

# Blanden Art Museum

## February 2020 Classes & Events

All classes require pre-registration – Register online, call 515-573-2316, or stop by Tues-Sat, 11am-5pm

### **February 1 – 1st Free Saturday**

**10:30am-12:30pm, All Ages**

**Donations Appreciated**

- **Groups larger than 5 must RSVP online or call ahead**

On a come and go basis, family groups of adults and children together are welcome to visit the Blanden where an area will be set up for social and creative fun. The activity area will be set up with the necessary art materials and an inspiration board with visual samples to help you create a project to take home the same day. Project ideas will be open-ended in nature, and participants are encouraged to have plenty of imagination and use their own interpretation for creating.

### **February 5 - Become a Docent!**

**11:00am-12:00pm, 16+ years old**

**Free, Limit: No Limit**

Do you love art? Enjoy working with kids and adults? Love meaningful conversations? If so, the Docent Volunteer Program is just for you. Docents are volunteer educators, serving the museum and the community in the field of art education. The program provides ongoing education sessions about tour techniques, how to think like an educator, and the Museum's exhibitions and collections.

### **February 8 – Life Drawing**

**11:00am-1:00pm, 18+ years old**

**\$10-\$20 depending on model, Limit: 10 Participants**

Bring your own materials and draw from the human form in any of its various shapes and postures, from observation of a live model, using any drawing media.

### **February 8 – Business Skills for Artists: Grantwriting**

**2:00pm-3:00pm, 16+ years old, Free**

**\*\* Online Registration Required**

**Instructor: Hope Thier, Limit: 25 Participants**

Learn the essentials of grantwriting along with resources for searching and structuring your proposal.

### **February 8 - Opening Reception**

**"Analog It" Film Based Juried Photography Exhibit**

**3:00-5:00pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Gallery**

Refreshments and light hors d'oeuvres provided

Come and go event, Free to attend, All ages welcome

On view: January 4 – March 7, 2020

### **February 12 – Alcohol Ink Painting Techniques**

**5:30-7:30pm, 12+ years old**

**\$25 Member \$30 Non-member**

**Instructor: Nanette N. Catigbe**

**Limit: 15 Participants, Minimum: 4 Participants**

**Location: River Hops Brewing, 1014 Central Avenue**

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Let us explore and familiarize ourselves with the basic techniques of using the vibrant colors of alcohol ink and create color gradients. This highly pigmented fluid medium works on non-porous surfaces such as Yupo (polypropylene synthetic paper), glossy photo paper, ceramics, metal, glass, etc. Beginners can do beautiful abstract art and create exciting projects with it. This class will also learn to paint flowers on ceramic tiles using simple techniques.

### **February 15 - Youth Art Classes: "Abstract Pressed Landscape"**

**10:00am-12:00pm, 6-10 year olds**

**12:30pm-2:30pm, 11-16 year olds**

**\$10 Member, \$15 Non-member**

**Instructor: Diane O'Hern, Limit: 12 Students in each section**

The tradition of landscape painting came about after centuries of evolving painting styles, starting with the tinted walls of the ancient Greeks. The Greeks adorned their walls with beautiful gardens and rolling hills. An easy, but ephemeral expression of a landscape is made by pressing paper in half to transfer a "print" of paints and pigments from one half of the paper to the other, similar to Rorschach ink blot prints. After printing, additional detail is added using markers or other media.

### **February 18 – Closed**

### **February 20 – After School Art Class**

**3:30-4:30pm, K – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**\$8 Member, \$10 Non-member**

**Instructor: Diane O'Hern, Limit: 15 Students**

Looking for something to do after school? Come to the Blanden, and make art! Each class features a new artist, art technique, or movement to enhance your child's knowledge of art.

### **February 22 – Block Printing 101**

**2:00-4:00pm, 12+ years old**

**\$25 Member \$30 Non-member**

**Instructor: Hope Thier**

**Limit: 15 Participants, Minimum: 4 Participants**

Design, carve and print your work all in one day! Participants will learn about the joy of repetition and printing. Block printing can be a starting point to making your own fabric designs, an edition of prints, note cards, and so much more! We will complete a canvas tote bag and a set of cards.

### **February 29 - Pottery & Tea at the Blanden**

**2:00-4:00pm, 13+ years old, \$20 per person**

**Instructor: Hope Thier, Limit: 15 Participants**

This class features a variety of ceramic forms ready for you to choose from and glaze. All materials are provided. Inspiration is offered, but you are encouraged to add your own creative flare to it! Feel free to come with designs in mind. Once your project is complete, works will be fired, and ready to be picked up in one week at the museum. Finished functional works are microwave and dishwasher safe.