

WINTER 2025

# RockmART News

## Cultural Arts Center & Theatre

Dear Friends of the Arts,

We look forward to seeing you at the Arts Center this winter. We have lots of fun classes and workshops for ages 4 to Adult. Contact each individual instructor to sign up now as the workshops fill up quickly.

We start the year with our Annual Juried Art Exhibit with amazing artwork from many artists. Come to our Juried Art Reception and Award Ceremony on February 1st. The theme is Artist Choice, so artists pick their favorite artwork they have completed in the past 3 years for this anticipated event.



© Veena Raj, *Salt Marshes of Jekyll*, Watercolor

Thanks to everyone who came to our Annual Indoor Holiday Arts & Crafts Festival on November 16th. We enjoyed buying handmade items from our Local Artists. We also had fun Kids' crafts, Pottery and Painting demonstrations, delicious food, Holiday music from many Local musicians plus Santa visited us too! Thanks to all who volunteered their time for this fun community event!

Thanks to everyone that gave money for our new kiln! It is paid off now and we are using it in all of our classes and workshops. Your generosity towards the Arts is appreciated and is given back to help the community in scholarships and more. Thank you to all that donated art supplies this fall in our annual drive to help local art teachers in our public schools. We will give the art supplies to Van Wert Elementary in December.

RCAC celebrates the Visual, Performing and Literary Arts. 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



© Hunter Albea, *Aspen Grove*, Oil

In March and April we have two exciting exhibits with Lia Owens-Williamson in the main gallery and Black Artists displaying their artwork in our entrance hall gallery. Come to the reception on March 22.

### **Mark Your Calendars**

#### ***Juried Art Exhibit***

January 16 – March 6, 2025

#### **Reception & Award Ceremony**

February 1 - 4-6 pm

#### ***Lia Owens-Williamson Art Exhibit***

March 13 – April 24

**Reception - March 22 – 4-6 pm**

#### ***Black Creativity Hall Exhibit***

March 13 – April 24, 2025

**Reception - March 22 – 4-6 pm**

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**Arts**  
Rockmart  
Cultural Arts Center

### **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

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# Upcoming RCAC Art Exhibits & Receptions



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Carlo Avonce, Watercolor

## Let's Celebrate Holiday Art Exhibit

On view until December 19, 2024

## Juried Art Exhibit 2025

Theme: *Artist's Choice*

January 16 – March 6, 2025

Reception - February 1 - 4-6 pm

Enter up to 3 .jpg entries to be considered by **December 14**

Judge - TBA - Awards given in 5 categories:

Drawing, Painting, Photography, 3-D and Other

## Iia Owens-Williamson Art Exhibit

March 13 – April 24

Reception - March 22 – 4-6 pm

## Black Creativity Hall Exhibit

March 13 – April 24, 2025

Reception - March 22 – 4-6 pm

Enter up to 2 .jpg entries to be considered by **Feb 15**



## Best Friends: Pets and People

May 1 – June 26, 2025

Reception - May 3 – 4-6 pm

Enter up to 3 .jpg entries to be considered by **April 5**

## Transitions:

*Glass, Mixed Media & Photography*

Elizabeth Mobley, Mausi and Stella Spyrou

July 10 - August 28, 2025

Reception - July 19 – 4-6 pm

## Children's Art Show 2025

Artists Age 4 - 18

September 4 – October 23, 2025

Reception - September 13 – 4-6 pm

Enter up to 3 .jpg entries to be considered by **August 9**

## Holiday Art Exhibit 2025

November 6 - December 20, 2025

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

## Festival, Open House & Reception

All Festival artists are RCAC Members

November 15 - 12 - 5 pm



© Iia Owens-Williamson,  
Mixed Media



Bob Maynard won the People's Choice Award in the 2024 Nature's Generosity Exhibit



Iia Owens Williamson won the People's Choice Award in the 2024 Metamorphosis Art Exhibit

