

Upcoming Dates of Interest:

**Check for potential date changes due to weather*

All month – Youth Arts Exhibits at Fire Department and The Shop

Thursdays - app 7:45 AC on Joe Mathis Show on WHIR

Thursdays – Glass class 6:30 at Jennie Rogers Community Center

Feb. 10th - Library Valentine activity 11:30 – 12:30

Feb. 11th – Arts Commission Board 6:30 at Schoolhouse in Constitution Square

Feb. 12th – Puppet visit to Danville Kiwanis, Bricks and Brews 12:00

Feb. 17th – 4:30 Art & Heart at Birds Nest 4:30 – 8:00

Feb. 17th – *The Tipping Point* at Bate (closed to the public)

Feb. 19th – *The Tipping Point* at Boyle County Middle School (closed to the public)

Feb. 19th – *The Tipping Point* public performance at BCPAC 7:00

Feb. 27th – Louisville Orchestra in Danville/Boyle County

Feb. 28th – Pop Up Farmers' Market at Morley's Backyard 10:00 – 1:00

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SAVE THE DATE FEB. 17TH, ART & HEART 4:30 AT BIRDS NEST – BENEFIT LOCAL CHARITIES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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ARTISTS CARE AND SHARE

In 2025, the Arts Commission introduced a new event to benefit our own scholarship funds. But, this event had a twist. Local artists were asked to donate a piece of their work for a silent auction. The proceeds of the artists' work did benefit many children through scholarship grants, tuition, art projects, our first summer camp, the Danville Children's Choir trip to a summer festival, and other activities. But the funds raised at the event also benefitted 18 local non-profit programs including the Humane Society, a food pantry, the Library, Appalachian Disaster Relief, Greenhouse



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17, and the Central Kentucky Wildlife Refuge.

Art & Heart '26 will be February 17th at Birds Nest beginning at 4:30. Bidding will close at 7:30. Artists are lining up to share their work, musician Kayla Smith will provide the atmosphere for socializing and bidding. Morgan and Tina of the Birds Nest will be offering craft beers, other beverages, and some special seasonal food items for sale. Admission is \$10.00. For information on



tickets or donating art, contact the Arts Commission at arts@historicdanvilleky.com or text 859-236-0316.



Boyle County's Celebrating America's 250th will have something for everyone

All across our county, programs and people are planning an all-encompassing celebration of the 250th Birthday of American Independence. Under the leadership of former County Judge Executive Tony Wilder and Pat Hamner, a number of community members representing every aspect of Boyle County life, have been working for months to develop programs and activities to tell our story.

The Arts Commission and the Boyle County Public Library's Story Center at Constitution Square, along with quilters including the Pieceable Friends Quilt Guild, are preparing several activities to bring the art and history of quilts to life. The project, under the leadership of Story Center Director Maggie McAdams, will include an exhibit of quilts and quilting equipment at the Story Center in Grayson's Tavern.

The exhibit will be interactive. During the months of March and April,

demonstrators will be working to restore a significant quilt which has special meaning to one local family. The work will require specialized quilting skills. However, the public is invited to participate in completing a vintage quilt top during work sessions on Fridays. No special skills are required and all materials will be provided.

A final component of the total project will be the creation of a community quilt representing our local history. The planning committee is in the process of designing blocks which will include traditional patterns such as Log Cabin, School House, Kentucky Star, and Nine Patch. The final block designs will be developed into kits for community members to pick up, stitch, and return to the Story Center. The completed blocks will be assembled into a community quilt at the end of April. Stay tuned for additional information throughout the month of February.

Arts Commission school performance programs in full gear

It is hard to believe that our school play program is entering its third cycle in 2026. The series began in 2018 with *The Tipping Point*. *Convergence of Desire* was introduced in 2019 and 2020 brought *The Piano Paradox* which completed performances just before Covid. All three plays were written for us by Liz Orndorff.

Following a forced break in the 2021 and 2022 school years, the series was reignited in 2023 and completed in 2025. Through all six years, hundreds of Middle School students in local schools have experienced theater with a purpose. In addition, each play offers local students an opportunity to perform as casts are composed of high school students from both Boyle and Danville schools.

To extend our offerings to elementary age students, we have begun a puppet program. Holly Hepp-Galvan, a professional writer, has been engaged to develop scripts which will entertain and carry a message. A young, emerging singer/composer, Brannock



McCarton, is creating a unique theme song. Kristi Hughes will train the student puppeteers.

In both these programs, our mission is to provide quality arts experiences free to our community both for the audiences and for the young performers. We are indebted to

our supporters especially Kathy Miles and the Boyle County Agency for Substance Abuse Policy. In addition, the puppet program has received funding to date from the L'il Cherubs, Ss Peter and Paul Amen Corner and Scarlet Cup Theater.



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