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Copper Country
Community Arts Center
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Hours

Tuesday-Friday 11am-6pm
Saturday 10am-2pm
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"Sings the Cuckoo" painting by Tammy Kero

Julie Bakkila, Helen - Luhja Belopavlovich, Betsy Buckner, Cynthia Cote, Bob Dawson, Mavis Farr, Terri Frew, Tammy Toj Gajewski, James Harju, Pamela Hecht, Lindsey Heiden, Gretchen Hein, Kirstin Hensley, Cynthia Hodges, Jeanne Houle Peters, Hazel Johnson, Tammy Kero, Joyce Koskenmaki, Oksana Kostiv, Nancy Kromer, Emily Lanctot, Nancy Langston, Bonnie Loukus, Nikki Madisen, Donald Mattson, Bonnie McLeod, Madhura Mehendale, Clyde Mikkola, Angel Miller, Kathy Narhi and Mark Waisanen, Jerome Patryjak, Carol Phillips, Miriam Pickens, Chris Schmidt, Bobbi Shirey, Bethany Teeters, Olivia Teeters, Randy Wakeham, Molly Wallen, and Miskwa Yellowknife.

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Youth Gallery
Calumet Schools

Dec 2025 & Feb 2026



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Animal Life: Art from the KALEVALA

January 24-February 28, 2026

Animal Life: Art from the Kalevala is an annual exhibition at the Copper Country Community Arts Center in coordination with the City of Hancock's Heikinpäivä mid-winter celebration.

The Kalevala is a 19th century work of poetry compiled by Elias Lönnrot from Finnish and Karelian oral folklore and mythology. It is the national epic poem of Finland and is one of the most significant works of Finnish literature.

Artists were invited to delve into the Kalevala and find a reference to one of the many animals that are integral to the stories.

This year's artists are: Nancy Auer, Julie Bakkila, Helen - Luhja Belopavlovich, Betsy Buckner, Cynthia Cote, Bob Dawson, Mavis Farr, Terri Frew, Tammy Toj Gajewski, James Harju, Pamela Hecht, Lindsey Heiden, Gretchen Hein, Kirstin Hensley, Cynthia Hodges, Jeanne Houle Peters, Hazel Johnson, Tammy Kero, Joyce Koskenmaki, Oksana Kostiv, Nancy Kromer, Emily Lanctot, Nancy Langston, Bonnie Loukus, Nikki Madisen, Donald Mattson, Bonnie McLeod, Madhura Mehendale, Clyde Mikkola, Angel Miller, Kathy Narhi and Mark Waisanen, Jerome Patryjak, Carol Phillips, Miriam Pickens, Chris Schmidt, Bobbi Shirey, Bethany Teeters, Olivia Teeters, Randy Wakeham, Molly Wallen, and Miskwa Yellowknife.

Giving Tuesday Success!

We're excited to be starting off the year with a successful first Giving Tuesday campaign through Copper Shores where \$11,384 was raised for the Arts Center! Thank you to all the generous donors who gave not only to the Arts Center, but to all the non-profits doing good work for our community. We have so much gratitude for Copper Shores for their hard work and monumental effort to encourage this level of philanthropy.

We're also so happy to share that we recently received an additional \$10,000 anonymous donation, where half of the funds were dedicated for our clay studio! This gift will allow us to make much needed improvements to that space, which is used for our community classes and clay co-op.



Bonnie & Cynthia with the BIG CHECK!

SPRING CLASSES

★**Linocut for Letterpress**
with Daniel Schneider
Saturday, February 21 from 1-4:30pm
Class Fee: \$75 or \$65 for members
Deadline: February 17

★**Introduction to Darkroom**
Photography with Ian Raymond
Tuesdays, February 24-March 31 from
6-7:30pm (6 weeks)
Class Fee: \$210 or \$200 for members
Materials Fee: \$45 due at class
Deadline: February 17

★**Stitch Circle**
Friday, Feb. 27 from noon-1:30pm

REGISTER EARLY! View the full line
up and descriptions on our website.
WWW.COPPERCOUNTRYARTS.COM

★**Pinhole Camera Photography for Youth with Ian Raymond**
Saturday February 28 1pm-4pm
Class is geared for youth in 3rd grade and up.
Class fee: \$50 or \$40/student for CCCAC member families
Deadline: February 24

★**Letterpress I & 2, Letterpress Project with Daniel Schneider**
LP 1 March 13 & 14, Friday 6-9pm, Saturday 9am-Noon
Fee: \$110 or \$100 members
LP 2 March 20 & 21, Friday 6-9pm, Saturday 9am-Noon
Fee: \$110 or \$100 members
Letterpress Project: \$95, includes punch card for 12 hours open studio time; must be a CCCAC member



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"Charms for Getting Cattle Here"
watercolor painting by Nancy Kromer
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**★Watercolor Winter Landscape I
with Madhura Mehendale**

Saturday, March 14 from 10am-1pm **Class Fee:** \$75
or \$65 for members. **Deadline:** March 7

★Metal Poetry with Mavis Farr

Thursday, March 19 from 6-8pm
Class Fee: \$75 or \$65 for members, **Materials Fee:** \$30
due to instructor. **Deadline:** March 12

**★Watercolor Winter Landscape II
with Madhura Mehendale**

Saturday, March 21 from 10am-1pm **Class Fee:** \$75 or
\$65 for members. **Deadline:** March 17

**Kids Make Art! Classes for Ages 6-12
with Hailey Macias**

Tuesdays in March from 4:30-5:30pm
10 The Impression That I Get- Mini murals of colorful
landscapes
17 It's The Little Things - Pen drawings of texture
details found in nature
24 Is This An Agate? Colored pencil drawing
31 I'm A Little Jelly-Making a 3D jellyfish buddy out
of scrap fabric
Fee: \$20 per student per class OR \$15 per student for
member families.
Deadline: Students must be registered by the prior Friday
for each class.

**Congratulations to THE SHAFT community
choice winners:** Terry Mills 1st place,
Bonnie McLeod 2nd place, and Andrew Gingerich
3rd place.

6x6 We had 40 artists and 50 6x6s for the 2025
fundraiser. This year broke a record at 28 sold
for \$100 and 13 \$45 tickets for a total of \$3,385.
Thank you to all the artists who made work and
people who bought 6x6s or tickets.

Artist Opportunities

► **Porcupine Mountains State Park
Artist-in-Residence**
Deadline: February 14th. Visit www.porkies.org

► **Isle Royale National Park Artist-in-
Residence, Emerging Artist, & Teen Artist
Exploration 2026 programs**
Deadline: February 16th. Visit www.nps.gov/isro

► **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/apply
Deadline: May 1st



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