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PRESERVING THE HISTORY AND **SPIRIT OF SOUTHEASTERN OHIO**



With its rich history, music, and culture, D&R Studios has become a landmark in the Nelsonville community. Founded by Dave Norris and Ron Mash in the 1990s, the studio has evolved over the years, transitioning from audio recording to full-fledged video production, and now, their work reflects the deep roots of Southeastern Ohio's history and the stories of the people and places that make this region special.

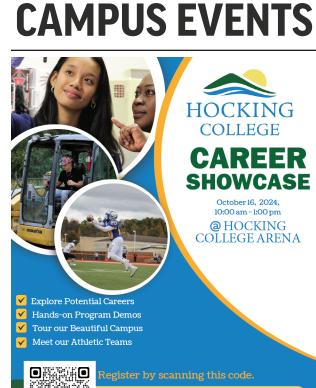
Dave Norris, a lifelong musician with a history in radio broadcasting, began his journey in the 1960s. He explains how the studio came into being, "I had many different jobs over the years, but I started playing music back in the 1960s. I was also involved with radio, and it seemed like those interests came together in the 1990s when an old friend contacted me about helping to record his current band, which included Ron Mash. That was the beginning of what would become D&R Studio, a multitrack digital audio studio."

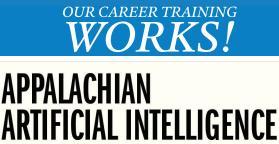
Ron Mash, a native of Nelsonville, recalls his first encounter with Dave. "I wanted to record some demo songs and Dave was an audio engineer who had set up local area radio stations. I knew of him but had never met him. We worked on a couple of projects together, and things just started happening. Here we are today."

The original studio was on Ron's property on State Route 691 near Nelsonville. While this initial location has since closed following Ron and his wife Linda's move to Logan, the passion for music, storytelling, and preserving history has endured. "We are still looking for a place to reopen the studio, at least for our own use," Dave notes.

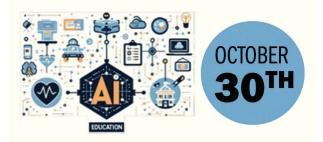
Initially, D&R Studios focused on full audio recording services, mixing, and mastering. Their scope expanded to include video production over time. One of their early projects was a "Hometown Showcase" radio show featuring local artists and showcasing the area's musical talent. The success of this radio show sparked their interest in video production. "We began playing with the idea of doing music videos of our original music, and that opened the door to video production," Dave recalls.

Today, D&R Studios produces local TV commercials, documentaries, and human-interest stories for the Nelsonville TV Cable System. They also collaborate with local historical societies and historians to create nonprofit historical video features. "The main things we are currently producing are local TV commercials for use on the Nelsonville TV Cable System. We also produce videos in cooperation with Nyla Vollmer and the Hocking County Historical Society and Tom O'Grady with the Southeast Ohio History Center," says Dave. These videos





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cover a range of topics, including the history of the Hocking Canal, the Haydenville Brick Plant, the New Straitsville Mine Fire, and even the crash of the airship USN Shenandoah in the 1920s.

Ron echoes this commitment to preserving local heritage. "We work with local historical societies and local historians to tell the history of our communities and show how our communities evolved into what we are today. We try to preserve the history of local towns and people so we won't forget where we came from to guide us to where we want to go in the future."

Over the years, D&R Studios has worked with a multitude of local artists and musicians. "From the beginning, we were blessed with a lot of area talent that we worked with and showcased in the studio," Dave reflects. They hope to restart "Hometown Showcase" as a video series to continue promoting local musicians.

Their dedication to preserving history extends beyond Nelsonville. "We will occasionally travel outside our area to look at other locations, like the Age of Steam Roundhouse near Sugarcreek, Ohio, and the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force in Dayton, Ohio," Dave explains. Currently, they are working on a video feature about Lord Dunmore's War, in partnership with the Southeast Ohio History Center and the Hocking County Historical Society, marking the 250th anniversary of the events.

D&R Studios' videos can be viewed on channels 14 and 15 of the Nelsonville TV Cable Company, as well as on their "Tales of Southeastern Ohio" YouTube channel and Facebook page. Their work not only documents the rich history of the area but also promotes the best features of their communities and region.

