

Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild

NEWSLETTER

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August 2016

Imagine, Create, Enjoy...

Bits From The Board

The WACG Board met on July 17 largely to discuss finances, fees and show regulations and procedures.

The Fall Members Show was thoroughly discussed and a number of changes made. Due to numerous complications and complaints, the Non-Professional category was eliminated. The number of awards and amounts of prizes were readjusted, and it was decided to retain the Peoples' Choice Award as it was felt that it encourages viewers to be involved. There will no longer be a guest book or program, however the Winner's List will continue to be published. Some changes to the refreshments were considered and it was decided to add wine to the beverages. As the show only lasts a week, we decided to try only social and non-print local media for advertising this year.

Two days were set to work on our continued digitizing of Guild records. Anyone who wishes to help photograph the materials will be welcome. The times are August 10, 9am-12pm, and August 18, 1pm-4pm at the Surfside Beach Library. These two sessions will be in lieu of an August Board meeting.

The General meetings will resume in September; they are usually held the third Sunday of the month in the upstairs studio in the Art Museum. Dr. Larry Bunch has been busy lining up a stellar list of artists for the coming year. In addition to informing about a variety of artforms and approaches, the meetings are a great way to connect with fellow

artists and art lovers, so hope to see many of you there. Board meetings usually follow the General meetings and are open to all.

Despite adding services in a time of increasing costs, the Board decided also to hold the line on all fees this year. In addition, the rental fee for grids was reduced to \$2 per grid for up to a week, with a \$1 per day late fee. These grids are kept at our storage unit; to inquire about them, contact Tom Britton.

It's been a hot summer, but things will be gearing up soon. WACG will be at the MB Home Show in September and Art in the Park will resume the following month. We encourage everyone to get involved in as many events as they can to keep the arts vibrant.

Carolyn Powell, President

Congratulations

WACG member Sharon Sorrels won an Honorable Mention at the Georgetown Rice Museum Show for her colored pencil portrait "Our Bus Driver – St. Kitts W.I.".

Congratulations

WACG member Nancy Van Buren had her watercolor painting "Vine To Wine" selected to be on the cover of Low Country Companion for the issue that runs from August to October.

Show Dates

Art in the Park – (Chapin Park)

October 8th & 9th November 5th & 6th

Art in the Park – (Valor Park) November 12th & 13th

Home Show – (Convention Center) September TBD

Members Judged Show – (Seacoast Gallery)
October 21st – 28th

Other Show / Event Info

The Myrtle Beach Art Museum

"The Art of the Brick"

Saturday, June 11 - Saturday, September 10, 2016

The Art of the Brick is a global-touring, one-of-a-kind LEGO art exhibition featuring the large-scale sculptures created out of iconic LEGO bricks by contemporary artist Nathan Sawaya. Award-winning artist Sawaya has catapulted the iconic LEGO brick into an art medium all its own, transforming this construction toy into awe-inspiring and thought-provoking sculptures.

Concurrently on display at the Art Museum for the run of the exhibition will be Sawaya's unique multimedia collaboration with award-winning Australian photographer Dean West, entitled *In Pieces*. *In Pieces* features a collection of visually stunning, hyperrealistic images that are exhibited with corresponding and complimentary three-dimensional LEGO sculptures.

The Art of the Brick is being presented for the first time in South Carolina and will be featured in all 11 galleries of the Art Museum.

Art Space 506

"Stories in Glass" Through Saturday, September 10, 2016

This show displays the talents of Conway residents Ed and Barbara Streeter. Some of you may remember the great program that we attended at their studio in Conway last year. This show will display glass vessels and sculptures that they have created. Be sure to check it out.

William H. Miller Studios & Fine Art hosts.

Houston photographer, Kevin Douglas West, for an intimate look at Cuba with the exhibition "Cuba Behind Open Doors" A FotoFest Exhibition by Kevin West Wednesday, August 3rd, 2016 – Wednesday, August 10th, 2016 Hours 1:00-5:00PM Daily

Opening Reception: Friday, August 5th, 2016 7:00pm – 8:00pm. Artist Talk & Book Signing Reception: Saturday, August 6th, 2016 1:00pm – 2:00pm William H. Miller Studios & Fine Art 714 Main Street Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 www.williamhmiller.com

The Rebecca Bryan Gallery at CCU "Bilingual"

July 18th through August 25th

Artist Amelia Toelke's exhibit "Bilingual" will be displayed in the Rebecca Randall Bryan Art Gallery on the CCU campus. Toelke who grew up in upstate New York, has a passion for making objects and ornaments that shape the material landscape. Her artwork has been exhibited in the United States and worldwide. Admission is free and open to the public. The artist's reception is on Thursday, August 25th from 4:30 to 6:30 pm, is also open to the public.

Scrapbook Project

We have established dates in August to continue working on the scrapbook materials. We will be meeting at the Surfside Library on August 10th from 9 am – Noon and on August 18th from 1pm to 4 pm. If you wish to help please send an e-mail to Tom Britton and let us know when you can help.

We have put our interview with Alex Powers and Dixie Dugan on DVD and we are having a few copies made. We still have a lot of information to process and then we will create the final set of DVDs. This will allow us to continue to update our history in the future.

Website / Facebook

Our Board member, Denise Berard, is working on Facebook for us and Three Ring Focus is helping to make our online presence special. We have been working during the month of July to make some corrections and updates that are needed. Those changes will be submitted to Three Ring Focus in a few days.

