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McCormick: McCormick Arts Council at the Keturah (MACK)

MCCORMICK — The McCormick Arts Council at the Keturah (MACK) has so much to offer to everyone young and old alike. From programs and camps to exhibitions and classes, this is the place for art. The MACK's mission: provide art, culture, and education to the region. And yes, the MACK does just that. I was given a tour recently of the McCormick Arts Council at the Keturah and was given a wonderful history and insight to not only what they do, but also where they are housed.

The building that houses the MACK was the Hotel Keturah built by 1900. The first Hotel Keturah burned, and a second Hotel Keturah was constructed in 1910. Mr. W. J. Conner built and managed this hotel that accommodated travelers and train passengers. He named both of the hotels after his wife, Keturah, who also helped to manage them. The downstairs of the building showcases art in a gallery and accommodates a gift shop and some offices. The upstairs of the once hotel utilizes the guest rooms for artists to work in and give lessons. Another space housed upstairs is for the young art students to come and enjoy the art programs and art camps. The amount of creativity that comes from these young artists as they learn and create here at the MACK is absolutely wonderful. It opens doors to so much more from these students learning to express themselves in art. The MACK even displays the art that is created by these young students during an exhibition twice a year. During the other times of year, you will find different exhibits from other artists. The MACK also works with the local school district to bring art into the classrooms. This joint effort helps keep art alive.

The MACK is a non-profit organization that relies on donations and support. The MACK is a wonderful community asset and a great organization to donate to. They have many levels of support for donations. Your support will help the MACK achieve their vision to be the catalyst of cultural development for McCormick County. Please contact the MACK or visit their website for more information on donor levels and how your support will continue to assist a great community organization.

The MACK is open Monday through Saturday from 10:00AM until 4:00PM and closed on Sunday. For more information, feel free to visit their website at <http://mccormickarts.org/home/>. They also have a Facebook page that you can visit in addition to their website at <https://www.facebook.com/McCormickArtsMACK/>.



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