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Raven Hill Discovery Center, incorporated in 1991, is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt corporation. **Mission:** Raven Hill provides a place that enhances hands-on and lifelong learning for all ages by connecting science, history & the arts.

To: Friends and Family everywhere From: Cheri and Raven Hill Date: March 26, 2022 Re: Creativity

Creativity is all-encompassing. It can refer to the use of one's imagination or a person's ability to come up with new and exciting ideas. Creativity can vary from problem-solving in everyday life to the inspiration that enlightens a work of art. Raven Hill is proud of the special programs and activities that offer everyone a variety of ways to expand their creativity by learning a new skill.



Slumping uses heat & gravity to shape glass for a threedimensional effect. The result... a great sun catcher!

Some classes and workshops at the Center are scheduled, like the *Luke Buck Watercolor Workshop*. Other classes are available by request, such as fashioning a copper pendant, creating a fused glass ornament, felting, making paper or learning Shibori, the Japanese method of applying

Fusing uses high heat to join pieces of glass together. You can create pendants and ornaments, like this fun & funky chicken.

designs to fiber. Call Raven Hill and set up date and time for you to start your creative juices, perhaps even with family & friends. Alternatively, if you would like to become a ham radio operator or build your own 3D printer, then Raven Hill can make those workshops happen too. Just reach out to us and let us know how you want to stimulate your mind in 2022. Check out our website: <a href="http://www.MiRavenHill.org">http://www.MiRavenHill.org</a> and click on "Learn" at the top to find a list of classes, camps and other learning opportunities for children and adults.







From Japanese Shibori (left) to needle-felted wool (center) to rice paper batik (right) Raven Hill offers a variety of art mediums to inspire your creativity.

Creativity connects science, history and art. It allows us recharge, positively impacting our mental & emotional health. Creativity helps us find a balance between work and play. It can connect people and help make life-long memories. Call 231.536.3369 or email info@miravenhill.org soon to arrange a class that strengthens the creativity within you to feel the difference it makes.



Copper pendants are formed by planishing or pounding annealed copper. Choose the hammer stone that feels most comfortable for you and pound away to shape your traditional ornament.



French serti is a gutta-resist method of silk painting. It is one of several fiber classes offered at Raven Hill with dyes used to "paint" rather than acrylic or oil paints.



Call 231.536.3369 to schedule a Pysanky class. Use a wax-resist method to create your own traditional Ukrainian Easter eggs.



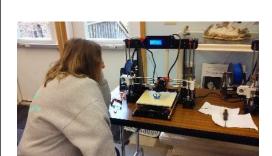
Collages create an image by combining small items, natural or otherwise, onto a surface. Pablo Picasso began using newspaper cuttings and other materials to create collages in 1912.

Currently, Raven Hill is open to the public noon to 4pm on Saturdays and 2pm to 4pm on Sundays, plus any other time by appointment. Make your "spring break" special by scheduling a day & time to visit. You can call 231.536.3369 or email <u>info@miravenhill.org</u> for reservations. Be sure to schedule your creativity classes, summer day camps, field trips,

birthday parties and scout groups soon. The Smithsonian *Labor Days: History of Work* exhibit also remains on display during regular hours or by appointment.

**Note**: With the lifting of local mask mandates, visitors can choose to mask or not indoors at Raven Hill. However, the Center's masking policy may be reinstated, if there is a new spike in coronavirus cases, as with the BA.2 sub-variant, which is currently surging in the UK and is on the rise in the US.

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Raven Hill offers 3D printer build workshops. Participants assemble their own 3D printer from a kit with the help of instructor, John Clements.



Clay workshop participants experience the hand building pottery process from beginning to end. Local clay is dug at Raven Hill and purified for use. Pots are dried around smoldering embers in preparation for a primitive pit firing.