

Art Gallery & Education Center

The Antioch Fine Arts Foundation serves the community by providing education, resources and a forum for the creation and expression of the arts for members and residents in Antioch & surrounding areas.

CALENDAR:

April Featured Artist Exhibit, Dennis Boehm Gallery –

Dennis Downes, Artist and Author
Tree Blessing April 28th, 2018 at 11a.m.
800 Block of Main Street, Antioch, IL

Tuesday, April 10th –

AFAF Board Meeting – 6 pm

AFAF Membership Meeting – 7 pm
Bring your smart phones April 10 for a basic workshop on your devices photo features. Meredith Schnelle will be there with her iPhone X to show you how best to Hold The Phone, planner many conditions including light, and find the features you want for your best shot. There will also be time for questions and if she doesn't know the answer, she knows how to find out.

Saturday, April 14th – Stop in and enjoy the folk sounds of The Musicians during gallery hours

April 29, 30 and May 1st – Switch out artwork – New gallery display on May 2nd.

Wednesday, April 18 – Creative Coffee 9:30am. Larry will have the coffee brewing and your favorite Dickens head ready for you to bring to life! Stop by, give it a try!!

UPCOMING EVENTS

May Featured Artist – “Harmony” Show
A Display of Art accompanied by a Show of Music on May 20th.

May 5th – Antioch Art Crawl
Throughout the Village of Antioch

PLAN AHEAD for more upcoming events, see page 2.

Featured Artist of the Month –

Dennis Downes

The main body of Dennis' work has been inspired by numerous research trips to ancient sites and to natural wonders across the Great Lakes Region and Beyond. Dennis' travels began at a young age, when he would visit his mother's people, the Basque Berriochoa Clan, living in the Idaho and Montana Rocky Mountains. His travels and historical research have inspired both his paintings and his sculptures.



Dennis' Bronze Sculptures reflect a high degree of realism; he has created pieces for both private and public commissions. Dennis has participated in over 150 solo, juried, public, and private shows, winning many honors and awards for Painting and Sculpting, in the United States and abroad over the past 30 years. Several of Dennis' sculptures and paintings are on permanent display at museums, public libraries, historical societies, and national landmarks, as well as private collections across the country.

Dennis' artistic prowess has enabled him to continue his efforts to document and preserve Native American Trail Marker Trees, the ancient system of trail marking that he was instrumental in re-introducing to the cultures that first integrated it into this continent's landscape. He currently works out of Northeastern Illinois, as well as the Wilderness Coast of Ontario, where he is independently constructing a studio in the manner of the first indigenous inhabitants he has dedicated his life to studying.

*“The Native American Trail Marker Trees are historical links to our past and were a part of the daily lives of many original inhabitants. Our Community is indebted to Dennis Downes for his important and inspiring efforts to discover, properly identify, and preserve these trees throughout the United States. We are honored by his commitment and support his tireless work.” – Andrew Johnson
President of the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Illinois*

“Antioch and the Lake County area have a long history of documented Trail Marker Trees. Route 83 (Antioch's Main Street) was once formerly known to Native Americans as the Porcupine Trail. It is our hope that this sculpture will serve as a permanent reminder of this ingenious form of land navigation created by the area's first inhabitants, that was later used by fur traders and early pioneers.” – Dennis Downes



Join Dennis at the Village of Antioch's Installation of the Bronze Trail Marker Tree and Blessing Ceremony on April 28th, at 11 a.m. at the 800 Block of Main Street, Antioch, Illinois.

To learn more about Dennis, his art and extensive research work of the Native American Trail Marker Trees, please visit: www.downesstudio.net

March Featured Artist

Roger Shule enjoyed a spirited turnout for his reception. Many friends and fellow artists locally and from the surrounding areas joined in for a festive gathering.



Ask Arty..



Dear Arty,

I recently saw a collection of artwork at a gallery that was created with alcohol based paint. What is that?

Signed, Kayla

Dear Kayla,

In general, alcohol inks are an acid-free, highly-pigmented, and fast drying medium to be used on non-porous surfaces.

These paints are made with alcohol and each can behave a little bit differently. When dropping the paint you will see how it blooms and creates unique auras. Overlapping the colors creates wonderful effects.

