

THE ARTS IN DOWNTOWN ZANESVILLE



A Taste of Ohio Wine, Bourbon & Beer

🍷 FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK | A TASTE OF OHIO 🍷 Wine • Bourbon • Beer • Art • Music • Community

The season of crisp evenings, creative gatherings, and a little bit of the mysterious is upon us—and we’re celebrating First Friday Art Walk with an evening dedicated to art, literature, music, and community.

Join us at A Taste of Ohio Wine, Bourbon & Beer as we welcome the spooky season with a special lineup of local talent and community partners.

♥ Supporting Our Community

This month, we are proud to partner with the Ohio Domestic Violence Network and the Raise the Bar campaign. Stop by their table to learn more about their important work and enjoy our special seasonal mocktail, “Hocus Pocus.” Proceeds from the mocktail will benefit their cause.

📖 Local Author Spotlight

We’re excited to feature local author Valtinen Karille, who will be celebrating the debut of his newest Gothic retelling of Beauty and the Beast. If you love dark fairytales, Gothic storytelling, and imaginative new takes on classic tales, be sure to stop in and meet the author.

🎨 Featured Guest Artist: Robert Riggins

This month’s featured artist is Robert Riggins, an accomplished multi-styled spray paint artist from Zanesville, Ohio. With a professional career spanning 14 years, Robert has developed a distinctive visual style showcased through vibrant landscapes, custom fan art, and precise lettering.

His work has been featured in numerous large-scale creative projects, and he continues to accept commissions, collaborating with clients to transform their ideas and visions into one-of-a-kind artwork.

🎵 Live Music with Hunter Lepi

As the evening unfolds, Hunter Lepi will be entertaining us with his music. Arrive early, grab a seat, and settle in for an evening of live art and music in a welcoming creative atmosphere.

🛍️ Local Vendors Upstairs

Be sure to head upstairs to explore our vendor spaces and discover more local makers, artists, and unique finds.

🍷 Come Early. Stay Awhile. Explore.

Start your evening with something delicious from our kitchen and a drink, then take your time experiencing everything happening throughout the venue.

From local authors and artists to live music, community organizations, and small-business creativity, First Friday is about bringing our Art Community together—and we’d love for you to be part of it.

🍁 Join us this First Friday and celebrate the creativity, talent, and community that makes Zanesville special.

A Taste of Ohio Wine, Bourbon & Beer
Where local flavor meets local art.

Join us for the October First Friday ArtWalk, October 2nd from 5pm - 8pm.

Sara Becker at Hexed Holler



Asking Sara Becker what kind of artist she is may get you a slightly complicated answer. Sara is a mother, first responder, writer, model, educator, business owner, witch, and community builder, and apparently someone who never learned she was supposed to pick one thing and stick with it. She is also queer, alternative, deeply curious, and much more interested in the intersections between things than keeping them neatly separated.

Her creativity shows up in writing, modeling, photography, herbalism, spirituality, education, event creation, and whatever rabbit hole she has enthusiastically fallen into that week. Through Hexed Holler, that curiosity has become workshops, book clubs, maker nights, community gatherings, alternative-lifestyle education, and opportunities for other people to create and teach. A lot of Sara’s ideas start with, “Wouldn’t it be cool if somebody...” followed shortly by the realization that she has accidentally volunteered herself to be that somebody.

At the heart of it all is something much simpler: Sara loves taking care of people and connecting them. Her years as a first responder have taught her a great deal about caring for people in crisis. Hexed Holler represents another side of care: what we can do for each other before the crisis. Education, creativity, resources, harm reduction, mutual aid, connection, and belonging.

Sara believes alternative people deserve to exist in more than alternative spaces. Being queer, unconventional, spiritual, alternative in relationships, or simply a little weird shouldn’t mean hiding pieces of yourself to participate in your community. We belong in art spaces, book clubs, classrooms, businesses, and community organizations, too. She wants Hexed Holler to be somewhere people can be curious without embarrassment, ask questions without shame, share what they know, try something new, and find each other.

