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### **V** **NEW!** Virtual Family Art Nights (Ages 6+)

*We can still create together, even if we are physically apart!*

Your whole family can join other friends, community members, and extended family for NEW virtual 'Family Art Nights'. A spin off of our traditional Family Paint Nights, Virtual Family Art Nights will introduce you to a famous work of art and outline a creative project that you can make at home with household items, in one hour time. Material suggestions will be e-mailed out prior to each session. Virtually meet up with the educator and other participants at the beginning of class to discuss ideas and ask questions, then share your experiences and reproductions virtually at the end of class. This program is created for ages 6-99. Projects can be made together or individually. Projects include drawing/painting, collage, and sculpture.

- Instructor:** *Reagen O'Reigaekn*  
**Dates:** (230053-A) Fri., Sept. 25  
**Piece:** Painting with Scissors- Henri Matisse  
 (230053-B) Fri., Oct. 23  
**Piece:** Art Made by Walking-Richard Long  
 (230053-C) Fri., Nov. 13  
**Piece:** Collage Time- Hans Arp/Sophie Taeuber Arp  
 (230053-D) Fri., Dec. 4  
**Piece:** Wrap It Up- Christo and Jean Claude  
**Time:** 6-7:30 p.m.  
**Per Session Fee:** **Individual Resident:** \$8  
**Resident Family:** \$15  
**Individual Non-resident:** \$18  
**Non-resident Family:** \$25

### **V** **NEW!** Let's Look at Art Together, Virtually! (Teens, Adult, or Family!)

From the convenience of your own home, we will look at art while sipping our favorite beverages. This Weekly Art Appreciation Series will introduce a famous artist as well as provide a creative prompt to reflect on and explore throughout the week. The creative prompts are designed to challenge you to try new creative techniques as well as be conversation starters. Digitally share your art and reflections with the class each week. This program includes a weekly video to be watched at your convenience as well as 2 synchronistic virtual meet ups for class discussion. Open to teens and adults or try it as a family! More information at registration.

- Instructor:** *Reagen O'Reigaekn*, see bio under "Mindful Minute with Art"  
**Dates:** Fri., Oct. 9-Nov. 13 (6 classes-video available every Friday)  
**Times:** Fri., Oct. 30 & Fri., Nov. 13, 6-7 p.m.  
**Fee:** \$45 for residents, \$55 for non-residents  
**Activity #:** 230050-A

### Recreation Rescue

No school? No problem! We have one day camp for your kids on teacher professional days in town. Open to grades K-8, this popular program not only fills any need for child care on these days it also offers a great day for your child. We meet in the gymnasium for some games, crafts and free play at MMS, with drop off as early as 7:30 a.m. and pickup as late as 5:30 p.m. \*Traditionally on recreation rescues we offer field trips but due to new guidelines we may not be able to do so. Please watch for updates.

- Location:** Mansfield Middle School  
**Dates:** (254010-1) Tues., Oct. 13, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
 Riverside Reptiles  
 (254011-1) Tues., Nov. 3, 7:30a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
 Trip/Entertainer TBD  
 (254011-2) Fri., Feb. 12, 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
 Trip/Entertainer TBD  
**Fee:** \$50/day for residents, \$60/day for non-residents

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## Fall Family Fun Nights

Join us this fall for some fun Family Nights at the Mansfield Community Center. With social distancing in effect, Fun Nights will have a slightly different spin...so, what is there to do? Play in the Teen Center and Open Gymnasium, take advantage of Family Track Time (parent supervision and masks required), and BONUS, select fitness area cardio equipment is open for kids ages 10 to 13 direct parental supervision! Limited pool space will be available - three lanes in the main pool for families to use and one family in the therapy pool at a time. **For some extra fun**, come by for one of the special Movie Nights listed below! The full gymnasium will be set-up with a family-friendly movie. Dressing up in theme is encouraged! Stay tuned to our website for updates on safety procedures related to these events.

- Location:** Mansfield Community Center  
**Dates/Times:** Sat., Sept. 5, 4:30-7:30 p.m.  
**Movie Night** - The Princess Bride  
Fri., Sept. 18, 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
Sat., Oct. 3, 4:30-7:30 p.m.  
**Take a Drum Ride** - Family Drumming w/ Bob Bloom!  
Fri., Oct. 23, 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
**Movie Night** - Hocus Pocus  
V Sat., Nov. 7, TBD  
**Virtual Jukebox Bingo\***  
Fri., Nov. 20, 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
Sat., Dec. 5, 4:30-7:30 p.m.

