The Annual Arts & Cultural Guide

Your guide to arts and culture in the greater Ann Arbor area 2016
A CITY WITH STAYING POWER.

There's so much to see, so much to do and so much to taste that a day doesn't do the area justice. Whether you've got a few hours or a few days, the Ann Arbor Area Convention and Visitors Bureau can help you get the most out of your trip.

Contact us for complimentary assistance with reservations, tours, maps and more.

Spend the day. Stay the night.
Deb Polich
President/CEO, The Arts Alliance

Letter from the President

From murals of monsters at downtown intersections, to historic architecture in neighborhoods and on campuses, to cutting-edge innovation in every industry from health to automotive design, creativity is abounding in Washtenaw County. The more than 5.6 million people visiting our region refer to the area’s rich arts and cultural offerings as their number two reason for coming here – second only to visiting friends and family. With world class musical performances and visual arts exhibitions, cultural treasures that document and proudly showcase our local and national heritage, pop-up events and indie art fairs that feature emerging artists, it is no wonder that these amazing assets draw people to visit – and stay in – Washtenaw County.

This 2016 Annual Arts & Cultural Guide is your access point to the makers, creatives, producers, presenters and amazing organizations and individuals that make the greater Ann Arbor area such a cultural gem. The Arts Alliance is pleased to present this directory of our members, enabling you to find and access creative talent. Whether you’re searching for custom-built furniture, shops that sell locally-made pottery or museums to explore on a date, the 2016 Annual Arts & Cultural Guide is sure to present you with a plethora of good ideas.

You are encouraged to use this guide to plan rich cultural excursions throughout the county. Catch a play in Chelsea and stretch your legs by hiking the art trail in Dexter. Pop into an art center in Saline and listen to music in Manchester. Watch a parade in Milan. Attend one of the many community festivals in Ypsilanti and while you’re there, be sure to visit the city’s fine historical museums. Watch an indie film screening with the writer and director in Ann Arbor. And, of course, experience the culinary art delights – from local brews to world-famous sandwiches – in each and every town you explore.

The Arts Alliance works every day to support and promote the creative sector in the greater Ann Arbor Area. Some of our work is easily visible such as managing public art projects that feature local artists’ work on power boxes around Ann Arbor or utilizing retired canoes in sculptures along the Huron River. Other work – for example, needs assessments for arts and cultural education and administering grants to dance companies and literary programs – is more behind the scenes. We invite you to learn more about the arts and cultural programs you experience and enjoy; read their programs, follow them on social media and, in addition to supporting our region’s amazing creative producers, consider supporting our entire creative sector by becoming a member of The Arts Alliance. Your membership makes a statement that you proudly support and value arts and culture in our county. For more information on memberships, see page 29.

The Arts Alliance thanks each and every one of its members and supporters, as well as every creative sector patron, for investing in the vibrancy of our community.

With warm regards,

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Connecting the Creative Sector

The creative sector is at the forefront as communities across the country look toward their quality of life and placemaking to help improve their economies and remain competitive in the 21st century.

The Arts Alliance serves the creative sector of Washtenaw County, which consists of:

- 2,500+ artists (musicians, dancers, visual artists, etc.)
- 244 cultural organizations (visual, performing, science, museums, etc.)
- 1,328 creative businesses

Together, we make an impact. Our constituents offer programs and services to over 350,000 Washtenaw County residents, 80,000 university students and 5.6 million visitors in the area.

With and on behalf of Washtenaw’s creative sector, The Arts Alliance...

Facilitates
Explores issues, conducts research and fosters and administers creative initiatives.

Advocates
Voices the creative sector’s impact on quality of life and place.

Communicates
Promotes creative sector programs and collaborative initiatives.

Educates
Encourages life-long creative learning programs.

Celebrates
Trumpets the triumphs of the creative sector.

Michigan Theater, Photo Courtesy of AAACVB
From Ypsilanti to Chelsea and everything in between and beyond, you’ll encounter the creative sector with people and businesses who celebrate art and culture.

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$2.78 million in local taxes and
$9.97 million in state taxes are
generated by Washtenaw County
nonprofit arts and cultural organizations.
Our Members

There is always more to discover in the greater Ann Arbor area. See amazing artwork, watch astounding performances, be taken away by beautiful music and of course discover something new every day in the creative sector.

7 Cylinders Studio
1155 Rosewood St., Suite A
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.560.0824
7cylinders.com
7 Cylinders Studio is a creative engine that can help drive your organization’s outreach by producing compelling videos with an optimized strategy for sharing your stories.

16 Hands
407 N. Fifth Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.761.1110
16handsgallery.com
16 Hands features handcrafted, heartfelt, artistic creations of uncommon strength and character, often with unexpected twists; many use recycled or vintage materials. Jewelry, home goods, fine art and gifts.

826michigan
115 E. Liberty St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.761.3463
826michigan.org
826michigan is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting students (ages 6 - 18) with their creative and expository writing skills and to helping teachers inspire their students to write.

89.1, WEMU
426 King Hall - EMU
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
734.487.2229
wemu.org
Public radio from Eastern Michigan University featuring jazz and blues, NPR and local news.

The Aartworks Project
Ann Arbor, MI
theaartworksproject.com
The Aartworks Project is an umbrella organization supporting programs and projects which promote creativity, community and change through art.

All Things Artistic Ministries, Inc.
1191 Stamford Road
Ypsilanti, MI 48198
734.709.8800
ataminc.com
The mission of All Things Artistic Ministries, Inc. (ATAMI) is to glorify God and serve humanity through the arts. ATAMI offers instructional courses, workshops, live performances and productions. A writing group meets monthly.

Jeremy Anderson Illustration
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Jeremy Anderson is a practicing freelance illustrator, teaching artist and human new to Ann Arbor. Jeremy is currently working on a coloring book and a children’s book. For more information or to view his other work, please check out his website.

Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation
301 N. Main St., #300
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.663.0401
aaacf.org
The Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation strives to enrich the quality of life in our region by building a permanent community endowment and through grant making.

Ann Arbor Area Piano Teachers Guild
Ann Arbor, MI
734.864.2686
a2pianoteachers.com
Ann Arbor Area Piano Teachers Guild offers professional enrichment for piano teachers, performance and financial aid opportunities for students and teachers, student testing, awards programs and music camp.

Ann Arbor Area SCORE
1100 N. Main St., Suite 109
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.929.1121
Ann Arbor Area SCORE offers business mentoring to artists.

Ann Arbor Art Center
117 W. Liberty St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.994.8004
ann Arborartcenter.org
The Ann Arbor Art Center has been leveraging the power of creative expression for over 106 years, enriching the lives of countless community members through innovative educational programs, thought-provoking exhibitions, a gallery shop offering locally-made artworks and a variety of events that infuse visual arts throughout the community.

Ann Arbor Civic Theatre
322 W. Ann St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.971.2228
a2ct.org
The Ann Arbor Civic Theatre (A2CT) offers a full season of shows – both musicals and plays – from Broadway and Off Broadway, as well as a children’s theater, camps and intimate studio productions. A2CT also offers workshops on acting, playwriting and various aspects of production.
Ann Arbor District Library
343 S. Fifth Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.327.4200
aadl.org
The Ann Arbor District Library provides collections, programs and leadership to promote the development of literate and informed citizens through open and equal access to cultural, intellectual, recreational and information resources.

