



# The Gilded Leaf

news from the New Harmony Artists' Guild

## From the Board...

This past year, the New Harmony Artists Guild has entered a new era. John Jeffrey has graciously invited the Guild to take up residence at Elliot Farm, fulfilling the dream Claudia Elliot had to make the place a Foundation for the Arts. The reenergized Board, consisting of Ben Nicholson, Liz Mumford, Jean Hadley, Stephen Lucas, Lennie Dowhie, Michelle Peterlin, and Paul Moser are committed to creating a place to incubate, practice, and welcome every aspect of art making in the region. While always respectful of the messy and unpredictable process of creativity, administratively we now have our house in order. Proper banking, insurance, state compliance, licensure, ramp accessibility, and even locks & lighting are all in place. In short, our doors are open, and we are good to go.

The Music Festival & School is graduating from our 501c3 to become its own organization, and the New Harmony Clay Project remains under the Guild's umbrella, with plans for the future.

Current programming continues from where it left off at the Blaffer Community House. The much-loved Circle of Friends meets every Thursday at 7:00pm, bringing together experienced musicians and newbies alike. Art classes taught by Janet Lorence and Michelle Peterlin, and music classes taught by Randy Pease, Kelsey Georges and

Anthony Rideout continue unabated. Additional classes are in the works. This past year, the Guild has held house concerts and events and looks forward to more to come. We have a vision for our future. Erik Arneberg bequeathed a significant sum that will become the cornerstone of our endowment. With the Guild's 20+ year history, we are taking stock of how we can fit into the fabric of New Harmony, working alongside the several organizations that nurture the arts. New Harmony includes an outsize community of creatives and we have compiled a list of over 100 artists and makers in New Harmony and its hinterland. We know we are a place for artists and musicians of every stripe, but we also have in our midst people working in arts administration, ceramics, design, textiles, cuisine, horticulture, performance, writing, crafts and body & spirit arts. These are the disciplines that New Harmony already does on a daily basis—and the Guild is here to encourage fellowship and share them with the world.

The Guild is in the process of creating a one-stop website that will include the following:

- All of New Harmony's art-related websites
- A specific arts calendar of what's going on in town
- A new 'Guild of Artists' membership in which artists can submit a short bio, their portrait, work image, and their contact/website details. Each entry can announce classes, sales, services, and studio assistance that they might offer.



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In this way, residents and visitors alike can have both a real and virtual Artists Guild where they can envision the rich interconnectivity of the arts in their midst. Visitors can imagine our town as a 'school without walls' where individuals can build a unique bundle of art projects—either as participants or spectators. The Guild can show the way for personal journeys composed of classes, lectures, events, and places. Thoughtful practice, learning skills, and meeting new people is our currency. In short, the Guild can become a catalyst where anyone can 'Come for a Day or Stay for a Lifetime'.

## Current Offerings...

**Anthony Rideout -**  
Guitar & Bass lessons  
more info at  
anrideout@gmail.com

**Kelsey Georgesen -**  
Piano lessons  
more info at  
kelsey@kelseyplayspiano.com

**Randy Pease -**  
Guitar lessons  
more info at  
Randypease53@gmail.com

**Thursday Drawing Sessions**  
led by Janet Lorence  
more info at  
harmony527@yahoo.com

**Women's Writing Group**  
led by Deb Burdick  
more info at  
debburdick@yahoo.com



## Upcoming workshops

### Edgar Degas Painting Workshop

Ages 18+, all levels

**Sat, Nov 18th, 9:00am to 3:00pm**

Fee \$68, Pre-registration required  
Canvas board, paints and pastels included;  
bring own brushes

**Michelle Peterlin, Instructor**

more info at

812-760-6352, mvpeterlin@gmail.com  
or send check to Michelle Peterlin,  
4701 Big Cynthiana Rd, Evansville, IN 47720

### Watercolor Workshop

Beginner to intermediate

**Sat, Dec. 8th, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm**

Fee \$60 paid prior to the workshop  
Students bring own materials

**Rita Davis, Instructor**

more info or register by text at  
(812)266-3433

### Coming 2024:

**Working with Felted Wool Fabric**  
**Wool Roving Hooked Mat Project**  
**Needle Felted Project**

Rita Davis, Instructor  
more info soon

## Would you like to be a NHAG instructor?

Have an idea for a workshop or a talent to share? Join us at NHAG as an instructor. For more information, contact Michelle Peterlin @ 812-760-6352, mvpeterlin@gmail.com



## Ways to Become a member of NHAG...

### Annual Artist Membership - \$25/year

allows us to promote what you do through a listing on our website and announcements, and gives **Artist Members** opportunities for offering workshops, and having booth, exhibition space, and listings in publications through NHAG

### Community Membership

allows you to be a part of supporting the array of talents within our area by helping us support *Artist Members* programming and operational needs of the Guild.

**Student \$10 - discounted & free events/classes**

**Individual \$25    Family \$40**

### Donor Levels

(Includes NHAG membership)

**Contributor: \$25-\$99**

**Supporter: \$100-\$499**

Members personally notified of all events

**Benefactor \$500-\$999**

Invited to some special events with artists

**Patron \$1,000-\$4,999**

Invitations to all special events and gatherings with artists

**Sponsor \$5,000+**

Naming rights to specific projects, Invitations to special events and gatherings with artists

*Please make checks payable to:*

New Harmony Artists' Guild

PO Box 27, New Harmony, IN 47631

New Harmony Artists' Guild is a non-profit organization under 501c3 of the Internal Revenue Service.

## HOUSE CONCERT

with **RICK HUFFMAN**

Sat, Dec 2nd, 2023

7:00pm

1221 Church St - Elliot Farm

See what's happening on the **NHAG Facebook page.**

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## NHAG's new Website

*Watch for announcement of its launch!*

## 2023-24 Board of Directors

Ben Nicholson, President

Liz Mumford, Vice President

Jean Hadley, Secretary

Stephen Lucas, Treasurer

Members:

Lenny Dowhie

Paul Moser

Michelle Peterlin

