



creative 360

inclusiveness · creativity · respect · community

A non-profit 501(c) 3 corporation

Events + Classes · Winter 2024 (v1)

Our Mission

To *create environments* that allow people of all ages and abilities to experience the creative process, and to enhance physical, mental and spiritual wellness through the arts and humanities.

Core Values

Inclusiveness – No matter your age, gender, race, beliefs, skills or life circumstances, you are welcome at Creative 360 and are free to be yourself.

Creativity – We believe that imagination and free expression are essential to any person's life. We see creativity not as a finished product, but a journey of discovery, so we provide a non-judgmental atmosphere where all work is treasured.

Respect – We respect not only people, but also ideas. We are open to new and non-traditional programming. We believe in the power of saying "yes."

Community – We believe that unity and compassion are components of a strong society. We work to bring people together.



THE HERBERT H. AND GRACE A.
DOW FOUNDATION

Activities at Creative 360 are supported in part by the Michigan Arts & Culture Council; a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, Midland Area Community Foundation, and The Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation.

CREATIVE 360 HAS TWO LOCATIONS:

• 5501 Jefferson Avenue · Midland, MI 48640

• **Downtown · 142 + 144 Ashman Street Galleries. Midland, MI 48640**

Classes + events in blue take place downtown

TO REGISTER: 989-837-1885 · becreative360.org



Animals in Art Exhibition

We invite you to visit this exhibition celebrating our relationships with all creatures great and small. The exhibition features the art of Michigan artists age 16+ and is juried by Donovan Entrekin, Director of the Art School at the Flint Institute of Arts. Exhibit ends 2/11.

Image: The Large Blue Horses, Franz Marc

Opening Reception: Friday, January 5 / 7:00 – 8:30 pm Free and open to the public



This exhibition is part of the Living with Animals Series sponsored by Andy & Donna Rapp.

Admission to all our gallery exhibits is free and we are grateful for your donations that allow us to continue this policy. Call for weekend and evening hours.



The Art of M. Lee Mitchell

DOWNTOWN @ THE ASHMAN STREET GALLERIES

M. Lee Mitchell was a visual artist and art educator, born in Illinois and educated in Michigan. After a 30+ year career in the Taylor Michigan Public Schools, he retired 'back to the land' which had inspired his work since his childhood days in the Carbondale farmlands. "During the spring, farmers would turn-over the fields making them ready for the crops. My

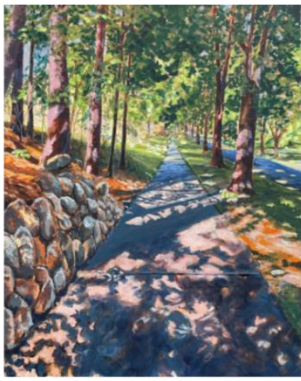
brother and I would go out and play in these fields. It was during these moments that I began to paint with my imagination, the fields were teeming with worms, bugs, seeds, and pods. It was alive!"

Lee passed away in 2021, only a year after moving to Midland with his wife to be nearer to his son and family. Creative 360 is honored to showcase the work of this talented and introspective artist. *Images L to R: Sea of Earth, oil / Swallow View, oil*

DOWNTOWN @ THE ASHMAN STREET GALLERIES

Opening reception: Thursday, January 18 / 7:00 – 8:30 pm / Free and open to the public

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The Practice of Artmaking An Exhibition

Featuring the Art of Creative
360's Open Studio Artists:
*Heather DeoGracia, Wendy High,
Cherie Marks, Karen McMahan,
Barbara Plummer, JoAnn
Pobocik, Lorna Strautman, Elissa*

Thompson, Ava VanMeter, Kathy Wertz, and Carol Zahn

Creative 360's Open Studio is intended to foster creativity and encourage self-expression in a welcoming atmosphere of weekly practice set aside for the sole purpose of creating. Are you interested in becoming one of the Open Studio artists? All are welcome. Let us know!

Images L to R: B. Plummer, C. Zahn, E. Thompson.

