

# THE ARTS IN DOWNTOWN ZANESVILLE



Join us for the April First Friday ArtWalk,  
April 7th from 5pm - 8pm.

## ARTIST OF THE MONTH

### Yan Sun

Distinguished Professor of Fine Art, Director of Gallery at Muskingum University.  
Signature member of Oil Painters of America (OPA)  
Signature member of American Society of Marine Artists (ASMA)  
Artist of the 2022 Governor's Awards for the Arts, Ohio Arts Council

Yan Sun's paintings are shown in solo exhibitions in art centers, galleries, as well as museums such as Hayden Museum of American Art, Zanesville Museum of Art, Canton Museum of Art, and Museum of East Texas. And some paintings become part of the museums' permanent collections. His paintings are also selected in numerous international and national art exhibitions, including those in the United States, China, Turkey, Greece, Italy, and Kazakhstan. Many of his paintings received awards. Some awards Yan Sun received include the following:

- Award of Excellence. The 2021 Eastern Regional Juried Exhibition of Traditional Oils, Oil Painters of America (OPA). Art Center Manatee, Bradenton, FL. September 28 - October 22, 2021.
- Award of Excellence. Best of America, National Oil & Acrylic Painters' Society (NOAPS). Cutter & Cutter Fine Art, St. Augustine, FL. 2020.
- Award of Excellence. "Virtuosos of the OPA (Oil Painters of America)" Salmagundi Club in NYC. 2015.
- Bronze Medal of Oil Painters of America 2010 Eastern Regional Juried Exhibition, Wilmington, NC. 2010.

Yan Sun is co-author of the book, *The Spirit of Art, The Splendor of Life - Artistic Talents in Ohio.*



"A Celebration of Spring"

Our April exhibition is a celebration of springtime, a season to explore the beauty of nature. Showcasing various artworks, this exhibition highlights the theme of nature and renewal. Many thanks to the ArtCoz for featuring Yan Sun as Artist of the Month!

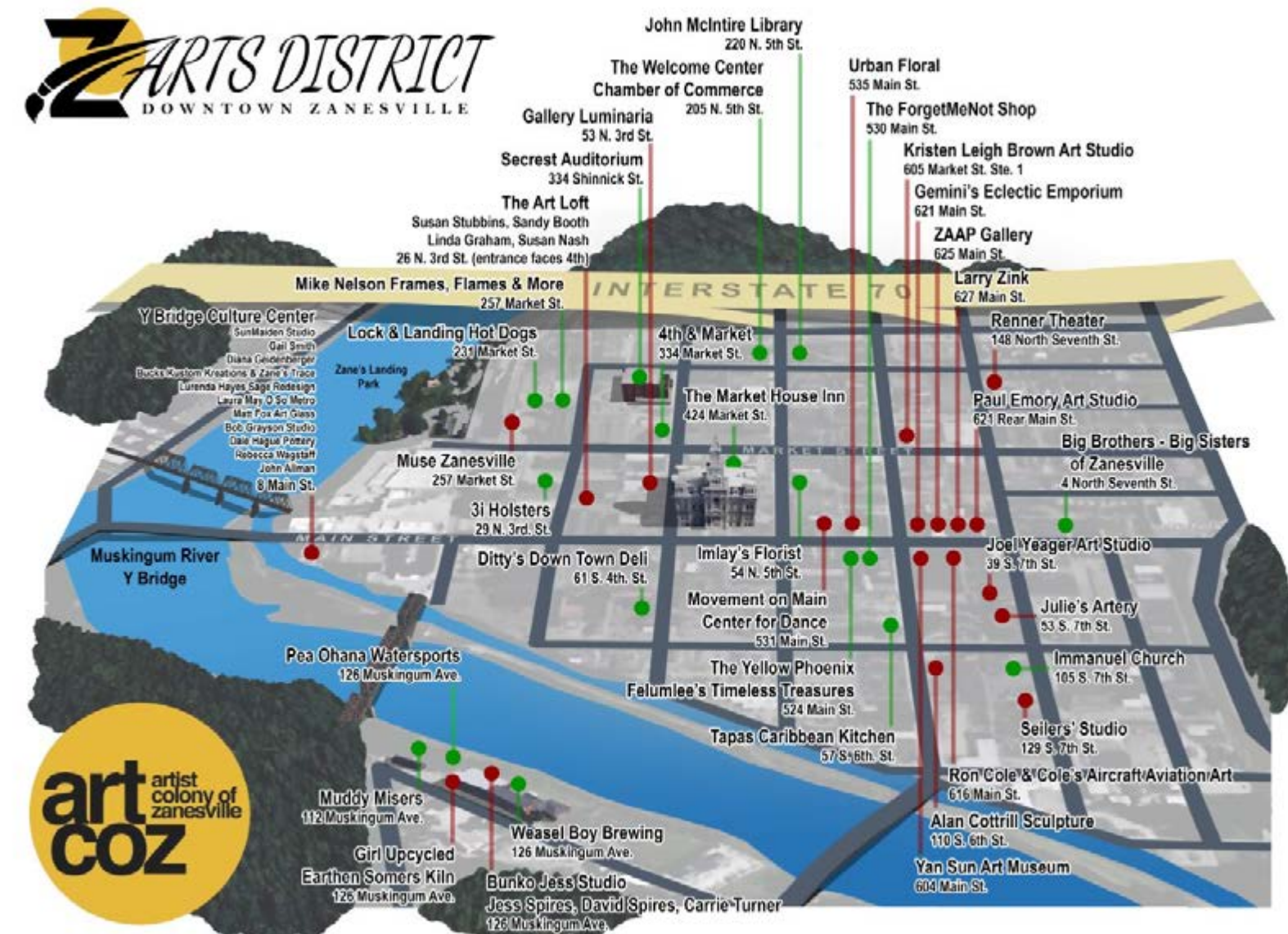
Reception: Friday, April 7, 2023, 5:00pm-8:00pm, free and open to the public.



