



Pennsylvania College
of Art & Design



Work by Kelly DeFlavia '27, Fine Art.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 1 Labor Day holiday; College closed

Sept. 5 *Unearthing Solitude* opening reception with artist **Callie Morton '22**, Fine Art, 5-9 pm, PCA&D Main Gallery (*see below*)

Sept. 5 Lancaster First Friday

Sept. 5 Lancaster Print Crawl, 5-9 pm, downtown Lancaster

Sept. 10 CCE Art Recess for Adults, 4:30-6:30 pm, Zoetropolis, 112 N. Water St.

Sept. 13 CCE Art at Manor Market, Millersville, 9 am to 1 pm (*see below*)

Sept. 20 Chalk the Walk neighborhood art contest, noon to 2 pm, Rodney Park (*see below*)

Sept. 21 CCE Art at Brunch Art Bag Challenge, 11 am to 2 pm, Zoetropolis (*see below*)

Join the Parents Council!

We are excited to welcome your student to campus for the start of the fall semester. As a PCA&D parent, we'd like to invite you to learn more and be a more active member of our community. One way to do that is to join the Parents Council.

PCA&D Trustee and Parents Council Chair Robin Resnick will be hosting a [virtual Parents Council meeting](#) on September 10 at 7 pm.

You are welcome to join us as we meet with College administrators and leaders and discuss the work of our art and design education at PCA&D.



Welcome to PCA&D! After a quiet summer on campus (besides the major Atrium refresh!), we're so glad to see everyone back on campus! About 125 Foundation and transfer students joined our student body this August, bringing our total to about 425 – and we're thrilled to welcome each one to what promises to be a great year!



Main Gallery exhibition: *Unearthing Solitude*

PCA&D's Main Gallery welcomes **Callie Morton '22**, Fine Art, in an exhibition of her work completed during her time as the 2024-2025 Fine Art Artist in Residence. *Unearthing Solitude* will be celebrated with an Opening Reception on First Friday, Sept. 5, from 5-9 pm. The work, Morton writes in an artist statement, "bridges together a journey of new life. Exploring themes of abandonment and identity through painting and printmaking, the work grew to tell my story of recovery. This body of work began in the midst of my addiction and through time found its conclusion in my life in recovery. Figures carry expressions and colors that explore playfulness and melancholy. As the work progressed so did the willingness to play and experiment in connection with artistic principles of color, shape, and composition..."

CCE September events open to community

PCA&D's Center for Creative Exploration has three special events in September that are open to the public:

- **Sept. 10: Art Recess for Adults -- Making tote bags** -- from 4:30-6:30 pm in the Snug Art Bar of Zoetropolis, 112 N. Water St. Suggested donation of \$2.
 - **Sept. 13: Art at Manor Market**, 321 Manor Ave., Millersville. CCE will host a family-friendly tent where participants can make Sharpie Tie Dye on bandanas from 9 am to 1 pm Manor Market is free; this CCE project is by donation.
 - **Sept. 20 Chalk the Walk Neighborhood Art Contest**, noon to 2 pm, in Rodney Park, 200 Crystal St., Lancaster. Show off what you'd create with chalk in a sidewalk square, as part of the West Jewels neighborhood block party. Prizes awarded by age group (ages 5-8, ages 9-12, ages 13-17 teen, 18_ adult, age 65 and older), and participants keep their pack of chalk. Participation is free; sign up at <https://bit.ly/ChalkTheWalk2025>.
 - **Sept. 21: Art at Brunch -- Art Bag Challenge (wearables)**, 11 am to 2 pm in the Snug Art Bar of Zoetropolis, 112 N. Water St. Think Chopped, but we're making wearable art! From 11 am to 1:30 pm, everyone of every age is welcome to the lobby area of Zoetropolis where you will be given a mysterious bag of materials to be used in a work of art. You can use pieces of things, but every material must be incorporated. Once finished, wear your piece and compete for trophies, or give yourself a hand for making great art, and feel free to take your piece home. Voting and judging take place from 1:30 to 1:40 pm. No registration required (reservations required with Zoetropolis if you intend to brunch). Suggested \$5 donation.
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It's time! CCE's fall classes are open for registration

Sure, Fall means the back-to-school rush for some of us, but it also brings another highlight: the Center for Creative Exploration's autumn lineup of classes and workshops is now open for registration! From Young Artists in grades 1-9 through Pre-College and Professional Development classes and Adult

creativity and your skills. Click on each category below to see what's being offered this fall!