Ann Arbor Fiberarts Guild
Ann Arbor, MI
annarborfiberarts.org
The Ann Arbor Fiberarts Guild is a membership group that educates and promotes the fiber arts.

Ann Arbor Film Festival
217 N. First St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.995.5356
aafilmfest.org
The Ann Arbor Film Festival is the longest-running independent and experimental film festival in North America, established in 1963. The 54th Festival will take place March 15-20, 2016.

Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum
220 E. Ann St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.995.5439
aahom.org
The mission of the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum is to inspire people to discover the wonder of science, technology, math, art and engineering.

Ann Arbor In Concert
Ann Arbor, MI
734.768.3868
a2ic.org
Ann Arbor In Concert (A2IC) is a performing arts organization that focuses on bringing 100+ members of the community together to perform musicals in a concert format. Shows are one-night only gala events.

Ann Arbor Summer Festival
310 Depot St., Suite 3
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.994.5999
a2sf.org
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**THOMAS ROSENBAUM**

Abandoned |, 16x20 Acrylic on Linen. This is the first in a series of three paintings from photographs I took while vacationing in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina.

"In the words of Picasso: Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life.”

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**Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra**

220 E. Huron St., Suite 470
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.994.4801
a2so.com

The Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra gives nine orchestra concerts per year, as well as numerous education programs for all ages including a dozen farmers markets performances during the summer, kinderconcerts, in-school programs, instrument petting zoos and more.

**Ann Arbor Women Artists**

4844 Jackson Ave., Suite 100
Ann Arbor, MI 48103
annarborwomenartists.org

Ann Arbor Women Artists (AAWA) welcomes artists of all genders, offering many exhibition opportunities, workshops, classes, studio rentals, monthly speakers programs (free and open to the public) and more. AAWA is a nonprofit, established in 1951 with over 300 members.

**Arbor Opera Theater**

Ann Arbor, MI 734.332.9063
arboropera.com

Arbor Opera Theater presents fully staged operas and musicals each June with recitals—cabarets and other performances throughout the year. Artists are also available for private and outreach functions.

**Argus Museum, Washtenaw County Historical Society**

535 W. William St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48103
734.769.0770
washtenawhistory.org

The Argus Museum, under the umbrella of the Washtenaw County Historical Society, features products manufactured by Argus Cameras Inc. and preserves the company’s history by displaying its significant impact on photography, military equipment and Ann Arbor. The museum hosts photography exhibitions that showcase local and regional photographers and encourages the continued use of analog cameras.

**The Ark**

316 S. Main St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.761.1800
theark.org

The Ark is a nonprofit live music venue for contemporary and traditional folk and roots music.

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**Art Is In Market**

100 Briarwood Circle
Ann Arbor, MI 48108
734.769.6550
artisinmarket.com

Art Is In Market, comprised of three well-located stores, offers juried, Michigan-only artists (from a variety of media), community, training and selling opportunities.

**Art Meets Business**

Saline, MI 734.707.5825
facebook.com/artmeetsbusiness

Art Meets Business is a program to help creative entrepreneurs connect with their markets through business skills development, networking and individual coaching.

**Artista**

3203 Broad St.
Dexter, MI 48130
734.426.1500
artisticagallery.net

Artista is a unique gallery and shop featuring gifts by Michigan artists. Look for the red door by the village clock in historic downtown Dexter.

**Artrain, Inc.**

1100 N. Main St., Suite 106
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.747.8300
artrainusa.org

For more than 40 years Artrain, a nonprofit organization, has delivered world class arts and cultural exhibitions with accompanying education programs to under-resourced communities throughout the United States. Artrain’s mission is to deliver discovery and — through the galvanizing power of arts and culture — transform lives, organizations and communities.

**The Arts Alliance**

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a3arts.org

The Arts Alliance is a nonpartisan, 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that advocates for and supports the Creative Sector in Washtenaw County — arts and cultural organizations and creative individuals and businesses — to ensure that our region remains a great place to create, live, work, learn, play and visit.
Arts in Motion Dance Studio
6175 Jackson Road, Suite B
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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artsinmotion.net
Arts in Motion Dance Studio’s mission is to provide quality dance training to students of all ages and levels with an emphasis on self-expression, musicality and artistic integrity.

Jill Ault
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jillault.com
Jill Ault constructs art quilts of digitally printed fabric. Multiple copies of an image are divided into small squares (no two are exactly alike). When sewn together the design moves piece-by-piece across and down the face of the quilt.

Avantgarde Entertainment & Decor
Ann Arbor, MI
734.417.5299
thumbtack.com/mi/ann-arbor/florists/floral-event-décor
Avantgarde Entertainment and Decor creates custom floral decor with different styles depending on the occasion whether it be for your home, an event or your loved ones at the hospital.

Bank of Ann Arbor's Sonic Lunch
Ann Arbor, MI
soniclunch.com
Bank of Ann Arbor's Sonic Lunch is a free summer outdoor concert series happening at the corner of Liberty and Division in downtown Ann Arbor on Thursdays from noon to 1:30 p.m., June to August. Concerts are free and suitable for all ages. Join the crowds for an energizing mid-day break or just relax and enjoy the sounds.

Ballet Chelsea
1050 S. Main St.
Chelsea, MI 48118
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balletchelsea.org
Ballet Chelsea provides superior training and education in all aspects of dance for ages 3 - adult.

Ruth Bardenstein
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Daniel J. Barry creates fine art oil paintings.

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Washtenaw County’s nonprofit arts and cultural organizations have a $100 million economic impact according to a 2015 study commissioned by the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation.
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Pi Benio is a sculptor and installation artist working in a wide variety of media including handmade paper, found objects, fiber, clay and metal.

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Belleville, MI  
impel-international.com  
Janet Blackwell creates abstract pastels.

Brenda Bobon  
Ann Arbor, MI  
517.581.1657  
brendabobon.com  
Brenda Bobon is a fiber artist that creates knitted ladies garments, knitted accessories, greeting cards by order, jewelry featuring handmade beads and fibers and wreaths.

Boychoir of Ann Arbor  
1100 North Main St., Suite 215  
Ann Arbor, MI 48104  
734.663.5377  
aaboychoir.org  
The Boychoir of Ann Arbor offers choral music education and performance opportunities for boys who like to sing and provides choral music performances for our community.

The Brass Tacks Ensemble  
Ann Arbor, MI  
517.914.9300  
btensemble.org  
The Brass Tacks Ensemble is devoted to connecting to audiences through the essential elements of theater to spark the imagination, present established and original works and provide actors, directors, designers and writers an opportunity to develop as artists.

Mark Mr. B. Braun, Joybox Express  
Ann Arbor, MI  
joyboxexpress.org  
Joybox Express is a 501(c) (3) that raises money for charitable organizations that enhance the quality of children’s lives, focusing on those that provide access to programs in the arts & athletics.

Dolores M. Carlson  
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Dolores A. Carlson works in acrylics, oils and collages to create abstracts as well as landscapes and portraits. She also does decorative painting and murals.

