MUSICIANS BENEFIT CONCERTS

April
Virtually - Facebook/YouTube

KEN CALL WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP

May 26 - May 29, 9:00a-4:00p \$350 / \$325 Members Apple Tree Gallery, Piqua

ROCK PIQUA

Food Truck & Music Festival

Saturday, Aug 21, 10a-11p Downtown Piqua

DANCING WITH THE PIQUA STARS

Matinee

Saturday, Aug 29 Matinee 1:00p Tickets \$10 each.

Dinner

Saturday, Aug 29 Dinner 6:00p Tickets \$30 each.

ANNUAL PIQUA FINE ART EXHIBITION

Award Reception

Thursday, Sept 9 6:00-9:00p Tickets \$20 each.

Exhibit

Sept 10-Oct 1 Monday-Friday 10:30-5:00p Saturday 10:30-4:00p

TASTE OF ALE FESTIVAL

Saturday, Sept 18, 11:00a-9:00p Downtown Piqua

DAVE SANTILLANES OIL PAINTING WORKSHOP

Oct 13 - Oct 16, 9:00a-4:00p \$350 / \$325 Members Apple Tree Gallery, Piqua

SOUNDS OF THE SEASON CONCERT

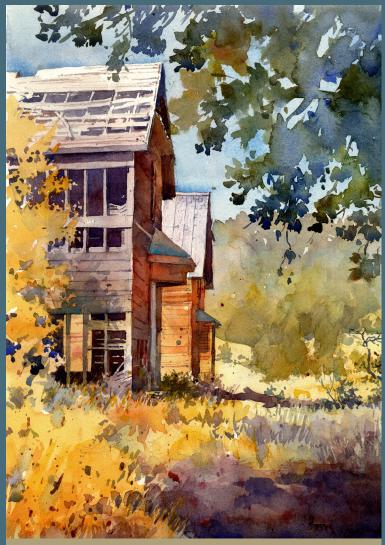
Saturday, Dec 4, 5:00p Tickets \$5 individual / \$10 family St. James Episcopal Church, Piqua

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

With: Piqua Area Chamber of Commerce, Mainstreet Piqua, Grow Piqua Now & United Way of Miami County

(invitation only)
Thursday, Dec 9, 5:00p
Fort Piqua Plaza, Piqua

WORKSHOP





Our professional workshops program brings in highly qualified instructors from across the nation to teach four day workshops for area artists. This year we were able to host a watercolor workshop in October with Nationally recognized artist Richard Sneary. All in all the workshop was a success with thirteen artists in attendance in a socially distanced and masked format. Richard brought his wealth of knowledge from St. Louis to Ohio and helped students build their skills in watercolor.

2021 will see us expand our workshop offering to three workshops with our traditional watercolor and oil workshops and a foundations workshop that focuses on building skills for artists of all ages and skill levels.









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PROGRAMS













Poetry Out Loud

Piqua, hosted their first ever Poetry Out Loud West Central Ohio Regional competition on Thursday, February 6, 2020. The event took place at Edison State Community College in the Robinson Theatre. Four students braved the weather to participate, Immaculee Ingabire from Kettering Fairmont High School, Sierra Wade from Springfield Clark CTC, Chloe Proffitt from Chaminade Julienne High School and Zurie Pope from Piqua High School. Each student had to recite two famous poems during the competition and they are scored on several criteria by a panel of judges. The 2020 Judges for the competition were award-winning poet, author and producer, Sierra Leone, Culture Works's Director of Grants and published author, Karen Maner, and Former Miss Ohio and Singer-Songwriter, Alyssa Hanson, along with accuracy judge, lawyer at McCullogh, Felger, Fite and Gutmann, Nate Funderburg.

At the end of the night, Zurie Pope emerged with the most points and went on to represent the West Central Ohio Region in the state finals on March 6, 2020 where he placed third.

Sponsors for the event included the National Endowment for the Arts, Ohio Arts Council, Winans Chocolates and Coffee, Jay & Mary's Bookstore, Elite Etc., Premier Health – Upper Valley Medical Center, Staples, Scott's Family McDonalds, Readmore's Hallmark, This and That Candy on Main, and Mainstreet Piqua. Each judge was presented with a unique piece of artwork for their service to the program and artists donating were Evelyn Mahrt, Sandra Kraack and Marsha Elliott.