## 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**

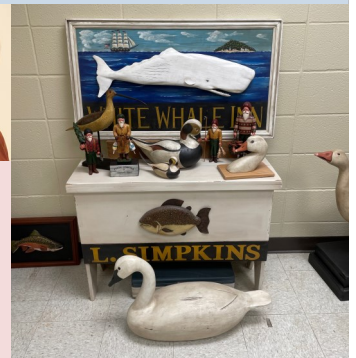
**Elizabeth Mobley - Fused Glass**

**Lily Green - Painting & Children's Classes**

**Lee Simpkins - Wood Carving**



Several have been highlighted in National magazines, videos and even artwork on a billboard. Several teach at RCAC and do commission work.



# The Rockmart Theatre

## Theatre Happenings *by Rex Garner*

Programming continues at The Rockmart Theatre with our Monthly LIVE concert series in full swing, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday Music Round, and Community Chorus along with various stage performances and special events. We are working with local and regional entities to bring other events into the theatre throughout the coming months.

In early October 2024, we installed beautiful new curtains on the main stage and added LED lighting and wireless body microphones to our production system.

*The Mike McCarroll Band* performed on October 5, after the Homespun Festival. *Them Mixon Boys* performed on Nov. 9.

Our young people put on a great rendition of Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" for the 2024 season on November 23 and 24.

We've made fantastic modifications to our Chorus risers, adding sturdy safety railings along the upper deck and extending the lower deck for even more seating.

The Rockmart Community Chorus performs their Annual Holiday Concert at The Rockmart Theatre in December.

We will soon be making plans and announcements for our Summer 2025 Theatre Camps.

Please support LIVE music and Theatre!

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

**Monthly Live Concerts**  
TBA soon on Social Media

**Rockmart Community Chorus Concert**  
***Let There Be Christmas***  
**December 7 - 7pm**  
**and December 8 - 2pm**

**Summer 2025 Theatre Camps**  
TBA soon on Social Media



Monthly Live Concerts

Them Mixon Boys



New Curtains



"A Christmas Carol"



Safety Improvements to Chorus Risers



Roots Music Round



## The Rockmart Theatre

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# Open Studio Pottery Classes

with Paul Craighead

**Tuesday Evenings - 6:30 - 8:30 pm - \$21 per class**

**Wednesday Mornings - 10:00 to 11:30 am - \$18 per class**

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**Thursday Mornings - 10:00 to 11:30 am - \$18 per class**

Prices include ALL clay, glazes, firing and 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 during the year to current students.



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



## Ceramic Workshops

with Jen Weaver Fugelsoe

### Let's Get Centered

**Saturday, May 3**

**10:30 am - 12:30 pm**

Adults, \$35 per person, \*max 4 students

No pottery experience necessary.

Get centered and learn to throw a bowl the wheel.

You pick glaze and Jen will glaze for you.



## Mug Shots

**Saturday, February 15 - 10:30 am - 12:30 pm**

Age 8 - Adult, \$25 per person (Min 5/Max 12 students)

Children age 10 and younger must be with an adult

Decorate a premade mug, made by Jen, with decals and glaze.

All materials and firing are included with workshops.

Your project will be fired and ready for pick up in 2-3 weeks.

Registration and payment in advance with Venmo/PayPal, etc.

To register, contact **Jen** at 770-841-4835 or

4stersdaughter@gmail.com





## Children and Family Pottery Classes *with Rene' Hardy*

**Thursdays 5:00 - 6:30 pm**  
Ages 7 - Adult  
6 classes for \$95 - if paid on the first class  
or **\$18** per 1 1/2 hr. class per person  
or **\$21** per 2 hr. class per person  
(Includes clay, glazes and firing)

**Thursday Winter & Spring dates:**  
Session 1: Jan 9, 16, 23, 30, Feb 6, 13  
Session 2: Feb 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3



Fun pottery classes for children and families creating hand building (pinch, coil and slab) and wheel projects. Sign up for her *Special Group classes* on other days. Classes meet in the Pottery classroom on the bottom floor of the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center. To sign up, contact **Rene' Hardy** at Rhardyl@gmail.com or 770-757-6449.



