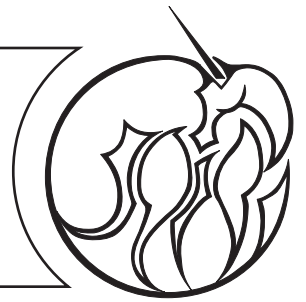


{ the avant-garde }

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{plein air at the ohio statehouse}

Join dozens of plein air artists as they converge on Capitol Square to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Ohio Statehouse. Artists throughout Ohio will "choose a spot" on Capitol Square & paint in the tradition of plein air.

Plein Air at the Ohio State House, A Sesquicentennial Event June 10, 2011, 10:00AM to 3:00PM Ohio Statehouse, Outdoor Plazas

Ohio Statehouse visitors are invited to visit with artists from Ohio Plein Air as they create their works of art. Artwork created during this day will be placed on exhibit in the Ohio Statehouse July 1 to 31, 2011. Some artwork will be available for purchase in the Statehouse Museum Shop. In case of inclement weather, the event will be rescheduled. The event is presented in partnership with Central Ohio Plein Air. More information about COPA is available at www.centralohiopleinair.com.

The day will include special tours and activity stations, a child-friendly menu in the Capitol Cafe, special performance by Jazz musician Arnett Howard & the opportunity to see & interact with dozens of plein air artists on the Statehouse lawn. The Statehouse Museum Shop will also host one of America's best silhouette artists who will provide reasonably-priced silhouette cutouts just in time for Father's Day. For more information, visit www.ohiostatehouse.org or call 614.728.9234.

{on view}

Motorist Mutual Exhibit featuring new work by members of the Worthington Area Art League

May 20-June 16, 2011

Motorist Mutual Insurance Co.
471 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215
www.artinview.com

{upcoming exhibitions}

Central Ohio Plein Air Exhibit at the MAC

A rotating exhibit from
April 14-September 30, 2011

Work by Katherine N. Crowley,
Marty Husted and
Marcoa Pozza-Mendes featured
July 25-August 15

Peggy R. McConnell Arts Center
of Worthington
777 Evening Street
Worthington, Ohio 43085
www.centralohiopleinair.com

Central Ohio Plein Air showcases the process of how individual artists create. This is a revolving exhibit featuring 3 artists each three weeks, 21 artists total. Central Ohio Plein Air is a group of over 70 artists that paint outside together weekly, and paint inside the McConnell Arts Center in winter.

{copa in the news}

The following article was published on May 18, 2011, at *OutdoorPainter.com*, the companion website to *Outdoor Painter Magazine*.

Notable Plein Air Websites
Written by Steve Doherty

The Central Ohio Plein Air (COPA) group has an interesting online slide show worth viewing. Three years ago Bill Westerman began uploading still photographs of members into the slide show, and it has turned out to be an enjoyable way to remember events.

"I post the photographs on Zenfolio, a photo hosting services for photographers and enthusiasts," Westerman explains. "The website offers a free trial for those who might want to test it, and the service costs our group \$40 a year."

"Our plein air group includes about 80 artists who live within about a 50 mile radius of Columbus, Ohio," Westerman adds. "We meet weekly to paint outdoors, starting around 8:30am, and we paint for about three hours and then gather for a show-and-tell and critique. We don't have a board of directors, we don't collect dues, and our only objective is to have fun."

To access the article visit: <http://www.outdoorpainter.com/editorial/notable-plein-air-websites.html>

To learn more about Central Ohio Plein Air visit: <http://www.centralohiopleinair.com>



{the rose festival}

Columbus Park of Roses Volunteers & Foundation in partnership with Clintonville Community Fund, WMNI's "Plant Talk" and Columbus Recreation & Parks invite you to stop & smell the roses.

The Rose Festival
Saturday, June 11, 2011
3923 North High Street, in Whetstone Park

A day-long event celebrating 11,500 roses in bloom, beautiful herb and perennial gardens along with art and music outdoors.

In the Gardens, 10:00AM-6:00PM

Experience the color & fragrance of 424 varieties of roses in full bloom as you stroll through 13 acres of garden beds, trellises & arbors. Consult with rosarians & horticulturists to answer your questions on the selection, planting & care of roses, perennials & herbs.

Watch painters from Central Ohio Plein Air & the Worthington Area Art League capturing the beauty of the gardens.

