

# ARTS GUIDE 2021

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The Arts & Business Alliance of Eugene (ABAE) is proud to present the 2021 Arts Guide. A wide range of benefits can be gained from involvement in the arts. Watching a performance can spark joy and laughter or provoke reflection and empathy. Creating a piece of art can unleash imagination and emotion. Whether you are creating or observing arts and culture, they can help you grow both personally and professionally. The ABAE encourages business people to discover the advantages of exploring their creativity and connecting with Eugene's vibrant arts scene.

Eugene boasts top-notch music, dance, theater, visual art and more. The Arts Guide provides a snapshot of Eugene's artists and arts organizations alongside examples of how local businesses work together with the arts sector toward mutual goals. There are many ways to build an effective partnership. This edition highlights real-world examples of how local businesses use the arts to solve problems and innovate business models. We hope the Arts Guide inspires you or your business to connect with the arts community in a new way.



The Arts & Business Alliance of Eugene (ABAE) has been connecting the local business community to Eugene's vibrant arts scene since 2008. Their mission is to enrich Eugene through strong arts & business partnerships.

## ABOUT THE COVER

### COVER ARTIST: DOROTHY SIEMENS

Dorothy Siemens is an illustrator and multimedia artist from Eugene, Oregon. Her work explores the delicate spaces in the human experience, and how we evolve from our collective experiences. This piece celebrates that resilience we found in the last year, where we quickly learned the importance of showing up for each other. Although 2020 was marked with struggle and sacrifice, together we are learning to build back stronger.



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# GROWING A TEAM SOMETIMES TAKES A BIT OF CREATIVITY

You'd think creativity would come naturally to those who work at a marketing agency.

"For some, it does. For others, it can be a stretch," says Dana Turell, ABAE Board President and President of Turell Group, a Eugene marketing agency founded in 2013.

"What we've found is that there are many ways to tap into our creativity—not only as individuals but as a team," Dana says. "There's something about doing an art project together that helps our team bond. And it lights up a part of our brains that some of us don't tap into nearly enough."

These shared activities and moments together, devoid of typical work distractions, can be bonding moments that help employees see themselves and each other in new ways. They can build confidence. And they can be fun.

For Kurt Booker, Web Director at Turell Group, the sessions were both a joy and a challenge, he says. Far more used to creating lovely designs with code rather than his hands, he sometimes had to be reluctantly dragged into rock painting or coaxed into stringing beads together.

"I was an A student who failed arts and crafts, and that left some minor emotional scars," Kurt says. "But I have really enjoyed our creative sessions."

His painted rock now sits proudly in his outdoor garden.

Similarly, when faced with a new project, a small team of architects from PIVOT architecture went looking for an opportunity to flex their creative muscles in an entirely different venue and foster some team building. The group attended an ABAE Creative Academy taught by local artist Julie Anderson. In this workshop, attendees created mixed-media monoprints using a gel pad, found objects, and acrylic paint. The activity explored the artistic process, collaboration, experimentation, and leaning into innovation.

Kelley Powell from PIVOT architecture describes, "As designers and architects, we are engaged in the creative arts daily. The experience of creating art together and seeing each other's work was beneficial. It was nice to get out of the office and into a different environment as a team. The activity was engaging, fun, fast, and we laughed together a lot!"

A recent study found that 55% of Americans say that their job requires them to be creative—either individually or as part of a team—and come up with new or unique ideas. The arts can reveal and enhance creativity among employees and teams. By engaging with the arts, a business can get more inspired and engaged employees. 🌟



Through ABAE's Creative Academy, the Turell Group team has picked up instruments and recorded music together. They've learned about our local materials exchange, MECCA, and made art together with reused materials. On their own, as a group, they've carved pumpkins, decorated gingerbread houses and put together friendship bracelets, as if they were kids again. They've toured the city's murals on foot and taken in art shows. They've painted with uncommon tools, and they've built things together.

"When we do these activities, we grow as individuals and as a team. We are all creative. We just need to be reminded and pushed sometimes," she says.



# BUSINESSES BECOMING VENUES



As large gatherings and indoor performance spaces were temporarily halted, arts organizations across the country and the world were in a holding pattern. Many organizations like Ballet Fantastique had been creating and rehearsing productions they feared they might never perform, including their production, Luna Mística, which was planned for May 2020.

Hannah Bontrager, Executive Director of Ballet Fantastique explains, "When we create a new project, dozens of artists pour hundreds of hours of creative energy into bringing a new performance to life. We didn't want it to be lost. We wanted to keep our artists working."

Seeking a creative solution Hannah reached out to Silvan Ridge Winery to see if they would be interested in bringing ballet outdoors. Silvan Ridge had already created a successful outdoor music model that was safely distanced, had a limited number of attendees, no-touch check-in and a staff safety monitor training.

Angela Jaquette, General Manager at Silvan Ridge Winery, recalls, "When Hannah approached me about possibly doing the same kind of format, but with ballet added into the mix, it was a quick and resounding yes! Not only has winery ownership always supported the arts, from the symphony to the Bach Festival and more, but partnerships are what helped us get through a tumultuous year."

Ballet in the Vineyard sold out in days with a waiting list of interested customers. This unique performance also featured live music, providing even more opportunities to hire local artists. This event introduced Silvan Ridge's customers to Ballet Fantastique, and many BFan patrons said it was their favorite performance ever, creating a win-win project for both partners. BFan and Silvan Ridge built a lasting partnership and hope to make this an annual event.

The Hult Center for the Performing Arts began a unique partnership with WildCraft Cider Works before the pandemic crept into our lives. They needed a unique space



with a full kitchen and ample performance space for an upcoming event called "At the Illusionist's Table." The Hult wanted to bring famed illusionist Scott Silven to Eugene for an intimate event that would include a multi-sensory performance and fine dining. They created relationships with WildCraft Cider Works, who provided the desired performance space and cider pairings, and the Davis Restaurant, who created the menu. This partnership was hugely successful at creating a one-of-a-kind experience for guests and expanding the definition of performance spaces.

**"Being able to partner with local businesses like WildCraft Cider Works and Sean Kelly, is a true blessing in that it allows us to create unforgettable experiences outside of our own halls while also celebrating other local businesses that are vital to our community."**

**- Theresa Sizemore, THE HULT CENTER**

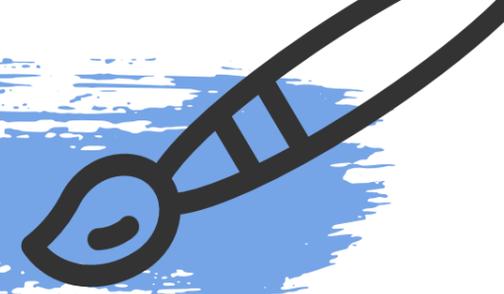
Over the summer, when COVID restrictions limited the number of safe spaces for artists and musicians to perform, WildCraft had an opportunity to set up a temporary outdoor venue that was safely distanced, but they needed a partner to help handle the logistics. They knew just where to turn.