For some excellent tips, I asked a great artist friend of mine who thinks that alcohol based paint is great to work with and creates beautiful works of art.

She recommends using an extender since the alcohol dries so fast. The extender will give you a little more time to work the pigments. She said that she has seen ABP applied to a variety of surfaces, including glass, but her favorite is yupo paper. Yupo is a type of paper that is smooth and non-absorbent, another challenge in working with the pigment as it floats on the yupo until it dries. The finished product can be framed under glass. She says to be aware that some of the pigments can be transient, meaning if they are exposed to direct light, they will disappear over time.

She also suggests you do your research on the brand and pigments before you start your masterpiece.

Thanks for the question Kayla, love learning about new art forms!

Artfully yours, Arty

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Upcoming events!

June: Featured Artists of the Month
Meredith Schnelle and John Rowe

June 9: Art on the Lawn

June 16: Antioch Arts and Crafts Faire

July: Featured Artists of the Month
Jana Nehila and Rachel Assaf

July 4th: AFAF in the Antioch 4th of July Parade

August: Featured Artists – Guest Show

September: Featured Artists of the Month
Carol Fink Sackschewsky and Leslie Nauta

October: Featured Artists of the Month
Ted Foss and Doug Foss

October 12: AFAF Annual Art Auction and Fundraiser

November: Featured Artists of the Month
Sunny Parenteau and Cyndi Salata

December: Featured Artists of the Month
Small Works Exhibit

AFAF & Member News:

Congratulations to Carol Fink Sackschewsky!

Carol was juried into the "Native Flora and Fauna" show for the Lakes Region Watercolor Guild. The show is at the Lost Valley Visitor Center/Glacial Park. The following are in the show: Boundaries and Nature's Forest Preserve.



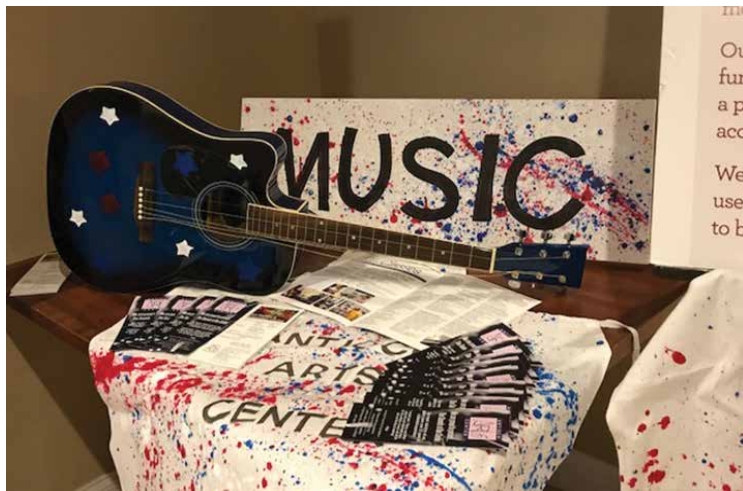
The artist reception is on Sunday, April 15th from 1-3 pm. Family, friends and neighbors are invited to this lovely park to enjoy a day of viewing art and possibly taking a hike to see spring come in to bloom!

Lost Valley Visitor Center/Glacial Park, 6316 Harts Road, Ringwood, IL.



Artwork by
new member
Charles Keller

The Students of the Antioch Arts Center Music Department are practicing to get ready for the "Harmony" show in May!



Please welcome our newest Antioch Fine Arts Members: Cyndi Salata, Charles Keller, and Linda Richter



New member profile:

Linda Richter. Antioch Arts Center's new Events Coordinator.

Linda works as a Trauma Tech at Condell Hospital where she has worked for 15 years. She has been involved with many fundraising projects for over 20 years, some of which include Chairing the Winter Gear drive at Condell Hospital, many years with the Girl Scouts, various

School Districts and Church. Yes, Linda likes to stay busy and be involved....she has a big heart and lots of energy.

Some of Linda's creative talents include sewing, for over 25 years, where she has successfully launched Linda's Doll Clothes making beautiful and fashionable doll clothes and accessories. For the last 11 years, Linda has been heavily involved in making tournament quality Bag-o-Bags for the popular outdoor game which she sells throughout northern IL and southern WI.

