

Brandywine Festival of the Arts

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Festival keeps Wilmington region on the arts map

The Brandywine Festival of the Arts, which celebrates its 50th anniversary on September 11 and 12, plays a role in keeping alive a century-old tradition: the Brandywine School of Art.

Established in the late 19th and early 20th century, the Brandywine School dates back to Wilmington artist Howard Pyle and his students, the most famous being NC Wyeth and his heirs.

Larry Anderson is a popular area artist whose paintings of local landmarks echo the Brandywine School. "When I graduated from college in Chicago, I was given a book called Wyeth and the Brandywine School of Art. This region has an identity in the national and international art community and the Festival of the Arts celebrates and continues that tradition."

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