The Hult Center and WildCraft Cider Works came together to bring a series of performances to the stage during the most trying times. For this partnership, the Hult Center used their expertise in event production to create an outdoor stage and operation, while Wildcraft provided the outdoor location and food and beverage service.

WildCraft owner Sean Kelly recalls, "These events brought a positive spirit of hope and an avenue of engagement for the talent and the audience alike."

The partnership allowed each entity to bring different strengths to the table to create something special. By working together, they produced a number of events that provided employment opportunities for artists, brought more people to a local business and staff, and helped raise donations for wildfire relief following the late-summer fires. 🌟

# INFUSING ART INTO YOUR BUSINESS



Infusing art into a business model can help communicate a company's story. The arts have a way of engaging customers and clients and amplifying unique values. Two local businesses have gone above and beyond in making art a central piece of their business.

When Craig Weicker was envisioning his dream space, he wanted to create a special place with substance and character, a place where his love of wine and urban art could blend together. His vision became a reality at Civic Winery.

The visual experience starts on the exterior, where customers are greeted by a vibrant mural created over the summer by local muralist Jessilyn Brinkerhoff. Craig told Jessilyn he wanted something with a Eugene feel that celebrated the community's vibrancy and diversity and was not your typical signage. The result was a one-of-a-kind mural with a kaleidoscope of color that helps Civic stand out and invites people in. Civic has also carefully curated its outdoor setting. The artistic outdoor space includes specialty lighting, plants and decor that give it an urban feel.

The art on the outside is a preview of what people will encounter as they step inside. Inside, the concrete walls are adorned with graffiti and hand-painted titles. You can experience some type of art from nearly every seat in the place. As you look out the garage-style doors, you can see one of the 20x21 murals on a building down the street. Craig has used art intentionally to create a visually unique and exciting space.

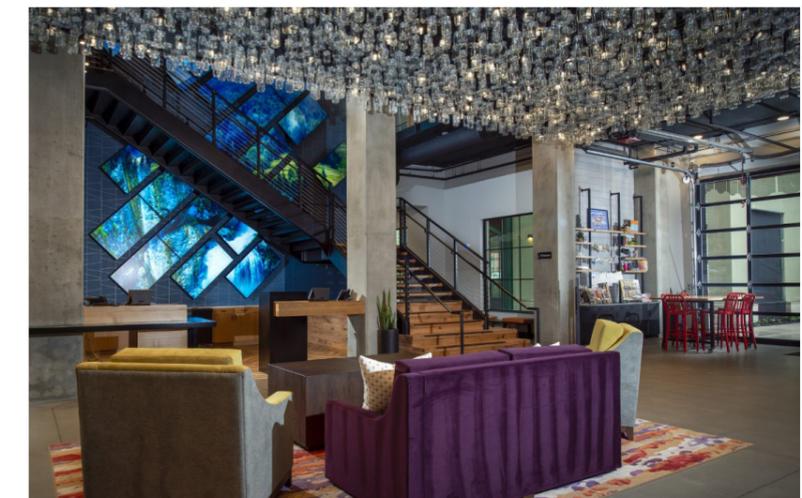
Civic Winery is not just a place to taste delicious wine, but it is also an event venue. While they are not currently hosting events, many local arts groups have used the space for special occasions. In the summer months, they also hosted an outdoor concert series.

Making good wine is an art in itself, but at Civic Winery, guests are treated to an outstanding visual experience as well as tantalizing their taste buds. The way Civic has integrated arts into their space helps differentiate from other experiences.

Eugene also has a new hotel that has carved out its story with art at the center. The newly opened Gordon Hotel is a visual triumph and provides multiple ways to experience art. The hotel is named after the late father of local businessman Brian Obie. Gordon Obie

got his start as a sign painter and was interested in the arts throughout his life, so an art-centric hotel was the perfect way to honor his legacy.

The hotel's lobby is teeming with art, from a mason jar chandelier spanning the entrance to various paintings to the unparalleled multi-story video wall, created by local arts group Harmonic Laboratory. There is an art bar with numerous artistic supplies so that guests can unleash their creativity. The hotel has also hired a local artist to occasionally live paint, providing guests with another way to engage with art. This all before guests make it to their rooms, which have been decorated with a handful of unique pieces. In total, there are over 230 pieces of art from local and regional artists in the hotel. Some of the staff from Obie Companies have created their own artwork to beautify the walls.



And there is still more to come, including an exterior mural. The Gordon Hotel integrates art into nearly every aspect of their guest's experience, making them unforgettable and encouraging repeat stays.

A 2016 study by Adobe found 59% of customers will choose a product or service over its competitor because of a good design. Partnering with the arts can be an easy way to create memorable experiences and give your business a competitive edge. 🌟



# CREATIVE COLLABORATIONS

HOW A HOUSING PROJECT EVOLVED INTO EUGENE'S NEWEST HUB FOR THE ARTS

There is a special magic that happens when you find the perfect partner to help a dream become a reality. Local developer Alex Haugland had been working on redeveloping a piece of property. He wanted to find a way to bring more housing options to Eugene but was grappling with balancing his vision with the economic realities. At the same time, the Eugene Ballet was bursting at the seams in their building, as well as the nine other arts organizations that called the Midtown Arts Center home. The Ballet was struggling to see how they could afford to build the space of their dreams without a partner. Each partner brought together needs and resources to the table to create a collaboration that has altered our community's footprint.

Haugland explains, "The idea for combining a new home for the Midtown Arts Center in the housing development came about through Paul Dustrud, of Dustrud Architecture who designed the building. By bringing the arts organizations into the project and collaborating with them on the design itself, we not only could build a project that was more economically viable due to the shared costs but could also build a new home for all the several arts organizations."



for seven local arts groups, including Chamber Music Amici, Eugene Concert Choir, Eugene Opera, Lane Arts Council, Orchestra NEXT, and #instaballet. This shared space helps each of these tenants focus more on creating art and reducing costs by sharing maintenance and operating costs. Their co-location will also encourage more collaboration between the groups.

But that's not all. The new Center will have seven high-quality, professional-level studios, purpose-built dance studios. The new studios include technology to be able to live stream lessons. The expanded studio space will allow the Ballet Academy to grow from 300 students to 500. It is also enabling the Ballet to think of new offers such as adult classes.

Two of the studios have been sized to replicate the Hult Center stages allowing the Ballet to rehearse choreography fully. In their previous too small studios, they would have to rehearse in pieces, only getting to see a performance in its entirety when they had access to the Hult Center stage. A facility of this caliber that is purpose-built for the creation and rehearsal for dance cannot be found anywhere else from Seattle to San Francisco—putting Eugene on the map as a city for dance.