Opening Reception: Friday, February 16 / 7:00 – 8:30 pm / Free and open to the public

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Midland Artists Guild - Annual Juried Exhibition

Creative 360 is pleased to welcome Midland Artists Guild for their 40th Annual Juried Exhibition as they continue their mission of fostering individual participation and personal growth in the visual arts and furthering their commitment to supporting artists throughout the Great Lakes Bay Region.

Painting, fine art photography, fiber, woodworking, ceramics, stained glass, and more will be exhibited. Awards will be announced during the opening reception.

On exhibit through 4/28.

Image: 2023 Best in Show, Catan Player 2 by Jason Woertick.

Opening Reception: Friday, March 22 / 7:00 - 8:30 pm / Free and open to the public

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The Great Lakes iPhoneography Group, An Overview

Featuring the art of: Armin Mersmann, Cindy Bancroft, Julie Close, Gaylene LeVally, Steve Parkhurst, Nancy Brooks Siebert, Elizabeth Sullivan, Janis Taylor, and Carol Whitney.

More info. coming soon!

On Exhibit through 6/2.

Opening Reception: Friday, May 3 / 7:00 – 8:30 pm / Free and open to the public

EVENTS



Try Something New • First Wednesdays

We know you love learning new things. We also know that you don't have time for weekly classes. The solution? First Wednesdays – a chance for you to pick up a new, creative skill in just one evening. No experience necessary. Come learn something out of the ordinary with us!

First Wednesdays / 7:00 – 9:00 pm / Please Preregister



January 3 – SWING DANCE - \$8

With Lon & Debbie Wackerle, who met on the dance floor. Come share their love of dance! They will have you swing dancing in no time. No partner? No problem. We will help with that. Please preregister.

February 7 – BLOCK PRINTING - \$20 *With Anishinaabe Artist Stephanie Jackson of Rabbit Print Studio. Use Stephanie's templates or create your own design.*

March 6 – BOURBON. More info coming soon!

April 3 – MAKING PASTA FROM SCRATCH. More info coming soon!



Dad Joke Show 3.0

*Why did the bicycle fall over?
It was two TIRED!*

A family friendly evening featuring Dads telling, well ... Dad Jokes of course! The jokesters will share the best-worst and best-best jokes of the genre. Rated PG. Saturday, January 6 / 7:00 – 8:30 pm / \$15 prepay, \$20 at the door / BYOB



Sound Community Music Series

*SPONSORED BY: Saginaw Valley State University Foundation
Interlochen Public Radio*

Join us each month for this series of classical and jazz concerts featuring local and regional musicians. Admission is free and we appreciate your donations.

Second Wednesdays, 7:00 – 9:00 pm / Free! / BYOB



January 10 • JEFFREY GRASSL ORGAN TRIO

February 14 • MATTHEW COCHRAN & THE INTERLOCHEN GUITAR ENSEMBLE

March 13 • MARCUS ELLIOTT, SAXOPHONE

April 10 • SVSU JAZZ ENSEMBLES





The Best Brothers **By Daniel MacIvor**

Kyle and Hamilton Best are brothers with issues. When their mother dies after a wild accident, the pair must come together to deal with her affairs. Along the way, long simmering rivalries, affronts and affections come out and things get awfully raw and un-brotherly. Toss in dead mom Bunny haunting about and her charming and havoc-

wreaking dog Enzo contributing to the chaos and it becomes the perfect dark comedy.

Directed by Mike Wisniewski and starring Dexter Bringham and Kyler Syring

Friday, January 19 and Saturday, January 20 / 7:00 pm

\$15 pre-pay, \$20 at the door / BYOB



Paint Your Pet!

Join Creative 360's Executive Director Laura Vosejпка for an afternoon of camaraderie, color, and fun. And you don't even need to be artistic. Bring an image of your dog, cat, hamster, or horse and prepare to paint! All materials provided including a 12 x 16 canvas. All ages welcome.

