

Fall 2025

RockmART News

Cultural Arts Center & Theatre



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Dear Friends of the Arts,

Three RCAC members have a special exhibit through August 28, called *Transitions & Transformations*. Artwork in fused glass, mixed media and photography is highlighted in this exhibit. We had a enjoyable Reception for them on July 19.



© D J Boneville, age 8
Photograph

We have lots of fun classes and workshops for ages 4 to Adult planned for you this Fall! Contact each instructor to sign up for their class. Sign up soon as they fill up fast.

Students, age 4-18, be working on artwork for our Fall Student Art Show. Parents: drop off your children's artwork (framed & ready to hang) on August 28 or 30. Full information and application is on our Call for Artist page on our website and at the Arts Center office.



© Susan Waters, acrylic

Community members and businesses, *please* donate for the Fall Student Art Show, so we can give prizes and awards to the children in our community!

Make plans to come to our Holiday Arts & Crafts Festival inside the Arts Center on all 3 floors on Saturday, November 15. Our member artists will have handmade items for you to buy on this day on all floors of the Arts Center. Artwork by adult artists will be on view in the gallery with live music and refreshments. We will have free Kids' crafts, live demonstrations, and SANTA! This is a great day to meet the artists in our community and take home some local & hand made items for the Holidays.

RCAC celebrates the Visual, Performing and Literary Arts. We depend on you to continue our programs for the community. Please continue to **Support the Arts** and remember ~ Donations to RCAC are tax deductible! Your support is greatly appreciated!

Artfully yours, *Peggy Cline*, Rockmart Cultural Arts Director

Mark Your Calendars

Transitions & Transformations
Glass, Mixed Media & Photography
Artwork by Elizabeth Mobley,
Mausi and Stella Spyrou
Through August 28, 2025

Children's Art Show 2025
Artists Age 4 - 18 from Polk county
or who have taken our classes or camps
Exhibit: Sept. 4 – Oct. 23, 2025
Reception & Award Ceremony
Sept. 13th – 4-6 pm

Holiday Art Exhibit: *Traditions*
November 6 - December 20, 2025
Open Exhibit for Adults - Enter by Oct. 7

Indoor RCAC
Arts & Crafts Festival
Open House & Reception
November 15th - 12 - 5 pm



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Rockmart Cultural Arts Center

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Art Gallery, Office & Gift Shop Hours:

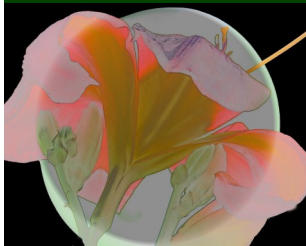
Tuesday 1-7pm, Wednesday 10-4, Thursday 10-4, Saturday 10-4 (Closed Sun/Mon/Fri)

The Rockmart Theatre 116 E. Elm St., Rockmart, Georgia

Facebook: [The-Rockmart-Theatre](https://www.facebook.com/The-Rockmart-Theatre) [@therockmarttheatre](https://www.facebook.com/therockmarttheatre) therockmarttheatre@rockmart-ga.gov 470-864-6442

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Cultural Arts Center

Upcoming RCAC Art Exhibits & Receptions



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Transitions & Transformations:

Glass, Mixed Media & Photography

Elizabeth Mobley, Mausi and Stella Spyrou

Through August 28, 2025

Polk County Children's Art Show 2025

September 4 – October 23, 2025

Reception & Awards Ceremony Sept. 13 – 4-6pm

Artists Age 4 - 18 from Polk county

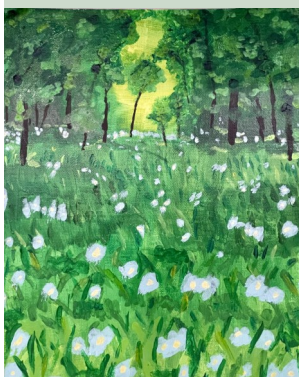
or who have taken our classes

2-D artwork must be framed and ready to hang.

3-D artwork must fit on our pedestals.

Parents: Drop off student artwork on either **August 27, 28 or 30.**

COMMUNITY: If you can help make our First Polk County Student Art Show at RCAC a **SUCCESS**, **please donate** so we can give the students **ribbons, money, and awards.** **THANK YOU!**



© Parker Padalik, age 15, acrylic



Congratulations to Cade Childers for winning the **People's Choice Award** and \$100 for his artwork, "Miracle Boy" in the *Best Friends: Pets and People* exhibit this summer.



Holiday Art Exhibit: Traditions

November 6 - December 20, 2025

Be working on your art entries in all mediums.

