

**APRIL 2026**

**Copper Country  
Community Arts Center**  
126 Quincy St. Hancock,  
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**Hours**

Tuesday-Friday 11am-6pm  
Saturday 10am-2pm  
Closed Sunday & Monday  
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**Kerredge Gallery**

**Indigenous Artists,  
Telling Stories**  
April 8- May 2, 2026

**Opening Reception**

Thursday, April 9  
6-7:30pm

**Youth Gallery**

**Dollar Bay Schools**  
April 8-May 2

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**April is Volunteer Appreciation Month!** We recognize all the time and effort our volunteers contribute throughout the year. Volunteers come in all sorts: gallery and events helpers, newsletter mailing assistants, building maintenance, bakers, board members, and committee members. Thank you all for your time, dedication, care, and support you give.

**CCCAC Volunteers, please join us for a Volunteer Appreciation Party on Thursday, April 30 from 5-6:30pm.** Enjoy cake, refreshments, and meet other volunteers. RSVPs appreciated! Please email [bonnie@coppercountryarts.com](mailto:bonnie@coppercountryarts.com).



*Painting by Bryan Welsh*

his father's lineage. His artistic journey began early in life, guided by intuition, observation, and a deep connection to land, spirit, and community. Today, Bryan paints not only as an act of personal expression, but as a form of cultural transmission and community connection. His work is rooted in Anishinaabe ways of knowing, where art is relational-interwoven with story, land, language, and spirit. Through his paintings and teachings, he shares knowledge, encourages creative confidence, and inspires others to find and express their own artistic voices. As both an artist and educator, Bryan Welsh continues to uplift community through art, carrying forward teachings of creativity, resilience, and cultural continuity.

**Jamie Brotherton** is a self taught comic book artist who creates abstract paintings and comic book art. His illustration influences include Mobius, Waterson, and Barry Windsor-Smith. Jamie incorporates his contemporary native experience into his visual storytelling, fusing humor and philosophy into his work, while sharing the importance of dreams, spiritual connection, and growth. Jamie states, "As an artist I have always felt like an alien in this world, seeing what others cannot. Paintings I make show the hidden world that lies behind what our eyes can see, the realm of spirit. I find a space between waking and the dreaming, a crack there between the worlds, to bring in a vibration from these astral and akashic realms. The source of inspiration for my comic book stories comes from lucid dreams mingled with real life, encoding symbolic and archetypal techniques into a nonlinear tale to enlighten and entertain, it is a treatise of my soul."

**Journey Brotherton** is an indigenous fashion designer and a full time seamstress. She creates contemporary traditional art, and clothing. She also creates traditional style regalia including moccasins, ribbon skirts, shirts, jingle dresses, and bandoliers. The design and construction of regalia components take many hours from the design phase to execution. Some pieces such as moccasins entail fine stitched beadwork with tiny glass seed beads in intricate designs. Her special interests include travel, powwow dancing and spending time with her family.

**SAVE THE DATE!**

► **Plein Air Copper Country Style June 12-14, 2026**

Reserve your spot to come and draw or paint at historic sites and ruins in Hancock with visiting artist, Cheryl Perkins.

► **Annual Online Auction Fundraiser May 13-16, 2026**

Do you have an interesting service or great goods you'd like to donate to help raise funds for the Arts Center? Email [bonnie@coppercountryarts.com](mailto:bonnie@coppercountryarts.com) by May 1st.

**Indigenous Artists,  
Telling Stories**

**Kerredge Gallery**  
April 8-May 2, 2026

Bryan Welsh, Jamie Brotherton, and Journey Brotherton are all part of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. Their work is informed and deeply enmeshed in traditional ways and teachings.

**Bryan Welsh** is an Anishinaabe/Ojibwa artist of the Wolf Clan from Baraga, with additional Lakota ancestry through



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*Beadwork earrings by Journey Brotherton*

- ▶ **Field Sketching** on Monday, April 6 from 10am-noon at Keweenaw Co-op
- ▶ **Wrap it UP! with Mavis Farr** Thursday, April 9 from 6-8pm  
Learn how to freeform copper wire wrap.  
**Class Fee:** \$75 or \$65 for current members  
**Materials Fee:** \$22 due to instructor at class  
**Deadline:** April 2
- ▶ **Beginning/Intermediate Watercolor Class I** with Madhura Mehendale  
Saturday, April 11 from 10am-1pm  
**Class Fee:** \$75 or \$65 for current members  
**Deadline:** April 7
- ▶ **Beginning/Intermediate Watercolor Class II** with Madhura Mehendale  
Saturday, April 18 from 10-1pm  
**Class Fee:** \$75 or \$65 for current members  
**Deadline:** April 14
- ▶ **Kids Make Art! Art Classes for Ages 6-12** with Hailey Macias  
**Tuesdays in April from 4:30-5:30pm**  
7 **Moose on the Loose!** We'll make moose antler headbands with poster paper and fabric  
14 **There's A Fungus Amongus!** Mushroom study with pen & colored pencil  
21 **Happy Place Collage!**  
28 **Portrait Swap**-Pick a buddy, find out a little about them, and draw each other using mixed media.  
**Fee:** \$20 or \$15/student for member families.  
**Deadline:** Students must be registered for each class by the **prior Friday.**

- ▶ **Adult & Youth Clay Mugs with Linda Lohmann** Saturday, April 11 and 18 from 3-5pm  
**Class Fee:** \$130 per pair or \$120 per pair for member families **Deadline:** April 4
- ▶ **Using your DSLR Camera with Ian Raymond** Tuesday, April 14 from 5:30-7:30pm  
**Class Fee:** \$25 or \$20 current members.  
**Deadline:** April 7
- ▶ **Stitch Circle** Friday, April 24 noon-1:30
- ▶ **Youth Clay Mugs with Linda Lohmann** Saturday, April 25 and May 2 from 3-5pm  
**Class Fee:** \$75 or \$65/student for current member families. **Deadline:** April 18

### Artist Opportunities

Help enhance downtown Hancock as the **Finno-Ugric Culture Capital** during Juhannus Summer Solstice Celebration. Come and paint a paper bird to be displayed in shop windows for the summer. All ages welcome and all supplies provided by CCCAC. Our goal is 100 birds! April dates TBA.

**13th Annual Wilderness Artist Residency & Wild Clay Workshop** at Visitor Center Artist Camp in Ewen from July 25-August 8, 2026  
More info: [www.visitorcenterartistcamp.org/](http://www.visitorcenterartistcamp.org/)



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