

ART SCENE

Westshore Arts Council



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Introducing the New Look of Art Scene!

We're thrilled to unveil the fresh, modern redesign of Art Scene! This edition features a sleek, visually engaging layout that makes staying connected with the Westshore Arts Council more exciting than ever. With a streamlined format and enhanced digital accessibility, it's easier to discover upcoming events, celebrate our vibrant arts community, and find ways to get involved. Take a look now —your next artistic inspiration might be just a page away!

Howard Hoehn: *A Master of Watercolor, A Friend to the Arts*

Howard Hoehn, a passionate artist and devoted advocate for the arts, passed away on February 24, 2025. Howard's life was a vibrant tapestry woven with creativity, service, and community involvement.



Howard's artistic journey began at West Tech High School in Cleveland and flourished at Ohio University, where he earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. His love for watercolor painting led him to become an esteemed member of the Aquarelle Society, where his works were celebrated for their delicate hues and evocative scenes.

Beyond personal artistry, Howard was a pillar of the local arts community. As a dedicated board member of the Westshore Arts Council, he championed initiatives that brought art into many lives, fostering a vibrant cultural landscape in the region.

Howard's commitment extended beyond the arts. After serving as a Captain in the U.S. Air Force, he pursued a 40-year career as a Transportation Planner at HTNB, contributing to the development of highways and bridges.


An active and adventurous spirit, Howard enjoyed sailing at the Forest City Yacht Club, playing bridge, ice skating, and skiing well into his 80s. His zest for life and creativity inspired all who knew him.


Howard is survived by Louise, his wife of 65 years, daughter Nancy Colton, 2 grandchildren & extended family.


Howard will be dearly missed.


TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

2024 Membership at a glance

 Individuals **84**

 Families **19**

 General Sponsors (>\$100) **6**

 New Members **34**



2025 Goals

100% Renewals **+10%** New Members

Use the **Membership Renewal Envelope** included with this Art Scene or go to www.Westshore.org/about and complete the **Membership Entry Form**.

You can also scan this QR code with your phone to access the form.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

A special *Thank You* to Howard's ice-skating friends, the Andersons, & the Radefelds for their generous donations to the WAC in Howard's name.

We are honored to accept your gifts in tribute to Howard and the artful life he shared with everyone.

Gratefully,
WAC Board Members

ART IN ACTION

A Creative Start: Highlights from our Artistic Year So Far

The first few months of 2025 have been filled with creativity, connection, and community spirit. Here's a snapshot of the events that brought us together.



Art Lecture Illuminates the Bold Legacy of Caravaggio

In February, over 50 attendees gathered for a free lecture on the notorious "outlaw artist" Caravaggio. Presented by esteemed art historian Sean Crum, the talk traced how Caravaggio's rebellious spirit and dramatic style sparked a revolution in European painting. Crum's deep insights and storytelling flair brought art history vividly to life.



Rising Stars Shine in Free Concert Performance

March's "Catch a Rising Star" concert showcased two extraordinary Baldwin Wallace seniors: Jaedynn Latter and Amar-Malik Culbreth. With passion and polish, they brought show tunes to life, previewing the bright futures ahead. From heartfelt ballads to bold theatrical numbers, their performances captivated the audience and left everyone wanting more.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Feminine Touch: An Art Exhibit Celebrating Women in Creativity

May 2nd thru 30th 2025, 10a.m. – 4 p.m. weekdays



Step into a world of color, texture, and expression at The Feminine Touch, an art exhibit showcasing work of eight outstanding female artists. Featuring pieces in watercolor, oil, acrylic, photography, and mixed media, this dynamic collection highlights the power and perspective of women in the arts.

Whether you're an art lover, a collector, or simply curious, you're invited to experience this diverse and inspiring exhibit. All artwork is available for purchase—come find the piece that speaks to you.

Featured artists:

Marguerite Arendec · Kelly Berkheimer
Barbara Cawley · Tish Hopkins
Suzanne Kizzen · Patt Long
Virginia Simons · Kathryn Sowecke

—Community of Fine Arts Show— 2025

Calling All Local Artists: Be Part of the 24th Annual COFA Show!

The Westshore Arts Council invites artists to showcase their creativity in the 24th Annual Community of Fine Arts (COFA) Show. This juried exhibition celebrates local art talent.

Presented in partnership with the Westlake Porter Public Library, this highly anticipated event offers artists the opportunity to exhibit their work in a professional setting—and be recognized by art lovers across the region.

Whether you're emerging or experienced, this is your moment to shine. Join a community that values artistic expression and bring your vision to life for all to see.

COFA TIMELINE AT-A-GLANCE



Enter by Mail

Deadline: July 12, 2025



Drop off Accepted Entries

Saturday, August 2, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Porter Public Library



Hanging the Artwork

Saturday, August 2, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. **Volunteers welcome!**



Awards Ceremony

Saturday, August 30, 2025, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.



Art Pickup

Saturday, August 30, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Encourage your Family & Friends to become Members!

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