Enjoy the soothing sounds of harp, dulcimer, flute, guitar music & a capella voices. Beverages, sandwiches & pastries available for purchase from Mozart's Bakery & Cafe

In the Shelter House, 1:00PM-5:00PM

Columbus Rose Club annual rose show.

{made in america: longaberger baskets}

by Katherine N. Crowley



Over Memorial Day weekend my husband Matt and I visited Dresden, Ohio, home of the Longaberger Basket Company. As part of its Made in America Vacation we toured the Longaberger factory and had the opportunity to make a basket of our own. While making our basket we worked with Craig, who has been employed with the company as a basket weaver for the past 19 years. Longaberger employs about 150 weavers and markets its baskets and home lifestyle products through approximately 45,000 independent home consultants. Below is a brief history of Longaberger, an American craft company.



In 1896, when the Longaberger family moved to Dresden, Ohio, the tiny village still enjoyed prosperity as a rural transportation and industrial hub in the rolling foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. There was a hotel on Main Street, three railroad stations, woolen and paper mills. In the not-too-distant past, a side-cut canal connected the community with the historic Ohio Canal, transforming the village into a bustling canal town.



In 1919, J.W. Longaberger took a job with the Dresden Basket Factory. As a full-time apprentice he meticulously learned the basketmaking art by first crafting basket bottoms. Later he mastered the precise, tight weaving style that would become his trademark. J.W. grew to love the art of basket making.

While working at the basket factory, J.W. met Bonnie Jean Gist. They married in 1927. During the Great Depression, the Dresden Basket Factory closed. In 1936, J.W. and Bonnie purchased the closed Dresden Basket Factory then named his new business The Ohio Ware Basket Company.



The Longaberger family eventually grew to include 12 children. In 1934, Dave was born with three strikes against him. His family was economically disadvantaged, he stuttered so badly people had difficulty understanding him, and he had epilepsy in a time when the condition was not widely understood.

Dave's liabilities did not stand in the way of his ambition, however. In 1963, when Harry's Dairy Bar in Dresden came up for sale, Dave and his wife bought it. Later, Dave purchased the defunct A&P Grocery in town. He remodeled and expanded the building, and opened the Dresden IGA Foodliner. The couple had two daughters, Tami and Rachel.

Dave opened J.W.'s Handwoven Baskets™ in 1976 in Dresden. Dave envisioned a basket factory with hundreds of craftsmen and craftswomen weaving, tacking, talking and laughing. Dave became increasingly convinced that American consumers wanted the handmade craftsmanship and quality of Longaberger baskets. He tried different ways to sell baskets at malls, department stores and other retail outlets, with varying degrees of success. In 1978, Dave discovered that the most effective way to sell the company's baskets was not through retail outlets but through home shows, where an educated home consultant could show Longaberger baskets and share the history and explain the craftsmanship that each basket holds. The Longaberger Company's direct sales organization was born.



In 1984, Dave's daughter, Tami, joined the company and in 1994 Dave appointed her president. Working side by side until Dave's death in 1999, Tami learned her father's management principles first-hand. Dave's younger daughter, Rachel, carries on the family's tradition of philanthropy by heading The Longaberger Foundation. Today, The Longaberger Company is America's premier maker of handcrafted baskets and offers other home and lifestyle products.

{all around the town}

{fine art}

Columbus College of Art & Design (<http://www.ccad.edu>)

"132nd Student Exhibition", Opens May 13, 2011
 "Masters of Design", Senior Fashion Show, May 13, 2011

The Columbus Cultural Arts Center

(<http://www.culturalartscenteronline.org>)
 "Andrew Ina: New Frontier", May 13-June 25

The Columbus Museum of Art (<http://www.columbusmuseum.org>)

"2011 Greater Columbus Arts Council Visual Arts Exhibition"
 April 29-July 3

"Ground Control: Black Ghost Blues Redux", Through June 30

Dublin Arts Council (<http://www.dublinarts.org>)

"Inside Looking Out: Sara Gallo & David Jewell", May 3-June 17

McConnell Arts Center (<http://www.mcconnellarts.org>)

"Basted Vision: Art Quilts", May 12-July 4
 "Central Ohio Plein Air", April 14-September 30
 "On Landscape: David Stichweh & Linda Wesner", May 19-June 19

Ohio Historical Society (<http://www.ohiohistory.org>)

"Controversy: Pieces You Don't Normally See", April 1-Nov 20

The Riffe Gallery (<http://www.oac.state.oh.us/riffe/>)

