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**SUBJECT: BILL WHORRALL EXHIBIT AT THE THYEN-CLARK CULTURAL CENTER**

**EXHIBIT DATES: APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> – MAY 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2021**

Jasper Community Arts is pleased to present the work of local artist, Bill Whorrall, on display for the months of April and May at the Thyen-Clark Cultural Center.

A retired local art teacher, Whorrall has more than 100 pieces on display, including framed and unframed acrylic paintings and 3D sculptures.

Whorrall states, "I work in many media and do not have a favorite one any more than I have a favorite set of ideas. I let the media be determined by what I want to explore. Therefore, I do not consider myself a painter, photographer, etc. I see art as a way to share and a way to be what I am supposed to be. Art is a means to have a voice, I think it is important not to be silent."

"I am interested in design systems in nature and the world of nature in general. For me, art is a way to celebrate nature, life and to do it in a way that reflects the integrity and complexity of that life", says Whorrall.

Whorrall is interested in creating and attempting to solve visual problems. He likes challenges and growth. "I like taking risks in art and always try to push myself further. I am interested in creating and solving visual problems, especially with color relationships and composition."

Whorrall holds a Master of Fine Arts in Printmaking from Indiana University, a M.S. in Secondary Education from Indiana University, and a B.S. in Art Education from Indiana University.

The galleries at the Thyen-Clark Cultural Center, located at 100 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Suite A, Jasper, IN 47546, are open to the public Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 5 pm, Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm and Sunday from noon to 3:00 pm. School groups, clubs and students are welcome. Admission is free. Donations appreciated.

For more information, please call 812-482-3070. Jasper Community Arts is a department of the City of Jasper. JCA is supported in part by Friends of the Arts, Inc., the Indiana Arts Commission, The Arts Council of Southwestern Indiana, and the National Endowment for the Arts.

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