Enter up to 3 .jpg entries to be considered by **October 7.**

Indoor RCAC Arts & Crafts Festival Open House & Reception November 15th - 12 - 5 pm

Current RCAC Member Artists will be selling items on all 3 floors!

Free Crafts for Kids, Live Music, Refreshments & SANTA - Fun Day for the Community!

Contact RCAC if you can perform

for **free** at our Holiday festival. *Thank you!*

Annual Juried Art Show

January - Mid-March 2026

Theme: **Artist's Choice**

Judge: TBA

Reception & Awards Ceremony

January 24 - 4-6 pm

Be working on your art entries in all mediums.

Enter up to 3 .jpg entries to be considered by **December 10.**



Check our

Call for Artist Page

with links to applications with more information at

[www.rockmart-ga.gov/](http://www.rockmart-ga.gov/CalltoArtists.aspx)

CalltoArtists.aspx

or get an application at the RCAC office.

RCAC 2025 Advisory Committee

City Manager: Stacey Smith

Arts Liaison: Bruce Bell, Lucille Harris

Director: Peggy Cline

Theatre Operations Manager: Rex Garner

Business Liaison: Leslie Roberts

Literary Arts Chairperson: Debbie Ross

Education Chairperson: Lily Green

Pottery Supervisor: Paul Craighead

Visual Arts Chairperson: James Hill

Gift Shop Chairperson: Dana Helton

RockmART Art Studios

Check out the Art Studios on the top floor of the Arts Center and meet these talented Artists in Residence:

James Hill - Oil Painting & Restoration

Dana Helton - Stained Glass & Mosaics

Lily Green - Painting & Children's Classes

Lee Simpkins - Wood Carving



Several of our Studio Artists have been highlighted in National magazines and videos. James, Dana and Lily teach at RCAC and all do commission work.



The Rockmart Theatre

Theatre Happenings *by Rex Garner*

Programming continues at The Rockmart Theatre with music and other stage events, the 3rd Thursday Music Round, Community Chorus, along with various special events.

Flood recovery is nearly complete after 6 months.
Our props are now in a new storage facility in the city.

The Rockmart Community Chorus performed their Spring Concert, **"Love is in the Air"** at The Rockmart Theatre on May 17 and 18.



Shrek, Jr.

We had a fantastic time with our Summer Theatre Camps with **"The Lion King, Jr."** May 28 - June 6 with two performances on June 6. Our teen camp, **"Shrek, Jr."** was from June 16 - 28 with performances on June 27 and 28.

We have a wonderful community of thespians in our area. Many Thanks to all that helped with our camps!

Sky Whatley performed a concert at our theatre on July 19.
More concerts from a variety of artists are in the works.

For more information on any of our programs or events, contact **Theatre Operations Manager, Rex Garner**
Office Phone: (470) 864-6442
Email: therockmarttheatre@rockmart-ga.gov



Lion King, Jr.



Sky Whatley

Mark Your Calendars and Support Live Music and Theatre



Third Thursday of the Month Program
Roots Music Round
in the Theatre Studio, 118 E. Elm
Free, 6-9 pm

Nim B. Russel Foundation
Presents **The Art of Sound**
featuring **Reggie Hines & The Band,**
Dj Marty Mar and Comedian Ms. Lol
September 13 - 6pm - \$55 per ticket

Rockmart Community Chorus
Presents their Annual
Christmas Concert
December 6 – 7pm and
December 7 – 2pm
\$8 per ticket

More to Come!



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www.rockmart-ga.gov/TheRockmartTheatre.aspx

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Instagram: **rockmarttheatre**





Crochet Workshops

with Kristine Huffman

Crochet 101 Workshop

August 30, 10 am - 1 pm, \$30 per person

Ages 13 - Adult, Maximum 10,

All Materials provided; Feel free to bring your own supplies, yarn, snack and drink.

Learn to crochet or enhance your skills in this Crochet 101 workshop. You will learn how to create circles! What can you do with a circle? Create beautiful pillows for décor or for tucking behind backs, under knees etc. We will learn 1-5 stitches; the proper way to use poly-fill and how to close your project. There is always the option to crochet a scarf too, so if circles aren't your thing you can work on your fall wardrobe!



Christmas Crochet Workshop

November 1, 10 am - 1 pm, \$30 per person

Ages 13 - Adult, Maximum 10,

All Materials provided; Feel free to bring your own supplies, yarn, snack and drink.

November is a great time to start thinking about Christmas Crochet Projects! Our November Workshop will have 3 projects to choose from: **Christmas Ornaments**,

Dressed Gift Candles, both of these can be completed during class, or you can begin a **Santa Blanket**! All supplies will be provided for the ornaments & candles. The first skein of red yarn will be provided for the Santa Blanket should you select that project.



