

## Environmental Art Projects at Stone House Farm & Inn

May 15, 11:30 am – 1 pm

**Smart Phone Photography**

Artist: Mande Hackenberg

*with Perry County Homeschoolers*



# SMARTPHONE *Photography*

Workshop participants strolled around the farm and surrounding grounds taking photos with their smartphones while learning how to make their photos stand out. This workshop explored editing tools available on smartphones and taught simple photo basics like composition and framing, all to take a better photo. Participants selected favorites to be printed, framed, and kept at the farm as part of a permanent installation.



May 18, 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

## Fossil Stepping Stones

Artist: Eve Gurbacki

with Commonwealth Charter Academy



# FOSSIL

## *Stepping Stones*

Participants learned about fossils and created their own fossil stepping stones using natural items found at the farm. After the cement was mixed, it was poured into a mold, and found objects were placed on top. While the stones were being curated, everyone made a take-home stepping stone, necklace, or ornament out of air dry clay. When the stones are fully dried, the natural items will be removed leaving magnificent fossils for all to enjoy.



June 7 & 14, 12:00 - 4:00 pm

## Mini Quilt Installation

Artist: Janice Bailor

with Perry County Homeschoolers



# MINI *Quilt Installation*

This is a series of mini quilts featuring a nature/woodland theme inspired by the location of Stonehouse Farm. Participants used a natural wood stump stamp to first create an inked image on the background of their mini quilt. Then added a second layer using appliqué techniques. Following this, participants added textural stitches for a quilted effect. Finally, each participant chose material for hanging tabs and a stick for hanging their piece.



July 13, 9:00-11:00 am and 12:00 - 2:00 pm

**Botanical Art Print**

Artist: Sue Hetrick

*with Penn State Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners*



# BOTANICAL *Art Print*

The participants had a wonderful time at the farm, where they got to witness nature in full bloom. They used this inspiration to create a botanical print on fabric, using leaves, grasses, plants, and flowers found on the Stone House Farm & Inn property. The final product will be a table runner for the farmhouse that will be displayed in the tannery for all to enjoy.



July 18, 12:00 - 3:00 pm

## Design-a-Tile

Artist: Kirsten Olsen

with Newport School District



# DESIGN A *Tile*

During this event, individuals were given the chance to create designs on 4x4 tiles using their senses. They were encouraged to explore the farm and take note of what they saw, heard, and felt. Each participant focused on the visuals, sounds, and textures they experienced, and expressed their interpretations through their designs on the clay tiles. These tiles will be permanently displayed on posts behind the Inn, becoming a lasting addition to the property.



September 18, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

**Community View Opening Reception**

Artist: Carol Reed

*Open to the Public*



# COMMUNITY *View*

Artist Carol Reed collected images of eyes to create a final project that includes a mix of local and remote images. Although these two groups may never meet in person, she has joined them together through her "Community View" project. The images were hand sketched on porcelain plaques, and were fully fired but not sealed with glaze, allowing nature to interact with the rough matte surface.



September 14 & 19, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

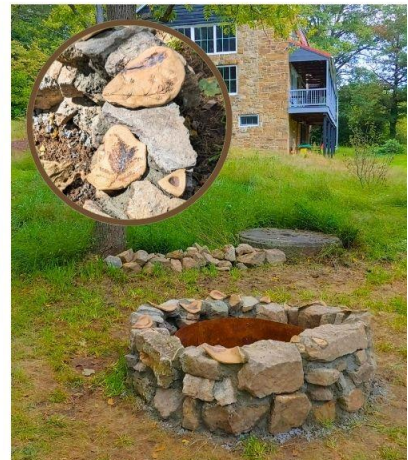
## Create a Fire Pit

Artist: Thomas Oakes  
with Farm Participants



# CREATE *a Fire Pit*

This 2-day project was an impressive collaboration resulting in a beautiful and functional fire pit. Participants learned about different types of rocks which led to the creation of organic shapes onto wet clay imprinted with found items from the grounds. Participants placed each stone together thoughtfully in the fire pit round and the rocks were mortored into place. After drying and firing the imprinted clay pieces, the finished ceramics were secured on the fire pit.



October 12, 12 - 3:00 pm

## Decorate Pottery with Foliage

Artist: John Guarnera

with Perry County Homeschoolers



# DECORATE POTTERY *with Foliage*

Artist John Guarnera and participants explored the farm grounds to collect suitable plant materials for the saggars. These specialized foil wraps are used to protect each pot being fired.

The team of artists then carefully wrapped each pot with the collected plant materials, along with additional supplied materials such as copper carbonate and salt.

Finally, each piece was pit-fired on the farm property, resulting in a collection of expertly crafted and unique pottery pieces.

