

35TH ANNIVERSARY

The Best Party that Never Was!

Thirty-five years ago, a small group of community members in Portage, WI recognized how vital the Arts can be to a community, and embarked on a vision to create an arts center in this small community just north of Madison.

We had hoped to celebrate this milestone with you, our friends and neighbors, during this year's annual AutumnArts dinner and auction, a tradition begun in 2014, however, for the second year in a row, we opted instead for a non-event fundraiser, celebrating "the best party that never was!" *Cont. on page 2...*



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Welcome
BACK
LunchBREAK

Rock N Wool Winery

WHEN: Thursday, November 18 from 12-1pm

WHERE: Zona Gale Theatre at PCA

COST: FREE...tell your friends!



FOUR FRIENDS | FOUR MEDIA



LIZ GREGORY | VICKY HANSON | KATHLEEN JAHN | PEG NAPRALLA

Hand-built Pottery
Acrylic, Oil, and Mixed Media Art
Watercolor and Pastel
Hand-Made Artisan Glass Jewelry, Tableware,
Ornaments, and More...

Opening Reception
Friday, Nov 5 from 4 - 6pm
Free and open to the public!

Onsite Exhibit Runs Nov 5 - 26, 2021

Please visit our website or social media for the most recent Covid-19 updates, as our policies may change as circumstances dictate. Thank you for supporting the Arts!

Drawing Contest

K thru Grade 6: Draw a winter scene for a chance to win \$25! Winning entry will be used as a postcard! Entry forms available at the office or online, and are due December 4, 2021.

VISUAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

Dedicated to a visual arts student pursuing an art degree or equivalent after high school, PCA's scholarship is made possible by a gift from Eleanor Drury. Seniors or currently enrolled college students are eligible to apply. Deadline: April 15, 2022.

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As we reflect on the last thirty-five years, and in celebration of all that the Arts have meant to our greater Portage community...inspiring us, teaching us, entertaining us, even bringing us together...we just want to take a moment to say thank you.

Thank you for your support and encouragement; thank you for showing up; and whether actively or quietly, thank you for making the time for Art in your life, and for sharing it with others.

We are so very fortunate to have an arts center in our community, and we appreciate the people and the history that have brought us here and that have allowed us to flourish! Please take a moment to visit the special events tab our website for a special video message from PCA to you! We look forward to seeing you soon!

This exhibit is sponsored by
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LOCAL ARTIST SHOWCASE

Opening Reception
Friday, December 3, 4 - 6 pm
Oils, Watercolor, Photography, Pottery, Fiber Arts, & more...
A community exhibition of extraordinary local talent!
Free & Open to the Public
Please visit our website for our current health & safety guidelines.

CALL FOR ARTISTS!

Open to adult artists who live or work in Portage and surrounding communities.

Submission deadline: November 20, 2021.

Entry forms are available in the office and on our website.

Exhibit runs through December 30, 2021.

Gift Certificates Make Great Gifts!

Even When We Close Our Eyes

BRIT BORCHER | BERNADETTE BROWNSON BORCHER



Opening Reception
Friday, Jan 7 from 4 - 6pm
Free and open to the public!

Onsite Exhibit Runs Jan 7 - 28, 2022

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Wisconsin artists Brit Borchers and Bernadette Brownson Borchers use visual communication to bring out that which cannot be seen or easily felt. The exhibit is a conversation between mother and daughter, both compelled to create, which encourages a closer look, a prolonged look, a thought-filled look.

RITT & WILDER DEITZ

Saturday, Jan 15, 2022 at 7:30pm

Sponsored by Festival Foods!

A regular performer in listening rooms from Wisconsin to his native Kentucky, acoustic roots rocker and Uvutlitt recording artist Ritt Deitz has been writing and recording since the age of eleven. The Onion's AV Club called his songs "concurrently earthy, ethereal and intelligent" and compared him to songwriters Greg Brown and Bruce Cockburn. Ritt is joined in this set by his son Wilder Deitz, folk/jazz pianist, leader of the neo-soul Wilder Deitz Group, and founder of the Wilder Deitz School for Creative Music. Tickets on sale online or at the office!



DRIFTLESS BRASS QUINTET: Feb 5, 2022 at 7:30

The Driftless Brass Quintet plays a wide variety of musical delights specifically arranged for the group, ranging from Renaissance to Jazz!

Sponsored, in part, by Joe & Kathy Houzner

COMMON CHORD: Mar 5, 2022 at 7:30

This five-member powerhouse performs a unique repertoire highlighting four-part vocal harmonies and varied instrumentation!

Be a Sponsor for this event!

CLOCKS IN MOTION: Apr 2, 2022 at 7:30

This percussion quartet performs new music, builds many of its own instruments, and breaks down the boundaries of the traditional concert program!

Be a Sponsor for this event!

CAPITOL CHORDSMEN: May 21, 2022 at 7:30

This men's chorus from Madison is a chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society, the premier a cappella musical organization in the world!

Sponsored by Nan Rebholz

Single tickets only this season: Adults \$20 | Students \$10.

Portage Area Community Theatre Presents
**World War II
Radio Christmas**
By Pat Kruis Tellinghusen
Produced by Special Arrangement with Playscripts, Inc.
www.playscripts.com
NOVEMBER 12, 13 and 19, 20 at 7PM
NOVEMBER 14 and 21 at 2 PM
Zona Gale Theatre
at Portage Center for the Arts
301 East Cook, Portage, WI
\$15 Adults | \$5 Students
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**THE HILLBILLY
SCIENCE
SPECTACULAR!**
THE HILLBILLY
SCIENTISTS
Sat, Dec 11, 2021 at 3pm
With silly antics, fast-paced action, music, audience participation, and straight up fun, Dr. Cletus Beaker knows how to deliver an educational science show like no other!
\$5 General Admission each show | 4 and under free
Call or visit the office to purchase your tickets, or buy them online!

BECOME A FRIEND OF PCA TODAY!

Your membership matters, helping to bring 35 years of arts & culture to the greater Portage area!

Please return this form, or donate online today!

- Visionary \$1000 or more
- Benefactor \$500 - \$999
- Guardian \$250 - \$499
- Pacesetter \$100 - \$249
- Supporter \$50 - \$99
- Partner \$20 - \$49

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the excitement is
building

PCA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

I would like to help get a jump start on Phase III of PCA's Capital Campaign for building improvements!

Amount: \$ _____

Please remit to: PCA, PO Box 866, Portage WI 53901



Winter Serenade

FEATURING: Michelle Pare, Sam Clemmons & Friends!

...a FUN musical gathering by the community, for the community!
All proceeds support programming at Portage Center for the Arts & The Boys and Girls Club-Portage!

Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 4pm
Reserved Seating: Adults \$20 | Students \$10
Call or visit the office to reserve your seats, or purchase them online!

A special thank you to the City of Portage for their support of our programs.
We are also funded in part by grants from the Wisconsin Arts Board and Festival Foods,
with support from Big Cheese Magazine.



For the latest event updates,
sign up for our Enewsletter on our website:
www.portagecenterforthearts.com
Questions? 608-742-5655
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If Portage schools are closed due to weather, the PCA office and gallery will also be closed.
Please come again!



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