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## IN THE GALLERY: KENNEDY HEIGHTS ARTS CENTER



#### We are the Other

This retrospective exhibition spans 35 years in the career of acclaimed photographer Wing Young Huie. With photographs from his home state of Minnesota and across the US and China, they reflect the cultural complexities of American society. Part of the 2018 FotoFocus Biennial.

The exhibit runs September 29 through November 10. Regular gallery hours are Tuesday-Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- Opening Reception
   Saturday, September 29, 6:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
- What Do You See? Lecture and workshop with Wing Young Huie.
   Sunday, September 30, 2:00 p.m.

## **FALL HARVEST CELEBRATION: OCTOBER 26**

We invite you, your family and friends to discover the treasure that is Kennedy Heights Arts Center. Learn about the Arts Center's plans for the upcoming year, while enjoying live music, raffles, fun activities, and tasty food and beverages at our annual Fall Harvest Party. All ages welcome! 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Free.



# NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

NEWS BY, FROM, AND FOR THE KENNEDY HEIGHTS COMMUNITY

**SEP/OCT 2018** 

## **KENNEDY HEIGHTS LANDSCAPE AWARDS**

his year's Kennedy Heights Landscape Awards have been announced! Yet again, we see the deep pride that our residents take in their neighborhood and their homes. Thank you to all who submitted nominations, and to everyone who strives to make our corner of Cincinnati as beautiful as it can be! Congratulations to the winners for their incredible green thumbs.



Mary Phillips, 3513 Mary Ann Lane



Ron and Ronda Avant



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Patricia Shea and Hameed McKnight, 5832 Kinoll Ave



Sherry and Freddie
Stonestreet, 6811 Bantry

Dave and Reyan Jardine 3441 Woodford Road

Honorable Mention:Teri Tatum 5835 Pointer

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Tuesday, September 18 KH Community Council at KH Presbyterian Church 6:30 p.m. FREE Dinner 7:30 p.m. Meeting

Saturday, September 22 KH Progressive Dinner 5:30 p.m. Drinks/Appetizers at KH Arts Center 6:45 p.m. Dinner at Various host homes 8:45 p.m. Dessert at KH Cultural Campus

Saturday, September 29 Opening Reception: We are the Other at KH Arts Center 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 2 Housing Study Workshop At KH Arts Center 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 16
KH Community Council
at KH Presbyterian Church
6:30 p.m. FREE Dinner
7:30 p.m. Meeting

Friday, October 26 Fall Harvest Festival at KH Arts Center 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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## **LETTER FROM THE (ACTING) PRESIDENT**

hope you had a wonderful summer and are ready for a full and rewarding autumn.

Community Council will be meeting again this fall. Please come out and join us as we discuss plans for keeping Kennedy Heights great! The first meeting is August 21st, and will continue to take place on the third Tuesday of every month. I hope you will make it a monthly tradition to join us. We have a free community dinner at 6:30, followed by our meetings which begin at 7:30 and run promptly for an hour. You'll hear updates from Police and Fire and vote on issues that matter to our neighborhood.

Don't forget to mark your calendar for our annual Progressive Dinner on Saturday, September 22nd. Join your neighbors at the Arts Center for drinks and appetizers, and then join one of our host families at their home for dinner and fellowship.

Douglas Linn

## **KEEP KENNEDY HEIGHTS ALIVE WITH TREES**

ennedy Heights is a lovely treed community but we all need to work together to make sure that continues. The city used to have neighborhood-byneighborhood comprehensive tree surveys and fillins. Now they operate only by request from the adjacent owners. Here's what YOU can do:

- 1. Call Urban Forestry if you have a dead tree on the tree lawn so it will be removed.
- 2. If you have space for a tree on your tree lawn, call Urban Forestry to request a tree.
- 3. If you have a space in your own yard within 40 feet of the street for a tree, get a free tree to plant through the RE- LEAF program by completing a request online.

