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## *A Special Evening for the Whole Family*

The Highland County Arts Council's November and December performances will appeal to the whole family. This month's Second Saturday will provide an evening of fun and laughter when the Wayne Theatre brings its special brand of comedy to the Highland Center.

Join the region's only TEEN IMPROV Troupe for a night of hilarious improv comedy! Using both short-form games (a la 'Who's Line is it Anyway?') and long-form games, the Improvisators will make up the content of the show on the spot based on your suggestions. Come join us for a fun night you won't forget!

Students will be admitted for free to the November 12th performance at 7pm.

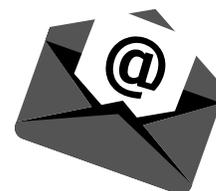
In December, HCAC will celebrate the Holiday season with two performances on its Second Saturday schedule. The performances will feature Geoffery Marsh--magician, juggler, puppeteer and comedian, in two forty-minute shows at 5 pm and 7 pm. The performances will be free with donations gladly accepted and appreciated.



*Last month, the Original Rhondels rocked the Highland Center as part of the Second Saturdays at Seven series.*

## Make note

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## Celebrating our Members

You will be receiving in the mail or by email an invitation to our annual November membership meeting. It is always a challenge to entice members of any organization to these annual meetings and the Highland County Arts Council is no exception. Planning is under way to entice you to attend!

In November of 2021, we scheduled a special performance for our members by the Musikgarten students at the Highland Children's House. Those in attendance were thrilled to witness the children's enthusiasm for the program first hand and we decided to continue this support in 2022.

We are just as excited about the special program we have for our members this November. Flutist Debbie Stephenson and

Cellist Elizabeth Lohr-Myers will give a short, private performance prior to the scheduled 2nd Saturday at Seven event at the Highland Center. The duo will play several pieces at 6:00 pm. This will be followed by a short meeting to elect new Board members and approve a small By-Law change. Refreshments will be served.

As a member of the Highland County Arts Council, you are important to our future. Please take part and join us for this necessary meeting in our annual agenda.



*A special Musikgarten presentation by Highland Children's House during the 2021 Membership meeting.*



## The Gallery of Highland

The Gallery of Highland hosted a fall opening reception and revealed new items made by 23 of Highland County's artists and authors. The gallery features works ranging from stained glass, pottery, and books to photographs, drawings, and paintings. Items are refreshed seasonally and the public is invited to visit the gallery any week day from 9am-5pm.



## SECOND SATURDAY AT SEVEN FALL 2022 SEASON

THE WAYNE TEEN IM PROV

**November 12**

Funny, teen improvisation from the Wayne Theatre in Waynesboro

GEOFFREY MARSH

**December 10**

Juggling, puppetry, magic, and more!

# Grossies & Gories Class



On October 22, 15 students gathered at the Highland Center for a special effects makeup, grossies and gories class taught by instructors from The Wayne Theatre in Waynesboro. The kids learned the science behind bruises, burns and abrasions and how to recreate injuries for the stage. This class is the start of a series of youth events for children in Highland County, with a goal of bringing a sponsor on to cover the costs of the class so all can participate.

## *This Month at the Mountain View Room*

"This exhibit is a collection of various pieces created as I explored different mediums and subjects.

I began painting in 2015 after my dear friend Susan Blanchard introduced water coloring to me. It has been a joy to pursue painting and drawing."



*Bonnie's work is currently on display at the Mountain Valley Room at the Public Library through the end of November, and proceeds from the sale of these pieces goes to the Highland County Public Library.*



# *Creativity Corner*

Tate Swecker Dunn

"During the pandemic I anticipated using the time inside to take my art to a new level. Instead, I fell into a creative rut that worsened when I slipped on ice and broke my wrist. To stay busy, I became a dryer ball factory, accomplishing something, but nothing artistic.

I know myself well enough to know I had to satisfy my need to elevate my art. Watching YouTube videos and online classes didn't work for me. After taking all the vaccine and booster shots available at the time, I felt more comfortable in a classroom setting and took 2 felting workshops at the North Carolina Fiber Festival. I was so energized by the new techniques I learned, the expertise of the instructor and the support of my classmates, I took 2 more classes at Maryland Sheep and Wool.

Back in Highland, I had joined the weekly Fiber Arts group, where I met others looking for fellowship and support with their craft. This past summer I took the pottery course offered through the Highland Arts Academy and was able to make pieces to incorporate into new textiles I'd made eco-printing and felting. What a gift to have high level workshops right here in Highland.

I know I'm energized artistically when I try a new technique. As we work toward forming an artist co-op in Highland that will provide studio space, a gallery for members of the co-op, and a classroom setting for workshops, having that space on Main Street will offer additional opportunities to support, encourage, and teach one another. Let's face it, from time to time that is something we all need to be creative."



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