## Saturday Art Workshops *with Lily Green*

10 am - 12 pm, All ages, **\$20** per person

All supplies are included, No experience is necessary  
Guided tutorials are given to make it easy for everyone  
To sign up, contact **Lily Green** at 770-375-1753  
or email Lily.manus536@gmail.com



### Northern Lights Painting

January 18th  
We will be painting a northern lights scene in acrylic paint.

### Watercolor Cards with Valentine Hearts

February 8th  
Watercolor fun with hearts.

### Wooden Shamrock Painting

March 8th  
We will be painting a wooden shamrock cut out.

### Faux Painted Eggs

April 12th  
We will be painting faux wooden eggs for the Easter season.

### Flower Pots for Mom

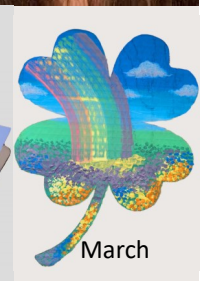
May 3rd  
We will be painting terra cotta pots for mom.



January



February



March

## 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.

He also is a portrait artist and does commissions and restoration work. To sign up, contact **James Hill** at 770-355-1535 or email jlharthill@gmail.com



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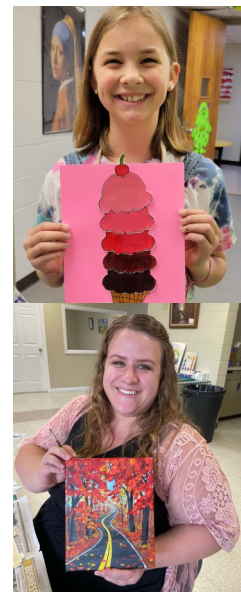
# Home School Art Classes: 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the Month

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)  
Winter/Spring 2025 Session (8 weeks):  
**January 16, Feb. 6, 20, March 6, 20, April 3, 17, May 1**  
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, \$110 for 8 classes paid up front, or \$15 per class  
Lily Green - 770-375-1753, lily.manus536@gmail.com
- Youth/Teen Art Class:** Ages 12 - 18, \$110 for 8 classes paid up front, or \$15 per class  
Sarah Cason, 520-904-2959, sarahfcason@gmail.com



## PALs Classes: Poetry, Art, & Literature

Ages 5-9, \$10 per class, 3 - 4pm  
Winter/Spring 2025 Session (8 weeks)  
**On the following Tuesdays: Jan. 21, Feb. 4, 18, March 4, 18, April 1, 15, May 6**

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.

Winter Session I: **Jan. 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24**  
Spring Session II: **March 10, 17, 24, 31, April 14, 21**



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.*

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

Winter Session I: **Jan. 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 24**  
Spring Session II: **March 10, 17, 24, 31, April 14, 21**



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.



## Stained Glass Workshops

with Dana Helton

- January 11 - Mountain Scene
- January 18 - Feather
- January 25 - Heart
- February 15 - Mountain Scene
- February 22 - Bird
- March 1 - Maple Leaf
- March 8 - Butterfly
- March 22 - Intermediate Stained Glass\*
- April 5 - Bird
- April 12 - Mountain Scene
- April 19 - Heart
- May 17 - Butterfly



To sign up, contact  
**Dana Helton** at 678-557-1301  
 or [danalan@comcast.net](mailto:danalan@comcast.net)

Sign up soon as these workshops fill up quickly.

Ages: Adult, Maximum 6 people in each class

Each workshop: **10 am - 2 pm, \$50 each\***

All materials are included. No experience is necessary.

Create your own Stained Glass Suncatcher and pick your own colors using the Tiffany Technique in one day. Closed toe shoes and eye protection is mandatory. Bring water and lunch/snack.

\* **Intermediate Stained Glass - 10 am - 4 pm, \$150 each**  
 Student must take 3 of Dana's previous workshops to take this class. New intermediate students will receive their own board, glass hammer and glass nails to advance from suncatchers to a panel project. Learn to use advanced tools, create a metal border and proper hanging system.