This mixed-use model gave each partner what they needed to bring this amazing new asset to the community. 🌟

The new Midtown and Midtown Arts Center opened its doors in January of this year. The Midtown has 39 luxury condominiums, and its residents will be surrounded by access to arts. The Midtown Arts Center has offices



# ORGANIZATIONS



#INSTABALLET

#instaballet is a nonprofit interactive dance company, striving to update the way ballet is presented. By using a unique crowd-sourcing method, #instaballet invites the participating audience to get creative and offer suggestions to shape a ballet as it's being choreographed. No dance experience is required and the result is community-created art.

[instaballet.org](http://instaballet.org)



ACTORS CABARET OF EUGENE

Actors Cabaret of Eugene is a non-profit 501(c)(3) volunteer community-based theater organization producing newly released and classical musicals from Broadway, Off-Broadway and regional theaters. We offer full dinners, brunches, desserts and a full bar to make a complete evening enjoyable for our patrons.

[actorscabaret.org](http://actorscabaret.org)



BALLET FANTASTIQUE

Powerhouse ballet artists meet remixed stories. BFan has been heralded "a bold, cross-disciplinary dance company" (Eugene Weekly), "imaginative geniuses" (Portland Monthly), and featured in The Washington Post. Join us in 2021 for distanced outdoor summer performances, ballet movies, and at-home date nights delivered by dancers directly to your door. (Photo credit BFan dancer Brooke Bero, by Bob Williams)

[balletfantastique.org](http://balletfantastique.org)



BOUNCE GYMNASTICS AND CIRCUS ARTS

Bounce has been offering recreational and performance classes since 2005. Gymnastics is offered for children of all ages and Aerial Arts are for all ages from 6 - 99. We strive to teach our students in a positive manner to improve strength, flexibility and to overall make our students proud about their accomplishments.

[bouncegymnastics.com](http://bouncegymnastics.com)



ARTCITY

ArtCity is an artist-led multidisciplinary art producer empowering artists, community members, business people, municipalities, and organizations to create impact together. To receive Calls for Artists, Calls for Participation, and to stay informed, sign up for our newsletter and follow us on social media. We look forward to creating impact together!!

[artcityeugene.com](http://artcityeugene.com)



ARTCITY STUDIOS ON BROADWAY

ArtCity Studios on Broadway is a multidisciplinary community of artists, art studios, organizations, classes, and enthusiasts. Our speakeasy-style location is in the heart of Downtown Eugene on the lower level of the Quackenbush Building. ACSB is a great place to make art and meet artists. Email/rsvp: [artcity.studiosonbroadway@gmail.com](mailto:artcity.studiosonbroadway@gmail.com) to visit.

[artcityeugene.com](http://artcityeugene.com)



CHAMBER MUSIC AMICI

Mission: to produce excellent, affordable chamber music concerts that appeal to all ages. They also aim to promote the development of a new generation of music lovers, in collaboration with public schools in our community, with other local and regional arts organizations, and with businesses and governments in local communities.

[chambermusicamici.org](http://chambermusicamici.org)



CITY OF EUGENE CULTURAL SERVICES

Windowfront Exhibitions transforms downtown Eugene's empty storefronts into interactive artworks and galleries. Download the map and tour downtown by foot, car or bike to enjoy evolving windowfront paintings and art installations by local artists, artisans and creatives.

[eugene-or.gov/culturalservices](http://eugene-or.gov/culturalservices)





**COTTAGE THEATRE**

Cottage Theatre’s mission is engaging and enriching our community through the magic of live theatre. CT produces plays and musicals year-round in our newly remodeled theatre in Cottage Grove. We also offer summer camps for children. A volunteer-centered organization, CT showcases the talents of Lane County performers of all ages on our stage.

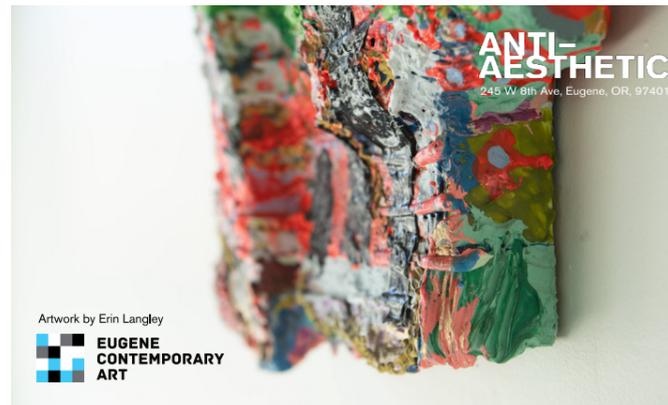
[cottagetheatre.org](http://cottagetheatre.org)



**DONALD R. DEXTER, JR., DMD**

Dr. Dexter is a Eugene dentist, Diplomate of the American Board of Dental Sleep Medicine, and member of the Klamath Tribes. A passionate supporter of the arts, he has hosted over 100 artists in his in-office art program since 1996. Visit his office to view the quarterly photography shows.

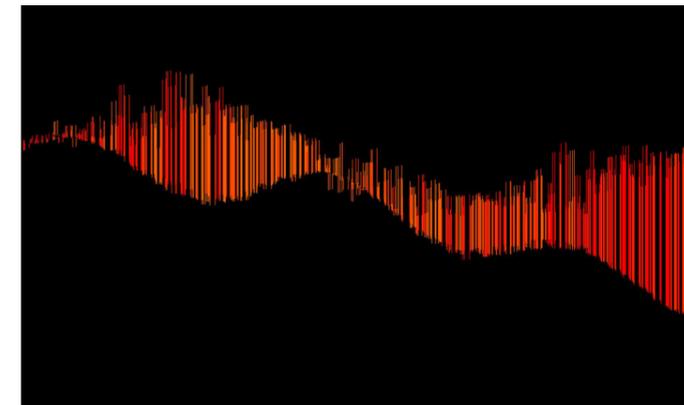
[drdexter.com](http://drdexter.com)



**EUGENE CONTEMPORARY ART**

Founded in 2011 ECA’s mission is to support artists and their creative practices by facilitating publicly accessible dialogue around contemporary art: its process, production, meaning, and its place within culture. They’ve featured over 50 artists, curated popup shows, exhibitions, residencies, facilitated workshops, and published art writing.

[eugenecontemporaryart.com](http://eugenecontemporaryart.com)



**EUGENE DIFFICULT MUSIC ENSEMBLE**

The Eugene Difficult Music Ensemble performs and commissions underrepresented experimental works in order to open ears and minds. They work to expand the definition of what music can be and what music is capable of achieving, as well as who is capable of achieving it.

[edensemble.org](http://edensemble.org)



**EUGENE BALLET**

Eugene Ballet serves as a leading advocate for increased access to art through premier dance performances and training, community outreach and education, and by opening the Midtown Arts Center. Their Mission: Create, perform, educate and inspire through the art of Dance, foster cultural collaborations, and increase access to the Arts.