### 2023 ArtCoz Officers

Erin Cole, President  
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Additional Information



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Zanesville, Ohio 43701  
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## Julie's ARTery



**May Wheel Throwing Classes** at Julie's ARTery. May 8, 15 and 22. Both 10am-noon and 6pm-8pm slots available \$180.

**New Stained-Glass Workshop** Saturday April 15, 1-4pm. \$65 Text or call Julie at 740-408-1237 to join in on the fun.



## Cole's Aircraft Aviation Gallery

While we've been expanding our gallery at 616 Main Street for 3 years, until now we haven't been regularly open to the public. We will now be open from 11 AM until 5 PM every Saturday. Cole's Aircraft Aviation Art is much more than just airplane art. Ron creates at least one new locally themed composition a year, and past examples include his Santa under the Linden Bridge and various versions of our sadly missed Masonic Temple. But if history and aviation is your thing, especially historic aviation, our gallery has new displays every month to stimulate your interest. One of the world's only all-original Japanese Zero fighters greets you at our entrance, as well as the largest piece of the airship Hindenburg in private hands. Of course, Ron Cole's paintings of these aircraft, and more, are on display with the artifacts. We hope that our weekend business hours will contribute significantly to an increase in downtown tourism that benefits us all. With the Downtown Exchange opening soon across the street and other new attractions soon to follow, we're seeing a genuine and long overdue revitalization of downtown Zanesville. It's wonderful to play a part in that.



## BunkoJess Gallery



- April 5th- Inanimate Subject Matter Series: Still Life Practice 6-9p (Free)
- April 7th- First Friday: Shelby Spilker - Featured Artist 5-9p
- April 12th- Ava's Boujee Boards: Charcuterie Workshop (\$50 - reserve your spot!)
- April 19th- Songwriting Workshop 7-10p & Open Gallery starts at 6p
- April 29th- Watercolor Workshop: Leslie Blankenbuehler (\$35)

126 Muskingum Ave, Zanesville // Blue Door, 2nd Floor

## The Art Loft

The Art Loft will be open displaying new art. Come in and register for an art-filled door prize! Check our Facebook page for more details.



