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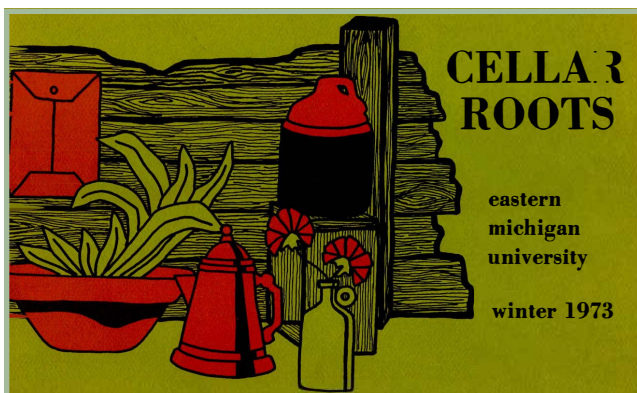
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Local Artist of the Month: Ypsi Art Supply's Megan Foldenauer



On the wall behind Megan Foldenauer, above the cashier station in her shop on North Huron Street, is a series of her own artwork, framed in black.

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The Eastern Echo Photo of the Month



Students carve pumpkins outside of the Student Center on Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2025 during Pumpkins on the Patio.
Max Taylor/The Eastern Echo

Local Calls For Art

FALLing In Love: Nov. Online Exhibition

Dzanc House Gallery

Nov. 23

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Joy

Dzanc House Gallery

Nov. 30

dzanchouse.org

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2026 Exhibitions

Dzanc House Gallery

Nov. 30

dzanchouse.org

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Scrap Club Vendors

Bridge Community Cafe

TBD

bridgecommunity.cafe

Volume 52 Submissions

Cellar Roots

Dec. 13

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2026 Exhibitions

22 North Gallery

TBD

22north.org

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Written and Visual Art Anthology

YpsiWrites

Feb. 1, 2026

ypsiwrites.com

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2027 Outdoor Exhibition

Embracing Our Differences

July 1, 2026

embracingourdifferences.org

Cellar Roots Volume 3 Spotlight

Happy November, Eagles! My name is Madison Cantrell and I am the Editor-in-Chief of *Cellar Roots* and the Arts Editor at *The Eastern Echo*. *Cellar Roots* is Eastern Michigan University's student-operated fine arts and literary magazine. Each year, we aim to highlight the creative works of EMU students and alumni in our print publication.

To continue the celebration of the debut of EMU and Ypsilanti's arts and entertainment magazine, *Roots*, we are spotlighting past *Cellar Roots* volumes from the EMU University Archives. This issue of *Roots*, features select scans of *Cellar Roots Volume 3*, which was originally published in the winter of 1973. This volume is filled with beautiful poetry, short stories, illustrations, and photography from past EMU students. To honor the rich history of *Cellar Roots*, we will continue spotlighting past *Cellar Roots* volumes in *Roots* for months to come.

Cellar Roots published its 51st volume in March 2025 and we hope you enjoyed it. Now, it is time to start submitting your visual and/or writing works for consideration in *Cellar Roots Volume 52*. Visit linktr.ee/CellarRoots to fill out the Google submission form by December 13 for a chance to be considered. I look forward to viewing your submissions!

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on Amazon!**



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A Memory of John

Time - Life - People
We all move
Leaving behind
A past

facing the future
of existence
We try to grasp with slippery fingers
The smiles of yesterday
only to retrieve
handfulls of the filled spaces
of our mind.

Time - Happiness - Love
come and go
And they are gone
But I still have you
In my mind
And Time

And Happiness
And Love
Remain.

Judy Bohjanen



Ernie Milligan

Art Exhibitions

“Selected Works from the Golden Years of Michigan Art”

Saturdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
The Michigan Art Gallery

“Currents: A Regional High School Student Exhibition”

Oct. 27–Dec. 14
University Gallery

"Greed and Grace" by Julie Schnell-Madden

Nov. 7-Dec. 6
Hours by appointment
22 North Gallery

"Reconnect" by Mahsa Khazeni

Saturday, Nov. 15 and 22, 4-6 p.m.
Closing Reception
Friday, Nov. 28, 5-8 p.m.

