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Arts & Culture Community Resource Guide

The arts and culture sector is especially vulnerable to issues posed by the current COVID-19 crisis by the nature of the work they do. Many artists are self-employed and small businesses and non-profits rely on a customer base. Additionally, arts and culture organizations provide programs for the public to attend.

In response to the challenges faced by creative sector, The Lackawanna County Arts and Culture Department and several other agencies and individuals joined forces to publish “Lackawanna County COVID-19 Creative Community Resources,” a guide that helps to navigate the many available resources.

The guide outline CARES Act programs, the Pennsylvania CARE Package and gives links for grant funding and other resource, as well as local organizations offering their expertise for navigating these programs.

The directory will be updated regularly to meet the challenges and changes everyone is facing daily. The public is encouraged to follow the County’s Arts & Culture Department’s Facebook ad Twitter pages for the latest information.

The organizations that offered guidance for the compendium were: City of Scranton Office of Economic and Community Development, Everhart Museum of Natural History, Science and Art, Lackawanna County Arts, Culture and Education Council, Meoni Graphics + Promotion, NEPA Alliance, Scranton Area Foundation, Scranton Tomorrow, the Small Business Development Center and United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA.

The Lackawanna County Arts and Cultured Department will offer an information session through Facebook live on Tuesday, April 14, at 1 pm, which will also be broadcast simultaneously on Electric City Television Channel 19.

For more information on the guide and/or information session, contact Maureen McGuigan, Lackawanna County Deputy Director of Arts and Culture, at 570.815.1280 or mcguiganm@lackawannacounty.org.