Sounds of the Season

This year's Sounds of the Season Concert happened in a virtual format on Saturday, December 5. Featured performers this year were Allison Babylon, Jimmy Felts, Jamie Suttle, Quintessential Winds and Clark Manson. Piqua Arts Council Executive Director, Jordan Knepper, hosted the event from St. James Episcopal Church. The video premiered on YouTube and is still available for viewing.



Jimmy Felts



Jamie Suttle



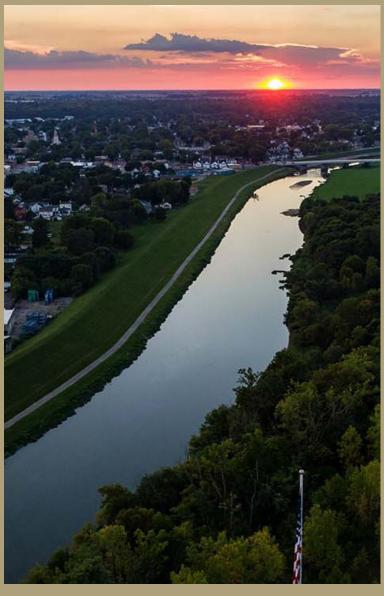
Allison Babylon

EVENTS

Home Grown Arts

One of the greatest drivers of the economy is the creative sector. These creatives tend to move away from communities like Piqua towards bigger cities because of a perceived lack of opportunities, especially after they experience other places while pursuing more education. So, we are creating a series of videos that tell the stories of creatives that have made Piqua their home and are making their careers here. These videos will highlight how it is possible to impact our community through their artforms.









Community Night at Moeller Brew Barn

On Tuesday, February 23, Piqua Arts Council partnered with Moeller Brew Barn in Troy to host a Community Night. From 5pm to 9pm, 20% of all sales were donated back to Piqua Arts Council. Throughout the night, artists demonstrated, there was a drink themed art exhibition, and ReFlektion played from 6pm to 8pm. Thank you to those that joined us for some fun and helped support the Piqua Arts Council by purchasing a drink and food.



MUSICIANS' BENEFIT CONCERTS

THE KID & THE RIFF RAFF **BROTHER BELIEVE ME ZACK ATTACK!** THE FRIES BAND **JAIME SUTTLE REFLEKTION**





Niels & Ruth Lundgard Foundation



Musicians' Benefit Concerts

In March of 2020, the state was shut down as part of an effort to slow the spread of the coronavirus. During this time, unemployment rates for the arts skyrocketed to nearly 50%. As the economy opened back up and several areas got back up and running, one area was still substantially impacted. The arts maintained a nearly 27% unemployment at the end of the year with theatres and music venues still closed.

With all of that, Piqua Arts Council created a program in an attempt to help musicians that have been impacted by the pandemic. The Musicians' Benefit Concert will be a series of six one-hour concert videos featuring regional bands: The Fries Band, Jamie Suttle, Brother Believe Me, Zack Attack, The Driving Force and ReFlektion. These videos will be used as a vehicle to create a fund for the musicians of Miami and Montgomery Counties.









RESULTS



Annual Fine Arts Exhibition

The 28th Annual Piqua Fine Art Exhibition took place in September. The exhibition awarded over \$4000 in prize money and featured a virtual reception where the awards were announced. The exhibit saw an outstanding turnout, especially of new artists. After the virtual opening, the exhibition ran from Friday, September 4 until Friday, October 2.

In addition to our event sponsors, awards were sponsored by Dick Lumpkin Auto Body, ITW Hobart Food Equipment, French Oil Mill Machinery Co., Harmony Systems, Jim & Cathy Oda, Melcher Sowers Funeral Home, Industrial Property Brokers, Adam & Eve, Jim & Cheryl Burkhardt, Quint Custom Signs & Graphics, Buffalo Wild Wings & Galbreath Realty.