"Anything But...New Materials Group Exhibition"

Dec. 5-Jan. 9
Opening Reception
Friday, Dec. 5
Riverside Arts Center North Gallery



Riverside Arts Center is in downtown Ypsilanti. *Victoria Smith/The Eastern Echo*

Live Music/Poetry

Open Mic

9 p.m.
Saturdays
Tap Room

Music Drag Bingo

6:15 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 19
Tap Room

Low Brass Studios Recital

Noon - 12:50 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 20
Alexander Music Building, Room 110

EMU Percussion Ensemble

7:30-9 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 20
Pease Auditorium

Speakeasy Open Mic Night

\$10 or \$5 for students
8:30-10:30 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 21
Rhizome Roots Studio

Januzzi Watchmen | Carmel Liburdi | Zero Sun

8 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 21
Ziggy's

Symphony Band/Wind Symphony Concert

3-5 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 23
Pease Auditorium

Ypsilanti Symphony Orchestra Holiday Concert and Auction

General Admission \$15.45
Auction 1:30 p.m.
Concert 3 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 14
Lincoln High School Performing Arts Center



Cello players Victoire Perret (left) and Anthony Berlongieri (right) perform at the EMU Symphony Orchestra's first concert of the year on Thursday, Oct. 9, 2025 in Pease Auditorium. *Max Taylor/The Eastern Echo*

Creative Workshops

Risograph Workshop

Admission: \$50
5-7 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 18
Dzanc House Gallery

Figure Drawing

Admission: \$20
6-8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 19
Dzanc House Gallery

ColorFull Conversations | You are Expansive

4-7 p.m.
Friday, Nov. 21
Riverside Arts Center

Coffee, Scrap and Zine

4-6 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 3
Bridge Community Cafe

EMU Events

Night Market

7 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 18
Halle Library room 301

Transgender Day of Remembrance Vigil

3-5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 19
Lake House

Around the World

5-6:30 p.m.
Thursday, Nov. 20
Student Center Auditorium

Big Love

Nov. 20, 21, 22, 7 p.m.
Nov. 22-23, 2 p.m.
Judy Sturgis Hill, Legacy Theatre

EMU Night: Lights at the Toledo Zoo

5:30-7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Nov. 22
Toledo Zoo

Calendar

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Katie Pfohl: Art and Community

5-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 3

Strong Hall Audition

"Season of Light"

8-9 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 4

Mark Jefferson Science Complex

Theatre/Film

"Othello" by PTD Productions, Brevity Shakespeare

Students \$15; General Admission \$20

Nov. 19, 2 p.m.

Nov. 20-22, 7:30 p.m.

Riverside Arts Center

This week at Cinemark on Carpenter Road

(see theater website for specific times and dates)

- Now You See Me: Now You Don't
- The Running Man
- Predators: Badlands
- Keeper
- King Ivory
- Sarah's Oil
- Die My Love
- Nuremberg

A Man for Christmas: An NTG Original Musical Parody

Students \$12; General Admission \$15

Dec. 5-6, 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 7, 2 p.m.

The Back Office Studio



The Back Office Studio is a coworking space in Ypsilanti home to many companies. Gabriella Payeur/The Eastern Echo



Community

Thankful To Go

10 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 20

George Gervin GameAbove Center

Collage and Chill

6-8 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 25

Dzanc House Gallery

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6-7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 26

Dzanc House Gallery

Ypsi Fine Arts Club

5-8 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 26

Riverside Arts Center

Mahsa Khazeni Closing Reception

5-8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 28

Dzanc House Gallery

Small Business Saturday Vendor Show

11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 29

Downtown Ypsilanti

Disability Network Holiday Market

1-4 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 6

3941 Research Park Drive

Attendees work hard creating collage pieces for the community art wall at Dzanc House Gallery on Friday, May 2, 2025. Lee Hammock/The Eastern Echo

Dzanc Annual Fundraiser

4-7 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 7

Dzanc House Gallery

Swiftie Ypsi Bar Crawl

7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 13

Depot Town

Dance

Riverside Swings

8-11 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 21

Riverside Arts Center

Unveiled Dance: Level 2 Bellydance Class

Students \$8; General Admission \$10

6-7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 26

Riverside Arts Center

Ballet: Carnival of the Animals with the EMU Symphony Orchestra

7:30-9 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 5

Pease Auditorium

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Megan Foldenauer illustrator and owner of Ypsi Art Supply

Carol Detary
Arts and Entertainment
Reporter

Megan Foldenauer has created paintings varying from the size of a coaster to canvas that can only fit in their garage, but since 2024, Foldenauer has armed the creative forces of Ypsilanti in a little shop on North Huron Street.

In 2021, the concept of Ypsi Art Supply seemed like a distant dream to Foldenauer. But Jennifer Eastridge, former owner of Unicorn Feed and Supply and Stone and Spoon Gallery, helped guide and nourish the idea to reality.

In April 2023, Ypsi Art Supply was born, originating in the Riverside Art Center as a boutique within the organization. In February 2024 the official storefront was opened down the street at 42 N. Huron St.