- **Young Artist** (grades 1-9): Classes can be found [here](#).
- **Pre-College** (grades 9-12): Options can be found [here](#).
- **Adult Professional**: Classes can be found [here](#).
- **Adult Enrichment**: Classes can be found [here](#).

Gabriel Barreto's *Andinos* exhibiting in Japan

Andinos, a collection of photographs by **Gabriel Barreto**, will be exhibiting in Japan beginning in September. The first exhibition of *Andinos* was in PCA&D's Main Gallery in Spring 2024, and the college supported production of the prints, which have now traveled to Japan. The exhibition begins in Tokyo, before traveling to Otama, Fukushima, and Takayama, Gifu.



Recent PCA&D accomplishments ...

- **Brittany Blair** '18, Digital Media, has started a new position at Psyop, working with the pipeline team to create new tools and workflow improvements.
- **Ophelia Chambliss**, who was presented with an Honorary Doctor of Fine Arts by the College at the 2023 Commencement ceremony, was honored with the York Downtown First's "Cultural Catalyst" award last month. The award is in recognition of individuals who have contributed significantly to the cultural life of downtown York, Pennsylvania.
- The work of **Xani Dean**, a Center for Creative Exploration instructor, will be featured on the poster for the 2025 Lancaster Print Crawl on Sept. 5. Participants in the interactive event will create Dean's design by stopping by pop-up print stations around Lancaster City, each of which will provide part of the overall poster via screen printing, letterpress, stamping, laser cutting riso, 3D printing and vinyl sticker graphics. Poster templates will be available on the day of the event or in advance [here](#).
- **Mickey Hess** '25, Fine Art, was one of a dozen Emerging Artists chosen to show and sell their work as part of the Long's Park Art Festival 2025, held over Labor Day weekend. This nationally rated festival featured 200 juried artists and is consistently named one of the best arts and crafts festivals in the nation.
- **Alexis Lebesco** '21, Illustration, has been promoted to Senior Project Manager at FASTSIGNS.
- Work by **Abigail Rae Lowe** '17, Illustration, was used for the pitch deck of a new Megamind Rules series that is now streaming on Peacock.
- *A Common Thread*, an exhibition featuring the work of eight PCA&D alumni and curated by **Kayla Smith** '24, Fine Art, opened last month and runs through Dec. 17 at Chesapeake Gallery, Harford Community College, Maryland. An opening reception will be held Sept. 11 from 6-7:30 pm. Artists exhibiting in *A Common Thread* include **Hannah Aust** '24, Photography & Video; **Krista Canoles** '25, Fine Art; **Ceanna Davis** '24, Fine Art; **Alivia Haltom** '24, Fine Art; **Kayla Smith**; **Sherrie Snyder** '24, Fine Art; **Kelby Weaver** '24, Illustration; and **Nicole Wesoloski** '24, Fine Art. *A Common Thread* brings together eight emerging artists whose creative paths, while varied in medium and intent, intersect at a pivotal threshold. The artists work across disciplines: painting, photography, printmaking, and sculpture.
- Photographs by **Sam Yesko** '26, Photography & Video, have been selected as some of the top 15 photos for the 20/20 Photo Festival Black & White Tote Bag Competition in Philadelphia this month.