Daniel Cascardo  
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The Cascardo Art Action Experience is an interactive, collaborative, mural making process. It is an engaging process that promotes team building, community, creativity and fun.

Martha Ceccio  
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Martha Ceccio is a visual artist.

Chelsea Area Festivals & Events  
222 S. Main St., Suite B  
Chelsea, MI 48118  
734.474.9178  
chelseafestivals.com  
Chelsea Area Festivals & Events produces outdoor music concerts and art series every Thursday night, June - August, held in historic downtown Chelsea (14 miles west of Ann Arbor). The annual July 28-30 Sounds & Sights festival includes the Chelsea Art Market, live music, a car show and a chalk art contest.

Chelsea Underground Art Gallery  
105 S. Main St.  
Chelsea, MI 48118  
734.277.8747  
chelseaunderground.com  
The meaning of art is to be found in opening up worlds. The Chelsea Underground Art Gallery’s investment is in the human spirit. They bring high level art outside the mega-cities. The artists shown embody a deep social awareness, reflecting humanitarian concerns.

"We believe we can alter Michigan through all the forms of art we offer in our stores. By creating a community of makers, we believe we can help each artist reach their fullest potential. By supporting Michigan and Michigan-made products, we dynamically and positively add to our culture." (page 8)

"Hailing from Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, Vox and Nelson celebrate The Arts Alliance’s commitment to the creative sector in Washtenaw County." (page 25)
City of Dexter Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee
8123 Main St., 2nd Floor
Dexter, MI 48130
734.426.8303

The City of Dexter celebrates and promotes arts and culture through its Arts, Culture and Heritage Committee.

Clinton Arts Center
127 W. Michigan Ave.
Clinton, MI 49236
517.456.5145
clintonartscenter.org

The Clinton Arts Center is located on US-12, 15 miles west of Saline. They offer youth and adult art classes in ceramics, glass, painting and drawing.

Community Music School of Ann Arbor
1289 Jewett St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.213.2000
cmsa2.org

Community Music School (formerly known as Ann Arbor School for the Performing Arts) provides educational opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds.

Community Television Network (CTN)
2805 S. Industrial Highway, Suite 200
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.794.6150
a2gov.org/ctn

CTN is committed to providing multimedia resources such as media production workshops, equipment checkout and programming – all free of charge – to serve diverse public interests and strengthen the fabric of the Ann Arbor community through multimedia.

Candace Compton Pappas
Chelsea, MI
734.475.6059
comptonpappas.com

Working in both 2D and 3D, Candace Compton Pappas intertwines her paintings and sculpture using cement, plaster, wax, acrylics, inks, tar and oils.

Cornerstone Design
310 Depot St., Suite 2
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.663.7580
cdiarchitects.com

Creative, responsive architectural services for commercial, nonprofit, and multi-family projects, including new construction, renovations and additions. Also residential accessibility projects through our subsidiary, Michigan Accessible Homes.

Kristine M. Cravens
Brooklyn, MI
etsy.com/shop/kriscravenspottery

Kristine Cravens is a ceramics artist coming from a fashion design background. She utilizes design elements, rather than more traditional glazes, with finishes that often resemble fabric.

Creative Voice
1100 N. Main St., Suite 106
Ann Arbor, MI
734.747.8300
creativevoice.buzz

Creative Voice (formerly CriticCar Detroit) is a social media-based arts journalism source that produces and posts videos showcasing the arts and cultural scene in Detroit and Southeast MI.

Cultural Art Strings
Manchester, MI
734.223.6876
culturalartstrings.org

A division of the Riverfolk Music and Arts Organization, Cultural Art Strings (CAS) provides string music education for the youth of Manchester. CAS offerings include: private lessons, group classes, summer day camp, quarterly benefit concerts and community outreach concerts.

CultureSource
2727 Second Ave., Suite 147
Detroit, MI 48201
313.831.1151
culturesource.org

A professional association of arts and cultural nonprofits in seven counties of southeastern Michigan, CultureSource connects audiences to culture and helps nonprofit organizations thrive!

Lyn Davidge, Storyteller
Ann Arbor, MI

Lyn Davidge performs storytelling programs for grown-ups featuring original, real-life stories to entertain, inspire and surprise. She is available to perform at service and social organizations, senior centers, faith-based groups and private events.

"YAA! is a four county art collaborative that serves youth in residential treatment and detention services. Find out more about us at: youthartsalliance.com." (page 25)

“Henry Ford’s 19th and final Village Industry will be preserved as part of the 14-acre Village Arts Factory complex. The regional destination where history and art come together to be embraced by all.

“The arts inspire, excite, heal and entertain. The arts bring people of all ages and cultures together to participate in expression, appreciation and enjoyment. The arts create a sense of pride." (page 19)
Sally Day
Ypsilanti, MI
salzart.com
Sally Day works in abstract art, paintings, pastels, drawings, graphic design, website creation and freelance writing (primarily for the Ann Arbor Observer). Prints of Day’s work are available at www.salzart.com.

Rick De Troyer—Rick’s Iron Art
Chelsea, MI
734.476.4024
ricksironart.com
Rick De Troyer is a metal artist who creates assemblages of found objects, community art and sculptures.

Dexter Community Orchestra
Dexter, MI 48130
734.726.0070
dextercommunityorchestra.org
A musical group in Dexter dedicated to cultural enrichment through live symphonic music, the Dexter Community Orchestra is proud to offer a place for volunteer musicians to play and an opportunity for individuals and families to experience the magic of live classical music.

Jeff DiCenzo
Adrian, MI
517.358.1883
Jeff DiCenzo is a keyboard player who can also provide sound equipment, event production and a dance band.

DIYpsi
Ypsilanti, MI
diypsi.com
DIYpsi is a biannual indie art fair held in a weird little creative town called Ypsilanti. DIYpsi Holiday Market is Dec. 12 & 13 at Riverside Arts Center.

Mark S. Ducker
Ypsilanti, MI
307.321.7690
ypsi24.com
Mark Ducker is an independent media arts producer, visual storyteller and founder/director of the YPSI 24-Hour Film Shootout.

Jayna Eckler
Ypsilanti, MI
jaynaart.com
Jayna Eckler creates with watercolor, inks and other mixed media concentrating on a central theme of motion within.

EMU Theatre
103 Quirk
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
734.487.1220
emich.edu/emutheatre
EMU Theatre is dedicated to the training of students in the process and practical application of theater arts and to provide entertaining and enlightening theater for audiences. Their public performance season runs September to June.

The Encore Musical Theatre Company
3126 Broad St.
Dexter, MI 48130
734.268.6200
theencoretheatre.org
The Encore Theatre is a professional musical theater company creating quality theatrical productions with an emphasis on musical theater, utilizing a unique mixture of Broadway and local talent of all levels, while engaging and entertaining a wide spectrum of patrons.

Envisions Design, Ltd. Lynne Friman
Saline, MI
734.945.5611
facebook.com/envisionsdesign
Lynne Friman, president, was project manager of the DIA’s reinstallation and UMMA’s installation. Friman also offers other consulting services, strategic planning, exhibit design and facility development. She is currently an arts administrator for CultureSource.