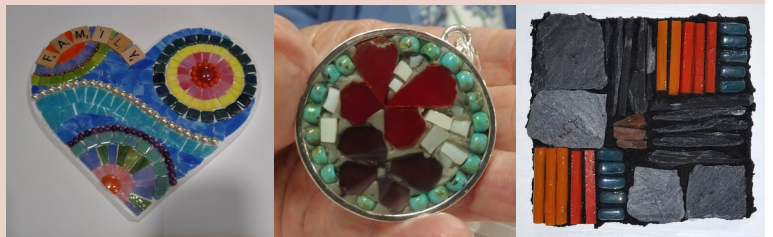
## Mosaic Workshops

with Dana Helton

- February 8 - Heart
- March 29 - Jewelry Pendant
- May 24 - Abstract

10 am - 2 pm, \$50

All materials are included. Create your own mosaic artwork in this fun workshop.



## Fused Glass Workshops

with Elizabeth Mobley

- 2 - Day Fused Glass Jewelry Workshop**
- February 1 - 10 am - 1 pm and
- February 2 - 1:30 - 4 pm

Ages: 13 - Adult, \$65 per person

All materials, tools and firing are included in price  
 No glass experience is required.



**Private Sessions are also available**

To sign up, contact **Elizabeth Mobley** at 770-851-4431 or email [e.lizabeth@mindspring.com](mailto:e.lizabeth@mindspring.com)



## Sit 'n Stitch

**2nd and 4th Thursdays** of each month during the school year (August - May)

10:00 am - 2 pm , FREE

This is not a class, but a fun time for crafters to come together and create together. Bring your project and supplies; sack lunch & drink.

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

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. Any questions, contact **Debbie Chard** at 404-219-1837.



### Upcoming 2025 Sit 'n Stitch Dates:

January 9 and 23  
February 13 and 27  
March 13 and 27  
April 10 and 24  
May 8 and 22



## Beginning Quilting - Tools & Techniques *with Dora Dryden*

**February 8** - 10 am - 2 pm, \$25 per person, Ages 12 to Adult

Bring a sack lunch and water bottle.

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.



### **Beginning Quilting 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

For more information and to sign up,  
contact **Dora Dryden** at  
770-546-1162 or [dlord557@aol.com](mailto:dlord557@aol.com)



## Watercolor Workshop *with Lily Green*

**Saturday, May 24**

**10 am - 1 pm**

**\$40, Teen - Adult, Beginners welcome**

Minimum 6, maximum 10

All materials are provided. Students will be using watercolors to paint floral designs on cards. Contact **Lily Green** to sign up at 770-375-1753 or [lily.manus536@gmail.com](mailto:lily.manus536@gmail.com)







## Needle Felting Workshops

*with Hillari Knight*

**March 22 - Bee Hive**

Teen - Adult, 10 am - 12:00 pm

**\$35 per person per project, Includes all supplies**



Join fiber artist, Hillari Knight, in creating your own colorful needle felted projects. Sign up early as these workshops fill up fast.

She also sells *Needle Felting Kits* in our Gift Shop.

Contact **Hillari Knight** to register at **770-862-2248** or email [KnightCreativeArt@gmail.com](mailto:KnightCreativeArt@gmail.com)



## Beginners Crochet Class *with Kristine Huffman*

**January 18 and March 22**

10 am - 1 pm, **\$30 per person each class**

Agnes 13 - Adult, Maximum 10, Material & Supplies provided

Class participants will begin a scarf or neckerchief which can be completed in class! Students will learn how to create a slip knot and proceed to a chain stitch which is the basis for all crochet projects. We will learn how to add rows using a few different stitches, to change colors, and make our own tassels to complete the project! In addition, we will discuss the different types of yarn, hooks, and how to read & understand a skein's package information.

To sign up, contact **Kristine Huffman** via text at 404-293-5958 or email [coachkhuffman@gmail.com](mailto:coachkhuffman@gmail.com)



## Rockmart Community Chorus *with Debbie Miller*

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.