To sign up, contact **Kristine Huffman** via text at 404-293-5958 or email coachkhuffman@gmail.com



Rockmart Community Chorus *with Debbie Miller* Starts back in August

The Rockmart Community Chorus rehearses on **Tuesday nights at 7pm** in the Rehearsal room in the upper level of the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center. They perform two concerts each year for the community. These include the Christmas and Spring concerts, plus special events in the community. If you like to sing and have fun, come join our group. You do not have to live in Rockmart. To join the Chorus, contact **Director, Debbie Miller**, at 404-219-9572 or email debbiepammiller@gmail.com

Chorus practices in the Chorus room at the Arts Center



Rockmart Community Chorus Christmas Concert 2024



Rhonda the Rock Snake

Add a colorful and positive rock to her in the front of RCAC and let's see how long she can grow!

Wish List

Volunteers: Help and bring food during receptions and festival, stuff envelopes, Help with Kids crafts at festivals
Art supplies: White and red acrylic paint, 11x14 canvases, watercolor paper, newspapers, etc. **Thank you!**

Guitar 101: Introduction to the Guitar and Basic Principles

Dan Duff is a retired coach. He has taught beginning guitar at Trion High and Woodland Middle Schools, and private lessons. His classes cover basic guitar care and various techniques to include chords, scales, intervals to create music the students desire to play.

Lessons run approximately 45 minutes. Handouts and other information will be created on a student need basis. Students are expected to practice daily to be ready for the next lesson. Lessons progress as the student accomplishes proficiency before moving forward.

Class Objectives: As a result of the lessons, the student will be able to:

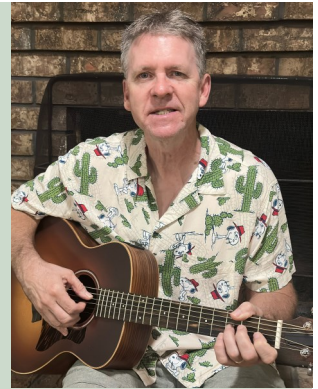
- Understand the parts and anatomy of the guitar.
- Know how to engage in basic strumming and picking of both open strings and single fretted notes.
- Know how to use a tuner to tune the guitar.
- Know the notes for the first 12 frets on all six strings or at least the high E, low E, and A string.
- Learn how to utilize the Circle of Fifths.
- Be able to play basic power chord shapes (dyads) and the common open chords from the CAGED system.
- Know and be able to use basic minor, major, power, and barre chords.
- Remember and utilize basic major, melodic minor and pentatonic scales.
- Understanding and putting into practice basic soloing technique including bends, vibrato, sliding, and alternate picking.
- Play through and be comfortable with simple chord progressions that allow you to play through full songs.

Classes held upstairs at RCAC in the Chorus room, Monday - Thursday, year round lessons.

\$35 per 45 minute Individual session

Ages 11- Adult

To sign up, contact **Dan Duff** at Levee15@yahoo.com or 678-988-4978.



Hawaiian Dance & Fitness *with Annette Puanani*

Adult Fitness Class: Saturdays at 10 am, \$85 month or \$25 per class drop in

Beginners Dance Class: (ages 8 - Adult): Saturdays at 11:15 am, \$65 month

Upstairs in the RCAC Chorus Room. Payment due first class of each month

For more information and to sign up, email **Annette Puanani** at

hawaiiandanceandfitness@gmail.com or text 770-286-9169.

No dance experience needed. **FIRST CLASS IS FREE!!!!!!**

Pay per month:

August 9-30 (4 classes)

September 6-27 (4 classes)

October 4-25 (4 classes)

November 1-22 (4 classes)

December 6-20 (3 classes)

Annette Puanani was born and raised in Hawai'i and began dancing Hula and Tahitian at the age of 2 and has been passionate about sharing the beauty of Polynesian culture ever since.

Through her dance and fitness classes, she blends traditional music and movement with health and wellness to inspire and uplift her students.



Lino Printmaking Workshop

with Mary Cash

August 16 - 10:00 - 1:00, \$35 per person

All materials are included, bring a sack lunch

Older teens to Adults, All Levels

Minimum 4, Maximum 12 students

Students will learn about the art of linoleum printing, including how to use the carving knives, printing materials and use of hand pressing materials. Instruction will also be given on how to create cards.

Students should bring in simple images to use for their project or use some of her samples.

To sign up, contact **Mary Cash** at 678-424-7932 or cashwoman2010@yahoo.com



HOMESPUN 2025



OCTOBER 4TH

Homespun Festival *In Downtown Rockmart*

Make plans to come to the City of Rockmart's Annual Festival in Downtown Rockmart on **Saturday, October 4, 2025!**

RCAC will have a booth with Free Crafts for Kids.

