



PAPER CIRCLE is a center for paper arts and kids — especially the underserved kids of southeastern Ohio — to help them develop their creative skills.

At Paper Circle, we are dedicated to the value of art and of paper crafts as a way to excite kids about their own creative abilities, to open them up to new dreams and opportunities and to motivate them to reach their full potential.

*I like O □, Fun.
I Meet New friends.
I made 4 New friends.
You get to make clay + homemade paper + you dont get yelled at for doing it.
I want come next year.*



In Circle Round the Square no child was left behind.

Paper Circle's special partnerships with several local art studios around the historic Square in Nelsonville, Ohio, gave birth to the "Circle Round the Square" summer program. This program provided area children with hands-on experiences that introduce them to a wide range of arts and activities. The goal of "Circle Round the Square" was to help these children develop creative skills, improve their self-esteem, and foster friendships and group interaction through the creative process of making art.



The 2005 summer participants rotated through four studios, experimenting with five media — paper, clay, enameling, found object art, and video creation. Additional activities including storytellers, Tibetan Monks and performing artists, along with a ceremonial raku "in-ground" pit-fire with a Native American host, rounded out the program. Nutritious breakfasts, lunches, and snacks were provided daily.

The program culminated in an art opening and a show at Stuarts Opera House called "Our Own Hands." It was attended by over 600 people, many of whom were family members and area residents who had never been in an art gallery or visited any of the galleries on the Square.

The kids now return to the studio to visit. One boy rode his bike six miles to pick up a piece of his artwork that had been in the show. He brought three other boys with him. He introduced me and then went back into the studio. I heard him giving the grand tour. "This is pulp," he said. "Pulp is cool...."



On the last day of the program, some of the girls told me they were mad at me.

"Why?" I asked.

They answered, "Because you are making this stop. We want to stay."

Please help us keep the creativity flowing...

To continue the program—provide the clay, paper, and other necessary materials, along with snacks and special performances, we need grants and donations. **We need you!** Your contribution will make a real difference in the lives of the kids of Nelsonville and southeastern Ohio. Your donation is tax-deductible.

Yes, I want to make a difference. Here is my check for

\$100 \$50 \$25 Other _____

Thank you. We appreciate your generous gift!
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