#### **ALUMNI NEWSLETTER | MARCH 2025**





#### **Upcoming Events**

March 4 Fine Art Artist Talk, Abigail Dudley, 12:45 pm, Atrium (see below)

March 6 Thursday Night Figure Drawing, 6-9 pm, Room 404 (see below)

March 7 Gallery opening, Lancaster County Young Artists & Scholastics (through April 20), 5-8 pm

March 13 Thursday Night Figure Drawing, 6-9 pm, Room 404

March 20 Thursday Night Figure Drawing, 6:15-9 pm, Room 404

March 27 Thursday Night Figure Drawing, 6-9 pm, Room 404

March 27 Alumni Meet & Greet, 5-7 pm, spaces limited, registration required

If you have news, an event, or an announcement you'd like to share, please email Jen Kopf, at <u>jkopf@pcad.edu</u>. Stay in touch and share your stories at <u>pcad.edu/alumni</u>



## Meet & Greet at Rock Lititz

Join us for the Spjing Alumni Night event on March 27 from 5-7 pm.

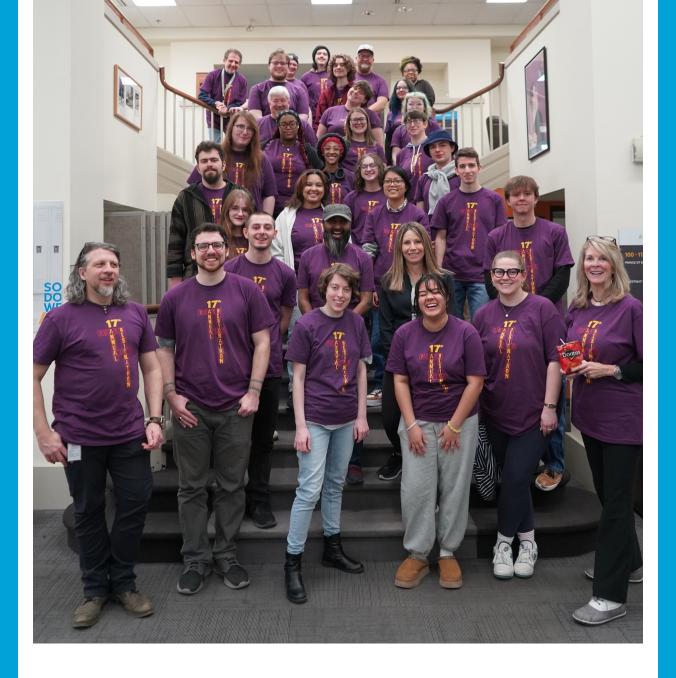
You'll have a chance to meet PCA&D's new President, Dr. Andrew Barnes.

You'll also get to tour the PCA&D LiveX classrooms and studio at the Academy of Live Technology

building on the Rock Lititz campus.

And we'll gather afterward for a meet & greet at the Hotel Rock Lititz bar, Per Diem. Light snacks will be provided with a cash bar. The event is limited to 50 guests, so be sure to register asap by clicking the link below.

Registration



#### A big thank you to our Designathon crew

A huge thank you to our PCA&D Designathon teams, who spent much of their day on Feb. 8 brainstorming and designing on behalf of seven local non-profit organizations -- and even completed their work in less time than usual, thanks to impending bad weather! Dozens of students, alumni, faculty, and staff got creative with logos, brochures, posters, and more for these groups: the Harrisburg Green Alliance, the League of Women Voters, Strasburg Senior Citizens, The .918 Club at the Heritage Press Museum, YWCA of Lancaster, The Edible Classroom, and Ambassadors for Hope. Curious to see what came out of their sessions? Go here to learn more and see examples of their work.



"Holly on Orange Chair", courtesy of the artist

## Observational painter Abigail Dudley visits Tuesday, 3/4

Abigail Dudley, who began her career in higher education in biology before switching to fine arts, will visit PCA&D this Tuesday, March 4, for a 12:45 Artist Talk in the Atrium. A guest of the Fine Art Department, Dudley is an observational painter who works in oils and watercolor. Dudley is a 2021 BFA graduate of The Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, has been awarded numerous scholarships and grants to further her work, and has exhibited extensively.

The event is open to all.

You can learn more about Dudley's work in this Hyperallergic article from 2024 or here in her recent interview with PCA&D.



## Callie Morton '22, Fine Art, is PCA&D Artist in Residence

Callie Morton, a 2022 Fine Art BFA graduate of the College, has been named the 2024-25 Artist in Residence. Her studio in Room 403 is the site of work in various stages of completion for an upcoming residency exhibition, and she spent the fall semester helping Fine Art Chair Becky Blosser with a Printmaking I class. Stay tuned for more information on Morton's residency and exhibition and, in the meantime, read our interview with Morton here.

#### Next up in the Main Gallery

The Main Gallery at Pennsylvania College of Art & Design is excited to serve as a host for the Lancaster County Young Artists & Scholastics exhibition. An opening reception will be held for First Friday on March 7, from 5-8 pm, in the Gallery.

As a host site for the exhibition, PCA&D will show works by students representing Cocalico, Conestoga Valley, Donegal, Homeschool, Janus School, Lancaster Catholic, Lancaster Country Day, and Lancaster Mennonite.

#### Thursday Night Figure Drawing is back

Looking for more creative community? Come join Thursday Night Figure Drawing open to alumni, students, faculty, and staff, most Thursday nights from 6-9 pm in Room 404. Come work with a live model and long poses good for drawing and painting! Upcoming dates: March 6, March 13, March 20 (6:15 pm), March 27, April 3, and April 10.