To join the Chorus, contact **Director, Debbie Miller**, at 404-219-9572 or [debbiepammiller@gmail.com](mailto:debbiepammiller@gmail.com)



Chorus practicing in the RCAC Chorus room



Rockmart Community Chorus Spring Concert 2023



## Thursday Oil Painting Class *with Beverly Culver*

**Starts back March 6**

**Thursdays 10 am - 1 pm**

**\$125 for 6 week class, Min 5, Max 7 students**

**Older teens to Adults, Intermediate level painters**

Do you want a class where you can work more in-depth with processes and techniques?

Beverly offers daytime oil painting classes on Thursdays in an Open Studio format. Work from your own photo or one of Beverly's paintings. You provide your own canvas, and oil paint.

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



Painting by Beverly Culver

## Hypertufa 3-D Planter Workshop *with Sue Ritt*

**April 26 - Hypertufa Planter - \$25 each**

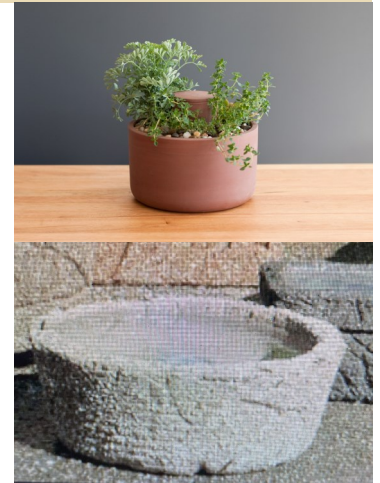
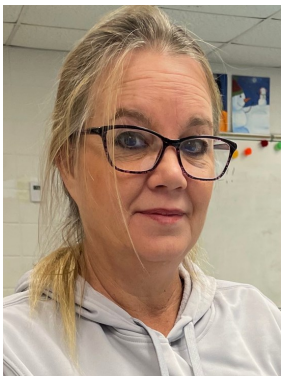
Create your own 3-D Hypertufa craft!

10:30 am - 12:30 pm, Age 13 – Adult

(Cash, Check, PayPal or Venmo prior to class)

To sign up, text/call **Sue Ritt** at 470-818-6461 or [critcrafts@gmail.com](mailto:critcrafts@gmail.com)

Hypertufa is a lightweight, material made from a mixture of peat moss, Portland cement, and either sand, vermiculite, or perlite. After mixing the ingredients together, they are molded into shape, allowed to dry, and then may be painted.



## Dip & Dot and Polymer Clay Workshops *with Anita Kennerley*

**February 15 - Dip & Dot a Mandala Mirror**

The wood is 8" in diameter & the mirror is 4".

**March 29 - Plant a "Wonky Plant" with Dotted & Polymer Clay**

Each workshop is \$35 per person

10:30 am - 1:00 pm, class limit 10 students, Teen - Adult, Includes all supplies

Contact **Anita Kennerley** to register at [anitakdesigns1@gmail.com](mailto:anitakdesigns1@gmail.com) or call 678-372-2755.



## Jewelry Making Workshop *with Rachel Eichholtz*

**February 22 - Bracelets - \$30 per person**

Create 2 beautiful beaded bracelets  
Includes all supplies

10:00 am - 12:00 pm, Age 12 – Adult

To sign up, email **Rachel Eichholtz** at [info@racheleichholtz.com](mailto:info@racheleichholtz.com)

Let her know specific color of beads you want.

Here's a sign up link as well:

<https://form.jotform.com/250116538826054>





## Lino Printmaking Workshop

with Mary Cash

March 1 - 10:00 - 12:00, \$35 per person

All materials are included

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 may 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](mailto:cashwoman2010@yahoo.com)



## Scarecrows

RCAC Volunteers made two scarecrows this past fall. Lily Green made the Leonardo da Vinci scarecrow that was on view at the entrance to the Arts Center.

