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ARTS COMMISSION

GET TO KNOW US

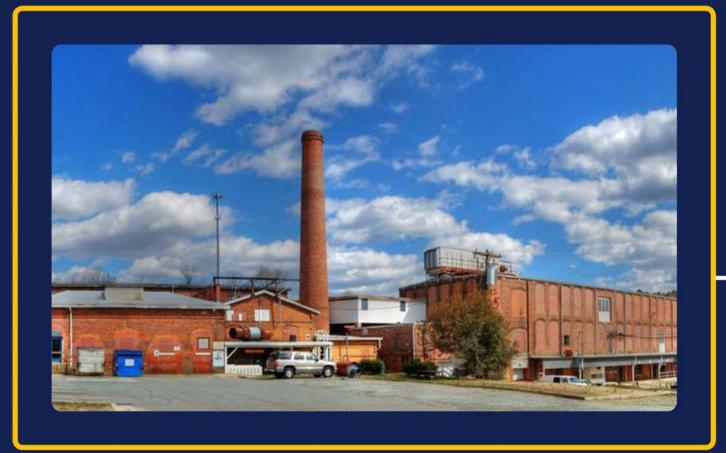
The Orange County Arts Commission, located in Hillsborough, is an agency of Orange County government. We work to develop the arts in Orange County, North Carolina, which includes the towns of Chapel Hill, Carrboro, & Hillsborough.

Our mission is to promote and strengthen the artistic and cultural development of Orange County, North Carolina.



The Orange County Arts Alliance is an independent 501(c)3 nonprofit organization created in 2021. In partnership with the Orange County Arts

Commission, we work to complement the more than 170 arts and cultural organizations active in our community. We support arts programming and events, arts education, and individual artists through grants, fundraising, and advocacy.





At the Eno Arts Mill, the Arts Alliance has created a hub to make the arts accessible to all of Orange County's residents and made a space for the community to interact with and learn from local artists. We believe that creating opportunities for arts programming, arts education, and artists through strong financial support is the foundation of a thriving creative economy and good business.

ARTIST STUDIOS

The Arts Mill offers two sets of studio spaces for rent. The Back Studios offer eleven studios located in a 2,970 square foot space with a kitchen and communal workspace. The Front Studios include five studios located within the Eno Arts Mill multipurpose arts space.



MULTIPURPOSE ART SPACE

CLASSES WORKSHOPS CAMPS

CLASSES

Our teaching artists bring their skills and passion into the classroom offering a wide range of classes for children-adults.

WORKSHOPS

We host day long and weekend long workshops, classes & intensives.

SCHOOL'S OUT ART'S IN

Arts immersion programs are held over the summer and throughout the year when there are breaks from school. These programs are designed to support creativity, exploration and build confidence.



ENO MILL GALLERY

The Eno Mill Gallery is a 1,000 square foot exhibit space that offers our studio artists the opportunity to exhibit their work. Each of our studio artists have a one-month featured exhibit of their work on a rotating basis. Group shows, open calls, and community partner exhibits are also on display in the Gallery throughout the year.

STUDIO 17 HALL GALLERY

Studio 17 Hall Gallery is a 400 square foot exhibit space adjacent to the Eno Mill Gallery. The Studio 17 Hall Gallery showcases artwork from youth, community partner projects, OCAC programming and individual artists.



COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

TEENS AND YOUNG ADULT

Teen Arts Collective

This free, bi-monthly group is a safe and creative space for LGBTQIA+ identifying teens. Group sessions are led by Natalia Torres del Valle, MA, Registered Expressive Arts Therapist

Studio BE

Make Art. Create Community. Each Studio Be series offers a free opportunity to make connections and explore creative arts in a small, supportive environment. This program is made possible by a grant from the Triangle Community Foundation



MONTHLY EVENTS

ENO ARTS MILL

FIRST FRIDAYS AT THE MILL

New gallery exhibits open the first Friday of each month and feature the opportunity to visit our artist studios, enjoy live music, food trucks and beverages, artmaking and connecting with the community.

WEAVE & SPIN

Weave & Spin is not your run-of-the-mill open mic. It's a safe space for all humans 18+ to share tales of life: from joy to trauma, from hilarity to drama. If you are a poet, storyteller, or musician, bring your truth. Each month will showcase one featured artist followed by an open mic. We particularly invite BIPOC, LGBTQIA+, and anyone else who has waited too long to be heard.

BIG EVENTS

IN THE COMMUNITY

UPROAR PUBLIC ART FESTIVAL

Uproar is a large-scale public arts festival held every other year in the downtowns of Chapel Hill, Carrboro, and Hillsborough. Uproar showcases high-quality, curated, three-dimensional art and provides the public with an accessible activity that encourages interaction with public art.

PAINT IT ORANGE

Paint It Orange Plein Air Paint-Out and Wet Paint Sale is an annual event and fundraiser. Painters living near & far gather each October and Orange County becomes the centerpiece of their work.

MAKERS AT THE MILL

Artists, crafters and artisans of all types are invited to apply to the annual Makers at the Mill Holiday Bazaar at the Eno Arts Mill in Hillsborough. This event is a juried showcase of high-quality fine art and crafts.

GET INVOLVED AS A VOLUNTEER

EVENTS

Set up. Breakdown/clean up. Manage stations (surveys, beverages, artmaking registration). Spread the word. Check in artists. Welcome guests. Prep & distribute giveaways.

PROGRAMS

Set up. Breakdown/clean up. Assist teaching artists. Supervise participants. Prepare materials. Communications. Publicity & marketing

ADMIN • DONATIONS • THE MILL

Pick up donations. Lobby attendant. Prep & distribute mailings. Paint and patch for shows. Organize digital archives. Make nametags. Distribute posters.

NEXT STEPS

If you are ready to support the arts in Orange County with your time, skills, talents, interests and gifts...

Please let us know when, where and how you want to pitch in!

Sign up **HERE** and we can't wait to meet you at the Mill!



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