Erin Morris & Her Ragdolls
Ypsilanti, MI
emragdolls.com
Erin Morris and Her Ragdolls are an all-girl vintage jazz dance performance troupe based in Ann Arbor.

Etcetera
Ann Arbor, MI
734.665.4573
etcetera-sings.org
Etcetera: Singin’ and swingin’ the standards! Etcetera’s four-part vocals and stylized choreography – delivered with a dash of humor – add pizzazz to any special occasion!

FLY Children’s Art Center
Ypsilanti, MI
734.217.2228
flyartcenter.org
FLY Children’s Art Center believes that creativity opens doors. FLY empowers kids and shares tools to nurture their independent vision and develop their creative problem solving skills. They teach the art of making things happen. Sign up for classes and workshops at flyartcenter.org.
Found
415 N. Fifth Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.302.3060
foundgallery.com
Find a creative mix of vintage treasures, jewelry and art from recycled materials and unique gifts at FOUND.

Front Porch Textiles
1219 Traver St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
734.662.7134
underwoodfrontporch.com
Front Porch Textiles is a small weaving studio offering handwoven textiles and handspun yarns produced by Mary Underwood. Studio sales, including other artists, occurs biannually in December and May. The studio is also open by appointment.

Mary Gentry
Ypsilanti, MI
Mary Gentry creates art quilts.

Gifts of Art, U-M Health System
1500 E. Medical Center Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
734.936.2787
med.umich.edu/goa
Gifts of Art brings the world of art and music to the U-M Health System, including exhibit galleries, concerts, bedside art and music and more.

Zita Gillis
Ann Arbor, MI
Zita Gillis specializes in laser lightshows and martini picks made with amber and other semi-precious stones.

Janice Glander
Ann Arbor, MI
734.846.4258
Janice Glander creates drawings, paintings, glass mosaics, fiber arts and wood block prints.

Barbara A. Goodfitt
Ann Arbor, MI
734.662.6671
barbaragoodsittstudio.com
Barbara Goodfitt is president of Ann Arbor Women Artists. She teaches colored pencil techniques at Washtenaw Community College and with Ann Arbor Community Education & Recreation. Goodfitt is a member of the Colored Pencil Society of America who exhibits her art in shows and galleries.

Mike Gould - Laser Artist
Ann Arbor, MI
734.904.0659
mikegouldlaserartist.com
Mike Gould is an internationally-recognized laser artist who builds laser light installations for art galleries, museums and art events. He works with the Illuminatus Light Show and is currently working on International Year of Light (IYL) projects.
Great Lakes Performing Artist Associates
415 N. Fourth Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.665.4029
greatlakespaa.org
Great Lakes Performing Artist Associates is a nonprofit booking agency developing artists and audiences for the live performing arts within Great Lakes communities.

Sophie Grillet
Ann Arbor, MI
734.757.3717
SophieArtist.com
Sophie Grillet is a painter, sculptor, photographer and cartoonist. She accepts commissions and also offers no-pressure art advising for home or office.

Carol A. Hanna
Saline, MI
carolhanna.com
Carol Hanna interprets bird songs in her paintings by using the color of the birds and the notes of their songs.

Hollanders
410 N. Fourth Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.741.7531
hollanders.com
Hollanders carries close to 2,000 different decorative and artist papers, as well as bookbinding and art supplies.

Jeri Hollister
Ann Arbor, MI
jerihollister.com
Jeri Hollister’s equine themed art – primarily in clay – draws inspiration from horse art throughout history from cave paintings to modern masters.

David Hoornstra
Ann Arbor, MI
734.996.4290
davidclassicdesign.com
David Hoornstra is an Ann Arbor-based artist working primarily in traditional, representational oil on canvas, as well as landscape, seascape, portraiture and figurative work. He accepts commissions for virtually any subject matter. His work has been juried into art fairs and shows in five states including the Ann Arbor Art Fair.

Georgette Jones, Gettejo Studio
Ann Arbor, MI
gettejostudio.com
Georgette Jones is a professional visual artist and owner of Gettejo Studio, which specializes in original fine-art paintings as well as greeting cards, calligraphy products and painted wood items. Her work may be viewed on her website.

Bonnie J. Kay
Ann Arbor, MI
734.996.8601
portfoliosforartists.com/bonniekay
Bonnie J. Kay is a fiber artist and handweaver of clothing and accessories, home furnishing and wall art.

Kelsey Museum of Archeology - University of Michigan
434 S. State St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
734.764.9304
lsa.umich.edu/kelsey
The Kelsey Museum of Archeology supports teaching and research on Classical, Egyptian and Near Eastern archaeology through stewardship of its rich collections, an active exhibitions program, and sponsorship of ongoing field research. As an exhibit museum at a public university, the Kelsey Museum also embraces a vigorous public outreach mission, engaging with local residents and visitors of all ages, from kindergarten through retirement.

Kerrytown BookFest
701 N. Fourth Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.769.1114
kerrytownbookfest.org
The Kerrytown BookFest is an event celebrating those who create books and those who read them. The primary goal is to highlight the area’s rich heritage in the book and printing arts while showcasing the rich book culture in the region.

Kerrytown Concert House
415 N. Fourth Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.769.2999
kerrytownconcerthouse.com
Kerrytown Concert House (KCH) is focused on community engagement and bringing artists and audiences together. The intimate 110-seat venue is home to diverse offerings in a wide range of musical styles and a rotating art gallery. KCH is also available for recitals and events.

Kickshaw Theatre
Ann Arbor, MI
kickshawtheatre.org
Kickshaw Theatre is a new, professional, nonprofit theatre dedicated to exciting our curiosity with plays that represent humanity in all its complexity and multitudes.

Linda J.K. Klenczar
Saline, MI
lindaklenczar.com
Linda J.K. Klenczar uses pure pigment pastels, flowing watercolors and acrylics to paint plein air landscapes and cityscapes. These are a few of her favorite things!
Kreft Arts Program-Concordia University
4090 Geddes Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
734.995.7300
cuaa.edu/life/kreft
Kreft Arts Program offers a varied program of exhibits, concerts, readings and lectures.

Laila Kujala
Milan, MI
lailakujala.com
Laila Kujala’s art is positive, uplifting and promotes peace. She is currently working on a series of peace dove paintings and miniature enchanted forest paintings. She also creates letter art alphabets based on plants, forests, sand dunes, beaches and snow.

Lankton Metal Design
Ann Arbor, MI
734.426.3735
lanktonmetaldesign.com
Lankton Metal Design has been creating quality architectural metalwork since 1979.

Leslie Science & Nature Center
1831 Traver Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
734.997.1553
lesliesnc.org
Leslie Science & Nature Center creates a space for our community to come together to share and explore nature. Through innovative science-based educational programs for individuals and groups, they educate and inspire children and adults to discover, understand and respect their natural environment.

K.A. Letts
Ann Arbor, MI
734.930.9918
kalettsart.com
K.A. Letts makes paintings of a world where all nature is touched by humans and all humans are touched by technology.

Lifespan Resources, Inc.
Ann Arbor, MI
734.663-9891
Lifespan Resources, Inc. promotes cooperation between generations through the visual arts.