Linda loves the outdoors - boating, swimming and golf and has a wonderful family with a very awesome pooch named Lucky.

Welcome Linda!

Art Gallery & Education Center

For more information on taking a class or teaching a class please call the gallery or contact Carol Fink Sackschewsky at artscape20@gmail.com or call the Gallery at 847-838-2274.

Please note:

Classes can fill up quickly!

Please register early to ensure supplies are available and to secure your spot!

Art can be messy!

Please dress accordingly.

Please arrive a few minutes prior to start time for classes held during Gallery off hours as the front door is locked once class has started.

April Showers Bring... AFAF Art and Music Classes!

David R. Becker Watercolor Class

David Becker is offering an ongoing watercolor class. All levels beginner through advanced may enroll in this exciting new class. David will demonstrate at each class and offer guidance for students work on their own painting subject. He will offer guidance on composition, value, color, contrast and perspective. It is a pay as you go and the cost of each class attended is \$25. Please come in and register to hold your place. List of supplies needed will be provided upon registration.

Days: Thursdays
Dates: April 5, 19, 26
No Class on April 12
Time: 6:30 to 9pm
Instructor: David Becker

Class Size: Minimum 5, Maximum 10
Age: 18 years and older
Fee: \$25 per class
Pre-registration is required

Painting and Drawing

Students will try different approaches to painting with lessons in color mixing, design, value changes, and harmony. Acrylics will be used with occasional lessons in drawing and color drawing.

Dates: Tuesdays, 10:00am-2:00 pm
Thursdays, 1:00-3:00 pm
Instructor: Patty Rodgers,
BFA Rhode Island School of Design, 1981

Class Size: Minimum 2 for group lesson
Fee: \$25 per artist, per class
Private lessons available



iPhone Photography

A 5 session class on iPhone use for photography to include: Use and options of iPhone / smartphone, composition, light, editing, printing and matting

End with a critique, and mini art show of final printed and matted photos

Dates: If interested call the Gallery or Carol

Instructor: Meredith Schnelle,
Photographer/Artist

Class Size: Minimum 5 students to have class

Age: 18 years and older

Fee: \$75.00 (\$15 per class x 5)

Please bring your own iPhone/smartphone

Adult Open Studio

Bring your own supplies and materials to this sharing/ learning experience. Not sure about a technique? Need a new view? Come and share your talent with other artists and friends. It's a "show and learn" experience every 3rd Sunday of the month at the gallery.

Dates: Sunday, April 15

Time: 12 noon -4 pm

Host: Larry Lemm

Age: 18 years and older

Fee: Free to the public and members!
(Donations appreciated)

Adult Art Exploration

This class is an introduction to various media, drawing, painting and crafts. Instruction is geared to the individual's interests and experience. Call for class availability.

Days: Tuesday

Time: 4:00-6:00pm

Instructor: Sunny Parenteau

Age: 18 years and older

Class Size: Minimum 1, Maximum 4

Fee: \$15 per artist, per class



Creating Community

An Expressive & Therapeutic arts support group*

Everyone is going through something in their life. Each path is different and equally important. Sometimes we feel very isolated in our suffering and helpless in our struggle. You are not alone. And you are far stronger and more capable than you may yet know! Join us as we come together to express our experiences through art and connect with others in a positive environment.

All materials are provided. All are welcome. No prior art experience is needed.

To register contact Linda Fabry (779) 302-0608.

Dates: Mondays, 12:00-1:30pm

Instructor: Linda Fabry

Age: 18 and older

Fee: \$10.00 per class

**Creating Community is not intended to replace traditional therapy, medical treatment or other supportive or therapeutic groups, but is a wonderful compliment to an established treatment or support program.*



Music Classes

Brass Private Music Lessons

Class Description: Each lesson is 30 minutes and is catered specifically to the skills of the student. Lessons are open for anyone looking to learn and improve on trumpet, trombone, baritone, and tuba from any level.

Days: Mondays

Time: 5-6:30pm

Instructor: Ann Buchanan

Age: 10 years and older

Class Size: 1 student per lesson

Fee: \$25 per ½ hour

email: annbuchanan23@gmail.com

Private Guitar Lessons

Class description: Private one on one lessons with a professional guitar instructor. All ages from beginner to advanced. Classes covering a wide range of styles from Classical to blues, rock and jazz. Lessons are once a week.

