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Up & Coming  
July/August 2019

## Art & Exhibitions

### *Thou Art... Will Give...* Photography by Eric Kunsman

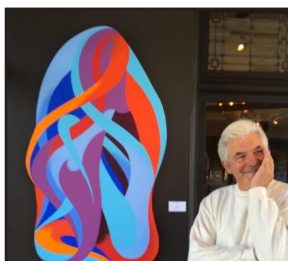
Shortly after moving back to the Philadelphia area in 2003, Kunsman visited the Eastern State Penitentiary with a group of college students. While he thought it was a great photographic site, there were many such abandoned sites to be explored. Thus it wasn't until being introduced to the 'Eastern State's Warden's Logbooks' that the exhibition began to take shape. The Warden's entries brought the Penitentiary to life for Kunsman, developing a deep emotional connection to the space. Though his writing is detached, the Warden clearly got to know the prisoners more personally than one would think. The logs include details about prisoners' families, whether they could read or write, whether they felt guilty about their crimes and were penitent. While his early photos captured the physical presence of the Penitentiary, the writings fleshed out the functional and human effects of this altruistic but ultimately disastrous Quaker experiment for reforming criminals. Kunsman continued to return over the next twelve years to wonder, reflect and rediscover the Penitentiary through the Warden's eyes. In *Thou Art... Will Give...*, Kunsman attempts to capture some of the story, energy, and the sorrows of the jail when it was active. Kunsman included images of the Warden's 1800s logbooks to help convey the loneliness, hopelessness, and desperate search for redemption that drove so many of prisoners to remain trapped within Eastern State's walls. Kunsman will present a gallery talk at the public reception on August 24, 2:30 pm.



## Member Spotlight

### Mark Weleski

Mark Weleski is frequently recognized through-out the region for his large, colorful and uniquely shaped abstracts on canvas. However, the Natrona Heights native has a talent for realism, as well! He's made the most of degrees in art education and studio art to share his talents in high school and college classrooms for more than 40 years. His work has been featured in numerous juried shows, including the Carnegie Museum of Art, the Andy Warhol Museum, Society of Contemporary Crafts, Westmoreland Museum of American Art, State Museum of Pennsylvania, and the Erie Art Museum.



## Schedule of Events

### July

- 9-26 Children's Summer Art Camp
- 26 Children's Arts Festival

### August

- 9 Art's Club: Family Field Trip
- 24 *Thou Art... Will Give...* Gallery Talk & Reception, 2 pm

### September

- 14 Art's Club
- 17 Fall Classes Begin
- 21 Creative Play

Come see us at:

- New Castle Fireworks Festival, July 20
- Waterfire Sharon, July 27
- New Castle Summer Concert, Aug 9
- New Castle Summer Concert, Aug 23

## Upcoming Exhibitions

### At The Hoyt

AUGUST 20-OCTOBER 31, 2019  
*Thou Art... Will Give...*  
Photography by Eric Kunsman  
Reception: August 24, 2-4 pm

NOVEMBER 5, 2019-JANUARY 9, 2020  
Sculpture by Jim West  
Reception: November 16, 2-4

JANUARY 14 - MARCH 26  
Drawings by Lauren Scavo  
Reception: January 18, 2-4 pm

### At The Confluence

AUGUST 6-OCTOBER 17  
*It's in the Details*

OCTOBER 22 - JANUARY 2  
*Catalyst- 50 Mile Radius*  
Paige Kleinfelder

# Education

## Summer Workshops

Short on time but not on interest? The Hoyt is offering a series of one day workshops to give you the opportunity to explore different media with minimal commitment!

### For Adults:

Framing Basics Workshop, July 13  
Marketing Your Small Business for Artists & Entrepreneurs, July 16  
Drawing Basics 1, July 17  
Drawing Basics 2, July 24  
Open Drawing Session, July 31  
IPad Drawing Basics, August 7  
Garden Mosaics, August 10  
Portrait Photography, August 7

### For Families:

Family Felting Workshop: July 11

### For Youth:

Learning to Texture: July 13  
Drawing Portraits: July 20  
Drawing Folds: July 27  
Learning Perspective: August 3  
Figure Drawing: August 10  
Cartoon Character Emotions: July 13  
Storyboarding: July 20  
Animation Backgrounds: July 27  
Super Hero Cartoon Workshop: August 3  
Cartoon Characters In Motion: August 10  
Intro to Cello, July 20  
Cello Ensemble, July 23, 24 & 25

*Full and partial scholarships are available to those demonstrating need.*

## Children's Summer Art Camp

Explore art from around the world at this year's Art Camp, July 9-26! Each week will take a look at the cultural traditions of a different continent with a variety projects ranging from painting and drawing to sculpture and textiles! Students may register for one, two or all three weeks of activities as their schedules allow. Lunch, materials and a camp t-shirt are included whether you're here for the morning or staying all afternoon! Register online at [www.hoytartcenter.org](http://www.hoytartcenter.org) or call 724.652.2882.

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## Take the Survey!

We're expanding our programming! But before we do, we want to know what our members want! What are the best days, times, length, frequency and subjects for you! Please complete one or both of the surveys based on your life stage/ interests. Your answers will help determine a new menu of courses this fall.

Find the surveys at [www.hoytartcenter.org/survey](http://www.hoytartcenter.org/survey).

# Events

## Children's Summer Arts Festival

Friday, July 26, 11 am - 3 pm

Join us for an "art-venture" on the Hoyt lawns! Held rain or shine, our annual Children's Summer Arts Festival will celebrate art from around the world with interactive activities and entertainment on July 26, 11-3!

The famed Tamburitzans will take the stage at 1:00 to perform a variety of folk dances in full regalia with music representing a number of cultures across Eurasia! Originating out of Duquesne University, the Tamburitzans now includes an incredibly versatile group of musicians, singers and dancers from universities throughout the region.

Youth can continue to explore world cultures with make & take activities under the 'big tent' including African animal masks, Japanese Fans, Native American headdresses, and Origami Swans. All ages can contribute to the giant mosaic or help weave a rug on an oversized loom. Don't forget to bring a t-shirt for tie dye, and an appetite for concessions including hot dogs, pizza, popcorn, cotton candy and nachos at only 50 cents each.

The event is free and open to the public courtesy of funds generated from fundraising activities. For more information, visit our website at [www.hoytartcenter.org](http://www.hoytartcenter.org).

# Members Matters

## Family Field Trip

Art's Club is hosting a family field trip for youth participants to Old Economy Village on August 17! Come tour the village and learn about communal life and the development of industry in 19th century Pennsylvania! The bus will depart from the Hoyt at 9 am. and return to the Hoyt at approximately 1 pm. Registration is open to current Art's Club members and their families on a first come, first served basis. The trip is free but registration is required. Call 724.652.2882 by August 10.

## Art Talks with Eric Kunsman

Artists! In conjunction with the upcoming exhibition, *Thou Art... Will Give...*, Eric Kunsman will be hosting a workshop for Hoyt Artist Members prior to the Public Reception on Saturday, August 24. It will cover finding calls for entries and shows in galleries and organizing for the application process. Kunsman is a photographer and book artist based out of Rochester, NY. He works at the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) as a Lecturer for the Visual Communications Studies Department and is an adjunct professor for the School of Photographic Arts & Sciences. He also provides workshops and industry seminars on topics ranging from his artistic practice to digital printing and digital workflow processes. The workshop will take place at 1 pm. Registration required. Reception will begin at 2 pm, followed by a gallery talk on the exhibit at 2:30 pm.



# See. Learn. Do.

Our mission: "To expand and enrich the life of the community through participation in the arts."