[eugeneballet.org](http://eugeneballet.org)



**EUGENE CONCERT CHOIR**

The Eugene Concert Choir engages, inspires and enriches the community through the performance of choral masterworks, diverse artistic experiences, and educational outreach. The Concert Choir, Eugene Vocal Arts and Eugene Concert Orchestra offer the beauty and power of choral singing to be enjoyed and appreciated by all.

[eugeneconcertchoir.org](http://eugeneconcertchoir.org)



**EUGENE OPERA**

Eugene Opera is a regional opera company committed to providing meaningful artistic experiences for our community members through the presentation of live musical performances in the Eugene-Springfield area. Eugene Opera works to deepen citizens’ connections between art and life, by ensuring that diverse and relevant stories are represented in local arts programming.

[eugeneopera.org](http://eugeneopera.org)



**EUGENE PRINTMAKERS**

Eugene Printmakers is a nonprofit arts organization that furthers the knowledge and practice of printmaking and book arts. They are teachers, students, professionals, and retirees with two things in common—a love of printmaking and a desire to make it more accessible. Please reach out when you plan an event in the community!

[eugeneprintmakers.org](http://eugeneprintmakers.org)





**EUGENE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Eugene Public Library offers information, education and entertainment at three locations and online. Find books, ebooks, streaming films, events, workshops and more for all ages and interests. Business support includes free access to Lynda.com tutorials, professional databases, research assistance, a Business and Career Center, Maker Hub and Media Lab.

[eugene-or.gov/library](http://eugene-or.gov/library)



**EUGENE REC**

Recreating is good for our bodies and our brains, growing new neuron connectors, sharpening our minds and keeping us young. With our three pools and seven community centers, it's Eugene Rec's mission to provide recreation opportunities to all Eugene residents for sharp minds and strong bodies.

[getrec.org](http://getrec.org)



**EUGENE-SPRINGFIELD YOUTH ORCHESTRAS**

Founded in 1934, ESYO's mission is to provide opportunities for youth to experience, appreciate and perform orchestral music. We strive to make our programs accessible and affordable for any family, providing over \$30,000 in need-based scholarships each year. From beginning strings classes to advanced ensembles, ESYO offers a broad music education foundation and joyful cultural experience that benefits the entire community.

[esyorchestras.org](http://esyorchestras.org)



**FAIR FAMILY RADIO**

Their mission is to provide original media content that amplifies the festival culture and builds community vision through education, oral history, open inquiry and shared values. They publish independently-produced programming that fosters community by reflecting and appreciating the creativity of individuals, groups and organizations.

[fairfamilyradio.com](http://fairfamilyradio.com)



**EUGENE SYMPHONY**

Eugene Symphony pursues its mission of enriching lives through the power of music by presenting annual classical, pops and community engagement performances and regularly commissioning and premiering new American works. Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, Eugene Symphony continues to serve its mission through reimagined concert experiences and virtual programs.

[eugenesymphony.org](http://eugenesymphony.org)



**EUGENE SYMPHONY GUILD**

Eugene Symphony Guild, a volunteer-run nonprofit, supports Eugene Symphony's outstanding concerts, community engagement activities, and youth education programs. They present concert previews, assist the Youth Concert series, and sponsor the Young Artist Competition. Their summer event, Music in the Garden, engages local businesses, musicians, and community members.

[eugenesymphonyguild.org](http://eugenesymphonyguild.org)



**FERMATA BALLET COLLECTIVE**

Fermata Ballet Collective is a group of dancers in the Pacific Northwest who have found their careers and projects on hold during the COVID-19 pandemic. During this pause in regular arts programming, FBC offers opportunities for dance art in a respectful and safe manner during the current conditions. FBC supports dance artists who aim to create an inclusive space. (Photo by Jay Eads)

[fermatoballetcollective.com](http://fermatoballetcollective.com)



**FRED CRAFTS' RADIO REDUX**

Radio Redux performs vintage radio scripts virtually and live at the Hult Center. Each show features live sound effects and commercials, dynamic actors and music for a visual and aural treat that's "Radio Worth Watching." Now in its 12th year, the critically acclaimed Radio Redux re-creates classic stories, as originally performed live on stage before a studio audience in the 1940s. If you like podcasts, you'll love Radio Redux!

[radioreduxusa.com](http://radioreduxusa.com)





**HARMONIC LABORATORY**

Harmonic Laboratory’s mission is to inspire ideas and community through arts and technology collaborations. Along with educational outreach and commissions, we curate innovative art experiences that feature artists from a wide variety of disciplines. We aim to support projects and participants that endeavor to cross boundaries of discipline, ideology, and form.

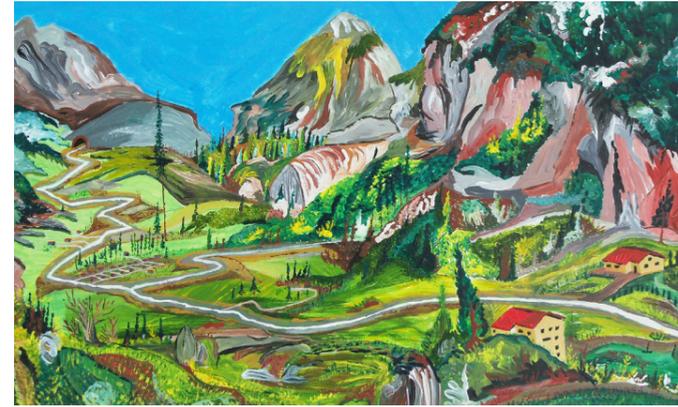
harmoniclab.org



**HULT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS**

Since opening in 1982, the Hult Center continues to charm audiences and popular performers with its stunning architectural and acoustical features. The Hult Center for the Performing Arts is relentless in its support of the arts with our stages hosting Broadway, the Hult Presents series, national tours, and local resident companies.

hultcenter.org



**KINDTREE – AUTISM ROCKS**

KindTree – Autism Rocks serves artists with autism through our 100 plus member Art Guild, art and music classes, artist promotion, art displays in local businesses, fundraising, scholarships, and annual Festival of Art for All event. Serving and celebrating people with autism since 1997.

kindtree.org



**LANE ARTS COUNCIL**

Lane Arts Council, founded in 1976, is a nonprofit with the mission to cultivate strong and creative arts communities in Lane County. Lane Arts Council provides in-school arts education programs, supports local artists and arts organizations, and coordinates community arts experiences such as Fiesta Cultural and the First Friday ArtWalk.

lanearts.org



**JORDAN SCHNITZER MUSEUM OF ART**

The only academic art museum in Oregon accredited by the American Alliance of Museums, the University of Oregon Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art (JSMA) features engaging exhibitions, significant collections of historic and contemporary art and exciting educational programs that support the university’s academic mission and the diverse interests of its off-campus communities.

jsma.uoregon.edu



**KARIN CLARKE GALLERY**

Karin Clarke Gallery opened in 2002 in downtown Eugene and is home to some of our region’s most popular and established visual artists. The gallery’s exhibitions change monthly and range from solo shows to curated group displays. The goal of the Karin Clarke Gallery has been to promote a regional artistic vision; to be welcoming, inspiring, and to serve a diverse community.