Learn about the Fall ReLeaf program. Documents are in the ReLeaf section of the page.

http://www.cincinnatiparks.com/programs-and-events/urban-forestry/

Doug Fritsch and Phil Hucke City of Cincinnati Urban Forestry Technicians 513-861-9070

## FRIENDS OF KENNEDY HEIGHTS, JUNE 1 - JULY 31, 2018

We extend our thanks to those who contributed as a Friend of Kennedy Heights June 1 through July 31, 2018. Your support makes our neighborhood programs and projects possible. Send your gift to KHCC, PO Box 36318, 45236 or donate online at www.kennedyheights.org. Every gift counts!

Gifts to support the Lt. Leahr Memorial should be mailed to KHCC PO Box 36318 or made online at www.kennedyheights.org. If we have inadvertently omitted your name, please inform us.

Friends of Kennedy Heights Brian & Kelly Seedhouse **Demetrius Graham** Distinguished Properties LLC Clarie Hoff Franklin Adam Kirwen Kathy Cook & Connie Louise Kilgore Anne Fledderman Gloria Ford **Duffie Maddox** Mr. & Mrs. Gerhardt Edwin & Diane Orr Carol Osbourne Susan & David Donnett Lorain Givens Barbara Shells Geraldine Calmeise M. R. Sullivan Roger Klug & Julie Spangler

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Include my name (only) in the newsletter as a Friend of the Community:Yes!

## **PROGRESSIVE DINNER**

Richard & Elizabeth Norton

Sandie Gresham

Julia Johnson

John Leopard

There is still time to get involved with the annual Kennedy Heights Progressive Dinner on Saturday, September 22. Volunteer on our organizing committee, become a Dinner Host, donate a Dessert or Appetizer, donate a Silent Auction Item, or just purchase tickets and attend! Learn more online at

http://www.kennedyheights.org/events/Progressive.html

### PLEASANT RIDGE LIBRARY

Please note that some events/classes require pre-registration, which can be done in person at the branch, online at www.cincinnatilibrary.org, or by calling 513-369-4488. For questions about any of the events or classes, please contact the branch. Please check the branch calendar for possible additions to the schedule. There's lots of FREE fun in store for children and adults at the library.

#### **ALL LIBRARY LOCATIONS ARE CLOSED SEPTEMBER 3!**

Art for Kids! Ages 4-12. Tues. 9/18 and 10/25. 4:00 p.m.

Cool Science!\*\* Ages 5-12. Thurs. 9/13 and 10/11. 4:00 p.m.

Get Crafty!\* Adults, Teens. Mon. 9/17 and 10/15. 6:00 p.m. 10/16, 10/23, 10/30, 11/6, and

## Halloween Family Fun Party!

Families. Games and treats. Costumes optional.

Sat. 10/20. 2:00 p.m.

Hobbit Day! Trivia, crafts, activities, and treats. Sat. 9/22. 2:00 p.m.

Let's Go Lego & Other Building Bricks! Ages 3-12. Fri. 9/28 and 10/26. 4:00 p.m. Make It, Take It Craft! Teens. Teen Chef! Teens. Mon. 10/22. 4:00 p.m.

Maker Monday.\*\* Teens. Mon. 9/10 and 10/15. 4:00 p.m. Call the branch, 369-4488, for

New Food Fitness and Fun!\*\* Nutrition program through Ohio State. Kids. Tues. 10/2, 10/9, 11/13. 4:00 p.m.

Pleasant Ridge Book Club. Adults. Thurs. 9/13 and 10/18. 2:00 p.m.

Sensorv Playtime! Recommended for Ages 1-5. Sat. 10/13. 10:30 a.m.

Tales to Tails! Kids. Thurs. 9/6 and 9/27. 4:00 p.m.

Mon. 9/17. 4:00 p.m.

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Pleasant Ridge Book Club.

each month's title. Adults. Thurs. 7/12, 8/09, 2:00 p.m.