Sunday, January 21 / 1:00 – 4:00 pm / \$30



Broadway Flight Series

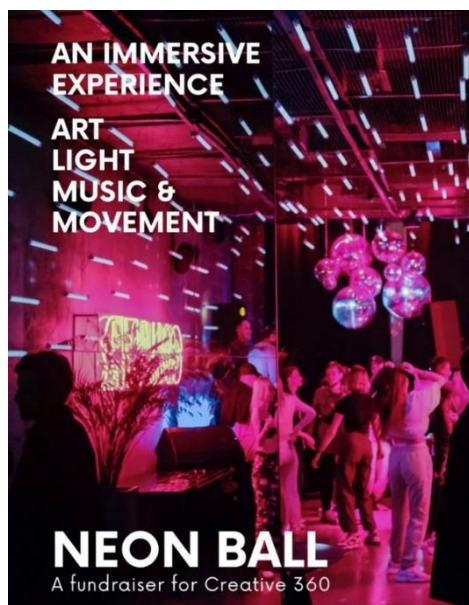
An evening of entertainment featuring a taste test of the songs and stories of FOUR Broadway shows! Performers from the Great Lakes Bay Region whisk you through four surprise shows while you enjoy a coordinated flight of beverages. (non-alcoholic options available)

Accompanist: James Hohmeyer.

You may bring snacks!

Friday, January 26 / 7:00 - 9:00 pm / \$20 prepay, \$25 @ door

Saturday, January 27 / 7:00 - 9:00 pm / \$20 prepay, \$25 @ door



NEON BALL 2024

An Immersive Fundraiser

Join us for the coolest party around filled with art, light, music, food, and dancing all in the midst of our beautiful new space on Jefferson Avenue.

The Neon Ball will be a treat for your senses.

Your first drink is paid for and heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served. Cash bar.

A limited number of tables for 6 are available for reservation. Please call 989-837-1885 if you have questions.

Friday, February 2 / 8:00 - 10:00 pm

\$30 Reserved tables for 6 are \$200 / \$40 @ the door



Blast from the Past

Big Band Dance and Concert

Creative 360 is proud to be the home of the Blast from the Past Big Band. This exceptional band performs seven concerts a year playing a variety of favorites from the 40s and 50s along with a few modern songs. Creative 360 puts up a lovely dance

floor and adds some snacks to keep the party going. The concerts and dances take place first Mondays.

February 5 / 6:00 – 8:00 pm / Free

March 4 / 6:00 – 8:00 pm / Free

April 1 / 6:00 – 8:00 pm / Free

We are grateful for your donations that allow us to continue providing exceptional events like this!



Animal Welfare Talk

This presentation is part of the Living with Animals Series sponsored by Andy & Donna Rapp.

Thursday, February 8 / Stay Tuned for More Info!



Paint Your Partner Picasso Style

Valentine's Day is almost here. Come to Creative 360 and celebrate in a fun and creative way!

You don't need an artistic bone in your body. Just follow along with Laura Vosejka and you'll end up with a 12 x 16 Picasso styled portrait. No partner? No problem! Come and paint yourself! *Preregistration*

required.

Saturday, February 10 / 7:00 - 9:00 pm / BYOB / \$30 each, \$50 couple



The Shape of Things by Neil LaBute

How far would you go for love? For art? What would you be willing to change? What price might you pay? A college student drifts

into an ever-changing relationship with an artist while his best friends' engagement crumbles, so unleashing a drama that peels back the skin of two modern-day relationships. Featuring the talents of local artists: Aaron Mealey, Danielle Katsulous, Brianne Dolney-Jacobs, and more.

Adult content and language.

Friday, March 15 / 7:00 pm / \$15 pre-pay, \$20 at the door / BYOB

Saturday, March 16 / 7:00 pm / \$15 pre-pay, \$20 at the door / BYOB



CAT VIDEO FEST!

"Watching silly cat videos is good for you." - The Wall Street Journal

Cat Video Fest is a compilation reel of the latest and best cat videos, bringing the joy of cat videos to the masses while doing good for the worldwide community of people working to help animals in need. The 70-minute show has been created from countless hours of unique submissions and sourced animations, music videos, and classic internet powerhouses and is 100% family friendly. Snacks provided. ***Please preregister.***

All proceeds will go to the Humane Society of Midland County in support of their work.



This series Living with Animals: Celebrating All Creatures Great & Small is sponsored by a generous donation from Andy & Donna Rapp.