karinclarkegallery.com



**MECCA**

MECCA is a nonprofit community arts and environmental organization, dedicated to diverting materials from the waste stream and bringing them into our community’s creative endeavors. We turn these unwanted materials into recycled art programs and events which benefit our community. At MECCA, we believe that when materials and arts programs are affordable, creativity and self-expression thrive.

materials-exchange.org



**MAUDE KERNS ART CENTER**

Founded in 1950, Maude Kerns Art Center is a nonprofit community center dedicated to the visual arts. Our mission is to promote and advocate for the creation and appreciation of visual arts by offering education and exhibition programs for all ages, studio space for artists and support for community artists.

mkartcenter.org





**MUSIC EDUCATION & PERFORMING ARTISTS ASSOCIATION**

Founded in 2013 by professional ballet dancers, Antonio Anacan and Suzanne Haag, #instaballet is a unique interactive dance experience. Using crowd-sourced ideas to create new ballets in real time, #instaballet bridges the gap between audience and performer, allowing creativity to be accessible to audiences of all ages and abilities.

[mepaa.org](http://mepaa.org)



**MINORITY VOICES THEATRE**

Minority Voices Theatre, housed at the Very Little Theatre, is designed to offer opportunities for members of minority and marginalized communities to participate in the collaborative art of theatre as actors, writers, directors, designers, and audience members. MVT – theatre that creates a sense of belonging! Join us!

[minorityvoicestheatre.org](http://minorityvoicestheatre.org)



**ORCHESTRA NEXT**

Orchestra Next is committed to training the next generation of orchestral musicians. We do this by creating opportunities for students and professionals to collaborate, rehearse and perform together in productions that enrich Oregon's cultural landscape. Orchestra Next strives for excellence in its model of mentorship, virtuosity in every production, and joy in making music.

[orchestranext.com](http://orchestranext.com)



**OREGON BACH FESTIVAL**

Oregon Bach Festival has presented the masterworks of J.S. Bach and composers inspired by his work to audiences in Eugene and throughout the state of Oregon for five decades. In response to COVID-19, OBF will present a virtual festival in 2021.

[oregonbachfestival.org](http://oregonbachfestival.org)



**MUSEUM OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL HISTORY**

Stay connected and stay curious with the Museum of Natural and Cultural History. With our virtual talks, digital exhibits, and online family programs, science and culture enthusiasts of every age can learn, play, and explore from home!

[mnch.uoregon.edu](http://mnch.uoregon.edu)



**OPAL CENTER FOR ARTS AND EDUCATION**

Our mission at Opal Center for Arts and Education is to create a diverse community through artistic discovery

[opalcentercg.org](http://opalcentercg.org)



**OREGON CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

For 35 years, OCC has offered exceptional singing opportunities for Lane County kids in kindergarten through high school. Choirs, school programs, and summer camps emphasize fellowship, learning, and striving for excellence. Free concerts and competitive performances encourage choristers to become ambassadors of harmony in our community and beyond.

[oregonchildrenschoir.org](http://oregonchildrenschoir.org)



**OREGON CONTEMPORARY THEATRE**

Oregon Contemporary Theatre creates bold entertainment, challenges expectation, inspires curiosity, encourages dialogue and supports positive change. OCT's intimate theatre is in the heart of downtown Eugene. OCT produces plays representing the best of Broadway, Off-Broadway, reimagined classics and premieres featuring Eugene's top talent performing alongside professional guest artists.

[octheatre.org](http://octheatre.org)





**OREGON DANCE EDUCATION ORGANIZATION**

Oregon Dance Education Organization (ODEO) serves as a voice and convening body for dance educators, and the dance community, who live, learn, and/or work throughout the state of Oregon. ODEO creates opportunities for professional development, collaboration, knowledge sharing, and advocates for equitable access to dance in all of its genres.

[oregondeo.org](http://oregondeo.org)



**OREGON MOZART PLAYERS**

Oregon's professional chamber orchestra, Oregon Mozart Players (OMP) offers intimate world-class chamber orchestra performances, innovative "Pint Size Performances" partnering with breweries and wineries, and unique recital presentations. OMP also offers free community engagement, education, and youth programming, as well as the composer led and curated OMP "Sound Investment" program.

[oregonmozartplayers.org](http://oregonmozartplayers.org)



**SALSEROS DANCE COMPANY**

Founded by Artistic Director Jose Cruz in 1999, Salseros Dance Company is dedicated to promoting Latino culture through salsa dance and music in the local community and beyond. We offer (currently virtually) group classes, private lessons, performance teams, and events.

[salseros.com](http://salseros.com)



**SO METAL, LLC**

SO Metal, LLC is a creative metalwork studio that assists public artists, designers, architects, and visionaries in bringing their metal projects into the physical realm through a focus on problem solving, aesthetic value, and quality craftsmanship. Let us help you create work that is lasting, beautiful, and recyclable.

[sometalfab.com](http://sometalfab.com)



**OSLP ARTS & CULTURE PROGRAM**

The purpose of the OSLP Arts & Culture Program is to break down barriers to participation in the arts for adults of all abilities and build bridges to a more diverse and inclusive community. They do this through classes & workshops, on & off-site exhibitions, mentorships and unique community collaborations.

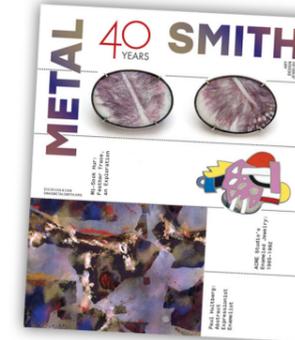
[artsandcultureeugene.org](http://artsandcultureeugene.org)



**ROSE CHILDREN'S THEATRE**

The mission of Rose Children's Theatre is to strengthen our community by empowering children and their families through the experience of performing arts and the magic of theater. Rose Children's Theatre has been serving children and families in the greater Eugene and Springfield area for more than 40 years.

[rosechildrenstheatre.org](http://rosechildrenstheatre.org)



**SOCIETY OF NORTH AMERICAN GOLDSMITHS**

SNAG advances jewelry and metalsmithing by inspiring creativity, encouraging education, and fostering community. SNAG envisions a diverse jewelry and metals community that engages in thoughtful conversation and critical discourse while preserving tradition and embracing innovation. Publisher of Metalsmith magazine. Based in Eugene, with an international reach.

[snagmetalsmith.org](http://snagmetalsmith.org)



**STUDENT PRODUCTION ASSOC. OF LCC**

The Student Production Association of Lane Community College gives students at Lane Community College the opportunity to actively participate in all aspects of theater production for a full season. This includes three full productions, various workshops, and showcases of work from acting classes. For more information, email us at [spa@my.lanec.edu](mailto:spa@my.lanec.edu).

