Ready to discover our creative side—and maybe yours, too? Jefferson County’s arts scene is vibrant and engaging, with moving performances and hands-on experiences. Be sure to visit some of our favorite attractions, shops, and public works throughout the county to get a real flavor of the creative nature of our home.

Check out our favorites spots for local art.

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History and the Arts

Harpers Ferry National Park Bookstore  Harpers Ferry
The Bookshop offers over 3,000 book titles, including award-winning items published by HFPA. The selection of items reflects the topics interpreted by the park.

John Brown Wax Museum  Harpers Ferry
The John Brown Wax Museum graphically tells the story of John Brown and his raid on Harpers Ferry. Voice, music, and animation enhance the 87 life-size figures experience.

Charles Town Library  Charles Town
Enjoy the monthly “Artist Talk Series.” A showcase of art in the lobby of the building. Beautiful outdoor sculpture “Pickup Sticks” by Bozy Bahary.

Jefferson County Museum & Gift Shop  Charles Town
Museum featuring rotating exhibits and a collection of items on the history and development of the County.

Old Opera House  Charles Town
Live theatre house located in the heart of Charles Town. The theatre presents six main stage productions, a summer family production, a one-act play festival, and a ballet every year.

Historic Museum  Shepherdstown
Located in the former Entler Hotel, the Historic Shepherdstown Museum was founded to preserve and display artifacts, furniture, and historic documents that might otherwise have been lost.

Public Art

Ceramic Tile Mosaic Mural  Charles Town
An art project created by over 600 community members in five days in May 2018. In the style and directed by artist, Isaiah Zagar. Located on the corner of West Washington Street and North Charles Street.

Angel Wings  Charles Town
Katie Noland Thompson created this “selfie spot” mural on the Jefferson County Community Ministries building—on the corner of W. Washington St. and Lawrence St.

Arts Events Not to Be Missed

American Conservation Film Festival  March
A five-day annual festival in March and events throughout the year presenting films and programs that inform and inspire people to engage in conservation issues.

WV Fest  Third Saturday in June
Charles Town’s WV Festival is an opportunity for local citizens, heritage enthusiasts and tourists to learn about Charles Town’s unique history.

Contemporary American Theater Festival (CATF)  Summer
Named as one of the top theater festivals in the world, the Contemporary American Theater Festival shapes the future of American theater. Each summer, the Festival produces six new plays in rotating repertory.

Charles Town Car Show  Saturday, Labor Day Weekend
The biggest car show in the region located in downtown Charles Town WV. Top 50 Awards. Mayors Award. 14 Specialty Awards.

Mountain Heritage Arts & Crafts Festival  Last full weekend in September
Meet approximately 180-200 artisans and crafts persons carefully selected and prejudged, demonstrating and showcasing their work at this nationally acclaimed festival.

Ranson Festival & Car Show  First Saturday in October
14th annual festival will have craft vendors, children activities, school performances, and live music.

Over The Mountain Studio Tours  Second weekend in November
Exceptional hand-made wares, from furniture and hand hewn bowls, to many types of pottery, botanical collages and assemblages, sequential arts, beaded clothing and more...all in the creative setting of their own working studios.