A fun time is planned for all! Arts & Craft Exhibitors and Vendors need to apply at www.downtownrockmart.com

Festival is hosted by the Rockmart Downtown Development Authority.

Questions, call 678-883-5930.

Children and Family Pottery Classes *with Rene' Hardy*

Thursday Evenings 5 - 6:30 pm or 5 - 7 pm

Includes all clay, glazes, firing & instruction

Ages: 7 - Adults

Prices Per Class: 1 1/2 Hours: \$18 or 2 Hours: \$21

Fun pottery classes for children and families creating hand building (pinch, coil and slab) and wheel projects.

Classes meet in the Pottery classroom on the bottom floor of the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center.

All need to sign a new waiver in August.

To sign up, contact **Rene' Hardy** at Rharty1@gmail.com or 770-757-6449.



Beginning Drawing & Painting Classes *with James Hill*

Mondays 3:30 - 5:00 pm

Wednesdays 1 - 2:30 pm or 3 - 4:30 pm

Age 14 - Adult, Includes most supplies

Drawing: **\$15** per person

Oil Painting: **\$20** per person

Learn the basics of drawing such as shading, perspective and painting with oil.

James also is a portrait artist and does commissions, framing and restoration work.

To sign up, contact **James Hill** at 770-355-1535 or email jlharthill@gmail.com



Continues all Year

Watercolor Workshop *with Beverly Culver*

August 30 - 10 am - 3 pm, \$40

Includes all supplies. Bring a sack lunch & water bottle.

Create up to 5 fun watercolor bookmarks.

Contact **Beverly Culver** to sign up at 770-289-1837.



Open Studio Pottery Classes *with Paul Craighead*

Tuesday Evenings - 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Wednesday Mornings - 10:00 to 11:30 am

Wednesday Evenings - 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Thursday Mornings - 10:00 to 11:30 am

Prices Per Class:

1 1/2 Hours: \$18

2 Hours: \$21



Includes all clay, glazes, firing & instruction

Ages: Teens - Adults

Sign up with Paul *before* attending class.

Elementary age children can participate if they come with a parent or guardian.

Explore the potentials of clay and learn pinch, coil and slab hand-building techniques as well as work on the wheel to make bowls, platters, sculptures, etc. Paul Craighead's open studio pottery classes continue year-round.

He works with students individually and in groups to create pottery items. He also offers Raku workshops in spring and fall to *current* students.

Note: NO Open Studio Pottery during the two June Children's Pottery Camps, however it will continue the rest of the summer!



To sign up, contact
Paul Craighead
at 770-843-5302 or
rivoletti@netzero.net



2-session Touch and Texture Hands on Pottery Workshop

with Jen Weaver Fugelsoe

\$45 per person for the 2-session workshop

Ages 7 - Adult

Children 10 and under must come with an adult.

Min 5/Max 8

Price includes all clay, glazes, firing and instruction.

August 9 or Nov. 8 - Hand building 10 am - 12 pm

A fun workshop for any age creating textures in clay. You will create a ruffle bowl and small plate or bowl. You will learn new texture and smoothing techniques. Feel free to bring your own textures, such as flowers, leaves, placemats, etc. Your completed pieces will be left to dry and bisque fired in the kiln.

August 23 or Nov. 22 - Glazing - 10 am - 12 pm

Decorate your pieces with a variety of glazes and decals if desired. Pieces will be fired and ready for pick up in about 2 weeks.



To sign up, contact **Jen W. Fugelsoe**
at 770-841-4835 or
4stersdaughter@gmail.com
Payment in advance with Jen through
Venmo/PayPal or drop off check or
cash to Jen at Arts Center office.



Pottery Parties

with Rene' Hardy

Looking for that Special Birthday or Group activity? Sign up for a fun Pottery Party with Rene' making angels, face jugs, vases, and more!

*Prices vary depending on the project. Ages 7 - Adult
Held Year Round!*



For more info. and to sign up, contact **Rene' Hardy** at
Rhardy1@gmail.com or 770-757-6449.

Home School Art Classes: 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the Month

Come Explore the Elements of Art with us in our Thursday Home School Art Classes!



3 Classes around the same time in 3 different rooms for different age groups. Price includes all supplies.

2-3 pm (Kinder and Elementary) and **2-3:30 pm** (Youth/Teen)

Fall 2025 Session (8 weeks):

August 7, 21, September 4, 18, October 2, 16, November 6, 20

Contact each instructor to register and for more information.

