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The Chester County Art Association **Receives \$1861.91 grant to** award exhibiting artists for their excellence in art.

The Chester County Art Association, at 100 North Bradford Avenue, West Chester, PA, has received a \$1861.91 grant from the **Chester County Art Association Awards Fund** of the Philadelphia Foundation to support its **Exhibition Awards Program**. Announcement of the grant was made by Pedro A. Ramos, President and CEO of the foundation.

Angela Deal Meanix, of the Chester County Art Association, said the funds would be for excellence awards and other general program support. "With these funds, we can encourage our artists by recognizing excellence in their work and awarding them. It feels good to be able to offer incentives such as this as we have hundreds of new and seasoned artists alike showing in our galleries 9 months of the year. Without artists, there is no art center", said Meanix.

The Chester County Art Association was started in 1931 by N.C. Wyeth and Christian Brinton. Originally, a group of artists coming together to sketch and organize exhibitions, they quickly began to connect the local community (not just professional artists) to art by way of exhibitions and art instruction. Today, the organization continues to embrace the mission of inspiring the community through art and has incorporated art outreach programs by partnering with offsite exhibiting locations and community centers.

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