Fri., Dec. 18, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

**Movie Night** - Elf

**Fee:**

Free to members!

Non-members pay daily admission fee (subject to current COVID-related access policies).

\*Virtual Jukebox Bingo requires registration. Link will be sent to registered participants.



## Free Mansfield Days at the Community Center

Have you been wondering what all the excitement is about at the Mansfield Community Center? Well, if you're a Mansfield resident you can find out for FREE. Proof of residency required.

- Location:** Mansfield Community Center  
**Dates/Times:** Sat., Sept. 26, 4:30-7:30 p.m.  
Fri., Oct. 16, 5:30-8:30 p.m.  
Sat., Nov. 21, 4:30-7:30 p.m.  
Sun., Dec. 13, 3:30-6:30 p.m.  
**Fee:** Free for Mansfield residents!

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## Halloween Fashion Show

Join us for our 1<sup>st</sup> Halloween Fashion Show! Get dressed up at home and send us a photo to [RedmondJT@mansfieldct.org](mailto:RedmondJT@mansfieldct.org). We will post photos to our Facebook page for public vote. First place for each category will be entered to participate in our Halloween Fashion Show at the Community Center on Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.

### CATEGORIES:

*Most Creative Costume*      *Funniest Costume*  
*Cutest Costume Prizes*      *Spookiest Costume*

**Photo Submission Deadline:** Sun., Oct. 25, 8 p.m.

**Event Location:** CC Gym (Top 3 winners for each category will participate in Fashion Show)

\*Fashion Show may be virtual. Stay tuned for more details.

**Date:** Sat., Oct. 31

**Time:** 3-5 p.m.

**Fee:** FREE!

## Annual Halloween Party



Celebrating 2020 in all its dreadfulness, join us for our NEW Halloween Party Line! We are working cooperatively with the Mansfield Downtown Partnership and hosting our events at the same time. Mansfield Parks and Recreation will have tables set up on the sidewalks in front of Mansfield Town Hall and the Community Center. Volunteers will have candy to hand out to the kids and there will be music. Downtown Businesses will hand out candy. There will be trunks at the tennis courts at E.O. Smith behind the Mansfield Community Center for families to enjoy. Jump start your Halloween spirit at the Mansfield Community Center on Saturday October 31<sup>st</sup> from 3-5 p.m. All ages are welcome but event is geared towards kids 10 and under. Dress up in your costume and join us for some fun.

**What's Trick-A-Trunking?** Kids (and adults) come dressed up trick or treat around our blocked off from traffic, back parking lot that is filled with cars where volunteers (**YOU?**) set up shop handing out treats! You can wear costumes, decorate your car, or whatever you would like to get in the Halloween spirit. Trick-A-Trunk space is limited. Trick-A-Trunk sponsors must pre-register. Families, Groups, and Businesses are welcome to be "Trunks." Stay tuned for more details.

**For more information or to register as a Trick-A-Trunk sponsor please contact:** Jared Redmond, [Redmondjt@mansfieldct.org](mailto:Redmondjt@mansfieldct.org)

**Location:** CC/Mansfield Town Hall

**Date:** Saturday, October 31st

**Time:** 3-5 p.m.

**Fee:** Free Event - Donations Accepted

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scarecrow Contest

Our Scarecrow Contest is open to all ages, families, community & non-profit groups and businesses. Everyone that is interested in displaying a scarecrow must **pre-register their scarecrow** at the Mansfield Community Center by **Saturday, October 10**.

**Drop Off & Set Up:** On Saturday, October 17, pre-registered participants stop at the Reception Desk and get a number for your scarecrow. This will identify the set-up spot on the grass in front of the Community Center. Parks and Recreation will provide a hay bale and stake. Scarecrows will remain outdoors so make sure everything is secured properly and is prepared for the elements.

**Duration:** Scarecrows will be on display and available for judging on October 17th – October 31st.

**Judging:** Judging is simple: voters will be voting on their favorite scarecrow for funniest and most imaginative. There will be a box at the Reception Desk at the Community Center to cast your vote.

**Awards:** We will be giving away \$50 gift certificate for first place and \$25 gift certificate for second place to be used for any program that the Mansfield Parks and Recreation Department offers.

**Scarecrow Pick-Up:** All scarecrows must be picked up by Friday, November 6, 2020. If they are not picked up they will be discarded.



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