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## Press Release

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### **Geauga County Public Library to display work by local artists**

**Geauga County – January 13, 2020** – In an effort to engage with and promote the Geauga County arts community, GCPL is putting out a call for artists to display their works at their Administrative Center Branch, with future plans to have displays at other Branches.

The inaugural display consists of art that represents a variety of ages, stages and artistic expressions, all created at Fairmount Center for the Arts. Watercolor paintings include creations by art students who have worked with Fairmount Faculty member Kathy Orcavecz. Brigitte Fiorille, Program Director and Art Director, worked with preschoolers to create watercolor fish paintings. Elementary school students created works with Linda Merchant. Art will be on display Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., until March 31 and is available for purchase.

Artists interested in displaying their work should contact Becki Gierman, Community Relations Coordinator, at [rgierman@geaugalibrary.net](mailto:rgierman@geaugalibrary.net)

"We are grateful for this partnership with the Geauga County Library. We value the opportunity to showcase the creations of Fairmount's students and the quality of instruction provided by Fairmount's professional Faculty," says Jeannie Fleming-Gifford, executive director of Fairmount Center for the Arts.

GCPL Director Ed Worso has this to say about this new library initiative, "We work to engage with our communities in as many ways as possible, and the creative community is a big part of that. To serve as an art gallery for local artists to share, discuss, and hopefully find new homes for their work is an exciting step forward for us and we are excited about future possibilities. Having collaborated with Fairmount Center for the Arts for so long made them a perfect fit for our inaugural display."

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Caption: Sample of artwork by Fairmount Center for the Arts students on display at GCPL's Administrative Branch.

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### **About the Geauga County Public Library**

The Geauga County Public Library includes four full-service Branches in Bainbridge, Chardon, Chesterland (Gauga West) and Middlefield, two library stations housed in schools in Newbury and Thompson, and a Mobile Services fleet that serves rural areas and community centers. Its Administrative Center is located in Chardon, where technical services, computer services, facilities and administrative functions reside, along with a full-service public library space with limited hours of service (Monday – Friday only). GCPL houses more than 750,000 books and digital books. The collection also contains nearly 70,000 audio / video items. About 75 research databases are available via its website. GCPL is a member of the Clevnet consortium, giving patrons access to more than 12 million items. Learn more about the Geauga County Public Library at [GaugaLibrary.net](http://GaugaLibrary.net)