# Carmel Arts Council

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## Media Advisory

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#### **Carmel Arts Council – April 2015**

WHEN: April 2015

WHERE: 40 West Main Street, Carmel Indiana 46032

WHAT: Gallery Publicity for Media and Website – April 2015

## "World's Smallest Children's Art Gallery"

Woodbrook Elementary is the featured Carmel-Clay Elementary School for the month of April. Mrs. Sarah West, the Art teacher for Woodbrook illustrates what her students have learned about color as well as different artists and their styles and cultures around the world.

## "A Celebration of Color"

- \* **Kindergarten** These students learned about proper proportions when creating realistic self-portraits. They examined masks from around the world and incorporated symmetry, line, shape, color, and pattern into their masks.
- \* **First Grade** Students studied artist Paul Cezanne and how to use value to create realistic forms. They also studied Pablo Picasso's "Cubism" portraits.
- \* Second Grade These students were inspired by the IMA's recent Georgia O'Keeffe exhibit as examined flowers and plants very closely. Students were also inspired by Henri Matisse as they created collages.
- \* Third Grade Students studied textiles and created "paper" versions by layering colors and adding shapes to the backgrounds of their compositions. These students also studied the impressionist artists who painted outdoors when they made their own creations.
- \* **Fourth Grade** Robert Indiana, a self-proclaimed "American painter of signs" was the inspiration for these students in their compositions as they emphasized "positive and negative" space. The 4<sup>th</sup> Grade students also created portraits after studying Modgliani and his "stylized" portraits.
- \* **Fifth Grade** Students created symmetrical designs using two contrasting colors based on the Japanese Art concept of "Notan". The 5<sup>th</sup> grade students also studied "Pop Art" and this is reflected in the Woodbrook show.

### Woodbrook Elementary's Art Teacher - Sarah West

Mrs. Sarah West is in her 7<sup>th</sup> year of teaching elementary art and in her first year teaching at Woodbrook Elementary. She believes it is important to expose student to a variety of two and three dimensional art. In her classes students learn about art history, culture, aesthetics, and art production.

### The Gallery Annex Exhibits

Throughout the month of April the CAC will feature art from thee Carmel-Clay Middle Schools, Carmel High School and the Carmel-Clay Life Skills Students.

#### Exhibits -

- 1. Carmel High School Art This exhibit will feature art selected by the Carmel High School Art Department. This exhibit will be on display in our gallery until the end of May.
- **2.** Carmel-Clay Middle Schools The Art teachers from Clay, Creekside and Carmel middle schools have selected art from several of their classes. This exhibit will be on display in our gallery until the end of May.
- **3.** Carmel High School Life Skills Classes Mrs. Jen Bubp, a Carmel High School Life Skills Art teacher has selected 7 pieces of art from her Life Skills Art Class. This exhibit will be on display in our gallery until the end of April.

## **April Dates and Open Houses**

#### 1. Open House for Woodbrook Elementary –

An Open House for Woodbrook Elementary students and their parents will be Wednesday, April 1 from 5:30 pm until 7:30 pm. The public is invited.

#### 2. Open House for Carmel High School Life Skills Students –

An Open House for Carmel High School Life Skills Students will be held Sunday, April 19 from 2pm until 4pm. The public is invited.

#### 3. April Hours for the Carmel Arts Council's Children's Art Gallery

The gallery will be open every Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 2pm until 4pm during the month of April. We will also be open from 5pm until. 9pm during the April 11 Gallery Walk.