Environmental Art Projects at Stone House Farm & Inn

May 15, 11:30 am – 1 pm

Smart Phone Photography

Artist: Mandee 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

Learn about fossils and create stepping-stones! Help mix cement, pour into a mold, and press found objects into it to create a beautiful stepping-stone. While the stones are being curated make a take home piece out of Model Magic that can be made into small stepping-stones, ornamentals, or necklaces.

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

Mini Quilt Installation

Artist: Janice Bailor

with Perry County Homeschoolers

This will be a quilt installation consisting of a series of mini quilts featuring a nature/woodland theme inspired by the location of Stonehouse. Use a natural wood stump stamp to first create an inked image on the background of their mini quilt. Then add a second layer to their quilt using appliqué techniques. Following the appliqué, learn how to add textural stitches for the quilted effect. Finally choose materials for hanging tabs and a stick for hanging their piece for instillation.

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

Experience the farm in full bloom! Create a botanical print on fabric using leaves, grasses and plants and flowers found on the property at Stone House Farm & Inn. The finished project will be a hanging tapestry.

July 18, 12:00 - 3:00 pm

Design-a-Tile

Artist: Kirsten Olsen

with Newport School District

Design 4x4 tiles using your senses! Meander around the farm and surrounding grounds and take notes of the things that can been seen, heard, and felt. See animals, hear the roar of the creek, feel the texture of trees and rocks, or feel a warm breeze. Then, with a focus on sights, sounds, textures experienced translate these senses into designs to be carved into the tiles. The tiles will become a permanent fixture of the property, later being mounted to posts behind the Inn.

September 18, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Community View Opening Reception

Artist: Carol Reed Open to the Public

Images of eyes will be gathered through interaction with the artist on site at Stone House Farm & Inn, other locations in Perry County, or through the submission of electronic files. Images will be of both open and closed eyes. The final project will be a mix of local eyes and those from farther afield. Even though the two groups may never meet in person they will be represented together through "Community View". Once the images have been collected, they will be drawn on porcelain plaques, open eyes on one side and closed on the other. The fully fired plaques will not be sealed with glaze, allowing

nature to interact with the rough matte surface. Finished plaques will be situated on the grounds of Stone House Farm & Inn at two locations of different heights, facing each other so they can interact.

September TBD, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Create a Fire Pit

Artist: Thomas Oakes with Farm Participants

Design ceramic elements that will adorn a permanent fire pit at Stone House Farm & Inn. During the first class work together to lay out the fire pit, make the wet clay and create organic shapes imprinted with found items from the grounds which can include but are not limited to flowers, nuts, berries, and leaves. Explore using personal finger or handprints as well. The second class will be used to place all the finished ceramics on the fire pit, completing the project.

October 12, 11:00 am - 3:00 pm **Decorate Pottery with Foliage**

Artist: John Guarnera

with Perry County Homeschoolers

As a group wander the farm ground, including the wetlands, to find appropriate plant materials to include in a sagger (foil wrap used in the firing of each pot) with each piece of pottery. Wrap pottery with plant materials and a few other supplied materials (copper carbonate and salt). Once the pots are ready in saggers, they will be pit-fired on the property. Everyone will take home their piece and one piece will be left at the farm.