Friday, April 5 / 7:00 – 8:30 pm

\$10 adults, \$5 grades K-12



Creative 360 and Memorial Presbyterian Church present:

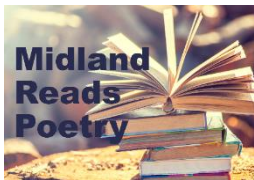
Andy Gullahorn in Concert

"I am a bowling, badmintoning, high-fiving, disc golfing, nick-naming, basketballing fun facilitator. I am also a singer/songwriter in my spare time."

Andrew Gullahorn is an American musician and music producer who plays a folk-rock style of Christian pop. His 2009 hit, "I Haven't Either" has touched the lives of listeners of all denominations.

Co-sponsored by Creative 360 and Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Saturday, April 20 / 7:00 – 9:00 pm / \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door



Midland Reads Poetry

Sponsored by Cheryl and Larry Levy

Join your neighbors of different ages, experiences, and backgrounds in a celebration of poetry's place in our lives and culture. This spoken word program features community members sharing the poetry – either written by themselves or others – that is meaningful to them. If you would like to read, please contact Larry Levy lawrenceivanlevy@gmail.com before March 18. Refreshments provided. Please let us know you are coming. Donations to Creative 360's programming are always welcome.

Sunday, April 21 / 2:00 – 4:00 pm / Free

Prom 360 – An Alternative Prom

Leave it to Creative 360 to put a new spin on the same old boring Prom. Our Prom is fully inclusive and caters to ALL AGES. We kick off the night with two hours of the best music from the 30's, 40' and more with Midland's favorite swing band, Blast from the Past. Then put away your saddle shoes and put on your rock and roll duds as we welcome the next band to the stage for two hours of dance music. You bring the energy, we provide the snacks and drinks. This is a non-alcoholic event.

Saturday, May 18 / Stay Tuned for More Information!

ARTS & HUMANITIES

Open

Wish you



Studio

had the studio space to really create? You do - right here at Creative 360. Join us on Fridays to spread out and make art in our fantastic new space. Come alone or bring your friends, there is LOTS of room! You can work in any

medium as long as you 'leave no trace'. Please bring your own supplies along with table and floor protection. ***Please let us know you are coming the day prior.***

Fridays beginning January 5th / 10:00 am – 1:00 pm / \$8 each day

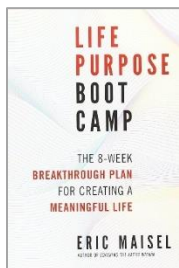
Acrylic Painting

If you're just starting out or if you are well versed in the acrylic medium, this series will provide a thorough understanding of the principles and elements of art, color mixing, composition, and adding mediums to explore the versatility of acrylics. There will be project flexibility depending on your artistic needs with in-depth tailored instruction. With Cynthia Keefe, MFA, and Creative 360 Co-Founder. A materials list will be provided. ***Preregistration required.***

Sundays / 1:00 - 3:00 pm / \$140 each session

Session I / Jan. 7, 14, 21, 28, Feb. 4, 11, 18

Session II / (no class 2/25), Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, (no class 3/31), April 7, 14, 21



Life Purpose Bootcamp

A Plan for Creating a Meaningful Life

If you are experiencing a disconnect between the way you are living now and the way you would like to be living, this program is for you. At the end of 8 weeks you may experience all of the following benefits:

1. Naming your life purpose
2. Acquiring tools for keeping your life purpose present in your daily life
3. Living more purposefully, meaningfully, and authentically

This class will be based on the book "Life Purpose Bootcamp" by Eric Maisel. Each week we will explore one of the eight lessons, share experiences, and participate in additional exercises to create the purpose-filled life we want to live.

Fee includes a copy of the book. Preregistration required. With Creative 360's Executive Director, Laura Vosejpka.

Mondays, 7:00 – 9:00 pm / Jan. 8, 15, 22, 29, Feb. 5, 12, 19, 26 / \$60 includes book

Riverside Writers - Writing & Telling Your Story

Everyone's life is a story to tell. Join us at the comfortable and casual Riverside Apartments community lounge on Main Street where Anne McGeehan-Woodard leads the writing and/or telling of your stories. Sharing is confidential and optional. Memories are captured and fellowship grows amongst the group. Let us know if you are interested in attending.