#### STORY TIMES

Come join us for one of our story times:

**Library Babies and Toddler** Time! Ages 0-36 mos. Every Wed., 10:00 a.m.

**Preschool Story Time** Registration required. Ages 3-6. Every Wed., 10:45 a.m.

- \* Registration Required
- \*\* Registration Requested

## FALL CLASSES AT THE KENNEDY HEIGHTS ARTS CENTER

I his fall, make being CREATIVE a priority. Our curriculum is packed with interesting and informative classes taught by some of the best local artist educators! A wide variety is available for kids ages 5 – Adult.

Youth ages 5-12 can immerse in ceramics in Cool Clay Creations on Saturday mornings. Our studio will come alive with Advancing your Drawing Skills, Watercolor Painting, Acrylic Painting, Clay Hand Building, and Pastel Drawing.

Need a supportive place to experiment on your own work? Join our Open Studio! Our Video Storytelling class, held in our Digital Media Lab, will teach you about equipment and digital editing.

Classes meet once a week for 8 weeks. Sliding scale fees available for those needing financial assistance! Class descriptions available on our website and Registration is OPEN! Visit our website at www.kennedyarts.org or call 513-631-4278 to learn more. Make Art. Build Community.

## HOUSING STUDY WORKSHOP MEETING

Tuesday, October 2 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 pm **Kennedy Heights Arts Center** 6546 Montgomery Rd.



ackground: In 2015, the Kennedy Heights **Development Corporation (KHDC), acting** with the support of KH Community Council, launched an "Aging In Place Initiative," whose aim was to address affordable senior housing needs and provide better access to community service **resources**. That work involved a survey of KH residents aged 50 and over and resulted in the funding of a Senior

Service Coordinator role at the Caring Place in 2016. In 2017, Kennedy Heights was selected as a pilot neighborhood for a Dementia Inclusive Initiative. That program provides services and support to families and residents dealing with the effects of Alzheimer's and dementia.

In 2018, KHDC has turned its attention to a targeted study of the neighborhood's housing **needs** under the guidance of MKSK's Urban Design and Planning Studio.

The goals of the study are as follows:

- Preserve and expand the supply of more modern, accessible housing stock.
- Diversify the range of available workforce and affordable housing choices.
- Investigate opportunities for the development of housing options that enable seniors to age in the community and/or co-habitate with caregiving friends and families.
- Improve and expand transportation options for seniors and their families.

Work to date has been directed by an advisory committee made up of KHDC members, KH Community Council Representatives, and Senior Living Advocates but now we need your involvement!

Please mark your calendars for **October 2nd** to learn more about our work during a 90-minute workshop. The meeting will be moderated by MKSK and will offer residents and their families an opportunity to provide feedback on the study findings to date and register your opinions on the neighborhood's housing needs moving forward.

Refreshments will be provided. Please phone your comments and questions to Steve Greiser, KHDC Housing Committee Chairman, at 513-536-6243.

## **NOTABLE NEIGHBORS: PEGGY BROWN AND SHARIFAH TAFARI**



Contributed by John Bange

he Dynamic Duo of mother and daughter Peggy Brown and Sharifah Tafari serve our community **proudly.** Peggy is the Kennedy Heights Community Council Secretary and Sharifah is Member At Large.

Peggy is a lifelong Cincinnatian, growing up in the downtown area, then later living in several other neighborhoods before finally landing in Kennedy Heights. Peggy remembers a positive impression of Kennedy Heights from many years ago when Sharifah had friends from Walnut Hills High School who lived in our community. When a house became available on Red Bank Road, they relocated in February 1996.

Peggy has worked as a Registered Nurse (RN) at Jewish Hospital for 43 years. Sharifah is her only daughter. Sharifah has been the Executive Director at the Caring Place for almost three years. The Caring Place serves Golf Manor, Kennedy Heights, Pleasant Ridge and Silverton, offering a variety of services for neighbors in need. Sharifah has two children, Issachar, an Electrical Engineering student at UC, and Nijah, who works at Citibank.

