

RIGHT: The Creation Station at Pendleton Center for the Arts offers a variety of art supplies for visitors of all ages. PCA/Contributed photo



A space to create

Visit 'Creation Station' at Pendleton Center for the Arts

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PENDLETON — The Pendleton Center for the Arts has created a free and fun activity for people of all ages to enjoy. From individuals to families, the PCA Creation Station is the perfect place to explore and broaden creativity at zero cost.

Executive Director Roberta Lavadour describes the creation station as “A hands-on activity that can make socializing much more comfortable ... the Creation Station would be a great place for a first date!”

PCA offers a large and constantly growing variety of art supplies to meet every artist's needs. Some of these supplies include vinyl scraps, magazines, acrylic paint, watercolor, markers, pencils, beads and embroidery supplies. Adults are given special access to laser cut wood weaving looms which they are able to take home, supplies for macrame, knitting and mending.

“No limit to how many supplies can be used. The best case scenario is that we run out and have to buy more stuff,” Lavadour said.

Along with this, there is also no time limit

— everyone is welcome to stay and work on as many projects as they'd like. And for those who don't know where to start, the PCA interns and staff have QR codes posted around the station to provide links to art tutorials and ideas.

The Creation Station is open Tuesday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 12:30-3:30 p.m. This schedule encourages people to drop in whenever they have time and provides an opportunity to relieve stress by making art with friends and family or enjoying a peaceful time alone.

“Saturday is probably when it's the busiest, but it's been surprising to see families traveling mid-week already,” Lavadour said.

Although it may get busy, if the 20 seats in the station are already taken, the staff will bring more tables and supplies. And for parents or guardians who would like to relax while supervising, the station also has a comfy lounge area.

The Creation Station is inside Pearson Auditorium at PCA, 214 N. Main St. For more information, call 541-278-9201 or visit pendletonarts.org.



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