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THE ARTS LIVE PROGRAM AT RED TOMATO FARM & INN RECEIVES GRANT FUNDING

NEWVILLE—The Arts Live Program, coordinated by Maureen Joyce, has recently been awarded a one-year grant from Pennsylvania Council on the Arts (PCA), through its Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts (PPA) regional partnership with Community Partnerships RC&D Inc. to fund the Fourth Annual Arts Live Program at Red Tomato Farm & Inn.

The Arts Live Series is a creative collaboration between Hempfield Behavioral Health and local artists hosted at Red Tomato Farm & Inn. The Series hosts and supports local artists monthly from March – October and includes projects pertaining to photography, painting, clay, tin punching, mono-printing, cyanotype, ceramic tiles, weaving, bookmaking and copper etching. All events in the series are a collaboration between the artists, farm participants and community members. Community participation is highly encouraged with an open invitation to all events.

“This project is set up to engage a diverse group in a hands-on experience to gain creative skills.” said Maureen Joyce, Arts Live Coordinator. “It has been designed to create a collaborative environment for all, in which each person’s artistic abilities and perspectives are valued and encouraged.”

Funding from the grant will be used to pay artists, purchase equipment such as easels, brushes, and safety equipment, finance material costs for projects, and to promote and document each event.

The aim of Red Tomato Farm is to provide adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities meaningful work rooted in farm tasks that create opportunities to interact with the

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general public and community. The Arts Live experience has been designed for participants to make art as well as to interact with the community.

Please visit Hempfield's web and social media page at www.hempfieldpa.com and [facebook.com/hempfieldpa](https://www.facebook.com/hempfieldpa) for more information about Red Tomato Farm & Inn and the Arts Live Series or call 717-559-FARM (3276) for more information.