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## GALLERY 304 TO HOST OPENING ART RECEPTIONS

**SELINSROVE**— Gallery 304 is pleased to announce an upcoming art reception that will feature the works of two distinguished artists: Nick Park and Jeanney Wharton. The opening reception is scheduled to take place on October 20th from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, and it is open to all members of the community.

Nick Park (Nick Park Pottery) is excited to be making his hometown ceramics debut at Gallery 304. A graduate of the University of the Arts, Nick spent nearly a decade pursuing a career in musical theatre in NYC before pivoting into ceramics. He now practices this work on a daily basis through his own making and teaching. Nick has been an instructor in multiple studios throughout the city and has shown his work in numerous spaces and shops, including his current collection Spring Forward at MADE NYC. With his collection, Homeward Bound, Nick hopes to explore themes that keep us connected to home in both positive and negative ways. Bound TO home and bound BY home. He plays on uplifting memories of love and connection while also exploring the darker side of these moments and the growth required to blossom into your most authentic self.

Jeanney Wharton, a versatile artist with a diverse range of skills, will be showcasing her paintings at Gallery 304. Wharton has studied and practiced various forms of art, including pottery, painting, mosaic, and graphic design. Her art is informed by a deep appreciation for the infinite possibilities that art offers for self-discovery and growth. Wharton believes that stories have a beginning and middle, but no end. Her story has an open perspective and an endless sense of discovery. Her quest is to learn through art history and the actions of art for limitless opportunities.

Gallery 304, is a newly established art gallery and coffee shop located at 304 S. Market Street in Selinsgrove. The gallery offers a unique employment skill development program for individuals

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with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The program provides valuable learning experiences in marketing, advertising, retail operations, maintenance, housekeeping, gallery operations, and coffee shop service. This supportive environment encourages learning, apprenticeship, and fosters a sense of community.

For more information about Gallery 304, please contact Deborah Shaffer at Hempfield Behavioral Health at 717-559-3276, or visit the website and social media page at [www.hempfieldpa.com](http://www.hempfieldpa.com) and [facebook.com/hempfieldpa](https://facebook.com/hempfieldpa).



*Jeanney Wharton*



*Nick Park*