Instructor: Emric Montano

Days: Tuesdays, Wednesdays
and Thursdays

Time: 3:00-8:00pm

Fee: \$25 per ½ hour

email: emricmontano@gmail.com

Instructor: Rick Manelis

Days: Thursdays

Time: 3:00-8:00pm

Fee: \$25 per ½ hour

email: rick.manelis@gmail.com

Instructor: Patty Rodgers

Days: Saturdays

Time: 3:00-4:00pm

Fee: \$25 per ½ hour

Private Piano Lessons

Christina teaches students of all ages and abilities. She has taught in East Lansing, Michigan, Denver, Colorado and Antioch, Illinois. Christina holds degrees from Michigan State University as well as graduate work at Northwestern University.

Days: Tuesdays, 1:30-9:00pm
Thursdays, 4:00-9:00pm

Time: 30 minute lessons

Instructor: Christina Mitchell

Fee: \$25 per ½ hour

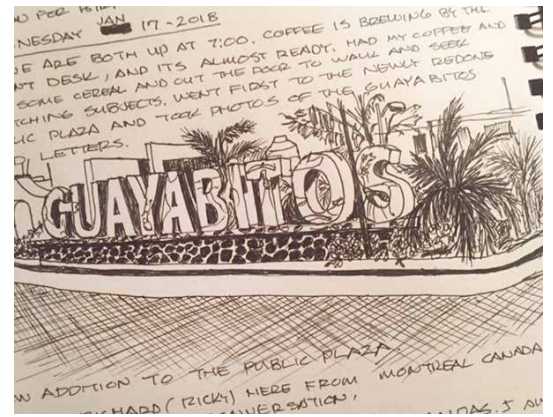
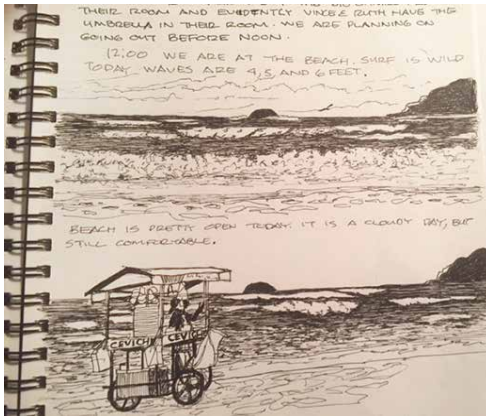
email: vivacepiano1@gmail.com

ARTravels:

Photos of art by Roger Shule while in Mexico

For years Roger Shule has kept journals with drawings from when he and Sandy go on vacation. He shared these fantastic journals during his show in March. What a great way to remember the special times and capture the occasions just as you see and experience them when traveling.

Thanks for sharing Roger!



Join the fun painting with watercolors at David Becker's class. Details in the Classes section on page 4.



The Artful Pen

Short Creative Writings

The Gulf of Golf *Ron Daiss*

"Fore," said the golfer, and swung.

"Not the greens

But the sand trap again,"

Spoke the ball at sudden arrest.

"Yeah," said the other downed golf ball,

My golfer as goofy as yours,

Too bad we did not splash into the pond,

To have little boys fish us out,

To joyously bounce us

On the sidewalk.

Submissions are open to AFAF members, students and our friends in the community.

Email Jana - jlweigel@comcast.net.

National Poetry Month!

National Poetry Month was inaugurated by the Academy of American Poets in 1996. Over the years, it has become the largest literary celebration in the world with schools, publishers, libraries, booksellers, and poets celebrating poetry's vital place in our culture.

ATC Club:

Spring Awakens Illinois

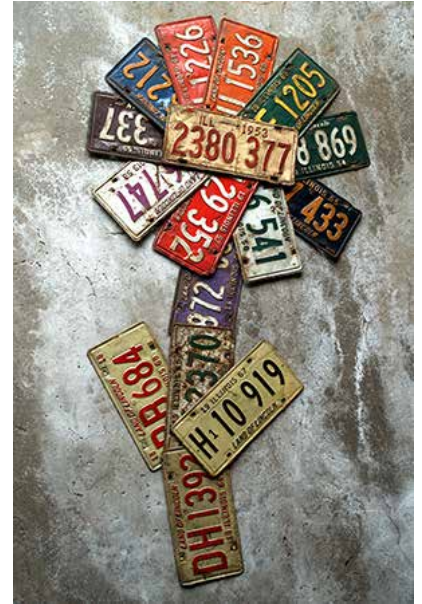
We had winter days that were cold
And wore a scarf, gloves and hat.
It wasn't as bad as days of old,
And really we're OK with that.