Kirsten Lund
Ann Arbor, MI
734.276.5463
kirstenlund.com
Ann Arbor-based artist and designer Kirsten Lund has a diverse studio practice involving painting, prints, sculpture and in recent years a focus on fiber media.

Felicia Macheske
Ann Arbor, MI
feliciamacheskeart.com
Felicia Macheske is an Ann Arbor artist working in pastel, oil, acrylic and mosaic. Her artwork explores her love and interest in the processes, colors and textures of the natural world.

Valerie Mann
Saline, MI
734.429.0008
valerie-mann.squarespace.com
Valerie Mann is a painter and sculptor who accepts commissions. She is also a lecturer, juror, gallery owner and instructor to students of all ages.

Member Spotlight
CHELSEA AREA EVENTS

Chelsea Art Market is one of the many events that take place during the annual Chelsea Sounds & Sights Festival in July.

“It is exciting to see the progression of favorite artists and to discover something new each week at Sounds & Sights.” (page 10)

Member Spotlight
GREAT LAKES PERFORMING ARTIST ASSOCIATES

Great Lakes Performing Artists Associates is a non-profit booking agency that represents the finest Great Lakes musicians and connects those musicians to students in order to teach skills in decision making, teamwork, and creativity through music. Image Credit: Benjamin Weatherston.

“The Arts Alliance provides us with the connections and visibility to enhance our artistic contributions to the community at large.” (page 14)
Reasons to Support Arts and Culture

Americans for the Arts’ mission is to serve, advance and lead the network of organizations and individuals who cultivate, promote, sustain and support the arts in America. Connecting your best ideas and leaders from the arts, communities and business, together we can work to ensure that every American has access to the transformative power of the arts. ArtsUSA.org

The Creative Industries include...

Architecture
Art Centers
Art Cinemas
Art Museums
Artists & Fine Arts Schools
Cultural Museums
DIY and Maker Spaces
Film/Audiovisual/Broadcasting
Game Designers
Graphic Designers
Heritage Sites & Museums
Industrial Design
Interior Design
Literary/Publishing/Print
Music/Musicians/Music Ensembles/Music Halls
Performing Art Centers
Science & Nature Museums & Centers
Theater
Visual Arts

A 2015 analysis of Dun & Bradstreet data counts 702,771 businesses in the U.S. involved in the creation or distribution of the arts that employ 2.9 MILLION PEOPLE.

In Washtenaw County, there are 1,042 arts and culture-related businesses that employ 3,689 PEOPLE.
ARTS AND CULTURE ALSO...

**DRIVE TOURISM**
The U.S. Department of Commerce reports that the percentage of international travelers has grown steadily since 2003, from 18% to 24%.

**ARE AN EXPORT INDUSTRY**
U.S. exports of arts goods (e.g. movies, paintings, jewelry) grew to $72 billion in 2011.

**ARE GOOD FOR LOCAL MERCHANTS**
Attendees at nonprofit arts and culture events spend $24.60 per person beyond the cost of admission on items including meals, parking and babysitters.

**PROMOTE TRUE PROSPERITY**
The arts help us express our values, build bridges between cultures and bring us together regardless of ethnicity, religion or age.

**STRENGTHEN THE ECONOMY**
The U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis reports that the arts and cultural sector represents 3.25% of the GDP - a larger share of the economy than tourism and agriculture.

**IMPROVE ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE**
Students with an education rich in the arts have higher GPAs, higher standardized test scores and lower dropout rates.

**IMPROVE HEALTHCARE**
78% of arts and cultural programs provided by healthcare institutions resulted in shorter hospital stays and better pain management, lowering medication costs.

**HAVE SOCIAL IMPACT**
Research done by the University of Pennsylvania has demonstrated that cities with a high concentration of the arts have more social cohesion, higher civic engagement, higher child well-being and lower poverty rates.

**SPARK CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION**
The Conference Board reports that creativity is among the top five skills sought by business leaders.
Materials Unlimited
2 W. Michigan Ave.
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
734 483-6980
Materials Unlimited is a full service antiques restoration facility housed in a massive 15,000 square foot 1920’s Art Deco building.

Gregory F. Mazure
Ann Arbor, MI
734.645.5635
Gregory F. Mazure is a member of IATSE 395 and a lighting designer.

Susan E. McDowell
734.528.0644
suemcd.com
Susan E. McDowell is a glass artist specializing in fused and engraved glass.

Mélange
312 S. Main St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.222.0202
mélangebistro.com
Mélange, centrally located in downtown Ann Arbor, offers a menu with an American metropolitan interpretation of European and Asian cuisines and an extensive wine list. Mélange is also available for catering.

Michigan and State Theaters
603 E. Liberty St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.668.8397
michtheater.org; cinetopiafestival.org
The Michigan Theater is Ann Arbor’s premiere center for fine film and the performing arts for more than 85 years. The State Theatre, a full-time Art House cinema, was designed by renowned architect C. Howard Crane. The State will soon be improved to enhance its original art deco design, be made accessible to all, comfortable and excellent for state-of-the-art cinema exhibitions.

Michigan Shakespeare Festival
215 W. Michigan Ave.
Jackson, MI 49201
517.998.3673
michiganshakespearefestival.com
As the official Shakespeare festival of the state of Michigan, the Michigan Shakespeare Festival (MSF) is recognized as one of the premier professional theater companies in Michigan. The MSF is dedicated to producing classical theater in innovative ways.

Melissa Milton-Pung
415 W. Michigan Ave.
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
517.230.6881
Melissa is a friend and supporter of the arts and cultural community through her role in economic development and historic preservation at Washtenaw County Government. She is a past board chair of The Arts Alliance and current board member.

Music Go Round
2791 Oak Valley Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48103
734.662.1080
Music Go Round buys, sells and trades used musical instruments.

Neighborhood Theatre Group
Ypsilanti, MI
facebook.com/neighborhoodtheatregroup
Neighborhood Theatre Group is a grassroots theater company in Ypsilanti with a focus on original works.

“Ruana/shawl in rayon and cotton. "I weave clothing, wall art and home furnishings and enjoy creating geometric loom-controlled designs." (page 14)
Neutral Zone
310 E. Washington St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.214.9995
neutral-zone.org
The Neutral Zone is a diverse, youth-driven teen center dedicated to promoting personal growth through artistic expression, community leadership and the exchange of ideas. NZ offers programming in the visual arts, literary arts and music technology.

Molly Paberzs
Ypsilanti, MI
mollyroot.com
Molly Paberzs is a local modern dancer, choreographer and arts administrator.

Partnership for the Arts & Humanities
50430 School House Road, Suite 200
Canton, MI 48187
734.765.7061
partnershipforarts.org
The Partnership for the Arts & Humanities is a 501(c)3 cultural arts organization. The Partnership’s current initiative is the preservation and construction of the Village Arts Factory located in Canton Township’s historic Cherry Hill Village.

Norma Penchansky-Glasser
Ann Arbor, MI
Norma Penchansky-Glasser’s aim in making drawings, sculpture and artists’ books is to capture motion – to freeze a moment in time. The works she produces seem to be continually conversing and overlapping. She finds inspiration in line, gesture, kinetic energy and the movement and repose of dancers.