Tuesdays, January 9 through June 4 / 3:00 – 4:00 pm / Free



Date Night! Make a Clay Charcuterie Board

Bring your partner, a friend, or someone you would love to get creative with for two evenings of fun. We will provide an educational and creative space for each of you to learn how to make ceramic slab-built boards with unique texture, shapes, and glazes. You can make a veggie and dip board, a cheese board, or of course the carnivore all-star charcuterie board! The first night – create your board, the second night – decorate with a food safe glaze. You will be emailed when your board has been fired and is ready for pick-up. With Mel Gaal. *Preregistration required. Event size limited.*

Wednesdays, January 10 & 24 / 7:00 – 8:30 pm / \$50 per board / BYOB



IMPROV Level II • Performance Showcase

Held DOWNTOWN @ Creative 360 Galleries 144 Ashman

***“This is the coolest thing happening
in Midland right now!” ~ A student***

Under Coach Ariel Rak's guidance, you'll advance from Level I, refining scene work, character building, and improvisational techniques. This course is tailored for those with prior improv experience seeking to deepen their skills. Engage in dynamic games and exercises fostering teamwork, trust, and spontaneity in a supportive environment. Embrace failure as you develop your ability to stay present and seize the unexpected. Join a diverse, inclusive, supportive group in preparing for the highlight: a show at the class end!

Ages 18+. Unleash your creativity and join us for laughter and spontaneity.

Ariel Rak studied and performed short and long form improv with Magnet Theater (NYC) and the N.J. School of Dramatic Arts and was a member of ComedySportz before moving to Midland.

Tuesdays / 7:00 – 9:00 pm / \$110

Jan. 16, 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27, Mar. 5, 12, 19

Held DOWNTOWN @ Creative 360 Galleries 144 Ashman

Voice for the Stage

Delve into projection, resonance, and articulation for the voice on stage. The students will be led through a comprehensive voice warmup routine, working slowly to ensure understanding of each step. Spinal awareness, body awareness, and breath awareness lead to finding and strengthening the resonating chambers in the body which in turn strengthens the speaking voice, adding resonance and fullness. Following this is an examination of the mouth, especially tongue and soft pallet, stretching and limbering the speaking apparatus for maximum articulation and diction. Finally, students will be introduced to a Shakespeare monologue as an exercise for the skills learned. With Kat Johns, performer, producer, director for more than 20 years.

Space is limited. Age 13+ *Preregistration required.*

Saturday, January 20 / 2:00 – 4:00 pm / \$25



Oil Painting for the Absolute Beginner

Do you dream of being the next Bob Ross? Painting with oils can seem like a challenge compared to watercolor and acrylics and new artists are often told that it is a medium for experienced artists. But here at Creative 360 we say nonsense – be Bob Ross! Brian Glover is an artist who has recently begun working with oil paint and would love to share the best ways to get started. Absolutely NO experience is necessary, we will even provide the paints and canvas for the first class! You will learn value, mixing, how to use different brush types and more. And you will complete a painting in each of the 4 classes.

A materials list will be sent upon registration. With Brian Glover. *Preregistration required.*

Mondays, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm / January 22, 29, February 5, 12 / \$90



Art Journaling

Let's have fun combining recycled materials and art journaling basics to create one-of-a-kind journals that reflect your interests and personality. We will repurpose old books and then start adding mixed media to pages. Our exploration will include what to put in your journal, how to start pages, basic supplies and more. We will discuss where to look for inspiration and how to keep your creativity flowing. A great class for both beginners and

experts. At the end of the workshop, you will receive a special packet to help you continue your art making. With Julie Welsh. Bring your lunch! There will be a ½ hour break. Material list provided upon registration. Preregistration required by 3/6.