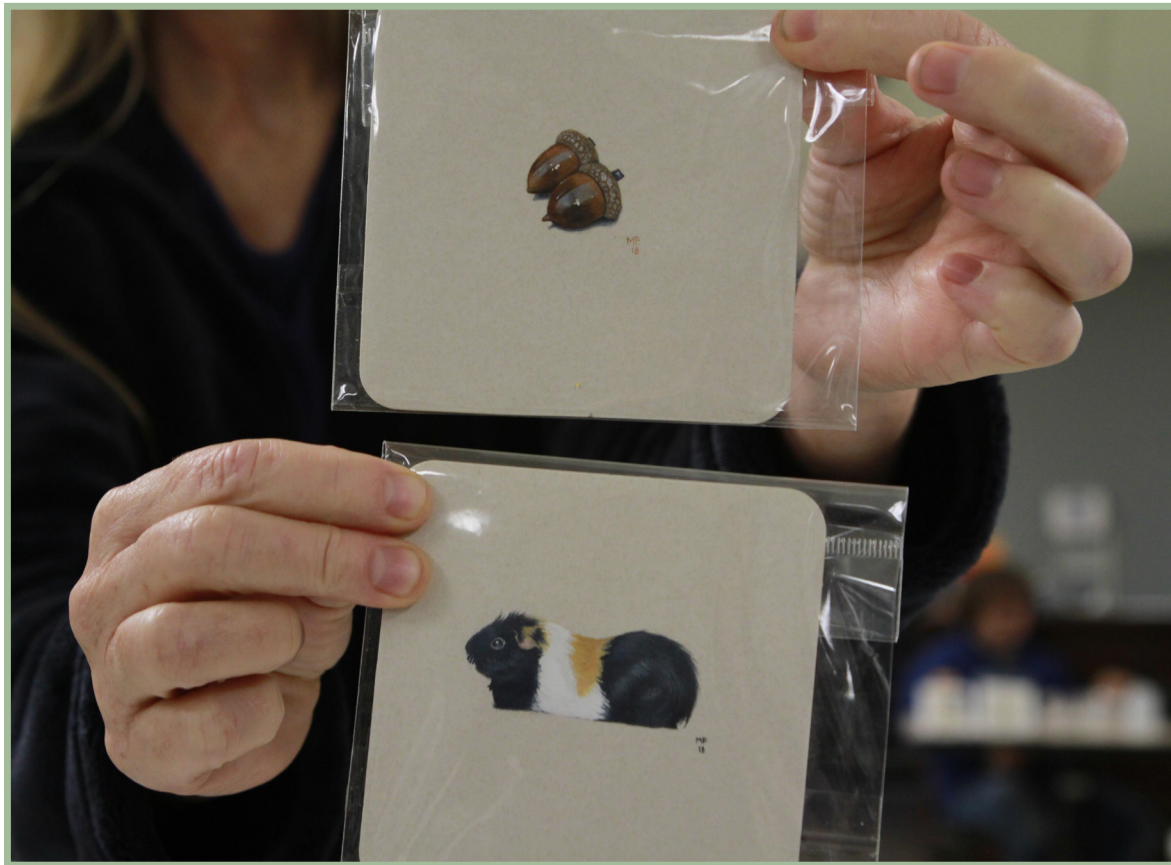
For the first year that Ypsi Art Supply was open Foldenauer continued their work as a multimedia specialist

& medical illustrator for the department of neurosurgery at the University of Michigan.

Foldenauer received their Bachelor of Fine Arts from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and a Bachelor of Science from Eastern Michigan University. Foldenauer went to receive their Master of Art in medical & biological illustration at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and their doctorate in anatomy at Wayne State University.

Medical illustrating and anatomic drawing remain a profession and a passion for Foldenauer for over the last 20 years. Foldenauer continues to freelance in medical illustrating, but their main focus is Ypsi Art Supply.

When it comes to their personal art, Foldenauer started tiny, not with their ideas or passions, but their canvas. The small work focuses on detail and precision. With their background in anatomy, Foldenauer finds the microscopic details to be



Megan Foldenauer, artist and Ypsi Art Supply owner, presents art at the Ypsi Fine Arts Club on Wednesday, Nov.15, 2023. Madison Cantrell/The Eastern Echo

“Stop thinking and just start doing!” Foldenauer said. “Grab your pencil and go!”

in the texture of the portrait.

In 2019, Foldenauer began vending at the Ann Arbor Art Fair. Using participatory art during the fair, passerby get a look behind the scenes of Foldenauer’s creative process.

Creativity has come naturally but not always with ease for Foldenauer. Focusing on previous accomplishments has been their recipe for progress.

“It took a long time to connect and actively participate in my art making,” Foldenauer said.

Shifting their perspective also keeps Foldenauer excited to craft and experiment with new methods of expression. A flexible mindset has allowed Foldenauer to put the fun back into the process of imagination and creation.

Foldenauer thinks it is important to act quickly

when inspiration strikes.

“Stop thinking and just start doing! Grab your pencil and go!” Foldenauer said.

See more of Megan Foldenauer’s work on their Instagram, @MeganFoldenauer.

Learn more about Foldenauer’s Ypsi Art Supply on the storefront’s Instagram, @YpsiArtSupply.