● **Kinder Art Class:** Ages 4-6, \$10 per class

Laura Padalik - 904-629-1469, padalikpack@att.net

● **Elementary Art Class:** Ages 7-11, \$15 per class

\$110 for 8 classes paid up front

Lily Green - 770-375-1753, lily.manus536@gmail.com

● **Youth/Teen Art Class:** Ages 12 - 18, \$15 per class

\$110 for 8 classes paid up front

Sarah Cason, 520-904-2959, sarahfcason@gmail.com

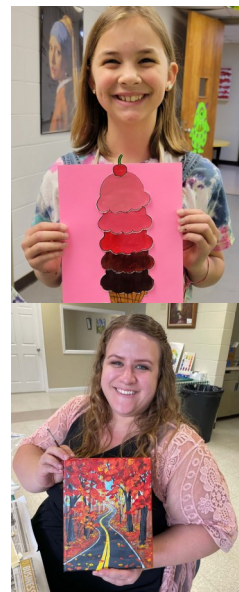
Children's Art Classes

Start back in

AUGUST

Limited spots

Sign up Now!



PALs Classes: Poetry, Art, & Literature

Ages 5-9, \$10 per class, 3 - 4pm

Fall 2025 Session - **1st and 3rd Tuesdays**

On these Tuesdays: **August 5, 19, September 2, 16, October 7, 21, November 4, 18**

PALs Classes use children's literature as our springboard. The goal of this class is to give students a hands-on opportunity to express their observations and create art in a variety of mediums, while enhancing fine motor skills. Within their creations, students will learn to draw basic shapes, patterns, landscapes, faces and animals.

To sign up, contact **Laura Padalik** at 904-629-1469 or padalikpack@att.net

Monday Kinder Art Classes

with Laura Padalik



Mondays 3:30 - 4:30pm

Throughout the School Year

Ages 4-6 (maximum 12 students)

\$60 for 6 classes - paid on the first class
or **\$15 per class**

Includes all supplies.

Mixed Media Art classes with a variety of Art projects in drawing, painting, printmaking and crafts. Classes meet in the small classroom on the bottom floor of the Arts Center.

Session I: **August 11, 18, 25, Sept. 8, 15, 22**

Session II: **October 6, 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10**



To sign up, contact

Laura Padalik at 904-629-1469,
or email padalikpack@att.net

Monday Children's Art Classes

with Lily Green

Mondays 3:30 - 5:00 pm

Throughout the School Year

Ages 7-12 (maximum 12 students)

\$60 for 6 classes - paid on the first class
or **\$15 per class**

Includes all supplies.

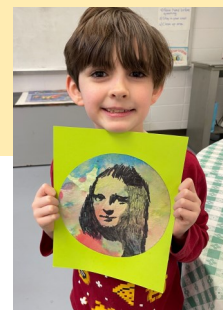
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Session I: **August 11, 18, 25, Sept. 8, 15, 22**

Session II: **October 6, 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3, 10**



To sign up, contact **Lily Green** at
770-375-1753, or email
lily.manus536@gmail.com



Contact instructors at least 1 week prior to class to reserve your spot, so instructor can bring enough materials. An updated Art Class Registration form and waiver will be needed on the first class with payment.

If there is inclement weather, then dates will be adjusted forward.

If schools close, then the Arts Center will also be closed.



Workshops with Anita Kennerley

Botanical Scarves on Silk

October 4 - 10:30 am - 2 pm, \$45 per person

Bring a sack lunch, Maximum 8 students

Learn how to print with leaves and plants on beautiful habotai silk scarves! This class will include instructions for a colored background. Each scarf will be unique!



Dotting

October 18 - 10:30 am - 12:30 pm,

More information to come.

Teen - Adult, Includes all supplies

Contact **Anita Kennerley** to register at anitakdesigns1@gmail.com or call 678-372-2755.

Painting Workshops with Lily Green

All supplies are included, No experience is necessary.

Guided tutorials are given to make it easy for everyone.

Reserve your spot at least 1 week in advance.

Limited spaces in each class, so sign up soon.

Acrylic Paint Parties:

Saturdays **10 am - 12 pm**

\$20 per person 8x10 canvas

\$30 per person 11x14 canvas

All ages are welcome, young children must be with their parent/guardian

August 16 - Crepe Myrtle & Sky Painting

September 13 - Sunflower Painting

October 11 - Hot air Balloon painting

November 22 - Scarecrow painting

December 6 - Wooden Trees*

*\$20 per person on 3-D cut out wooden trees

Watercolor Paint Parties: Saturdays

Ages Teen - Adult

Beginners welcome. All supplies are included.

You are welcome to bring your own supplies too.

