

United Nations
Educational, Scientific and
Cultural Organization

PADUCAH



City of Crafts & Folk Art

Designated
UNESCO Creative City
in 2013

Culture. Creativity. Innovation.



Paducah Creative City in Action



Sharing
Experiences,
Knowledge &
Best Practices



Participating
in Pilot Projects,
Partnerships
& Initiatives



Contributing
to Professional
and Artistic
Exchange
Programs &
Networks



Taking Part
in Studies,
Research &
Evaluations on
the Experience
of the Creative
Cities



Promoting
Policies &
Measures for
Sustainable
Urban
Development



Engaging in
Communication
& Awareness-
Raising
Activities

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Film

- “Paducah: Where the Spirit Flows” screened at the Small World Film Festival (Bradford, UK) & Santos Coffee Festival (Santos, Brazil)
- David Wilson, Director of Bradford City of Film, juried Paducah’s River’s Edge International Film Festival

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Music

- Music @ MAC has featured musicians from Bologna, Italy: JoyCut & Virginia Guastella
- Paducah musician JD Wilkes has participated in exchanges while touring with Legendary Shack Shakers (Glasgow, Scotland)

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Literature

- Wilkes presented “Barn Dances and Jamborees Across Kentucky,” an illustration of Ireland’s influence on Kentucky music in Dublin, Ireland and most recently his new novel in Edinburgh, Scotland
- Paducah hosted author & UNESCO ambassador Chris Merrill, Director of the International Creative Writing Program at the University of Iowa (Iowa City, USA)

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Crafts & Folk Art

- Paducah Quilts have traveled the world to UCCN meetings & events!
- Paducah venues welcome world class exhibitions and artists, including SAQA Korean Quilts Now (Seoul, Rep. of Korea)
- Paducah Arts Alliance residency has hosted international artists including master papermaker Sandro Tiberi (Fabriano, Italy)
- Paducah ceramicist Mitch Kimball participated in The Pottery Workshop, month-long residency in Jingdezhen, China this summer

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Gastronomy

- Sabores y Saberes (San Cristobal de las Casas, Mexico) showcased Paducah's gastronomic flavors, artisanal knowledge and music traditions
- Chef Sara Bradley, Freight House, led a gastronomic tasting representative of Kentucky cuisine in collaboration with local students of the University de los Altos de Chiapas.

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Education & Global Awareness

- Enhancing citizens' international understanding and participation in local culture, particularly in collaboration with local educators and students
- UNESCO designation helped the Heath Area Schools secure a Kentucky Department of Education Grant to pioneer and implement global competency programming

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2017 UNESCO Creative Cities of Crafts & Folk Art Annual Meeting



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT **GOALS**
17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD

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UNESCO Designation: Dynamic Differentiator






Paducah's Place in a Global World


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**ARTS &
ECONOMIC
PROSPERITY 5**
THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF NONPROFIT ARTS &
CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS & THEIR AUDIENCES
CREATING JOBS.
GENERATING COMMERCE.
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Culture & Creativity for Sustainable Development

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4 QUALITY EDUCATION



8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



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