The Penny Seats Theatre Company
Ann Arbor, MI
734.926.5346
pennyseats.org
The Penny Seats Company performs professional theater outdoors in Ann Arbor’s West Park in the summer, and in other appealing places around Ann Arbor throughout the rest of the year. The company performs plays and musicals at the park on Thursday through Saturday evenings in July and August.

Penny Stamps Distinguished Speaker Series, University of Michigan Stamps School of Art & Design
1600 Bonisteel Blvd.
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
734.764.3464
stamps.umich.edu/stamps
The Penny Stamps Distinguished Speaker Series brings respected innovators from a broad spectrum of fields to the University of Michigan to conduct a public lecture and engage with the community.
People Dancing Company
3810 Packard Road, Suite 270
Ann Arbor, MI 48108
734.368.7573
peopledancing.org
People Dancing is a professional dance company that provides artistic and holistic dance services and experiences. People Dancing performs at private events and also produces public events such as concerts of dance. Founded in 1985, this award-winning company’s motto is, “Connecting Hearts through the Arts.”

Performance Network Theatre
120 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.663.0681
pntheatre.org
The Performance Network Theatre is a professional, regional, producing nonprofit theater with a five-play subscription season of established/new works, holiday and youth programming, the Northern Writers Project and dark night programming. Performance Network is a cultural destination.

Vickie Peterson Michalak
Ann Arbor, MI
Vickie Peterson Michalak’s work includes digital photography and graphic collage enhanced with screen printing, drawing and mixed media. She has a background in printmaking, is a member of Ann Arbor Women Artists and owner/operator of Imagecrafters, Inc. in Ann Arbor doing commercial screen printing, vinyl graphics and more.

Robert Piepenburg
1610 Longshore Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
734.327.0833
piepenburgstudios.com
Robert Piepenburg is a designer, sculptor, author and lecturer.

There is a place where all cultural events in Ann Arbor, Detroit and beyond come together.

It’s a place called IXITI.com and it is your tour guide to extraordinary experiences.

IXITI.com is powered by CultureSource

Find the Ann Arbor Summer Festival and more than 350 different cultural organizations here, every day.
Pittsfield Charter Township
6201 W. Michigan Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI 48108
734.822.2112
pittsfield-mi.gov

Pittsfield Township is committed to promoting a sense of place through the establishment of public gathering spaces that incorporate art. Highlighting our cultural heritage and future vision through the visual medium of art is further defined in Pittsfield Township’s 2020 Vision.

Marcia Polenberg
Ann Arbor, MI
734.327.1084
Marcia Polenberg is a figurative ceramic sculptor and painter. She creates animal-portraits and abstract works at Studio 524, her home on the Old West Side of Ann Arbor.

The Potters Guild, Ann Arbor
201 Hill St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.663.4970
pottersguild.net

The Potters Guild is a cooperative nonprofit organization comprised of over 50 members. Classes in ceramics for adults run 12 weeks in the fall and winter terms. The Guild holds two sales per year at the studio and participates in the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair.

Monica Prince
Ypsilanti, MI
princesdye.com
Monica Prince is a textile artist that works with hand-dyed fabrics and silk scarves. She also creates wall hangings and teaches surface design on fabric.

Marilyn M. Prucka
Monroe, MI
734.755.4860
marilynprucka.sharepoint.com
Marilyn Prucka is a fiber artist specializing in art quilts, hand-dyeing and surface design.

The Purple Rose Theatre Company
137 Park St.
Chelsea, MI 48118
734.433.7782
purplerosetheatre.org

The Purple Rose Theatre Company (PRTC) is a professional theater company with roots in the Midwest that takes a handcrafted, artisanal approach to producing new and classic American plays that are nothing less than one-of-a-kind experiences. The PRTC is a 501(c)3 nonprofit professional theater.

Ted Ramsay
Ann Arbor, MI
734.327.1084
tedramsay.com

Ted Ramsay is a figurative painter and handmade paper artist maintaining a studio in Scio Township.

River Raisin Ragtime Revue
Chelsea, MI
ragtimeband.org

River Raisin Ragtime Revue is an internationally recognized ragtime orchestra committed to performing and preserving outstanding American music. Their fun, interactive concerts and educational workshops include exciting music and engaging history.

Riverfolk Music & Arts
Manchester, MI
734.223.6876
riverfolkarts.org

Riverfolk Music and Arts organization’s mission is to engage the community in music and arts experiences, which nurture creativity and promote cultural diversity. The organization includes Cultural Art Strings – a youth strings education program – and Manchester Gazebo Concerts, a free summer music series.

Riverside Arts Center
76 N. Huron St.
Ypsilanti, MI 48197
734.480.2787
riversidearts.org

Riverside Arts Center is a multipurpose cultural arts venue providing performance, exhibit, studio and reception space for artists and arts and cultural organizations.

Thomas Rosenbaum
1952 S. Industrial Highway, Suite C & D
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.395.3305
facebook.com/the-studio-where-art-happens-359229187539423/

Thomas Rosenbaum creates paintings at The Studio, a workshop and exhibit space. The Studio also shares space with Rosenbaum’s rehabilitation facility, Therasupport.
Joan Rosenblum
Ann Arbor, MI
Joan Rosenblum is an abstract artist creating colorfield paintings in pastels and oils.

Saline Area Players
Saline, MI
Saline Area Players is a community theater troupe.

Joanne Scherf
Huntington Woods, MI
joannescherf.com
Innovative. Creative. Inspirational. Joanne Scherf is a visual explorer of contemporary photography that promotes an emotional connection. Her images encourage one to explore the potential, engage the soul and escape reality.

The Scrap Box
581 State Circle
Ann Arbor, MI 48108
734.994.0012
scrapbox.org
The Scrap Box is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to promote creativity and sustainability by providing inexpensive recycled materials and teaching eco-friendly ways to recycle.

Dave Sharp
Ann Arbor, MI
734.945.6926
davesharp.com
Dave Sharp is a bassist, composer and band leader for Dave Sharp’s Secret 7 and Dave Sharp Worlds Trio. Sharp is also the music educator and director of the jazz and blues program at the Ann Arbor Music Center.

Ronald F. Sharp
Ann Arbor, MI
Ronald Sharp is an artist and novelist.

Patti Smith
Ann Arbor, MI
734.649.4647
teacherpatti.com
Patti Smith is a storyteller, writer and lover of all things Ann Arbor. Her book, “Images of America: Downtown Ann Arbor,” details the history of her beloved city. Smith is a member of The Storytellers’ Guild and blogs at teacherpatti.com.

Leslie Sobel
734.497.3018
lesliesobel.com
Leslie Sobel is a visual artist doing abstracted landscapes and environmentally-focused art.

Jill Stefani Wagner, PSA-MP
Chelsea, MI
jillwagnerart.com
Jill Stefani Wagner, PSA-MP, is a professional watercolor, oil and pastel artist. She has work at River Gallery (Chelsea), Ann Arbor Art Center (Ann Arbor), Tvedten Fine Art (Harbor Springs), Synchronicity (Glen Arbor), Three Chairs (Frankfurt), Dexter Picture Frame (Dexter), Saline Picture Frame (Saline) and Blue Hat (Coldwater).