Saturday, March 9 / 10:00 am – 5:00 pm / \$60

WELLNESS



Tai Chi 360

Also known as “moving meditation,” tai chi is a series of slow, gentle motions that are patterned after movements in nature. It has many health benefits for both body and mind and promotes an overall sense of well-being, vitality, and inner calm. The class offers deep, internal understanding of the practice and whether this is your first time or you've been practicing for years, you are welcome! Taught in an

open, friendly atmosphere. With Dianna Cole.

Tuesdays, beginning January 9 / 11:00 – 11:45 am / \$5 drop-in



THEATRE IN A TRUNK

Explore Drama through imagination! Each week students will find new treasures in the trunk that they can use to create characters, tell stories and have fun. Theatre in a Trunk will encourage kids to work as a team, grow their self-confidence, and view the world in an empathetic way. Ages 5-7 and 8-11 / \$65 per session

Winter Session:

Tuesdays: Jan 16, 23, 30, Feb 6

4:30-5:30 pm Ages for 5-7

5:45-6:45 pm Ages 8-11

Spring Session:

Tuesdays: April 9, 16, 23, 30

4:30-5:30 pm Ages 5-7

5:45-6:45 pm Ages 8-11



Broadway Show Choir

Broadway Show Choir is a musical ensemble that will combine choral singing with choreographed movement. Featuring musical theatre and pop music this group will work on music for a final

performance and may also be featured in other Creative performances as well.

The entire semester will finish with a 'Bring a Friend' Karaoke Party! Ages 10-17

Tuesdays, February 6 through May 7 / 4:00 – 5:15 pm / \$80

Bring a Friend Karaoke Party May 14!



CREATIVE THEATRE COMPANY

GRANDMA & GRANDPA GOOSE • Puppets Palooza & Show

With the Levys

FOR THE YOUNGER SET – Ages 6 - 9

Grandma Goose (Cheryl Levy) is looking for children ages 6 - 9 to take the stage using puppets, music, and creative dramatics. "Mrs. Puppets" was a librarian at Grace A. Dow Memorial Library where she created magic with puppets for nearly 20 years. Larry (retired

Delta prof) has given her many of the puppets and enjoys creating distinct personalities for them. The Levys directed Peanut Gallery plays at the Midland Center for the Arts and are still directing for TMI/Hath and teaching creative dramatics and poetry for all ages.

Preregistration required.

We will provide pizza for the kids before the show on the 21st.

February 12, 14, 16, 19, 21 / 4:15 – 5:15 pm / \$60

Show @ 6:00 pm on February 21

CREATIVE THEATRE COMPANY - Ages 10 - 17

The entire on-stage experience from audition to final performance with a specific focus to expand the students' skills and confidence in all areas of performance. We focus on character work, effective use of language and strong storytelling. With Laura Brigham, a professional actor, director, and casting director who has taught classes and camps for both adults and children all over the country. Ages 10 - 17

Ages 10-17 / \$95 per session

SPRING BREAK SESSION!!!

March 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 / 12:00 - 4:00 pm / \$95

Show @ 6:00 pm on March 29 (*Kids can stay between class & show for pizza!*)



Creative Kids

Afternoon Arts Extravaganza

Two Age Groups:

Ages 5 – 8

Ages 9 - 12

Each week, we have a unique creative arts experience for children. There are visual arts, movement, music, theater, and writing experiences with our fun, caring group of talented instructors who are experts in their field. Students will make art, move their bodies, get messy, make new friends, as they explore all aspects of creativity. **Please preregister at least two days prior to each session.**

Thursdays, January 4 through March / 4:15 - 5:30 pm

\$15 per class, \$120 for 12 classes / please specify your child's age when registering.

Scholarships are available – please inquire.



- 1/4 – Exquisite Cube Painting & Surrealism
- 1/11 – Transforming Junk into Art like Huma Bhabha
- 1/18 – Stitch a Happy Heart Pillow
- 1/25 – Dance with Christina Compean
- 2/1 – Glazing a Clay Heart Mobile
- 2/8 – A Flurry of Felted Hearts
- 2/15 – Chihuly's Lantern

2/22 – Chihuly's Lantern - the grand finale

2/29 – Paper Arts – Quilling

Continues through March! Stay tuned for updates!