Opportunity

Looking for Artists

Pawleys Island Festival of Music & Art is looking for some talented, generous artists to help us with our latest fundraising project. At this year's Wine and Food Gala, we plan to have 10-12 beautifully decorated and/ or painted violins. We will provide the talent. There are no restrictions and you can let your creativity flow! Google "Painted Violins" and you will see a myriad of ideas.

For your generous donation of time and talent, we will provide you with two general admission tickets to the Wine Gala! (This does not include the Reverse Drawing) View this years and previous events at www.pawleysmusic.com

P.S. We also have a 42" pedestal table if anyone has a creative idea for that.

Contact Celia Wester or at 843-626-8911

Classes & Workshops

CLASSES:

Coastal Carolina Life Long Learning – Information at - www.coastal.edu/olli/

N. Myrtle Beach Rec Center – on Possum Trot Rd, NMB - http://parks.nmb.us/

Litchfield Exchange -http://www.classatpawleys.com/

Myrtle Beach Recreation Center –

http://www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com/recreation.html

For information on workshops contact Ron at <u>Southernexposuresandart@gmail.com</u> or call (843)651-1388 or (843)655-1800

Members Who Teach

Alex Powers - New Art Class

1st class: Tuesday, July 5, 2016 - Weekly, 1:30 – 4:30 This class is for advanced beginners, intermediate and advanced \$30 per student for 3 hours LOCATION - William H. Miller Studios & Fine Art 714 Main Street, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 CONTACT ALEX POWERS (alxpwrs@yahoo.com 843-742-4061) OR WILLIAM H. MILLER (whimdesigns@gmail.com, 214-632-2809)

<u>Donna Davis</u> – offering basket weaving classes using pine needles. Classes are at the N. Myrtle Beach Hobby Lobby on Wednesdays from 1-4 pm. The cost is \$20 and reservations are required. Contact Donna at <u>emeraldbay54@yahoo.com</u> or (843)360-4551 to sign up.

<u>Susan Duke</u> – watercolor, gouache & all water media, all skill levels. Tuesdays 10-12:30, her studio, 637 Grissom Pkwy, MB. Wednesdays 9:30-12:30 at B&C Museum. Classes on Mondays at Coastal Carolina 9:30- 12:30 – information at www.coastal.edu/olli/ or (843)251-3877

<u>Stuart Fleishman</u> – oils, acrylics, pastels, charcoal. Teaches use of brush and palette knife in oil and acrylic. Classes at NMB Rec Center, NMB Hobby Lobby, and Myrtle Beach A.C. Moore stores. Contact him at (843)213-1037 or fuforu@aol.com.

<u>Brenda Lawson</u> – beginner & intermediate watercolor lessons. Her studio is located behind Bistro 217 offering 3 hour classes in 6 week sessions. All supplies (brushes, paint, paper...) are included and will be the property of the student after the session concludes. Please call (843)360-0805 for session dates and prices or for info go towww.pawleysislandartstudio.com

William H. Miller, 714 Main Street, Myrtle Beach is offering weekly figure drawing sessions on Monday (10-1), Wednesday (6-9), and Thursday (4-7) for 3 hours each. Live nude models. Fee \$12 per session. For information <a href="https://whitestay.org/whit

<u>Jackie Stacharowski</u> – Open Studio at the Base Rec Center in The Market Common All mediums, all skill levels (especially beginners) – Everyone works on their own projects at their own pace. Thursdays 9:00 AM – Noon, Starting September 1st – June come anytime. For info – (843)446-5749 or jackie799@gmail.com

Rebecca Zdybel - All media

Water Media Wednesdays 1:00-4:00 PM – Explore watermedia and the many techniques and ways to paint. We use various media and approaches in this fun and popular class. Lectures, demos, and critique every class. Call 843-450-2307 for reservation. Seating limited, supplies available. Saturday Art Studio 1-4 PM All media welcome in this class which caters to those who work or have busy weekday schedules. Lectures, demos, and critique every class. Call 843-450-2307 for reservation. Seating limited, supplies available.

Arty Party Private Classes – All materials provided to help your group paint together just for fun. Each participant will come away with a unique painting, hand painted scarf, or wine glass. You schedule the time that works for you and your group, I will provide all art materials. BYOB optional. Call 843-450-2307 to schedule.

Eat, Paint, Cook Tour of Tuscany – Sept 24th - Oct. 1, 2016 (Note – Painting and cooking are optional) beautiful scenery, great food, ...visit Rebecca's website for

details. https://www.ilchiostro.com/workshops/eat-paint-cook-tour-of-tuscany/

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Newsletter Info

If anyone has any news items for the newsletter, please e-mail them to us at wacg.mbsc@gmail.com. If you think something is newsworthy, please let me know about it.

Important – For those who teach please check the information on your classes for any needed changes and keep us current so we can pass along correct information

One More Thing...

We are still on summer break so the next general meeting will be in September. We are working on projects during the summer.

Enjoy your summer. Remember, the studio is a great place to cool off. Avoid heat stroke...create something great.

I will leave you with a quote by Andy Warhol that was published in Alex Power's newsletter. "Don't think about making art, just get it done. Let everyone else decide if it is good or bad, whether they love it or hate it. While they are deciding, make even more art."

Keep creating!

Tom Britton, Editor WACG Show & Communications Director