But it's time now to welcome Spring.
Smell Prairie Grass in ground so fertile,
Listen to the Cardinal sing,
Maybe we'll see a painted turtle.

It's nice to live in "The Land of Lincoln",
Summer home to the Monarch Butterfly.
Eat Popcorn, and have fun in the sun.
And have Gold Rush apple pie.

Perhaps we'll find a White Oak Tree
And sit among Native Viola flowers.
You, art supplies, the sun and me,
And create away the hours.

Susan Hahl



The next ATC meeting is April 14th (2nd Saturday) From 10am to noon.

The theme is "The Symbols of Illinois"

Artist Trading Cards are 2 1/2" by 3 1/2" cards. Sue will have materials for you to "make and take". You can bring some of your own art supplies, and Sue will also have kits that you can purchase.

The ATC Club was busy in March! With this great green collage, the Luck of the Irish might just stay with them all year long!

Young artist in the creative zone!



Local Art Opportunities:

Art On-The-Wall!

The sky's the limit! Start with these WALLS and soar!

Please sign up at the gallery and contact Ken Lutgen to coordinate locations - kenglutgen@icloud.com.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Jack Benny Center, Waukegan	20-44	20-44	20-44	Spring Show	20-44	20-44	-	20-44	Fall Show	20-44		
Lake Villa Library Display and Demo	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Mirror Images, Antioch	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
State Bank of the Lakes, Antioch	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Heartland Bank, Antioch	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Antioch Dental Center	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Antioch Township Office	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Undercroft Gallery, Waukegan	20-30	20-30	20-30	20-30	20-30	20-31	20-31	20-32	20-32	20-32	20-32	20-32

White boxes mean that location is available for that month, the number inside the box indicates the average number of paintings that can be hung depending on the size of the paintings.

Many laughs were had at the March gathering to create Dickens heads for the Village of Antioch's popular attraction Dickens Holiday Village. Get your laugh on or simply create a smile, or other expression, on the face of one of these characters at the next meeting during Creative Coffee! Wednesday, April 18 - 9:30am. All supplies provided!



Artists, please continue to send us information on what you are up to so we can let everyone know, news@antiochfinearts.org. As we point everyone to your work, please remember to send those you meet back to the AFAF gallery to see all the work here!

Like us on Facebook, and share our wonderful organization with others!
<https://www.facebook.com/AntiochFineArts>

AFAF Board & Committee Heads:

President - Angela S. Vitacco

Secretary - Beverly Walczak

Treasurer - Bernita Schutte

Building Maintenance Manager - Roger Shule

Education Coordinator - Carol Fink Sackschewsky

Gallery Director - Bernita Schutte

Gift Shoppe - Susan Hahl

Newsletter - Jana Weigel, Debbie Morgan

Membership - Jana Weigel

Art on the Lawn - Cindy Trombino

Serving Our Community for 16 Years!

In addition to providing educational experiences and support for local artists we are honored to support or be part of;

- Sponsoring an award at CLC's Recent Works Exhibit
- Donating to Antioch and Lakes High School
- Donating time/talent and a sponsor for Antioch Chamber of Commerce Fundraisers (ie. Dogs/Bears/Chillin'/Treasures/Reflections on the Chain and Dickens Village)
- Juror the Women's Club Spring Art Show
- Donating to Save-A-Pet
- Donating to Open Arms Mission – Starving Artists Against Hunger program
- Blending Art and History Exhibition
- Exhibit in Local businesses to foster appreciation and drive traffic to those locations
- Supporting Education (District 34 Event at our location)
- Promoting Art in Schools and Community (ie. Art Crawl)
- Reciprocal Support with PM&L
- Art in the Yard & Art on the Lawn

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Gallery Hours:

Friday - Saturday 10 am - 4 pm
 Sunday 12 noon - 4 pm

A Non-profit Foundation serving our community