

Wayne County Council for the Arts, Inc.

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2018 ANNUAL WAYNE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL ART EXHIBIT

Wayne County Council for the Arts opens their 2018 season with the popular Wayne County High School Art Exhibition. If you've never been to this exhibit, you MUST plan to go! The creativity of the students is impressive.

We celebrate our 36th consecutive year for this exhibition of art created by students from Wayne County High Schools. The exhibit will be open from Monday, February 19th through March 24, 2018. We even have special hours during the winter school break – Monday through Friday, February 19 – 23 - 10am-3pm and on Saturday February 24 from 12-3 pm.

You will also love the traditional black and white photography (all shot on film) of **Dave Folts** in the Chris Fayad Members' Gallery. In addition to being an amateur photographer since the mid 1970's, he is a professional cabinetmaker. His introduction to woodworking came about while attending college and working summers at Gunlocke Chair Company. For whatever reason, Dave was attracted to the smell, feel and unique look of wood. During the same period, he was lured into photography by a book, "This American Earth", which featured images by Ansel Adams. "Wow!", Dave said. "I could not believe it was possible anyone could make such magnificent pictures in black and white." So, he acquired basic darkroom equipment, learned how to develop negatives and enlarge prints, then set forth onto the unsuspecting world with his Kodak Instamatic in pursuit of his version of the great American landscape photograph. It did not happen. Turns out his skill as a photographer was surpassed by his skill as a woodworker. Nevertheless, he has kept at both efforts all these years and even found his many ordinary pictures are enhanced a little when set in one of his frames. He has been asked many times why he doesn't go "digital". His short answer is that he has not vet mastered traditional film photography. Along with that, he is nostalgic: "I like the look, feel and sound of sixty plus year old, batteries not needed, mechanical cameras. If I am ever going to make a great American landscape photograph that his how I am going to do it!"

Opening Reception will be held on **Sunday, March 11th from 2:00 – 4:00 pm**. Parents, friends and public are welcome.

Wayne Art Gallery hours are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 12:00 to 3:00 pm and by appointment. **Admission is free**. Visit these exciting exhibits and stop by our great Gallery Gift Store. Gift certificates are available for classes and gift store items. Wayne County Council for the Arts is located at 108 W. Miller Street, Newark. For more information, call (315) 331-4593, email us at <u>info@wayne-arts.com</u> or check out our website at <u>www.wayne-arts.com</u>

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