Minimum 6, maximum 10, **\$30** per person

September 20 - Mountain Sunset - Saturday 10 am - 12 pm

October 11 - Duck - Saturday 1:30 - 3:30 pm

November 22 - Fish - Saturday 1:30 - 3:30 pm

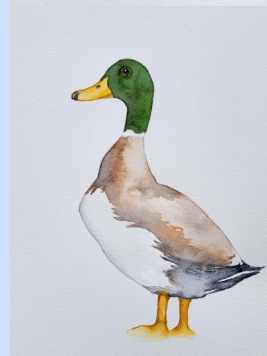
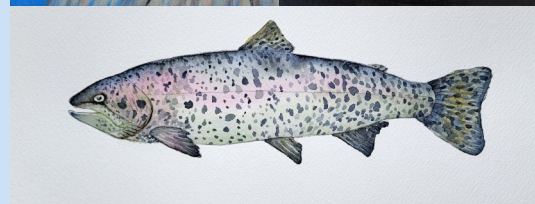


To sign up, contact

Lily Green at

770-375-1753 or email

Lily.manus536@gmail.com





Scarf Dyeing Workshop *with Margie Monde*

Silk Scarves with Ice Dye & Fabric Dye Painting

September 13, \$45 per person

All materials are included. Bring a snack lunch.

10:30 - 1:30 pm

Teen - Adult, Open to all skill levels

Min 6/Max 12 students



Create two beautiful 100% silk scarves - one in a floral design with fabric dyes and another in an abstract ice dye design. Learn the easiest ways to dye silk. It is impossible to make a mistake and it looks gorgeous!

Text or call **Margie Monde** to sign up at 706-767-5139



Vintage Tree & Pumpkin

Painting Workshops *with Tina Lanier*

Pick a date and have FUN painting a ceramic vintage tree or pumpkin from antique molds with Tina Lanier at the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center.

Thursdays: Oct 16 or Nov 20 - 6:30 - 9:30 pm

Saturdays: Oct. 18 or Dec 6 - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sundays: Sept 28, Nov 9 or Dec 7 - 2:00 - 5:00 pm

Trees 17 - 19" tall.

Prices vary depending on style.

For more information call **Tina Lanier** at 678-883-9300. Make reservations at www.nowandtheninc.com



RCAC Gift Shop

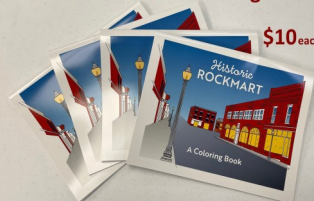
The RCAC Gift Shop has books by local authors, such as Brad Hulse, Carol Harper and Deborah Malone, as well as coloring books illustrated by our local artists, Vivian Stitt and Kimberly McGuinness.

We have original paintings by our member artists, prints, pottery, mugs, photographs, notecards, bowls, jewelry, wood turned and carved items, crocheted toys, ornaments, bird houses, fused and stained glass, candles, wine bottle stoppers, soap, walking sticks, and more! Many artists take commissions as well.

Please Support **LOCAL** Artists and Buy **Handmade Arts & Crafts** at the RCAC Gift Shop and Gallery.



Historic Rockmart Coloring Book



56 pages of History and Artwork featuring Historic Buildings in Rockmart
Buy your collector's book at the City of Rockmart or Rockmart Cultural Arts Center



Stained Glass Workshops

with Dana Helton

Suncatcher: 10 am - 2 pm, \$50 each

Create your own Stained Glass Suncatcher and pick your own colors using the Tiffany Technique in one day.

Aug. 9 - Mountain

Sept. 6 - Feather

Sept. 13 - Maple Leaf

Sept. 20 - Butterfly

Sept. 27 - Bird

Oct. 18 - Beach Scene

Oct. 25 - Bird

Nov. 8 - Christmas Tree

Nov. 22 - Christmas Tree



Ages: Adult,
Maximum 6 people
in each class
All materials are included.
No experience is necessary.
Closed toe shoes and
eye protection is mandatory.
Bring water and lunch/snack.

To sign up, contact
Dana Helton at
678-557-1301 or
danalan@comcast.net



Intermediate Panel:

October 4

10 am - 4 pm, \$150

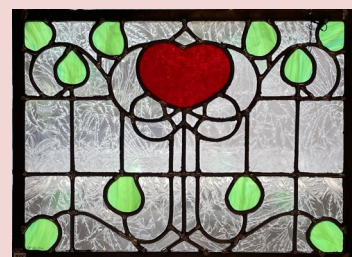
Must take 3 suncatcher classes
before taking the panel class.