How we share news with your student

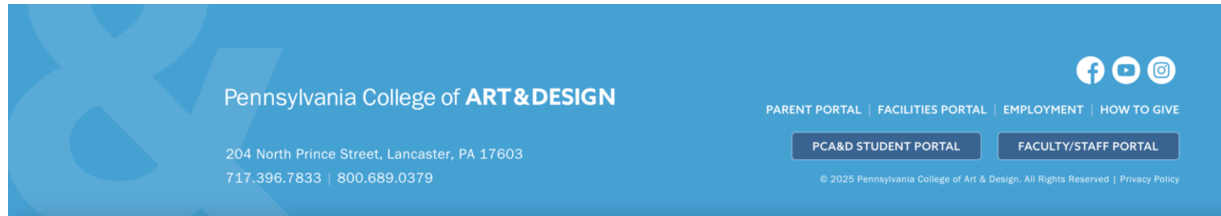
We encourage you to ask your student if they are checking their email and the College's social media accounts to stay updated:

- The [College Instagram account at @pcad_edu](#) shares announcements and reminders.
- The [College Facebook account](#) does the same.
- Early each Monday morning, year-round, *This Week at PCA&D* lands in your student's College email Inbox. This newsletter brings students up to date on what

will be going on around campus and Lancaster that coming week. Gallery events, speakers, clubs, and more are all here.

- Every Friday, our *Student Opportunities* newsletter goes out via College email. This newsletter contains art-related internship, job, and volunteer opportunities both on campus and off.

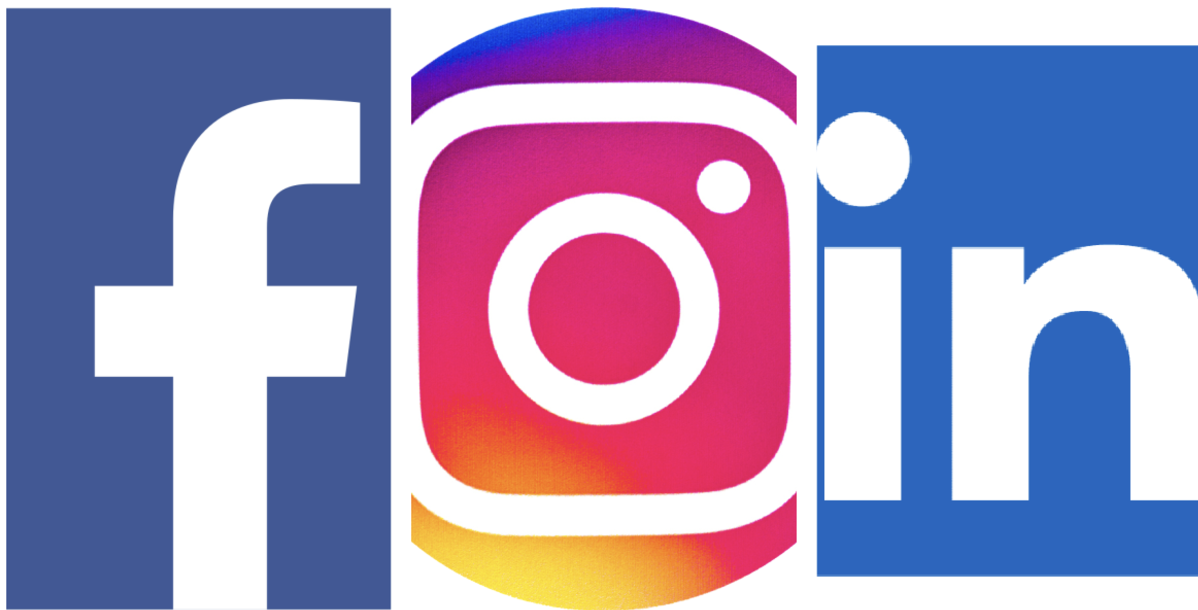
PCA&D uses a mix of all of these resources to keep our whole campus community up to date. And, of course, there's this monthly newsletter aimed at families, which joins monthly communications to alumni and our community of supporters.



How to access your Parent Portal

The Parents Council requested that the College create a Parents Portal just for you. You can also find it at the bottom of the pcad.edu homepage. We hope you will find useful information here.

[PARENT PORTAL](#)



Find and engage with us on social media

Parents, an easy way to keep up with PCA&D events, news, celebrations, and announcements is to follow us on social media! We share everything from student artwork and awards to upcoming exhibitions, faculty, staff, and student

accomplishments, and need-to-know updates on what's going on at PCA&D. See you online!

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