For years, Sara hesitated to call herself an artist because she couldn’t point to one thing and say, “That’s my medium.” Now she thinks she may have been looking at it wrong. Maybe her medium is curiosity. Maybe it’s connection. Maybe the art is creating something where there wasn’t something before. Sometimes that’s a poem, photograph, class, event, conversation, or introduction between two people who needed to know each other. And sometimes it’s an entire studio on the second floor of a building in downtown Zanesville.

Hexed Holler is also available as a creative and gathering space for artists, educators, small businesses, and community members to bring their own ideas to life.

Visit Sara at Hexed Holler Collective, 47 N. 4th Street, Suite 204, Zanesville, Ohio, during First Friday from 5–9 PM. And if you can’t visit, you can find us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or on our website www.hexedhollercollective.com



To become a member, mail to:
The Artist Colony of Zanesville
P.O. Box 1313

Zanesville, Ohio 43701
Include Name, Address, Phone Number, Email, Website along
with \$25 membership

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Additional
Information



Yan Sun Art Museum and Gallery

“Welcome Autumn: October First Friday Gallery Celebration”

Welcome autumn with an enjoyable evening of art at the gallery! This October exhibition brings together a selection of paintings and other artworks in a variety of styles and subjects. As the season changes, take some time to look around, enjoy the artwork, and share the evening with friends and fellow art lovers.

The October First Friday Gallery Celebration will be held on Friday, October 2, 2026, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Refreshments will be served, and the event is free and open to the public.



Jessica Rohr



Join us during the November First Friday Art Walk at Mindscapes Art Gallery for the unveiling of Jessica's paper doll art. The exhibit will feature over 30 unique handmade dolls covering a wide range of diverse subjects, fantasy creatures, and fan art. Refreshments will be served.

Coles Aircraft

Ed Rogers is a Zanesville painter known for large-scale Western works celebrating the spirit of the west, alongside fantasy-western portraits, humorous and mysterious gnomes, and luminous floral and mixed-media pieces. For this Halloween exhibition at Ron and Erin Cole Aircraft and Aviation Gallery, Rogers brings a new gothic monster series — vampires in dramatic light, A magical cat, Gothic skeletons and even Frankenstein’s monster— painted in acrylic with the same high-contrast storytelling that marks his Western work.



Y Bridge Cultural Arts Center



This is your invitation to join Watercolor Workshop taught by Catherine Presson, watercolor artist, at Y Bridge Cultural Arts Center. These workshops are scheduled the "First Saturday " monthly from Noon to Three. Catherine is a veteran artist with gallery display for at Y Bridge CAT. Workshop is free. Call Bob Grayson 740-683-1508 or rgrayson@columbus.rr.com Each Saturday we do offer introduction to watercolors at noon to 3 pm.

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UPCOMING EVENTS OCTOBER

02 OCT

OPEN FOR GALLERY HOP
Come see all the latest artwok from our house artists tonight from 5-8pm

09-10 OCT

INTUITITIVE ARTIST RETREAT
A chance to Explore-Discover & Connect with other artists for a weekend of creativity

15 OCT

FALL DOOR PAINT CLASS
Come celebrate October by painting a beginner friendly harvest door painting

PUBLIC HOURS:

FRIDAY 12:00-6:00
SATURDAY 12:00-6:00
OR BY APPOINTMENT

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The Art Loft

A new chapter is beginning at The Art Loft! Susan Nash and Susan Stubbins, longtime creative partners affectionately known as The Two Susans, are putting their own spin on the space and can’t wait to welcome you in. Join us for the October First Friday Art Walk to see the newly arranged studio, discover new artwork, and get a peek at what The Two Susans have planned for this next chapter. Come see what’s happening at The Art Loft!



ZAAP Chad Kettlewell

Our featured artists this month is Chad Kettlewell!

Chad is a fine art and commercial photographer, drone pilot, ecologist, and avid outdoor explorer. He aims to learn and teach about the natural sciences in his process which captures the outdoor world in detail and at scale. His work covers expansive landscapes down to the intricate textures found in nature’s hidden corners. He specializes in a range of outdoor genres including landscape, abstract, rural, urban, and wildlife photography, primarily focused on the Appalachian Region of the United States but sometimes beyond.

