



CREATIVE ART PROGRAMS

E-News for April 30

GROWING COMMUNITY RESILIENCE THROUGH CREATIVE ART PROGRAMS AND CULTURAL ENRICHMENT.

Wish List

We're always grateful for the community's support in keeping our programs and creative spaces running.

If you're able to contribute, here are a few items that would be especially helpful right now:

- Exterior acrylic paint
- White exterior primer
- Small reusable containers such as Oui yogurt jars (or similar)

Thank you for helping keep our work going.

Check out what we're up to!

We're excited to share a lineup of upcoming classes, workshops, events, and exhibitions — explore the calendar for full details.

[Flockworks' Calendar](#)

Cobalt Gallery in Motion

Fluidity: The Art of Molten Material by Drew Jackson

Join us for opening night! Artist Drew Jackson—also a craft beer maker—will be serving his own beer during First Friday, offering a unique chance to experience his work across mediums.

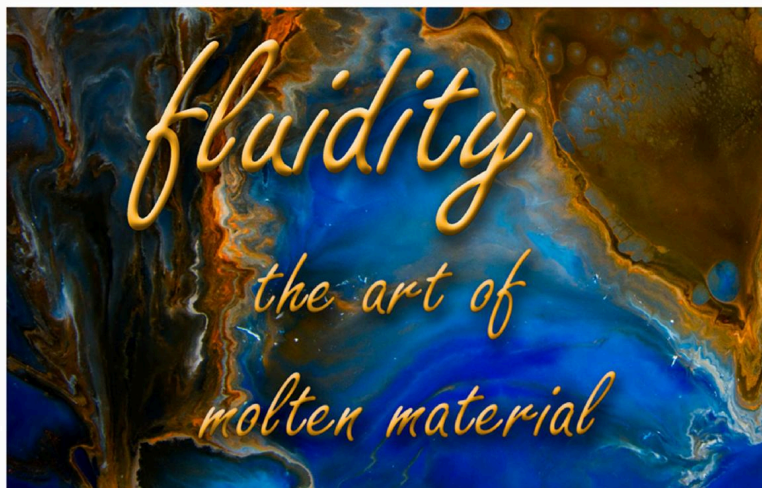
Fluidity explores the intersection of photography, encaustic painting, and experimental printmaking. After decades in photography, Jackson turned to molten wax processes and developed his signature “Digital Encaustic” technique. The technique captures a fleeting moments of transformation while the material is still in motion.

The exhibition highlights themes of change, materiality, and time, inviting viewers into layered, abstract compositions that resist fixed interpretation.

To learn more visit our webpage:
[Flockworks Creative Center](#)

More info: community@flockworks.org

More on Artist : <https://www.drewjackson.net/>



Abstract encaustic art by Drew Jackson

“Abstract art of the liquid variety lives in an area of fantasy and illusion. This collection strives to illicit feelings and emotions. Any connection to the real world is created in the mind of the viewer and becomes secondary to the stirrings of the heart and soul. My hope is the people who see this art suspend their need to connect to the physical world and fall into the world of their own imagination.”

Drew Jackson

May 1 - May 24, 2026
Opening reception May 1, 5 - 8PM

Cobalt Gallery
450 N. Main St.
Ft. Bragg, CA
Thu-Sat, 12 p.m. – 5 p.m

Thank You for Joining “A Calligraphic Journey”

We extend our sincere thanks to everyone who attended A Calligraphic Journey, a one-day exhibition by Robert Ross. Your presence helped make the event a meaningful celebration of craft, history, and artistic dedication.

We are especially grateful to Robert Ross for sharing Traiano, his remarkable large-scale work inspired by the classical letterforms of the Trajan Column. The exhibition offered a rare opportunity to experience not only the completed panel, but also the monumental preparatory brushwork sheets and supporting photographs with explanatory text.

Together, these works guided visitors through Ross’s multi-year exploration of Roman brush lettering—tracing the path from ancient inscriptional forms to their thoughtful revival in contemporary calligraphic practice. Thank you for being part of this journey and for supporting the living art of calligraphy.



Earth Day Reflections!

This past Earth Day, we were proud to celebrate alongside our community in honor of the place we all call home. At Flockworks, environmental stewardship has remained central to our mission of fostering healthy, conscious communities. Over time, we've been grateful to collaborate with organizations like the Noyo Marine Center and the Noyo Food Forest, participate in Kelpfest, and help bring kelp forest education into local schools. These efforts have continued to shape our commitment to protecting our beautiful coastal environment.

The Earth Day Festival was a joyful reflection of that shared purpose. We extend a heartfelt thank you to the Noyo Food Forest for hosting such an incredible event, and to the many organizations that made the Kids' Zone so engaging and memorable. We're grateful to our friends at Montessori Del Mar, Three Rivers Charter School, FIRST 5 Mendocino, our Kudos programs, and Kelpfest for bringing hands-on learning, curiosity, and joy to the day. A big thank you to Katrina Tichinin too for provided the bubble materials.



It was inspiring to see our community come together in celebration and care for the natural world. We're grateful to everyone who joined us, and we look forward to continuing this important work together.

We also extend a heartfelt thank you to our volunteers—your time and dedication made it all possible. We're always excited to welcome more helping hands. If you're interested in getting involved, please connect with Tanya at Communications@flockworks.org.

Afterschool Professional Appreciation

We celebrated Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week this month—a time to recognize the incredible people who show up every day to make long school days brighter, more creative, and truly memorable for our students. In partnership with the Fort Bragg Unified School District, we've continued to offer expanded learning opportunities from TK through high school. From community engagement to daily programming, our team has supported hundreds of students and families through academics, creativity, and meaningful connection.



**Blue Door
ASSETS
Drop-IN** ¡Se habla español!

Come chat, make art, listen to music hangout, play games + more

Join us after school on Mondays 3:30-5:00pm

Hosted by Blue Door @ the FBHS LIBRARY

 **ASSETS** After School 

Our afterschool professionals are artists, educators, mentors, and community builders who bring creativity, dedication, and heart to their work every day. Whether they are creating joyful experiences during break camps at Redwood Elementary, guiding students through jewelry-making at Fort Bragg Middle School, embracing music with students through the Music in Motion Program at Dana Gray, or building meaningful partnerships like our collaboration with Mendocino Coast Clinics at ASSETS (all pictured above), their impact reaches far beyond the classroom and continues to grow in countless ways each day.

To our amazing team: thank you for your passion, creativity, and commitment. You bring our belief to life that creativity builds resilience and strengthens community. We're grateful for you every day!

We're grateful to everyone in the Flockworks community! Stay tuned for updates and exciting opportunities in the months ahead. Here's to more creativity, growth, and connection!



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