Beth J. Steinkellner
Ypsilanti, MI
Beth J. Steinkellner is an artist and educator specializing in drawing, painting and printmaking.

Linda Stingl
Ann Arbor, MI
313.530.3820
Linda Stingl manages an arts camp for grown-ups.

Our annual Fall Juried Show at the Ann Arbor District Library Main Branch is one of AAWA’s three juried shows a year. We have 8 non-juried exhibition venues in businesses around Ann Arbor that run throughout the year.

“AAWA & their informative programs taught me how to become part of an art community, enter shows, look for gallery representation, improve my art & other essential lessons.”
Jill Stefani Wagner (page 8)
Founded in 2011, Studio West – a Work Skills Corporation venture – provides people with disabilities and students with an opportunity to express their artistic abilities by creating artwork in a multitude of media and take pride in displaying and selling their work for income. Studio West provides Work Skills Corporation, a 501(c)3 Michigan-based organization, a venue to increase community involvement and exposure by hosting events, participating in art shows, and Chamber of Commerce events in downtown Brighton.

The Sunday Artisan Market
315 Detroit St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
734.913.9622
artisanmarket.org

The Sunday Artisan Market offers original, handmade work by as many as 60 artists and fine crafts persons in a full range of media from traditional to cutting edge. All work is sold by the artists themselves.

Joel Swanson
Ann Arbor, MI
734.330.1521
joelswansonstudio.com
Joel Swanson creates paintings and drawings.

Third Mind Books
Ann Arbor, MI
734.994.3241
thirdmindbooks.com
Third Mind Books is your primary source for beat literature.

Ara Topouzian
6689 Orchard Lake Road, Suite 312
West Bloomfield, MI 48322
aratopouzian.com
Ara Topouzian is a world music artist whose proficiency at the kanun (Middle Eastern harp) has made him a nationally-recognized artist. Topouzian is a Kresge Artist Fellow (2012) and Artist in Residence for the City of Farmington Hills (2015).

TreeTown Murals
Ann Arbor, MI
treetownmurals.com
TreeTown Murals is a mural and mosaic arts company specializing in custom and participatory projects for businesses, communities, personal spaces, schools and centers.

Kate Tremel Clay
627 Gott St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48103
734.709.4899
katetremel.com
Kate Tremel Clay creates functional and sculptural porcelain pottery.
trustArt studios
7885 Jackson Road, Suite 1
Ann Arbor, MI 48103
734.253.2551
trustartstudios.com
trustArt studios is a creative center and rental space designed to provide a flexible work and learning environment suitable for a variety of creative endeavors. trustArt has private artist studios, a shared ceramic studio and a multipurpose area which can be used for exhibits or other events.

Two Twelve Arts Center
216 W. Michigan Ave.
Saline, MI 48176
734.944.2787
212arts.org
Two Twelve Arts Center is a 501(c)3 nonprofit arts center that provides a creative hub for visual & performing arts. Two Twelve also provides theatrical opportunities in their production company, From Around Here Productions.

UM Duderstadt Center, Gallery
2281 Bonisteel Blvd.
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
734.763.0606
The Gallery in the University of Michigan Duderstadt Center exhibits a wide range of creative talents from within the University of Michigan. The gallery hours are Monday through Friday 12 - 6 p.m. and Sunday 12 - 5 p.m. during the school year.

UM School of Music, Theatre & Dance
1100 Baits Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
734.764.0584
music.umich.edu
The University of Michigan School of Music, Theatre & Dance educates the artists, scholars, educators and entrepreneurs of the future. Students are prepared with expert skills, instilled with passionate enthusiasm and emboldened to challenge and inspire the world through the power of the performing arts. NASM Accredited school of performing arts.

University of Michigan Museum of Art (UMMA)
525 S. State St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
734.764.0395
umma.umich.edu
UMMA seeks to transform individual and civic life by promoting the discovery, contemplation and enjoyment of the art of our world. For more information please visit our website.

University of Michigan Museum of Natural History
1109 Geddes Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
734.764.0478
ummnh.org
The University of Michigan Museum of Natural History has displays of dinosaur and mastodon skeletons, pterosaurs, whales and other fossils as well as a planetarium and exhibits on Michigan wildlife, anthropology and geology.

University of Michigan Stearns Collection of Musical Instruments
1100 Baits Drive
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
734.936.2891
music.umich.edu/research/stearns_collection
The University of Michigan Stearns Collection of Musical Instruments, comprised of well over 2,400 pieces, is one of the most important global instrumental collections in North America, housing instruments from cultures on six continents.

Nora Venturelli
Ann Arbor, MI
734.994.0344
venturellistudio.net
Nora Venturelli is an artist of drawing and painting and a lecturer II at the University of Michigan Stamps School of Art & Design. Venturelli also teaches a summer plein air workshop at La Romita School of Art in Umbria, Italy. For more information visit www.laromita.org.

VEO Art Studio & Gallery
114 N. Main St., Suite 8
Chelsea, MI 48118
734.417.6326
veoartstudio.com
VEO Art Studio & Gallery provides the opportunity to share with others interested in the visual arts, to discover inner creativity and to explore new artistic techniques and expression. VEO offers a variety of visual art classes for all ages.

Mike Vial
Ann Arbor, MI
810.471.0626
mikevial.com
Mike Vial is a singer-songwriter, musician and teacher from Ann Arbor.
Kim Vox & Warren Nelson
Ann Arbor, MI
facebook.com/voxnelson
Kim Vox and Warren Nelson perform sultry jazz standards and favorites from the “Great American Songbook.”

Washtenaw Community Concert Band
Ypsilanti, MI
734.252.9221
wccband.org
The Washtenaw Community Concert Band is a 70 member adult recreational band in its 37th season of providing its members, concert audiences and area communities with quality musical concert band experiences.

Leona Webb
Ann Arbor, MI
734.904.4612, cell
734.904.4612, home
leonawebbphotography.com
Leona Webb is an award-winning black and white and color photographer. She specializes in unusual compositions including: architecture, classic cars, boats, landscapes, industrial furniture and people.

Gordon White
Ann Arbor, MI
734.332.8967
Gordon White is an independent writer and an AEA stage manager with experience organizing nonprofit volunteers, events, fundraising, theater production and advertising sales.

Wild Swan Theater
6175 Jackson Road
Ann Arbor, MI, 48103
734.995.0530
wildswantheater.org
Wild Swan Theater has been delighting family audiences since 1980 with professional imaginative performances that blend storytelling, movement and music into magical, accessible experiences. They also offer theater classes and camps.

Nancy Wolf
Ann Arbor, MI
Nancy Wolfe is a painter, educator and art coordinator at Kerrytown Concert House. She has open studio sessions and workshops in image and poetry.

Women’s Caucus for Art – Michigan
1342 N. Main St., Suite 7
Ann Arbor, MI, 48104
734.645.9024
miwca.wordpress.com
The Women’s Caucus for Art’s mission is to create community through art, education, and social activism. The Michigan chapter is dedicated to upholding the mission of the greater WCA while committed to supporting the efforts and vision of Michigan women artists.

