



Martin de Porres Center News

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A Place for Spirituality, Education, and the Arts

Our Mission

The Martin de Porres Center for ministry outreach, sponsored by the Dominican Sisters of Peace, is a place for spirituality, education, and the arts in Columbus, Ohio. Infused with hospitality, this ministry reflects the Dominican mission to preach the Gospel, share fruits of contemplation with others, and respond to the educational and spiritual needs of God's people.



Autism Awareness

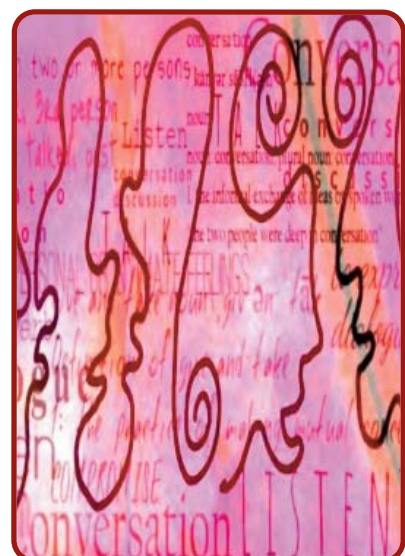
Have you heard about autism or have a family member who is newly diagnosed? Do you want to learn more? Join us during Autism Awareness Month as we explore this disorder that affects so many people. Our hallway art gallery will feature "**Everyday Adventures in Art and Cartooning**" with art by Katie Butler, a young woman with autism. We are also partnering with the Autism Society Central Ohio for the special program "**Autism MythBusters**" that aims to dispel many misconceptions about autism. Learn more on **Wednesday, April 24 from 6:00-8:00pm**.

Celebrate Black History Month

Help us celebrate Black History Month with a very special program. **Unchained: Journey to a Life of Freedom** features facilitators Tifani Kendrick, Barbara Fant, and Kimberly Brazwell, who will share spoken word and opening dialogue performances while also offering space for creative writing. The evening, on **Wednesday, February 27 from 6:00-8:00pm**, will focus on being freed from trauma, freed from guilt, freed from mindsets, freed from painful circumstances and being free to use our voice, to experience joy, to live fully, to be who we are! We are also happy to welcome back the **St. Anthony Church Multicultural Choir** on **Sunday, February 17 from 3:00-4:30pm** as they perform a unique selection of traditional African and spiritual music during this upbeat concert. The choir, founded in 2014, includes members from Cameroon, Congo, Ghana, and Tanzania. They are sure to lift your hearts during this spirited event!

Educate and Empower

During Women's History Month, celebrate and honor the women in our lives! Join us on **Wednesday, March 27 from 6:00-8:00pm** for a beautiful film about the power of our stories. The **Empowerment Project** is the incredible journey of a crew of female filmmakers driving across America to encourage, empower, and inspire the next generation of women to go after their career ambitions. This is our second year celebrating **Girls + Education = Empowerment**. This year our topic is Be the Hero of Your Story.



Now on Display...

We are excited to host so many art exhibits this year showcasing the talent of local artists. The year begins with "**A Time Such as This**," our latest collaboration with Creative Women of Color, a collective of African American female artists whose mission is to provide a creative connection with the community for the purpose of advancing the arts. This exhibit will be on display through **March 14, 2019**. Immediately following, plan to check out "**Veil**," featuring the work of **Joy Pratt**, a long-time supporter of our art programs! Her work will be featured in **April and May**. And be sure to stop by frequently for a rotating selection of art from local artists in our hallway gallery! Contact us at (614) 416-1910 to schedule a viewing.

Special Event Rental

We invite other non-profit groups compatible with our mission to rent space for their events.

Event Space

Our event space is ideal for conferences, lectures, performances, and trainings. We offer four meeting rooms, with meeting space for 2-200 people. Several of the rooms include built-in projection and sound, as well as comfortable spaces and a relaxing environment.



Amenities

On-site event planner | Full-service catering | Audio-visual equipment
 Free Wi-Fi | Assistive hearing devices | Webcasting and video services
 Daily availability, flexible hours | Full and half-day rates
 Convenient free parking | Close to Columbus International Airport



Lenten Journey with Dominic

The **Nine Ways of Prayer of St. Dominic** is a beautiful tradition that provides insight into St. Dominic's prayer life. The movements experienced in these gestures have a deeper meaning that reflects the movement of our life toward God. Learn more at our Lenten retreat on **March 28 from 1:00-3:00pm**.

Upcoming Programs

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| A Time Such As This Art Show | January 14-March 14, 2019 |
| Elderquest Film Series | Tuesday in Feb/March |
| Multicultural Choir Concert with St. Anthony Choir | February 17, 2019 |
| Unchained: Journey to Life of Freedom | February 27, 2019 |
| Heroes & Hymns: A Mystery Quest for Girls | March 13, 2019 |
| Girls + Education = Empowerment Film | March 27, 2019 |
| Lenten Journey with Dominic | March 28, 2019 |
| Veil by Joy Pratt Art Show | April 1 - May 31, 2019
(Reception: 4/28 3:00-4:30pm) |
| Adventures in Art and Cartooning Art Show | April 3 - May 10, 2019
(Reception: 4/3 6:00-7:30pm) |
| Autism Mythbusters | April 24, 2019 |



Martin de Porres Prayer

As Martin's charity embraced the needy women and men of his time and even the animals of the field, help us to be instruments of love and change in our world. Strengthen our efforts for peace and justice, and let us recognize your Son in the face of the poor.
 Grant us Martin's generous heart and keep us faithful to you. Amen