Ypsi Art Supply is located at 42 North Huron in Ypsilanti, MI. Carol Detary/The Eastern Echo

NAEA student group expands, creates opportunities for aspiring art educators

Hannah Borders
Arts and Entertainment
Reporter

Eastern Michigan University's student chapter of the National Art Education Association champions three core values: creativity, inclusivity and community.

NAEA is a national organization dedicated to fostering creative growth and innovation by providing resources to art educators. NAEA has members from all 50 states. Members include pre-K through high school teachers, college and university professors, college and university students, school administrators, and others.

"We really value creating community spaces, accessibility to the arts, getting people involved, and being in service not only to art educators but to the greater community," said EMU NAEA Vice President Lauren Lakin.

NAEA aims to support growth and offer opportunities to future art educators through workshops, professional development, community service and more.

EMU is one of three schools in Michigan to have a NAEA student organization.

Members of NAEA gain valuable experiences that help them jump-start their careers as educators. Anyone interested in creating art is encouraged to join, as well as those pursuing a career in education, whether in art education or other fields.

"We try to advocate from the core values of community, education, and creativity," said EMU NAEA President Ella Brandow. "So those who seek to get involved with us are trying to get those things for themselves. We gather together, and we talk about those things and how we can bring them into our lives and the community. The people who get involved with us are interested in art, art education or education. They



EMU NAEA hosts a table inside the Student Center selling handmade trinkets and providing free candy and face paints during Pumpkins on the Patio on Tuesday, Oct. 28. Max Taylor/The Eastern Echo

want to explore those things with us in a way that we set up through a creation or education event."

In addition to providing educational experiences, NAEA also strives to create a safe environment where students can make friends with their peers.

"At the end of the day, people at university are wanting to connect," said EMU NAEA Secretary Lynnlee Voge. "At the very bare minimum, we have friends and a place to go, and that is so crucial. Just being a student org period is very powerful because we're intentionally setting opportunities."

NAEA often participates in and hosts events on campus. They recently participated in EMU Campus Life's Pumpkins on the Patio, where they hosted a doodle booth, drawing portraits of students for a small fee, and sold art to raise funds for the organization. Voge said that they were approached by Campus Life to inquire if they could attend more events.

NAEA also partners with the Ypsilanti District Library to do art stations and workshops in which anyone can participate.

5 upcoming holiday markets in Ypsilanti offering local art

Hannah Borders
Arts and Entertainment
Reporter

Starting to think of unique gift ideas to give family and friends this upcoming holiday season? Here are five upcoming holiday markets in the Ypsilanti area, all within walking distance of Eastern Michigan University's campus.

Riverside Holiday Art Fair

The Riverside Art Center's third annual holiday art fair is taking place Nov. 22, 2025, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Nov. 23, 2025, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The art fair will have more than 60 local vendors selling handmade art, vintage goods and self-care products.

Ypsilanti Artisan Holiday Market

The fourth annual Ypsilanti

Artisan Holiday Market will take place at the Ypsilanti Freighthouse on Nov. 29 and 20, 2025, and Dec. 20 and 21, 2025.

The market will showcase more than 40 Ypsi-based small businesses, nonprofit organizations, crafters and artists. All vendors will be selling art or products they have made.

Krampusmrkt Handmade Holiday Bazaar

The 5th Annual Krampusmrkt Handmade Holiday Bazaar will take place at the Ypsilanti Freighthouse on Dec. 5, 2025, from 5-9 p.m. and Dec. 6, 2025, from 1-9 p.m.

Krampusmrkt is a winter folklore-themed holiday market. Visitors may shop from a selection of handmade goods from local artists, including prints and sculptures. Most

Alongside smaller-scale events, NAEA also participates in broader outreach events.

NAEA has been at EMU since 2019 but has increased its activities recently. Previously, the organization's membership and opportunities were restricted. The current executive board came together and made things happen, recovering from the prior inactivity.

"As a group of people who came together and decided what we want and just made it, I want to encourage anyone else to do the same thing," Brandow said. "Even if you don't know anyone who might do something with you, put yourself out there because a group of people with the ability to decide 'this is the thing we want' and go after it can turn into a beautiful thing."

works will have an eerie theme.

Cafe Liv Holiday Market

Cafe Liv, a local coffee shop, is having their third annual Holiday Market this year on Dec. 6, 2025.

The Cafe Liv Holiday Market will have booths where local artists and makers can sell their work. Visitors can also enjoy the cafe's usual menu items.

EMU AMP! Handmade for the Holidays

EMU AMP!, a student organization, is having a holiday market, Handmade for the Holidays, on Dec. 3, 2025, from 1-4 p.m.

The market will be located in the EMU Student Center.

Handmade for the Holidays will feature EMU student artists looking to sell their arts, crafts and creations.



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