



August 2021

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Kerredge Gallery

**Trying to Stay
Sane in an
Insane World**
acrylic paintings
by Heidi Frair
Bresnahan
August 3-31, 2021

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Art2Go kits for
kids this August!

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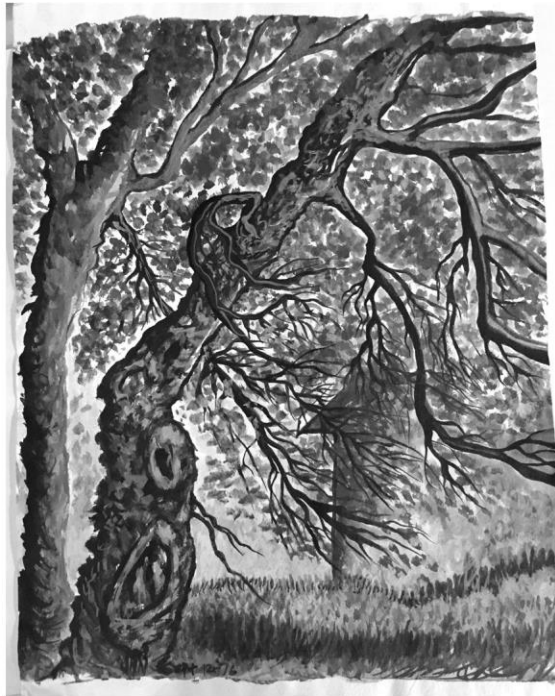
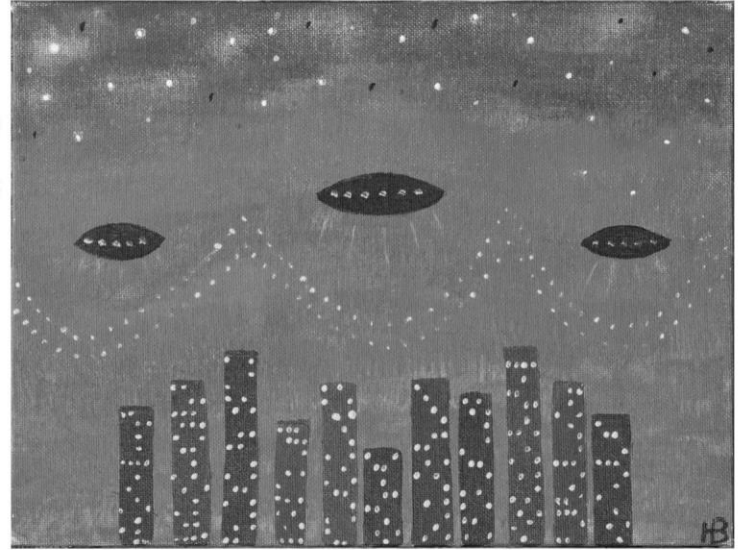
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**CCCAC Kerredge Gallery August Exhibition
TRYING TO STAY SANE IN AN INSANE WORLD**

acrylic paintings by Heidi Frair Bresnahan

In her artist statement Heidi Frair Bresnahan says, "The body of my work was produced between 2008-2018 as a therapeutic outlet while caring for my elderly parents in my home and raising two teenagers as a single mom. Without any formal training, I simply dipped a brush in acrylic paint one day and got started on a journey that amounted to 150+ paintings. Frequently I come up with a title first and then try to create a painting to match. (The titles are a vital part of understanding the message of my paintings). I have always used insufficient brushes and inexpensive, dried up paints (my dad taught me to be extremely frugal). My paintings have made people laugh out loud and occasionally cry which makes me think I am on to something." Heidi was born in Hancock, Michigan in 1960. Her lifelong passion for the arts started at a young age, given that her parents were Paul and Audrey Frair (active members of the arts community in Houghton for nearly 40 years). She graduated in 1991 with a B.S. in occupational therapy but her career of 37 years has been as a massage therapist. She has lived in many parts of the country from California to Maine and is happy to be settled again in Houghton after 52 years of being away.