The Padalik family made the Vincent van Gogh scarecrow in downtown Rockmart in front of Soli's restaurant.

Congratulations to Sohel, owner of Soli's and winner of the Fall Lamp Post Decorating Contest. The \$200 prize went to Samaritan's Purse, in his honor.

Special Thanks to all that helped decorate the scarecrows in our community.



## Book Club

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

**Upcoming Books and Local Author Talks:**

January 14 - *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd

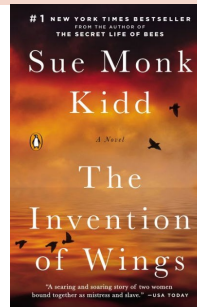
February 11 - *Mystery series* by Deborah Malone \*

*Death in Dahlonga, Murder in Marietta, Terror on Tybee Island, Chilled in Chattanooga, Buckhead Dead, Decatur Dead* - Read 1 or all

March 11 - *Where I Come From* by Rick Bragg

April 8 - *Remember the Butterfly* by Rebecca L. Marsh\*

\*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](mailto:ross5860@bellsouth.net) or [rcac@rockmart-ga.gov](mailto:rcac@rockmart-ga.gov)

## RCAC Gift Shop

The RCAC Gift Shop has books by local authors, such as Brad Hulsey, as well as coloring books illustrated by our local artists, Vivian Stitt and Kimberly McGuiness.

We have original paintings, 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

**Pick up your FREE RCAC Bookmark at our Gallery!**



## Art Workshops *with Margie Monde*

### Shibori Indigo Dyed Apron, T-shirt & Bandana

March 1 - 10:30 - 1:30, \$40 per person

Learn the classic folding, clamping and tying techniques used in ancient Shibori Indigo dyeing. Indigo is the natural dye used for jeans dyeing.

### Easy Silk Scarf Painting

March 29 - 10:30 - 1:30, \$45 per person

Create a floral design and/or abstract on *two* silk scarves. Learn the easiest way to paint silk! It's impossible to make a mistake and it looks gorgeous



### Silk Stencil Solar Painting: Fan & Frisbee

May 3 - 10:30 - 1:30, \$35 per person

Using acrylic paints and sparkling Unicorn spit: Paint with stencils onto a round Chinese Palace fan made of silk as well as a foldable silk fan that doubles as a frisbee. A large variety of different stencils, including flowers, fairies, wildlife, etc. will be provided.



Teen - Adult, Open to All skill levels  
All materials are included. Bring a snack lunch.  
Text or call **Margie Monde** to sign up  
at 706-767-5139



## Welsh Fest *In Downtown Rockmart*

Saturday, March 15, 2025 - 10 am - 5 pm

Hope to see you at the Rockmart History Museum's Welsh Fest this year!

There will be Arts and Crafts vendors, Food, Music and Entertainment during the day. RCAC will have FREE Kids' crafts at our tent, plus selling some items from the RCAC Gift Shop.

If you can help volunteer at our booth this day, please contact Peggy at [rcac@rockmart-ga.gov](mailto:rcac@rockmart-ga.gov) or 770-684-2707.

More information on the festival can be found soon on their website: [rockmartwelshfest.com](http://rockmartwelshfest.com)

# RCAC's 2025 Summer Art & Theatre Camps

**Mark your calendars** for RCAC's Upcoming Summer Art & Theatre Camps in **June and July 2025**.

**Theatre Camps Sign-up Day** at The Rockmart Theatre TBA

**Art and Pottery Camps Sign-ups** are at the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center during open hours starting **March 1**.

