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- Type Arts Commission in the search box. Our logo will pop up.
- Click on Donate Now.
- Follow the directions.

A donation of any amount will go a long way toward making the arts a part of life in our community. Donations early on the first day (after 9:00 am) may be matched \$.50 for every \$1.00 up to \$1,000.00.

A donation anytime is appreciated!

## KEEPING YOU INFORMED!

- BlueGrass Good Giving begins Nov. 28th at 9:00 am and ends Dec. 29th at 11:59 pm!
- Heritage Area String Program holiday concert is Dec. 10th at 4:00 at Danville High School.
- Danville Children's Choir Concert is Dec. 3rd at 3:00 at Lexington Ave. Baptist Church
- Sounding Joy and Resonance concert is Dec. 14th at 7:30 at First Christian Church
- All three Danville Sings choirs will perform at Shaker Village on Dec. 9th beginning at 5:30.
- Arts Citizen of the Year will be announced at Danville City Commission on Dec. 11th at 5:30
- Danville Christian Academy art exhibit will be at Sherwin Williams all December.
- Toliver art exhibit will be in window of Boogie Knights all December
- Garden Club Green Tea will be Dec. 3rd at McDowell House



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**SAVE THE DATES - BLUEGRASS GOOD GIVING BEGINS NOV. 28TH AT 9:00 AM**

THE ARTS COMMISSION OF DANVILLE/BOYLE COUNTY



# ARTScene

For additional information on all events, refer to [danvillearts.org](http://danvillearts.org)



## *There are so many stories to tell*

The annual BlueGrass Good Giving campaign begins Nov. 28th at 9:00 am and runs through Dec. 1st at 11:59pm. The Arts Commission has benefited from the generosity of many donors in recent years. Through the Hudson Ellis Fund, early donations can

be matched \$.50 for every \$1.00 up to \$1,000.00. But the match pool runs out early! Your early donation, after 9:00 am on the 28th, could be matched! That is so important to supporting access and encouragement of the arts in our community.

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The work we do at the Arts Commission is grounded in a mission established in 1999 and reevaluated over and over as the needs of our community grow. At the top of our list of priorities is encouraging children to experience the arts and create a lifelong engagement in expressing their creativity.

In 2022, we introduced our Youth Arts Exhibit project. Each month during the school year, we

partnered an area school with a business or public host to feature the work of students in a month long exhibit. The goal was to draw attention to the arts programs in our schools and the amazing talent of our teachers and students across all grade levels.

The first year eight schools and hosts participated. Exhibit photos reached over 20,000 on social media. In January, KSD student Alex

shared his creative vision in a video posted on Arts Commission Facebook which was viewed over 6,300 times.

This school year, 12 schools are participating in the program. Host locations all through the downtown signed up to partner. Everyone is a winner – children proudly share, schools are recognized, businesses actively support the arts and the community.

## Friends for many years



For many years, the Arts Commission and the participants in the Holland Farms program for special needs adults have gathered regularly to create art and visit. We

have met in their home base, at McDowell Place, the Library, at the Extension Office and at our office in Constitution Square. Projects such as fidget quilts, holiday ornaments,

“stained glass” windows and others have been enjoyed, but more importantly the art sessions bring us together.

## Scholarships provide opportunity

Every child deserves the opportunity to participate in the arts. Through the years, the Arts Commission has provided thousands of dollars for local children to attend drama camp, learn to play a stringed instrument, sing in a choir, attend special arts programs, see a play or a concert, travel with a school



choir or speech team and so much more. You never know what will spark a child's imagination and lead to a life-long love of creativity!

## Community groups thrive with a helping hand



In answering a community need, the Arts Commission expanded services to include technical assistance to community volunteer led arts groups. We now serve the Scarlet Cup Theater, the four choirs of Danville Sings, the Heritage Area String Program and the Pieceable Friends Quilt Guild. In our role as fiscal sponsor, we take care of the nitty gritty details of bookkeeping, and other odd jobs, so these fabulous groups can go about their passions of staging, singing, stringing and stitching. Each of these groups serve and give back to the community through educating and entertaining while not having to worry about the mundane!

## Community activities bring us together

Art brings a community together from young to older, professionals to appreciators, formally and informally. The Arts Commission has programs and events which cover the full range. The Gallery Hop, a completely free event held twice in 2023, brings artists and business hosts together in downtown Danville to showcase the work of local artists and draw shoppers to the downtown businesses. The Constitution Square Festival was revived in 2022 and drew large crowds in 2023. The number of artists participating in Farmer's Market grows each year with sponsorship from the Arts Commission.



## Recognizing the contribution of artists to the community



It is the privilege of the Arts Commission to name an Arts Citizen(s) of the Year. You can see the stellar persons previously recognized including Madelyn Worley (2022) and Michael Hughes (2017). You will just have to wait for the announcement of the 2023 recipient(s). Tune into the Dec. 11th City Commission meeting to learn the name(s) of this year's honorees and join us at the City Commission meeting on Jan. 8th for the awards presentation and reception.



## Bringing art and books to children during school breaks

Books and art and children go very well together. Each year during Spring Break and summer break, we provide books and art supplies for children all over our county. We have fun preparing the kits and the children have fun getting them. Can't get much better than that!