[linktr.ee/spalcc](http://linktr.ee/spalcc)





**STUDIO33**

Studio33 is artist Alejandro's Sarmiento's art channel. Here, Alejandro shares his artistic process and encourages others to explore their own creative journey. We offer original art, prints, custom art services, and paint and sip events.

[studio33arts.com](http://studio33arts.com)



**THE GORDON HOTEL**

The Gordon is a community-activated boutique hotel—the doorstep to the 5th Street Public Market. We celebrate art with a little intrigue and blend it unexpectedly into our space so that guests feel immersed and engaged in ongoing, captivating conversation.

[thegordonhotel.com](http://thegordonhotel.com)



**UNIVERSITY OF OREGON SCHOOL OF MUSIC AND DANCE**

The University of Oregon School of Music and Dance is the premier higher education institution of music and dance in the Pacific Northwest. With more than thirty student ensembles presenting repertoire from the classical to the contemporary, students have ample opportunity to practice and perform in cutting-edge facilities.

[music.uoregon.edu](http://music.uoregon.edu)



**UPSTART CROW STUDIOS**

Local Eugene Children's Theatre, Upstart Crow Studios provides a variety of educational and performance opportunities in theatre, music, and dance for ages 4-18. In addition to their school-year offerings, Upstart Crow is also opening up registration for their largest offering of summer camps ever! Register now, before it's too late!

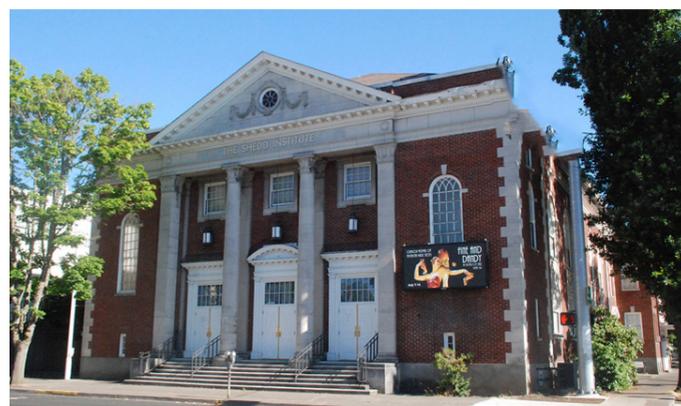
[upstartcrowstudios.org](http://upstartcrowstudios.org)



**THE JAZZ STATION**

The Willamette Jazz Society's non-profit mission is: "To foster a vibrant local jazz scene through concerts and educational programs that encourage our community to love, study and perform live jazz". The Jazz Station, our downtown performance venue, engages all-age community musicians and audience-goers alike in live jazz. Visit us!

[thejazzstation.org](http://thejazzstation.org)



**THE JOHN G. SHEDD INSTITUTE FOR THE ARTS**

The Shedd Institute for the Arts is a performing arts company, community music school for all ages, and regional cultural resource. The Shedd produces and presents over 200 events annually from films, lectures and celebrations to diverse musical genres including blues, jazz, world, rock, classical, folk and much more!

[theshedd.org](http://theshedd.org)



**VERY LITTLE THEATRE**

The Very Little Theatre is a volunteer organization, run on membership power since 1929—auditions and backstage positions are open to the public. Currently, we are rebuilding our historic theatre with support from the community. Main stage productions are in-person when safe; our Virtual Little Theatre has continued throughout the pandemic.

[thevlt.com](http://thevlt.com)



**WEST AFRICAN CULTURAL ARTS INSTITUTE**

Founded in 2007, West African Cultural Arts Institute is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to share the joy and passion of Guinean culture through vibrant educational programs focusing on music and dance. WACAI offers performances, school residencies and assemblies, master classes, and community classes in drumming and dancing for kids and adults.

[westafricanculturalarts.org](http://westafricanculturalarts.org)

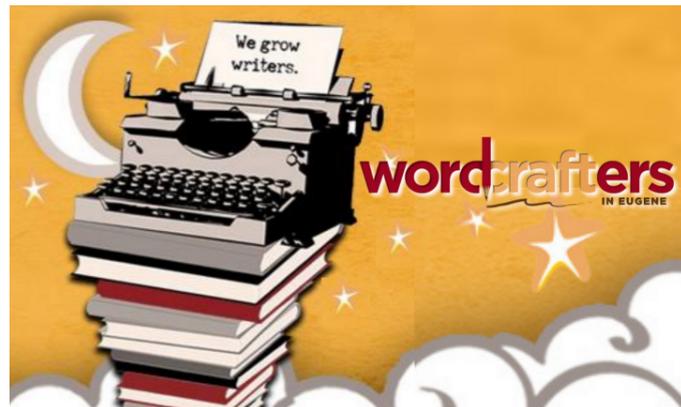




### WHITEAKER PRINTMAKERS

As a nonprofit, member-supported fine art printmaking studio, we provide equipment and supplies for nearly all traditional printmaking techniques, as well as workshops, exhibits, and events to support printmaking arts in and around Lane County.

[whitprint.com](http://whitprint.com)



### WORDCRAFTERS

We believe in the power and the value of the written word and seek to help others to express themselves through their writing. Do you have a story to tell? Become a Wordcrafter! Pro to novice, there's a place for you to grow with us.

[wordcrafters.org](http://wordcrafters.org)



# INDIVIDUALS



**A+A STUDIO**

a+a Studio works collaboratively with clients to create art that is project-specific, site-specific and that engages targeted audiences. Artist, Dee Etwiler, produces abstract digital works in addition to her 'Narrative Collages' that tell visual stories of businesses, individuals and communities. Our art is produced in a range of sizes and materials.

[aplusastudio.com](http://aplusastudio.com)



**AMRITA DUTIA – ART**

Amrita Dutia is an award-winning Pen & Ink Indian artist, specializing in patterns and designs, inspired by natural history, flora, fauna and architecture.

[amritadutia.com](http://amritadutia.com)



**ATENCIOART**

Sculpted & Painted Art with Reverence for Nature in all its Wonder and Beauty. Get news of New Art, Discount Sales & Special Offers - sign up for Newsletter!

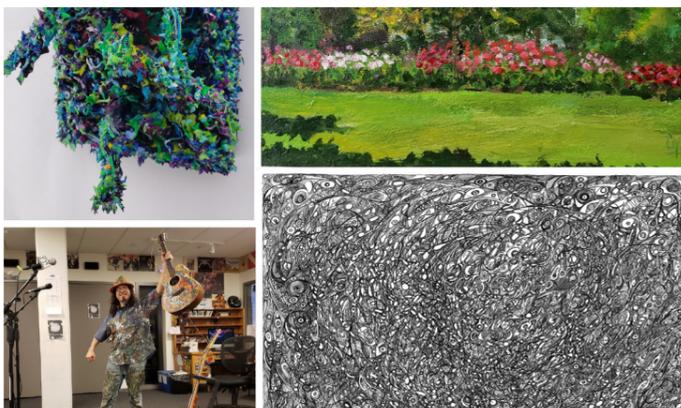
[atencioart.com](http://atencioart.com)



**AUNIA KAHN ARTIST & DESIGNER**

Aunia Kahn is a multi-faceted creative entrepreneur, an internationally awarded, collected, and exhibited artist/photographer, and graphic/web designer. She educates and mentors creative people globally, supporting their artistic projects and pursuits. Aunia works one-on-one as well as provides tutorials, how-to videos, and savvy advice on her website.