Advanced Leaded Glass:

Nov. 1 & 2, 10 am - 4 pm

plus one more day a week later

\$200



Upcoming Fall 2025

Sit 'n Stitch Dates:

August 14, 28

September 11, 25

October 9, 23

November 13

December 11

Sit 'n Stitch - 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month during the school year

10:00 am - 2:00 pm , FREE

Do you like to sew, quilt, knit, crochet, felt, or more?

This is not a class, but a fun time for crafters to create together.

Bring your own project and supplies; sack lunch & drink.

Sit 'n Stitch is open to all and held at the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center in the large classroom downstairs every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month during the school year.

Enjoy the comradery of fellow crafters.



Beginning Quilting - Tools and Techniques

with Dora Dryden

October 25, 10 am to 2 pm, \$25 per person

Overview: If you want to try your hand at the traditional and also modern craft of quilting, this introductory class of basic quilt construction is for you. You will learn techniques for planning, cutting, and construction of a basic quilt block as well as skills in selecting fabrics and materials. Emphasis will be placed on accuracy in cutting and sewing to insure your quilt comes together perfectly. Students will complete a sample block.

You should be able to operate a basic sewing machine and sew a straight stitch. You do not have to know anything about quilt construction.

Supply List:

- Sewing machine in good working order
- Thread in a neutral color such as white or cream (50 wt. recommended)
- Seam ripper
- Rotary cutter (45 mm recommended) such as Olfa or Fiskars
- Straight pins and pincushion
- Scissors
- Acrylic ruler (6" x 12" recommended) such as Omnigrid
- 1/4" foot for your machine if you have one but is not required
- At least 1/4 yard of 3 cotton fabrics that you like together - a light, medium, and dark or ones that have contrast.

To sign up or for more information, contact **Dora Dryden** at dlord557@aol.com or 770-546-1162



Candle Workshops

with Sue Ritt

Succulent Plant and Pot Workshop

October 18 or November 8, 10:30 - 12:30

\$25 per person, All supplies included.

Paint the clay pot & make the soy wax plant candle.

Christmas Candle Workshop

December 6 or 13, 10:30 - 12:30

\$40 per person,

All supplies included, Limit 10
Various Holiday bowls to choose from at time of class.

To sign up contact **Sue Ritt** at Critcrafts@gmail.com or 727-710-6210.

Book Club

2nd Tuesday of each month, 5:00 - 6:00 pm, FREE

Upcoming Books and Local Author Talks:

August 12 - *All the Broken Places* by John Boyne

September 9 - *Beatrix Potter's Gardening Life*
by Marta McDowell

October 14 - *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict

November 11 - *Go As A River* by Shelly Read

December 9 - *New Book* TBD by Buck Buchannan*

*Author in Attendance



Our book club meets at the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center and is led by Debbie Ross. Each month we read a new book and one of our members leads the discussion.

All are welcome to join.

Questions, email **Debbie Ross** at ross5860@bellsouth.net or rcac@rockmart-ga.gov

Transitions & Transformations Art Exhibit



Transitions & Transformations:
Fused Glass, Mixed Media & Photography
Exhibit with Artwork by **Elizabeth Mobley, Mausi and Stella Spyrou** is in the gallery from July 10 - August 28, 2025. We had a Reception on July 19th from 4-6 pm and raffled off some of their artwork. Come see this beautiful exhibit!



We are very proud that James Hill was chosen to be in the City Employee Newsletter's Standout page.
Thanks to Julie Beckman for the great write up!

CITY STANDOUT

If Rockmart had a Hall of Fame for quiet legends, James Hill would already have his plaque. For the past 13 years, James has been the creative soul of the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center, where he teaches drawing and painting to eager minds every Monday and Wednesday afternoon. He's the kind of guy who can paint a masterpiece, then turn around and paint the wall behind it — and probably mop the floor while he's at it. And he doesn't stop there. James has spent the last 3 years also working part-time with Public Works, where his list of duties is longer than a roll of trailhead toilet paper — which, fittingly, he's had to clean up more times than he'd care to remember. If you think your job is tough, try scrubbing down a public trailhead restroom... in July... after a festival. James has stories, y'all — the kind that make you laugh, gag, and count your blessings all at once. But here's the thing — he does it all without complaint. Whether he's cleaning the library, theatre, history museum, or RCAC, James shows up with a steady hand and a good heart. He's a one-man welcome committee, clean-up crew, and morale booster rolled into one. Peggy Cline, who nominated him said it best: "We love James and think the world of him." And honestly? So does the rest of Rockmart. He's a painter, a teacher, a janitor, a storyteller, and a quiet warrior for this city. James Hill, thank you for your creativity, your commitment, and your undeniable impact on Rockmart!