Jan Manniko

We are fortunate to have a wonderful selection of unframed plein air acrylics, colored inks, and botanical paintings by Jan Manniko in our sales gallery. It has been a pleasure working with Jan's brother Phil and his daughter Lynne as they work through and make decisions about the large collection of artwork by Jan who passed away the summer of 2013. Jan was an early and long-time member of the CCCAC. She was a prolific artist who studied at the Chicago Institute of Arts and learned from local artists, Peder Kitti and Alden Steck. She has played an important role in documenting the Copper Country's people, industry, and the natural world in her distinctive expressive style. The more than 60 pieces that we have for sale have never been shown and are part of a very special extensive collection of works over her lifetime.

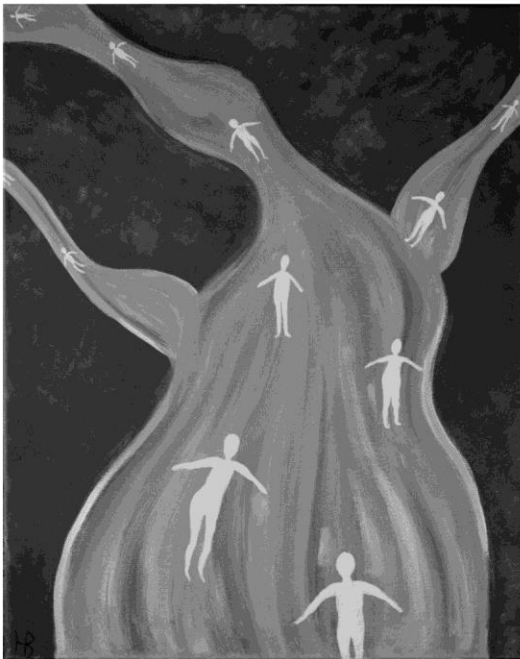
50 years! In 2022 the Copper Country Community Arts Council will be celebrating 50 years, the Arts Center will be 30 years old, and our letterpress studio will be 10! We're planning some events and programs for next year. Have any stories to share? Please call us or email cynthia@coppercountryarts.com.





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~Visit our website for full descriptions of summer classes and programs~

Astro and Nightscape Photography Basics with Nate Bett

August 11th/12th and August 13th

First session (Choose ONE of two options):

In-person in the Classroom: Wednesday Aug, 11 6-7pm
(limit 6 vaccinated)

OR Online: Thursday, Aug. 12, 6-7pm; *Second session:* Friday, August 13, 11pm

Both in-person and online sessions meet outside at 11pm at a location in the Keweenaw TBD.

Note: The second session may change due to weather as a clear sky is needed for this nighttime session.

Deadline: August 4th

Sketching to See at beautiful Keweenaw Land Trust sites with John Arnold. First Thursdays throughout summer. Next session, Thursday, August 12 at Lake Glazon Nature Area. Visit www.keweenawlandtrust.org for the full schedule and to register. No fee, donations appreciated and split between the two organizations.

Dual Reading with Adrienne Wallner and Stephanie Carpenter

Thursday, August 19th from 6-7pm

Join us for a dual reading! Adrienne Wallner will be reading from her debut poetry collection *To the 4 a.m. Light* released by Finishing Line Press in Spring 2021. Stephanie Carpenter will read an excerpt from her story that will be published in the Fall/Winter 2021 "Climate" issue of the literary journal *Ecotone*. It's part of a short story collection-in-progress, imagining the Keweenaw in the present, past, and future.

New in the Artists Market Sales Gallery

Turned wood bowls by Don Perrow; beadwork earrings by June Klein; patchwork bags by Bill Anderson; recycled journals by Lynn Anderson; driftwood sculptures by Sky King; a book of poetry by Adrienne Wallner; paintings by Nancy Kromer, Keith Harju, Madhura Mehendale, and Laura Maze; and more robots by Gregory Steele!