"Happiness: Quilted Expressions", May 5-July 10

The Wexner Center (<http://www.wexarts.org>)

"Human Behavior: Nathalie Djurberg with Music by Hans Berg"
 "Double Sexus", Hans Bellmer & Louise Bourgeois,
 "Pipilotti Rist: The Tender Room"
 All: March 26-July 31

{performing arts}

Columbus Symphony (<http://www.columbusssymphony.com>)

Picnic with the Pops Performances at Chemical Abstracts
 "The Jazz Ambassadors" June 18
 "The Music of Michael Jackson" June 25

CAPA Summer Movie Series (<http://www.capa.com>)

All presentations at the Ohio Theater
 "The Wizard of Oz" June 17-19
 "Alfred Hitchcock's Frenzy" June 22-23
 "Bridget Jones' Diary" June 24
 "Cartoon Capers" June 25
 "To Kill a Mockingbird" June 25-26
 "High Noon" June 29-30

Opera Columbus (<http://www.capa.com>)

"The Pirates of Penzance", June 10-12, Southern Theater

{fairs & festivals}

Columbus Arts Festival (<http://www.gcac.org>)

Discovery District, June 3-5

Granville Art Affair & Wine Festival

(<http://www.granvilleartaffair.com>) Bryn Du Mansion, June 11

Stop & Smell the Roses: Columbus Rose Festival

(<http://www.parkofroses.org>) Whetstone Park of Roses, June 11

Creekside Blues & Jazz Festival

(<http://www.creeksidebluesandjazz.com>) Gahanna, June 17-19

Juneteenth Celebration (<http://www.juneteenthohio.net>)

Franklin Park, June 17-19

Pride Festival (<http://www.columbuspride.org>)

Goodale Park, June 17-18

ComFest (<http://www.comfest.com>)

Goodale Park, June 24-26

Easton Art Affair (<http://www.eastonartaffair.com>)

Easton Town Center, June 24-26

{and beyond}

The Akron Art Museum (<http://www.akronartmuseum.org>)

"All -Star Jazz: Photographs of Herman Leonard"

The Museum of Fine Arts Boston (<http://www.mfa.org>)

"Chihuly: Through the Looking Glass", April 10-August 7

"Violet Isle: A Photographic Portrait of Cuba, Alex Webb & Rebecca Norris Webb", May 25, 2011-January 16, 2012

ICA Boston (<http://www.icaboston.org>)

"The Record", April 15-September 5

"Catherine Opie: Empty & Full", Through September 5

The Cincinnati Art Museum (<http://www.cincinnatiartmuseum.org>)

"The Amazing American Circus Poster", Through July 10

The Cleveland Museum of Art (<http://www.clevelandart.org>)

"Cleveland Op Art Pioneers", Through February 2012

The Art Institute of Chicago (<http://www.artic.edu>)

"Hyperlinks: Architecture & Design", Through July 20

Dayton Art Institute (<http://www.daytonartinstitute.org>)

"Winslow Homer: From Romance to Rifles" Through October 2

Los Angeles County Museum of Art (<http://www.lacma.org>)

"Tim Burton" May 29-October 31

Minneapolis Institute of Art (<http://www.artsmia.org>)

"The Experiment Continues: Design from 1945-Present",
 May 19-September 11

"Collateral Damage: Scenes from a War", April 2-July 24

New Orleans Museum of Art (<http://www.noma.org>)

"Ancestors of Congo Square", May 13-July 17

Metropolitan Museum of Art, NYC (<http://www.metmuseum.org>)

"Richard Serra Drawing: A Retrospective", Through August 28

"Rooms with a View: The Open Window in the 19th Century",
 Through July 4

Museum of Modern Art, New York (<http://www.moma.org>)

"Francis Alys: A Story of Deception", Through August 1

"Seeing Red: Hungarian Revolutionary Posters, 1919", Through August 1

San Francisco Museum of Modern Art (<http://www.sfmoma.org>)

"New Work: Anna Parkina", Through June 19

The Toledo Museum of Art (<http://www.toledomuseum.org>)

"The Baroque World of Fernando Botero", Through June 12

The National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C. (<http://www.nga.gov>)

"The Gothic Spirit of John Taylor Arms", November 27

"Johannes Vermeer & Dutch Scenes of Daily Life in the 1600s",
 April 10-July 24

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