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ANTON ART CENTER TO HOST A DUO OF SPECIAL EVENTS IN NOVEMBER: MARY'S GARDEN EXHIBIT AND 2025 HOLIDAY MARKET

Mount Clemens, MI – November will mark a very special month for the Anton Art Center, with two outstanding events set to take over two floors of the center from November 18 through December 21, 2025.

The center's Second Floor Gallery will feature *Mary's Garden*, an exhibit of over forty original floral watercolor artworks by the artist, a retrospective collection.

Mary shares, "I have painted many subjects over the years, but I always come back to flowers. I am fascinated by the variety of shapes and colors found in nature and drawn to their patterns. I try to bring the beauty of flowers onto paper in my work."

Mary is a graduate of Wayne State University. In her career, she taught in both the Detroit and L'Anse Creuse Public School districts and was instrumental in establishing the Elementary Art Department in the LCPS district.

Mary has been active at the Art Center in Mount Clemens for many years, including serving as the organization's first Gallery Chairperson and leader of the Picture People program, as well as a regularly exhibiting artist. She is presently a member of the Michigan Water Color Society, Detroit Society of Women Painters & Sculptors, and the Mount Clemens Art Association and has frequently exhibited with these organizations over the years. She continues to study in workshops and practices with other watercolor artists.

Holiday Art Market Returns

The annual Holiday Market returns to first floor of the Anton Art Center featuring thousands of original and handmade gifts and seasonal décor by 100+ participating local and statewide artists and artisans. All are welcome to join us at the public Meet the Artists Opening Event on Sunday, November 23 from 1 to 3pm where visitors can shop, snack, and meet the artisans. The Market showcases a wide range of original merchandise, including



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oil paintings, holiday décor, art prints, cards, ornaments, glass art, lamps, outdoor art, ceramics, wood, fiber, apparel, gifts for kids, and more.

Mark your calendar for favorite FREE holiday special events during the market:

- Downtown Mount Clemens Open House on Friday, November 21, 5-8pm
- Mount Clemens Santa Parade & Hot Cocoa Bar on Saturday, November 22
- Meet the Artists Opening Reception on Sunday, November 23, 1-3pm
- Ornament Workshop on Sunday, December 14, 11:30-2:30pm

Admission is free and open to the public at both the exhibit and the market with holiday hours Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10am to 5pm and Sundays from 11am to 3pm. Closed November 26 & 27. The Anton Art Center is located at 125 Macomb Place, Mount Clemens, MI 48043. Metered lot and street parking is available; free after 3pm and on weekends.

Visit us online at www.theartcenter.org or call 586-469-8666 for more information. The Anton Art Center (AAC) is a registered nonprofit organization with a mission to provide access to experiences that enrich all people through creative expression. Holiday business hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 10am-5pm and Sunday from 11am-3pm; admission is free and open to the public. Metered lot and street parking is available; free after 3pm and on weekends.

The AAC was founded in 1969 in the historic Carnegie Library building in walkable downtown Mount Clemens, Michigan. Our funders include the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, Kresge Foundation, Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs, Erb Family Foundation, and National Endowment for the Arts.

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Holiday Market Sample Images



Holiday Market 2025 graphic.



Gallery view, Holiday Market, Anton Art Center.



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'Mary's Garden' Sample Images



Artist Mary R. Hartman.



"Dogwood", Watercolor on paper, Mary R. Hartman.



"Lilies", Watercolor Batik, Mary R. Hartman.



Exhibition graphic for 'Mary's Garden', 2025. Anton Art Center.