As Dave and Ron look toward the future, their passion for maintaining Southeastern Ohio's history remains strong.

While the studio currently needs a permanent location, Dave and Ron are far from finished. They hope to continue their work in preserving and promoting local history. "We hope one day to restart 'Hometown Showcase' as a possible video series," says Dave. "We want to keep our history alive and help promote the best features of our communities and region."



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COACH JIM TRESSEL SHARES ADVICE AND INSIGHTS WITH OUR STUDENTS AND STAFF

Students, coaches, and staff gathered for an unforgettable evening with Coach Jim Tressel at Hocking College. Tressel delivered an engaging speech that left the audience inspired and motivated. He spoke passionately about staying focused, setting goals, and envisioning success. Following his talk, Tressel hosted a brief Q&A, offering valuable insights and advice.



RODEO ON THE HOCKING RETURNS OCT. 19th!



Hocking College is excited to host the 3rd annual "Rodeo on the Hocking" on Saturday, October 19th, at the Hocking Arena. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with thrilling rodeo events kicking off at 7 p.m. The evening will feature action-packed competitions, including team roping, bull riding, saddle bronc, calf roping, steer wrestling, bareback riding, barrel racing, and cowgirl breakaway roping.

Attendees can enjoy food trucks, vendors, and family-friendly fun throughout the night. Proudly sponsored by Rocky Boots, a portion of the proceeds will support Hocking College's Equine Program.

Ticket Information:

Adults: \$22 | Youth (ages 6-12): \$12 | Children 5 and under: Free Parking is included with admission.

Location:: Hocking College Arena, 3301 Hocking Parkway, Nelsonville, OH 45764 For more information or to purchase tickets, visit: hockingcollege.regfox.com/rodeo-on-the-hocking-2024.



Hocking College participated in Voter Registration Week Sept 16-20, with three events

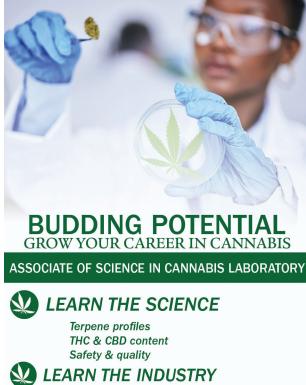


Hocking College students participated in a dynamic Natural Resources Discussion panel on Friday,

registering 151 students to vote.

September 27th! They shared insights, asked questions, and learned from industry professionals.

HOCKING PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Cultivation Processing Patient advocacy



Interested in one of the fastest-growing industries in the U.S.? Hocking College offers the first-ever Associate Degree in Laboratory Sciences with a major in Cannabis Laboratory! This unique program provides hands-on training using the same cutting-edge analytical instruments found in commercial labs.

During your second year, you'll dive deep into cannabis-specific tests and techniques, preparing you for Ohio's booming medical cannabis industry—valued at an estimated \$80 billion! Plus, Hocking College is one of only two educational institutions in Ohio with a provisional license to operate a Medical Cannabis testing lab, giving you a truly one-of-a-kind, real-world learning experience. Ready to start your career? Join us and become a part of this exciting industry! www.hocking.edu/cannabis-laboratory



October is Manufacturing Month in Ohio, and Hocking College is gearing up to prepare students for this booming industry! With the Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Technologies Program, students dive into hands-on learning, mastering the very equipment used in today's high-tech manufacturing.

The program focuses on robotics and automation, giving students real-world experience while they earn their Associate of Applied Science degree. They also have the chance to earn valuable, stackable industry credentials in areas like Industrial Robotics (FANUC), PLCs (Allen-Bradley), and Fluid Power (Parker Hannifin).

Through partnerships with industry employers, Hocking College ensures that students are always on the cutting edge, setting them up for success in the rapidly growing manufacturing field. Get started today and build your future in advanced manufacturing!



Upcoming Important Dates

- Wed, Oct. 16 Student Development Conference (All Students, Faculty & Staff 8-5; All evening Courses held)
- Wed, Oct. 16 Career Showcase
- Fri, Nov. 8 Last Day to Drop/Withdraw (16-week courses/2nd 8-week courses)
- Mon, Nov. 11 Holiday Veterans Day College Closed
- Mon, Nov. 25 Wed Nov. 27 Fall Break College Open, No Courses, No Faculty