Winter Field Caron Strock Wasson



The Agony Shirlee Bauer



German Street Crossing Steve Wohler



Morning Light
Cathy Huber



Untitled Jodi Knoch



Shape Shifter Jan Lendino

Best of Show

If I Could Walk On Water
Dan Knepper

Drawing

1st Place

Winter Field Carol Strock Wasson

2nd Place

Kieferville Stop Tom Lehman

3rd Place

Lavender Sage Path J. Lynne Dodson

Honorable Mention

Blue Truck Kyna Paul

Watercolor

1st Place

The Agony Shirlee Bauer

2nd Place

Cooler Weather Jennifer Sowders

3rd Place

Joy in Fishtown Donna Pierce-Clark

Honorable Mention

Neighborhood Watch Diana Hoke

Honorable Mention

Evening Run Bonnie Kuntz

Honorable Mention

Evening Guard
Jeanette Ferguson

Oil & Acrylic

1st Place

German Street Crossing Steve Wohler

2nd Place

Downtown Waterville Spirit Barbara Houdeshell

3rd Place

Fall Berries
Jennifer Gundling

Honorable Mention

Quiet Encounter
Barbara Houdeshell

Honorable Mention

Autumn Splendor Marcia Maas







Photography

1st Place

Morning Light
Cathy Huber

2nd Place

Gymnasium Tags Eric Reidinger

3rd Place

Wine in the Window Mark Fohl

Honorable Mention

200,000 Titles Calen Fledderjohann

Honorable Mention

1941 Allegheny Locomotive Gauges Ken Maggi

Honorable Mention

Harvest Time Ken Maggi

3D

1st Place

Untitled Jodi Knoch

2nd Place

Wise Counsil Phil Wood

3rd Place

Tall, Dark & Reflective Pamela J. Ridenour

Miscellaneous

1st Place

Shape Shifter Jan Lendino

2nd Place

Johnson Farm No. 2 William Smith III

3rd Place

Canyon Shadows
Carol Korros

Honorable Mention

The Lavender Picker
Bruce Soifer

Honorable Mention

Fall Fantasy
Pam Summers

Kathy Oda Memorial Award

Reds Fan Paul Wilbur

Library Purchase Award

My First Wheels No. 3
Connie Gifford

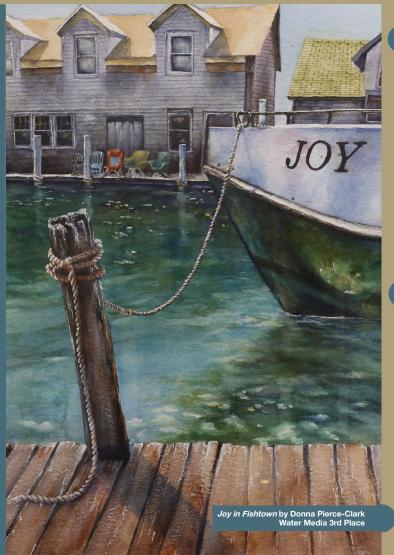
A Welcome Sight Jennifer Walker

Keep Your Eye on the Ball Jeanette Ferguson

Piqua Artist Award

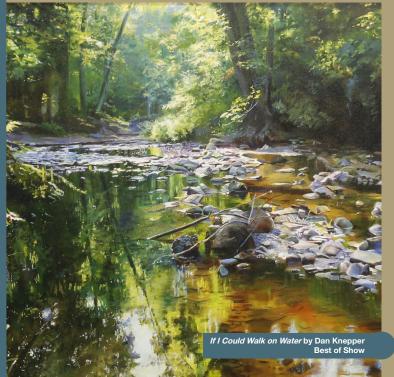
In The Deep Evelyn Mahrt

GRANTS









Grants

Piqua Arts Council was the recipient of several grants in 2020. A few of them helped us navigate the pandemic. As part of the CARES Act, Piqua Arts Council got a Payroll Protection Program award of \$6500, which was turned into a grant. Additionally we were awarded \$25,000 from Miami County as part of the CARES Act to cover operating expenses for 2020. Several multi-state arts organizations banded together to obtain a grant from the Mellon Foundation to assist arts based non-profits as well and we were the recipient of one of these grants from Arts Midwest for \$25,000.

In addition to these grants, we were also awarded several grants from the Ohio Arts Council and one from the Piqua Community Foundation as well as the Vectren Foundation and Emerson.









Mission Statement

The Piqua Arts Council is dedicated to making the arts accessible to our community through education, support and presentation.

PAC has established the following guiding principles whereby programs will reflect:

- High professional standards
- High regard for the inclusion of a broad range of interest and age groups
- Equitable and fair payment or compensation opportunities for artists
- Proper recognition and show of appreciation for volunteers and supporters of PAC

Working Vision

Our vision is to enrich our community by presenting high quality, innovative and diverse arts and cultural programs.