## Fairy Door at ZAAP Gallery



Come to ZAAP Gallery! "Fairy Door" Make'n'Take \$7 all supplies included, for all ages. Thursday, April 13, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Stick around for "There's No Place Like Gnome" paint along with Sharon Dean. Show up and claim your seat for \$35 (all supplies included). Thursday, April 13, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

## April ArtCoz Meeting Notice

Monday, April 10th  
6:00 p.m.  
616 Main Street, Zanesville  
Ron Cole & Cole's Aircraft Aviation Art Gallery

## ZAAP Gallery

Mark Diamond is a self-taught artist. He paints with all types of acrylics. He works within the psychological phenomenon known as pareidolia. Although all his paintings portray a message, it's more about the journey into the imagination. He believes each one of us sees things in a different way and every now and then those paths intersect. That is the beauty of life and what he wants his art to represent.

Raven Miller is a Knox County based artist who works with many mediums from paints to sculptures and jewelry. Raven started her journey this year as a full-time artist after being a hobbyist for years. She describes her style as eclectic, as it represents the celebration of creative individuality and fluidity within the arts. Not staying within a set of standards for herself, she is always pushing the boundaries of what can be created. From bold themes to delicate designs each piece created is a reflection of the beauty of the world and the human spirit.

Alexia Lorentz is an artist, and mostly paints with acrylic, gouache and watercolor. She's been doing art since she could hold a crayon, and says she'll probably never stop. Her love of art was instilled by her dad and encouraged by the amazing art teachers she's had the pleasure of knowing throughout her school career. Even when she's not creating, she's observing and planning her next piece.

ZAAP's opening reception for April will be during the First Friday Art Walk, April 7th from 5-8pm. The window theme for April is "Let it Glow"- UV show. View and shop for unique, local art at ZAAP Art Gallery Thurs- Sun 1p-5p.

## Y Bridge Arts Festival Update



The month of March brings us ever closer to the largest annual outdoor event in downtown Zanesville, the Y-Bridge Arts Festival. For 2023 the artist's community has brought forth a brand-new list of event organizers who are endeavoring to make 2023 the most successful Festival in its 13-year-long history. As Co-director, I want to share our progress with our friends and our community.

The Y-Bridge Arts Festival will be held on August 4th and 5th, 2023. There is a change in venue from Zane's Landing Park into downtown Zanesville proper, specifically the area around Secrest and 3rd Street leading towards Main Street. This decision was not made lightly. It's the ambition of the 2023

Festival team to expand the reach of the event into downtown and its permanent businesses, restaurants, and galleries. We want the Y-Bridge Arts Festival to showcase our downtown so that attendees will return again and again throughout the year. With at least three new and exciting businesses and galleries opening on or near Main Street alone between April and the festival, it's the perfect time to show off what a reinvigorated downtown Zanesville has to offer this region of Ohio. The new venue also provides nearly four times the event space, better access to electric and city water, as well as inclusion of much of indoor Secrest Auditorium in the event of poor weather or as place for attendees to cool off. Vendor tents will be 20x20-feet, each including up to four vendors each, and each providing plenty of additional space for each vendor around their tent for set up and to interact with their customers free of congestion. Festival marketing will stretch beyond its 3rd Street footprint and will also include permanent galleries and other downtown businesses that opt to join in the event and be open to the public during event hours.

The Y-Bridge Arts Festival for 2023 will build upon the familiar and successful First Friday Art Walk formula and DORA district, to essentially become a super-First Friday downtown event! Beyond the change in venue and the ability to host more vendors and give those vendors more space, the framework of the event remains familiar and mostly unchanged. There will be a primary music location and outdoor stage located across from the auditorium. Plans include at least two additional 'community corners' for performing artists to help anchor areas of 3rd Street moving towards Main Street. Primary food trucks will be consolidated in an outdoor 'food court' near the primary stage while snack vendors anchor the opposite end of 3rd Street.

If you're interested in participating in this year's Y-Bridge Arts Festival and you haven't sent in your application - please don't wait to do so! Visit us at [artcoz.org](http://artcoz.org) for an application!