Peggy and Sharifah became involved in the Kennedy Heights Community Council when the city was planning a bike trail along both sides of Red Bank Road. Peggy and Sharifah realized that this would cause an issue for residents because many properties had short driveways and relied on street parking, which the bike trail would have eliminated. Neighbors got together and went as a group to the council meeting to present their concerns. Council delivered the concerns to the City of Cincinnati, and the bike trail was ultimately build on only one side of the road. Peggy and Sharifah were so pleased with the process that they were inspired to attend more meetings. Eventually they became members, with Peggy serving for three years, and Sharifah for five.

They both look forward to seeing Council continue to make a positive impact on the community. Upcoming projects they have their eyes on include the new bridge on Kennedy Avenue, the rehabbing of the tennis court area at Lang Park, and more.

Peggy and Sharifah love Kennedy Heights. They appreciate that its quiet, friendly, diverse and walkable, with a host of community events. They hope to see you at one soon!

## TELLING THE KENNEDY HEIGHTS STORY: YONONTE INN, part 4

Contributed by Ernie Barbeau



our months after the Inn had its grand opening, The Cincinnati Enquirer reported that "the parties at Yononte continue to be as attractive as ever." It then listed the eleven husbands and wives, and twenty-seven young adults who had recently visited the Inn. Some Cincinnatians stayed at the Inn for several days, others for weeks. Records show that the Montague family stayed for several weeks while Mr. Montague was in Europe, and the Hafer family stayed for one month.

But in December 1888, the "summer hotel" went into receivership. The Hotel's five directors stated that it

would be "beneficial" to the hotel's one hundred and thirty stockholders if the Inn's corporation was dissolved. It is important to note that twelve of the stockholders had yet to fulfill their collective financial commitment for \$19,125 (today, \$510,000). Nevertheless, the Enquirer described the source of the problem as "not enough patronage." The liabilities and a merchant lien totaled \$17,999 (today, \$480,000). The receivership was the beginning of an eleven-year journey of challenges that ultimately ended in a fiery demise in 1909 because of a defective flue.

An 1888 plat shows the area as having 130 lots, with eighteen of them having either a residence occupied or proposed to be built. Four of the Hotel's five directors had five occupied or proposed residences, with all of them being a short walk to the Inn. Ward Baldwin had two houses—5705 ValleyView (then known as Vaughn) and the 5800 block of Kennedy (then Surrey); B. F. Ehrman and J. M. Foster, the 5700 block of ValleyView; and J. D. Brannan, the 5800 block of Kinoll (then Talfourd). The fifth director, Thomas Hanna, may not have been a resident of Kennedy Heights.

In June 1889, the Inn was appraised at \$20,000 (today, \$550,000). It had been twice offered at \$25,000 but there were no bidders. The *Enquirer* states that the Inn was built at a cost of \$40,000 (today, \$1,100,000.). In less than a year, its value had decreased by 50%. Two months after the appraisal, the Hotel Company's assets were sold. There remained \$6,000 (today, \$165,000) of "unsatisfied" liabilities.

The next issue will focus on Ward Baldwin, and a new investor for the Inn, Colonel A. D. Bullock.

## DANCE CLASSES AT KENNEDY HEIGHTS ARTS ANNEX

is bringing afterschool dance education to the Kennedy Heights Arts Center are open to children ranging

amLuft&Co. Dance Annex. This year, we will offer many different styles, including Ballet, Modern Dance, and Creative Movement. All classes

from ages 3-8 years old. Classes are age appropriate and terrific for both boys and girls! All classes will introduce children to techniques

that will assist in coordination, rhythm, and body awareness skills. Register ASAP. Classes begin on September 4.

MamLuft&Co. Dance is a local

non-profit arts organization in Cincinnati that strives to bring dance and dance education to schools and children within our community. We offer dance classes for children of all ages and abilities

Find all class information at www.mamluftcodance.org/ kennedyheights/