



"Life is sometimes hard. Things go wrong, in life and in love and in business and in friendship and in health and in all the other ways that life can go wrong. And when things get tough, this is what you should do...make good art."

-Neil Gaiman

Hey friends!

McDowell Art Happenings This Week!

We are plotting and planning some neat things in the near future, like community art projects, more take-home art kits, evolving children's theatre, a virtual film festival, community Zine, and some other cool stuff that you'll have to wait to see. Like all of us, we're evolving with the times. We miss our friends and hope you are doing well.

-anna, susan, poppy, & sadie

(who has become bffs with Susan's mom's cat, Ringo, during quarantine)

Did you know that we have a resource wall on the front window of MACA? We re-stock it with free coloring books, activity pages, gardening tips, paper dolls, and mini art lessons every week? Stop by anytime! Take a few copies to share.



Micropolitan Film Festival is going virtual this year! Featuring 10 short films and a guest film (all made in the Carolinas), MFF will be entirely live streamed this year. We'll be video chatting with the filmmakers for post-film Q&As, awards, and text-to-vote for your audience favorite-all in realtime!

We're living in the future y'all :)

Hosted by our friend Elizabeth Holloway, with Anna behind the computer and Susan popping the popcorn, MFF Virtual Edition will bring the fun of our annual hometown film festival, safely, to your home. Streaming is free (admission donations are MUCH appreciated) and you can tune in Saturday, August 15th at 7pm at mcdowellarts.org/mff (click the stream button) to watch with us!



MACA now has an Etsy Store! Support your local arts economy by shopping local and purchasing handmade items crafted by our friends and neighbors. We'll be updating the Etsy shop often. If you are local and want to skip the shipping charges, take a walk by our front window and use our 'window shopping' system or text us a link from the Etsy shop to set up a local contact-free pick up :)

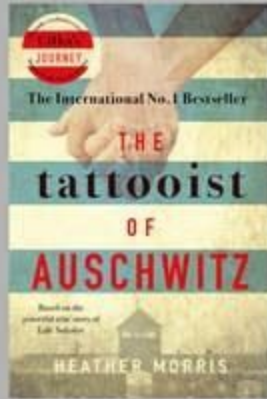


Do you have a kiddo missing art camp? The **\$10 Summer Art Journal Challenge Kit** includes 14 daily art prompts (designed by Carolina Pine Prints), kraft paper journal, a fine line pen, a permanent marker, eraser, colored pencils, pencil sharpener, 2 design-your-own bookmarks, and a customizable canvas pencil bag. Shipping or pick-up available! (click the photo for purchase link)

NO NAME BOOK CLUB



Sept 7 | THE TATTOOIST
OF AUSCHWITZ
BY HEATHER MORRIS



HANG OUT WITH US AUG 3 on ZOOM
[MCDOWELLARTS.ORG/BOOKCLUB](https://mcdowellarts.org/bookclub)

Join us for virtual Book Club!

Hosted by Mel Rodriguez, our next meeting will be August 3rd (One of Us is Lying) and August's book is The Tattooist of Auschwitz. Details @ mcdowellarts.org/bookclub (everyone is welcome, bring a friend!)