#### Wednesday Night Figure Group dates thru June

Looking to gather with like-minded artists for Figure Drawing? The Wednesday Night Figure Group is confirmed for dates through June! Just \$10 per session, the group meets from 6-9 pm in Room 404 on the following dates: March 5, April 2, and June 4. (There will be no session in May due to the Senior Show). See you there!



# CCE's classes, summer camps, and workshops are now up for registration

Experiences at the College's Center for Creative Exploration are open to all members of the public, and are a great way to stretch your creative wings and knowledge. Soon you'll be able to explore the upcoming session of options for <u>Adult Professional</u>

<u>Development</u>, <u>Adult Enrichment</u>, <u>Pre-College for High School Students</u>, as well as <u>Young Artist options for Grades 1-9</u>.

If you're not sure what a friend or loved one would want to study, give them a choice: CCE Gift Cards are a great option! You can purchase those by clicking on the blue button below.

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#### Recent PCA&D accomplishments ...

- Ashley Moog Bowlsbey '12, Photography & Video Adjunct, recently had work featured in the <u>Head On Photo Festival 2024</u>, as an Exposure Finalist. The Australian exhibition, held at Paddington Reservoir Gardens, displayed Moog Bowlsbey's piece *Second Skin*. Her recent work examines topics of body image and feminine beauty ideals, and she has exhibited both nationally and internationally. You can see her work online at <u>ashleymoog.com</u>.
- An interview with wildlife artist Matt Doyle '09, Fine Art, was recently featured
  in On the Water magazine, a showcase of fish and fishermen, and last year was
  awarded Wildlife Artist of the Year by the Pennsylvania Taxidermy Association. You
  can read On the Water's interview with Doyle here, and see more of his work
  at mattdoylefineart.com.
- Work by Parker Galen '23, Fine Art, is on display in Materiality, in Sykes Gallery,
  Millersville University, through March 20. Galen, a former Emerging Artist in
  Residence at the university, is part of the exhibition as one of Millersville's
  Volunteers in Service artists. Over the past few years, the exhibition notes,
  Galen's work has become more focused on fibers, "expressed with a sense of
  delicate beauty in works made of refuse." Follow his work on Instagram
  at @park.does.art.
- Work by Jason Herr '16, Fine Art, is part of a three-artist exhibition, Wayward, through March 13 at Newchild Gallery, Antwerp, Belgium. A former <u>Fine Art Alumni Artist in Residence</u> at PCA&D (2019-2020), Herr also <u>exhibited in A Solitary Loop</u>, in 2023, in the College's Main Gallery. He has exhibited extensively both nationally and internationally, and was interviewed in November by ArtHub Magazine. You

can see more of his work on Instagram at @jas0n herr .

- Three PCA&D Fine Art alumni -- <u>Aubrey Maurer</u> '22, <u>Callie Morton</u> '22, and <u>Emily Reifsnyder</u> '22, along with Lancaster native <u>Danielle Lillich</u> -- are showing their work in *Unfolding Stories: A Women Exhibition*, opening April 3 with a reception, 6-8 pm, at the Kerlin Gallery of <u>Creative York</u>, 10 N. Beaver St., York. An artist lecture will be held April 4 at 6 pm, and the exhibition runs through May 10.
- Work by Amelia Mellberg '21, Illustration, was recently part of the Love Me, Love
  Me Not heart-themed show at HIVE artspace Gallery and artist collective in York
  City. Mellberg, who is based in York, uses a variety of media to create work that is
  vibrant, whimsical, and evokes a sense of childlike wonder. Follow Mellberg's work
  on Instagram at @amelia.mellberg.arts and at ameliamellberg.com.
- Congratulations to **Kelly Phan** '22, Graphic Design, who has been promoted from Junior Graphic Designer to Designer at <u>Tower Marketing</u>.
- Mak Sherrid '24, Illustration, is expanding his creativity as Assistant Director of Costume at the award-winning Dutch Wonderland theme park. <u>Go here</u> to learn more about this recent graduate's work.
- <u>Austin Taylor</u> '24, Graphic Design, has started a new position as a Graphic Designer for <u>Nexus Motorsport</u>. Taylor was a <u>GDUSA Student to Watch</u> in 2024.

#### Seats open on the PCA&D Alumni Council

A message from Joe Palumbo '08, Illustration, Alumni Council Chair:

We have open seats on the Alumni Council and we are thrilled to collaborate with you! It's a very low-commitment council. There are some email chains here and there, and we meet online 2-3 times per school year. Because the meetings are online, this is open to alumni in any location! Please email joe@joepalumbo.net if interested.



## College Career Services is open to help all Alumni

Whether the final draft of your resume could use another set of eyes, or it's time to start from scratch and design one that really reflects new skills you've learned in your time since graduation, don't forget that the College's Career Services Team is ready to help alumni. Looking for interview tips, or have questions about that process? They're available for that help, too.

Career Services also is a great place to check if you're searching for that next job. Reach out via email at <a href="mailto:careerservices@pcad.edu">careerservices@pcad.edu</a>, and someone will be in touch!

### Alumni: Our Admissions events need \*you\*!

One of PCA&D's most powerful voices for Admissions events and prospective students and their families is the voice of alumni: Your firsthand perspective and experiences are invaluable sources of information! Reach out to <a href="mailto:admissions@pcad.edu">admissions@pcad.edu</a> if you'd be interested in returning as a panelist/speaker or submitting an alumni "day in the life" video for Admissions events.









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