[auniakahn.com](http://auniakahn.com)



**ART4TRUTH (WILL PARADIS)**

Art4Truth is dedicated to the pursuit of Art's deepest secrets while encouraging all people to connect to their creative selves. Art4Truth offers abstract and realistic paintings, drawings, coloring posters and pages, music, painting instruction and more. Inspiring Eugene and the world for over 20 years! Thanks for your continued support!!!

[art4truth.com](http://art4truth.com)



**ARTISTRY BY SHINAI**

Shinai creates animal artworks with a variety of mediums, such as acrylic paint, pencil, colored pencil, and watercolor, which are inspired by her work experiences and our planet's vast diversity of species. Parts of proceeds are donated to organizations supporting animal conservation and habitat restoration worldwide.

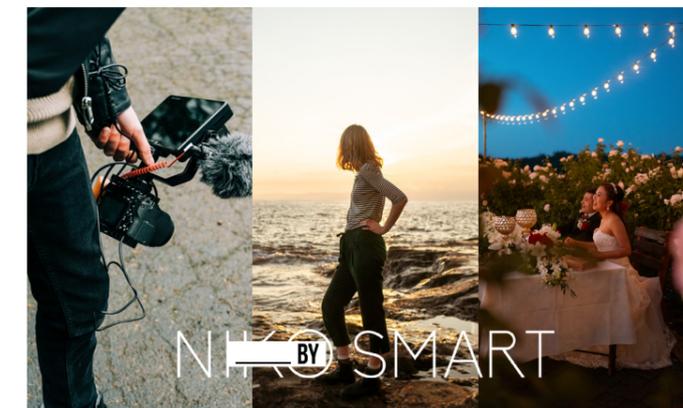
[artistrybyshinai.com](http://artistrybyshinai.com)



**BARBARA COUNCIL ILLUSTRATION AND ART**

I bring your custom art to life by using a thoughtful design process, fresh ideas and quality materials. My specializations include print and book illustration, real oil paintings, and portraiture. I love big ideas and fun attitudes!

[marbart.net](http://marbart.net)



**BY NIKO SMART**

Niko Smart is a Cinematographer and Photographer. He is deeply inspired by everyone he meets and the stories they've lived. Niko creates cinematic works of art by capturing raw human emotion and portraying it with beautiful imagery.

[bynikosmart.com](http://bynikosmart.com)





**CARI INGRASSIA**

ART | DESIGN | COMMUNITY Cari Ingrassia designs delightful and thought-provoking art experiences that cultivate community. Viewers become part of the art and conversation through play and engaging activities. The installations highlight our unique humanness, while ultimately revealing our universal commonalities and connectedness. Available for events, temporary exhibits or permanent installations.

[cariingrassia.com](http://cariingrassia.com)



**CHARLY SWING**

Charly Swing is a multimedia artist, culture producer, and artist organizer with a focus on social sculpture. Charly is the founder/director of ArtCity and her studio is located in ArtCity Studios on Broadway. Together, Charly believes we can create great impact through art.

[charlyswing.com](http://charlyswing.com)



**GRAY'S MODERN**

All the modern abstract art prints at Gray's Modern were created by Jenny Gray. Gray's Modern showcases Jenny's work that leans towards modern design. Gray's prints are almost always abstract, sometimes minimalistic, and every once in a while have a touch of mid-century modern flavor.

[graysmodern.com](http://graysmodern.com)



**JANINE ETHERINGTON ART**

Janine Etherington makes abstract paintings and assemblages in Eugene, Oregon. You can follow her on Facebook @JanineEtheringtonArt and on Instagram @janine\_etherington\_art.

[janineetherington.com](http://janineetherington.com)



**EMILY PROUDFOOT, FINE ARTIST**

Emily is an artist and landscape architect working in acrylic ink, marker and collage. Themes include plants and flowers, bright colors, and shelves with food, books, utensils and plants. Her work is joyful and uplifting, humorous and engaging, and is available in all scales and sizes. Commissions are always welcome and affordable art print cards, pendant necklaces, and mini-paintings are regularly available and in stock.

[orangesweaterdesign.com](http://orangesweaterdesign.com)



**GERALDINE SUNDSTROM**

Geraldine works with natural and discarded materials to create minimalist artworks on paper and in fiber. Her current project is the facilitation of SURFACE whose mission is to promote sustainability in the arts through the launch of a childcare-supported studio and gallery space dedicated to sustainable materiality. @surface.community

[surfacestudiosandgallery.com](http://surfacestudiosandgallery.com)



**JENNY GRAY ART**

Contemporary Paintings by Jenny Gray – "I explore my personal experiences and our inherently flawed and imperfect human condition in my work. Abstraction and the medium of paint allow me a freedom and a way of self expression I have not found anywhere else."

[jennygrayart.com](http://jennygrayart.com)



**JERRY ROSS**

Jerry Ross is a painter of portraits, landscapes, figurative, and still life. He is strongly influenced by Italian painting theory, especially the ideas of macchia, chiaroscuro, effect and surprise made popular by the Italian I Macchiaioli.

[jerryrosspittore.com](http://jerryrosspittore.com)





**JESS BRINKERHOFF MURALS & DESIGN**

Walls that turn heads and bring people together. Murals, Signs, and Custom Art for your brand. Producing murals that help grow businesses and enrich communities with beautiful artwork for over 15 years. Contact her today to learn how she can transform your space or host a team building mural workshop.

[jbrinkerhoff.com](http://jbrinkerhoff.com)



**JUD TURNER**

Jud is a sculptor working with metal and repurposed objects to create unique and stunning works of art. His sculptures have won numerous awards and are in public and private collections around the world.

[judturner.com](http://judturner.com)



**KAREN RUSSO**

Karen Russo is a figurative ceramic sculptor living in Oregon. She works in clay for its malleability, capacity for transformation, and direct connection to the earth. Her figurative work explores the tensions of the feminine experience. Karen expresses an eternal optimism for the human spirit in this beautiful and chaotic world.

[karenrusso.studio](http://karenrusso.studio)



**KATHLEEN CAPRARIO**

Kathleen Caprario's mixed media paintings and site-inspired installations explore the intersection of physical place and cultural space through the open language of pattern and seek to (re) locate herself in relationship to the histories and critical conversations surrounding racism, the environment and privilege through art.