Theatre Camp I: **TBA** (Completed Grades K- 6th) with Margaret Jacobs

Theatre Camp II: **TBA** (Completed Grades 7th - 12th) with Margaret Jacobs

Pottery Camp I: **June 2 - 6** with Paul Craighead (Age 8-13)

Pottery Camp II: **June 23 - 27** with Sarah Mottashed (Age 8-13)

Little Hands, BIG Art Camp I: **June 2 - 6** with Lisa Jones (Age 4-6)

Teen Mixed Media 3-Day Camp: **June 10 - 12** with Margie Monde (Age 13-18)

Little Hands, BIG Art Camp II: **June 16 - 20** with Laura Padalik (Age 4-6)

Art Camp I: **July 14 - 18** with Margaret Bearden (Age 7-9)

Art Camp II: **July 14 - 18** with Peggy Cline (Age 10-13)

Teen Fused Glass 3-Day Camp: **July 22-24** with Elizabeth Mobley (Age 13 - 18)



## Homespun Festival Fun *In Downtown Rockmart*

RCAC had a booth in the Children's section in the Seaborn Jones Park on October 5, 2024. Hundreds of children make crafts and we had a lot of fun.

Check out some of the photos from the festival .

Thanks to the following RCAC volunteers, who volunteered this day:

Lily Green, Laura Padalik, Mary Bonevelle,

Pat Bagwell, James Hill and Peggy Cline

Thanks to Ann Arnold for donating crafts and to Lily Green and Laura Padalik for donating craft supplies and prepping them for the children.



## Wish List - Your help is appreciated - *Thank you!*

**Volunteers:** Help and bring food during receptions and festival, stuff envelopes, Help with Kids crafts at festivals

**Art supplies:** Baby wipes, acrylic paint, paint brushes for kids

Contact Peggy if you can help by calling 770-684-2707, email [rcac@rockmart-ga.gov](mailto:rcac@rockmart-ga.gov) or drop by the Arts Center.

# Nature's Generosity Photography Exhibit



**Nature's Generosity: Fine Art Nature Photography Exhibit** was at the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center September 5 - October 30, 2024 with artwork from 47 exceptional nature photographers. This traveling exhibit went to nine different galleries and museums across the southeast over 18 months. The Reception was on Saturday, Sept. 21 from 4-6pm with music provided by Jill and Bobby. Thanks to all who brought food and volunteered! Their beautiful Nature Photography book is available in our Gift Shop as are some of the prints. More information can be found at [www.WPFus.org](http://www.WPFus.org)



# Let's Celebrate Holiday Exhibit

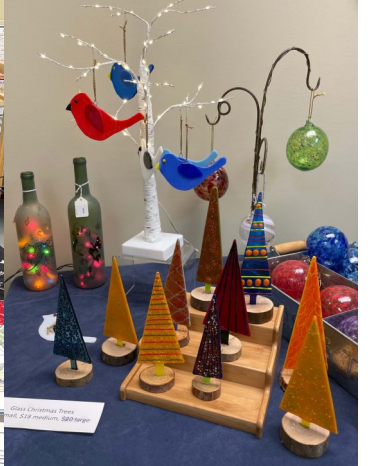


**Let's Celebrate Holiday Art Exhibit** is in the RCAC Main Gallery from November 7 to December 19, 2024 with artwork from 40 local NW Georgia artists. Our Reception was also our Holiday Festival and Open House held on Nov. 16 from 12-5pm. 322 people came that day. We had local musicians performing all day, artist selling at tables all over the 3-story building, demonstrations, Kids' crafts, Holiday artwork in the Gift Shop and Santa at the Arts Center.

# RCAC Holiday Festival 2024



Thanks to our artists, musicians, visitors, Santa, and demonstrators for making our Annual RCAC Holiday Festival on November 16, 2024 a success!





# THANK You to our FY 2025 RockmArt Patrons

**Fiscal Year 2025 Members *so far* are listed below** (as of December 4, 2024)  
Our Fiscal Year 2025: July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025

## **Executive**

ARC - Appalachian Regional Commission

City of Rockmart      CoreMark

Georgia Council for the Arts

## **Friend**

Gusty Gals

## **Angel**

Cathy Amos      Christy Angel      Millie, Jack & Michael Bates  
Peggy and Ron Cline      Carol Crook      Teresa and Carlos Hager  
Val Hudgins      John Johnston      Megan Olmstead  
Rose-Marie Scheel      Barbara Waldrop  
Wilderness Photography Foundation