Q&A with James Hill

1. What's your favorite memory while working here? *The many times I've been told that they appreciate the job I do. It's nice to hear.*
2. Who inspires you professionally, and why? *Peggy Cline. She is very knowledgeable about the business and of the arts & has really made a success of the RCAC.*
3. What do you like to do outside of work? *Oil painting & teaching art.*
4. What's something about you that might surprise your coworkers? *That I ran my own business for most of my working years.*
5. What advice would you give to someone just starting a career with the City of Rockmart? *Whatever job you're hired for, give it your best & you'll be appreciated.*

Fun times in our 2025 RCAC Summer Camps



Pottery Camp I with Paul Craighead



Pottery Camp II with Sarah Mottashed



Little Hands, BIG Art I with Lisa Brown Jones



Little Hands, BIG Art II with Laura Padalik



Art Camp I with Margaret Bearden



Art Camp II with Peggy Cline



3-Day Teen Art Camp I with Margie Monde



3-Day Teen Fused Glass Camp II with Elizabeth Mobley

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Our Fiscal Year 2025:
July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025



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Susan Waters, George Anna Watson, Deborah Wilson, Trudi Witcher, Darren Wright



Please mail or drop off your membership to be included in our next newsletter.
Membership lasts for 1 year or 12 months.

Thank you for supporting the ARTS!

Donations & Volunteers

The following time and talents were donated during the last quarter to The Rockmart Cultural Arts Center and The Rockmart Theatre.

Donations: May 29 - July 31, 2025

Summer Camp Snacks - Roberts, Padaliks, Coremark
 Laura & Patrick Padalik - Art Supplies, Frames Brenda Carroll - Lots of fabric
 Reception food - Elizabeth Mobley, Stella Spyrou, Mausi
 Chick 'n Scratch - Snacks for Monthly Roots Music Round
 Elaine Southerland - Various art supplies Patty Ward - boxes, packing materials
 Mike Strickland - Lots of Art books Rosi Scheel - Books, Art supplies
 Peggy Cline - Art supplies, wood for shelves Jean Sommerville - Newspapers, boxes
 Cathy Matthews - Old spools Leeann Holland - Craft scrap booking supplies
 Dana Helton - Various art supplies Lily Green - Art show prize items for kids
 Kimberly McGuiness - Art supplies Julie Smith - Music painting and Art books
 Amy & Stephen Ely - Lots of Doll Forms, etc. from old Tula Bonnies Craft room
 Deanna & Leslie Roberts - Art supplies and Giffin Grip for Pottery room
 Teddy Yarbrough & Doug Singleton - Cutting wood, Hanging white board
 Barbara Reed - Costumes and props for theatre

Volunteers: May 29, 2025 - July 31, 2025

Gallery sitting: Lee Simpkins, James Hill, Lily Green
 Art Drop off/pick up: Mary Bonevelle, James Hill
 Hanging exhibits: James Hill, Paul Craighead, Patty & Steve Ward
 Receptions: James Hill, Karen Cline, Nancy & Clint Willis, Mary & Elijah Bonevelle
 Graphic Design help: Steven & Hazel Cline
 Administrative and Camp prep: Dana Helton, Lily Green
 Gift Shop help: Dana Helton Cutting wood dragons for camp - Teddy Yarbrough
 Cutting wood for camps and shelves - James Hill
 Cleaning/ Organizing: James Hill, Lily Green, Dana Helton, Laura Padalik
 Pottery Room: Unloading/Loading Kiln/Cleaning: Leslie and Deanna Roberts,
 Paul Craighead, Rene' Hardy
 Theatre volunteers: Margaret Jacobs, Rex & Sandi Garner, Cathy Matthews, Camp Parents



**THANKS to ALL who made our
 SUMMER CAMPS possible for the
 Children in our Community!!**



**Giffin Grip for
 centering pottery
 on the wheel**

RCAC Membership

Your Membership helps fund our Programs, Events, Theatre, Gallery, Receptions, Chorus, Classes, Workshops, Camps and Scholarships.

Please Help keep the ARTS Alive in RockmART!

Patron	Angel	Corporate
\$25 - Senior/Student	\$100 - \$249	\$250 - \$499 - Friend
\$30 - Individual		\$500 - \$999 - Leader
\$50 - Family		\$1,000 + - Executive

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**We appreciate
 your continued support
 of the ARTS
 in RockmART!**

Name: _____
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Membership lasts for **one year or 12 months** from date of membership and is **tax deductible**. *Thank you!*

Please make checks payable to **"City of Rockmart/RCAC"** Rockmart Cultural Arts Center
 and mail to: RCAC, P.O. Box 231, Rockmart, GA 30153 *or* drop by the RCAC Gallery Office *or* City drive-thru