[caprarioart.com](http://caprarioart.com)



**JULIE ANDERSON – @JULIEJULIEART**

I'm an artist and corporate creative workshop teacher. I spent 20 years in tech doing product development, marketing and Biz Dev for startups and Hewlett Packard. Now I make mixed media art on paper and canvas. My installations tell stories about the natural world and our place in it.

[juliejulie.co](http://juliejulie.co)



**KAREN PIDGEON – WILDLIFE/NATURE ART**

Specializing in World Wildlife, Nature, & Western Themes. Nature to me has always held within it the essence of art. The main intent in my work is to recapture the intricate detail around us, so more may be aware of what many may never see.

[karenpidgeon.com](http://karenpidgeon.com)



**LIZA BURNS**

Liza is a freelance illustrator, designer and muralist. You've probably run into her art at bell+funk, the Kiva Grocery, Falling Sky Brewing, Downtown Eugene, the Barn Light, or other spots around town. She is down for personal commissions, packaging, murals, branding projects, book design, whatever your project is!

[lizamanaburns.com](http://lizamanaburns.com)



**LOLA BUCKWALD**

Embracing moments in time and capturing them creatively is Lola's passion. A self-taught artist from Eugene, Lola gets her inspiration these days from the local music scene. The picture above is a portrait of Ife Adeniji, a well-known music director in town.

[lolabuckwald.com](http://lolabuckwald.com)





**LYNETTE SLAPE**

I am passionate about creating illustrations and designs that tell the stories. Since childhood, I have always had a unique way of expressing myself through pictures, and I still use that sense of wonder and joy in the projects I do today.

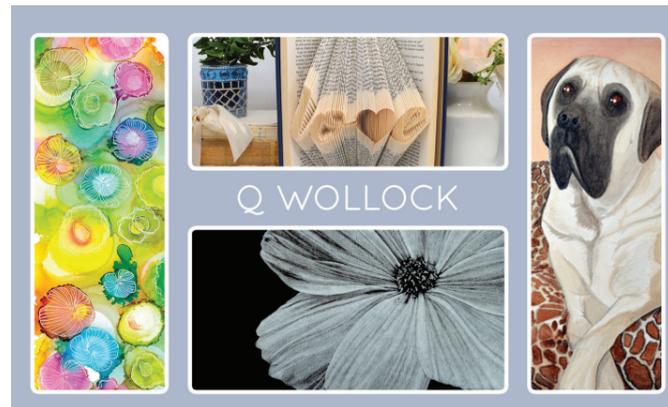
[lynetteslape.com](http://lynetteslape.com)



**M.V. MORAN**

Contemporary abstract paintings and larger-than-life figurative drawings by Eugene artist M. V. Moran. Studio visits available. For more information visit [mvmoran.com](http://mvmoran.com).

[mvmoran.com](http://mvmoran.com)



**Q WOLLOCK**

I love to work with my hands, whether with paint, pencils, or digital techniques. I often use discarded items like old house paint or salvaged books in an effort to reduce waste.

[qwollock.com](http://qwollock.com)



**ROBERT CANAGA STUDIO**

Non-traditional artist using oil and cold wax to create bright and bold colors.

[art.robertcanaga.com](http://art.robertcanaga.com)



**MICHAEL MOLOI**

Michael Moloi is an artist from South Africa. In 2005, he joined Cirque du Soleil and played for 11 years in productions of the Beatles LOVE show. Michael's display shows talk about his home during and after apartheid—starting with him mimicking nature from South Africa to industrial urban life. With his Gumboots and Pantsula dance style and storytelling technique, he draws audiences from all over the world.

[michaelmoloi.art](http://michaelmoloi.art)



**NICOLE HUMMEL CERAMICS**

Nicole is a ceramic artist that creates dinnerware, teaware, and mugs that invite connection, celebration, and beauty at home. For foodies, lovers of fine craft, or those looking for that perfect mug, her collections bring satisfaction and joy and invite us to pause and enjoy the moment.

[nicolehummel.com](http://nicolehummel.com)



**ROKA WALSH**

Award-winning photographic mixed-media artist. Inspired by nature, moved by its beauty, fueled by the creative process.

[rokawalsh.art](http://rokawalsh.art)



**SARAH SEDWICK**

Based in Eugene since 2007, Sarah is an oil painter specializing in still life and portraits. Workshops online and in-person. Commissions welcome!

[sarahsedwick.com](http://sarahsedwick.com)





**SHIMIZU PHOTOGRAPHY**

I am a native Japanese portrait/commercial photographer based in the Eugene/Springfield area. I incorporate my love of styling and old portrait paintings in every shoot. I believe in everybody's individual unique beauty. My goal is to give everybody the best photos they've ever had taken and through that process, give them the confidence to see themselves as the amazing people they really are!

shimizuphotography.com



**SOPHIE NAVARRO**

I have a passion for and gain inspiration from fashion designs in old Vogue books. I love patterns, lines and color. As a child, I loved creating art alongside my mother and watched how she painted ceramic tiles in her own style. My work honors themes of women, love, and empowerment. The hallmarks of my work are stylized eyes and lips in my paintings of women. I am available for commissions and illustration design work.

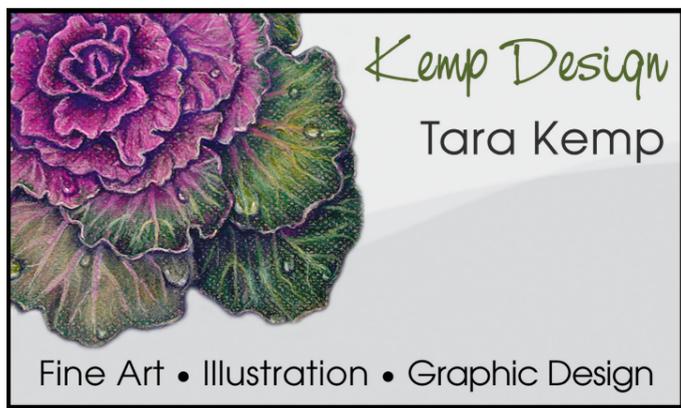
sophienavarro.com



**SUSAN DETROY, ARTIST**

Susan Detroy employs a story-telling, mobile photography style, creating deep, caring, intimate artwork. Ms. Detroy offers "Living Memories" commissions as well as originals and reproductions of her many series. Susan uses the surrounding environment and her personal experience producing digital and hard copy art. During the pandemic, her creating integrates our world and offers a reflective, hopeful view.

susandetroy.com



**TARA KEMP – KEMP DESIGN**

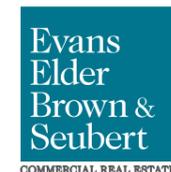
Graphics for business, illustrations, and fine art paintings for commission and exhibit. Current and past clients include Coconut Bliss, Lochmead Dairy, NeuroSpine Institute, and McKenzie Willamette Hospital. Tara created one of the 50th Anniversary posters for The Oregon Country Fair, and exhibits her paintings regionally. Visit website for examples.

tarakemp.com



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