## **Family**

Bonnie Boyette      Harold and Betty Kuhn      Cathy Matthews  
Kimberly McGuinness      Laura and Patrick Padalik & family      Kathy Remenyik  
Lindsay Shumoski & family      Nancy and Clint Willis

## **Individual/Senior/Student**

Robin Are, Tisa Barton, Lauren Bracknell, Sharon (Mausi) Brown, Darby Chism,  
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Rachel Eichholtz, Anna Goldin, Trudie Goss, Diane Guy, Kathy Hall, Staci Hamilton,  
Kristine Huffman, Hillari Knight, John Kuheneaker, Jessica LaFlamme, Margaret Lambert,  
Dot Langley, Carla Lemay, Toni Mahs, Diane Mehaffy, Margie Monde, Rene Morris,  
Sheila Pascal, Janet Pastowich, Carol Plessinger, Bryan Powell, Haley Pyle, Donna Shiver,  
Alison Small, Stella Spyrou, Carolyn Staley, Knox Steinbrecher, Kathy Torres, 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: July 30 - December 4, 2024

Kathy Torres - Bisqueware ceramics, Silent auction items  
 Susan Waters - Canvases                      Helen/RRHH - Art supplies  
 Peggy Cline - Art supplies, door mats, tablecloths  
 Sue Ritt - Plastic tablecloths              Jen W. Fugelsoe - Aprons  
 Books - Pat Houser, Rachel Eichholtz, Kimberly McGuiness  
 Kimberly McGuiness - Silent auction items, Art supplies  
 Patty Ward - Boxes, bubble wrap, frames              Nancy Willis - Fabric  
 Leslie Roberts - Aprons                      Carol Anderson - Canvases, acrylic paint  
 Alison Small - Silent auction items              Barry Owen - Tennis balls  
 Lily Green - Art supplies                      Padalik family - Crafts supplies, shelf  
 Ann Arnold - Shelf, craft supplies              Jean Sommerville - Newspapers  
 Barbara Waldrop - Art supplies, paper, books  
 Reception Food - Various artists                      Meggitt - Rolls of paper

## Volunteers: July 30 - December 4, 2024

Gallery sitting: Lee Simpkins, Elizabeth Mobley, James Hill  
 Art Drop off/pick up: Mary Bonevelle, James Hill  
 Hanging exhibits: James Hill, Paul Craighead, Patrick and Parker Padalik,  
 Patty & Steve Ward, Lily Green, Erika Pringle, Gary Shindelbower  
 Receptions: James Hill, Karen Cline, Pat Bagwell, Elizabeth Mobley, Joy Anderson,  
 Patty Ward, Abby Nevarez, Mike Ramy, Julie Newsome, Linda Coatsworth, Mary Bonevelle  
 Graphic Design help: Steven Cline              Administrative help: Elizabeth Mobley  
 Cleaning/ Repairs/ Organizing: James Hill, Patrick Padalik, Lily Green  
 Holiday Festival Volunteers: Dana Helton, Paque family, James Hill, Patty Ward, Karen Cline,  
 Padalik family, Lily Green, Elizabeth Mobley, Paul Craighead, Jen Weaver, Leslie Roberts,  
 Susan Waters, Mary Bonevelle, Pat Bagwell, Elda Arias, Jeanneret family, Sheila Pascal, Alejandra Vela,  
 Andy McGuire, Aspen Lee, Dan Duff, Hunter Ortwein, Ron Cline, Randy Link, Bill Lindsey, Rodney Fields  
 Pottery Room: Unloading/Loading Kiln/Cleaning: Leslie and Deanna Roberts, Paul Craighead, Rene' Hardy  
 Theatre volunteers: Margaret Jacobs, Rex Garner, Cathy Matthews, Parents



The "Gusty Gals" gave RCAC a \$400 check in November 2024. It will be used towards our scholarships. *Thank you!*



## 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!**

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



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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone (s): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Interests: \_\_\_\_\_

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Amount	\$
Check #	
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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