WonderFool Productions
Ann Arbor, MI
wonderfoolproductions.org
WonderFool Productions engages communities in dynamic, educational, collaborative and entertaining public art experiences and foolishness! They are the producers of FoolMoon and FestiFools the first weekend in April.

WSG Gallery
306 S. Main St.
Ann Arbor, MI, 48104
734.761.2287
wsg-art.com
WSG Gallery is an artist-owned fine art gallery located in downtown Ann Arbor, MI.

Youth Arts Alliance!
4125 Washtenaw Ave.
Ann Arbor, MI, 48108
734.973.4490
youthartsalliance.com
Youth Arts Alliance! offers at-risk youth involved in residential, detention and probation services creative workshop opportunities to encourage, support and celebrate their artistic talents and social development.

Debra Zamperla - Artensity Workshop
Ann Arbor, MI
734.662.8734
artensity.org
Debra Zamperla is an Ann Arbor artist specializing in portrait work in various media. She also hosts art workshops in Ann Arbor, MI and Florence, Italy with nationally-known artists.

Christina Sears-Etter, MFA directs People Dancing Company. Photo: Edda photography. For Company Members information on events, classes and performances, visit www.peopledancing.org.

“Dance is the hidden language of the soul” - Martha Graham
People Dancing is pleased to join forces with The Arts Alliance. We look forward to connecting with other artists and with new audiences. (page 20)
Thank you!

Ally members are those who publicly support, advocate for and promote arts, culture and creativity in the greater Ann Arbor area. We are sincerely thankful to all members who value our community’s arts and culture and make it possible for The Arts Alliance to serve as the backbone organization for the creative sector.

The Arts Alliance is a proud member of these leadership organizations:

- Eastern Michigan University College of Arts & Sciences
- Washtenaw County Office of Community and Economic Development
- Ann Arbor Area Convention and Visitors Bureau
- MASCO Corporation Foundation
- National Endowment for the Arts
- Ypsilanti Area Convention and Visitors Bureau

These member listings reflect 2015-16 memberships with The Arts Alliance. We did our best to include and list everyone properly and regret any omission or errors. If you have corrections please contact info@a3arts.org or call 734.213.2733.
• **Facilitate** and manage public art & design projects including:
  - PowerArt! - Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority.
  - Ann Arbor Housing Commission Public Art & Design Plan - City of Ann Arbor.
  - Relimage Washtenaw Public Art & Design Plan - Washtenaw County.
  - Canoe Imagine Art - City of Ann Arbor.

• **Administer** project and professional development minigrants to organizations & artists in Hillsdale, Jackson, Lenawee, Livingston, Monroe and Washtenaw counties on behalf of the Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs.

• **Conduct** the Americans for the Arts Arts & Economic Prosperity IV Survey on behalf of the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation's Creative Economic Development Initiative.

• **Publish** and distribute the *Annual Arts & Cultural Guide*.

• **Lead** the Arts & Cultural Education Integration for Student Excellence (ACEISE) Initiative in Washtenaw County.

• **Spearhead** the Creative Convergence Conference.

• **Conduct** the Washtenaw County Candidates Creative Sector Survey.

• **Convene** Cultural and Regional Leaders Forums.

• **Publish** the biweekly *Cultural eNewsletter*.

• **Host** the Creative Connections Series.

• **Promote** the work of our (over 200!) members on social media.

• **Organize** The pARTy!, a celebration of our region’s Creative Sector.

• **Award** The Arts Alliance Medals for Arts, Sciences & Humanities and 21st Century Awards.
The Arts Alliance

...advocates for and supports the Creative Sector in Washtenaw County - arts and cultural organizations, creative individuals and businesses - to ensure that our region remains a great place to create, live, work, learn, play and visit.

- advocate
- facilitate
- communicate
- educate
- celebrate

vocalizes the creative sector's impact on quality of life and place
encourages life-long creative learning programs
trumpets the triumphs of the creative sector
promotes creative sector programs and collaborative initiatives
explores issues, conducts research, fosters and administers creative initiatives

Learn more.
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How to Become a Member of The Arts Alliance

WITH THE ARTS ALLIANCE, YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY...

to partner with many creative organizations and individuals in Washtenaw County! Express and support the importance of arts and culture in our community by becoming a member of The Arts Alliance. A strong community of members like you keeps this vital sector alive and thriving!

CREATIVE SECTOR MEMBERSHIPS

As a creative individual, organization and/or business member, you will receive these great incentives:

- Supporting advocacy, facilitation and guidance for Washtenaw’s creative sector.
- Basic listing and discount on advertising in The Annual Arts & Cultural Guide.
- Opportunity to host Creative Connections at your venue.
- Additional discounts and promotional opportunities at The Arts Alliance events and conferences.

ALLY MEMBERSHIPS

Ally members are individuals or businesses who understand the significance of arts & culture to our community and support the cause to advocate for and promote arts, culture and creativity in Washtenaw County!

Ally members are listed in The Annual Arts & Cultural Guide and receive the same incentives available to creative sector members.

- $50: RED
- $100: ORANGE
- $250: YELLOW
- $500: GREEN
- $1,000: BLUE
- $2,500: INDIGO
- $5,000: VIOLET
- $10,000: PURPLE

For more information or to become a member, contact The Arts Alliance at:

734.213.2733
info@a3arts.org
or visit a3arts.org

Follow us: @TheArtsAlliance
Like us: facebook.com/a3artsalliance

CREATIVE INDIVIDUALS

Individuals who work within the creative sector producing arts & cultural works.

- $35 — first time member/students
- $50 — continuing member

ARTS AND CULTURAL CREATIVE ORGANIZATIONS

Organizations/businesses in the creative sector

- $50 — Revenue $49,999 or less
- $100 — Revenue $50,000 - $249,999
- $175 — Revenue $250,000 - $749,999
- $250 — Revenue $750,000 - $1.49M
- $350 — Revenue $1.5M +

THE 2015 ARTS ALLIANCE MEDALS FOR ARTS, SCIENCE AND HUMANITIES

THE pARTy! 2015, hosted by The Arts Alliance and Mélange, celebrated the Arts, Sciences and Humanities in Washtenaw County with The Arts Alliance Medals for Arts, Science and Humanities and The Arts Alliance 21st Century Awards. Congratulations to the 2015 honorees:

The 2015 Arts Alliance Medals for Arts, Science and Humanities

- Philanthropic Excellence Award
  Ambassador Ronald N. & Mrs. Eileen Weise
- Lifetime Achievement Award
  Jeff Daniels
- Outstanding Service Award
  Ann Arbor Area Convention and Visitors Bureau
  The Ypsilanti Convention and Visitors Bureau

The Arts Alliance 21st Century Awards 2015

- Excellence in Education Award
  Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum
- Tamara Real Emerging Leader Award
  Omari Rush
HERE, IS REAL COMMUNITY.

First Fridays’ Art Walk. A great way to see the true creative talents of the Ypsilanti community while getting a bite to eat, a sip to drink, and a friend to converse with. Welcome to authenticity, all around you. Welcome to Ypsi Real.