

January 2022

Bits From The Board

Introducing your new Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild President, Robert "Rob" Walton.

I am a Retired Army Combat Veteran that has resided in Myrtle Beach, South Carolina since 2012. I was born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island and was raised in nearby S.E. Massachusetts. While serving in the Massachusetts Army National Guard in the early to mid 80's, I enrolled in New England Institute of Technology, graduating with a degree in Computer Sciences. After graduating, I transferred to active duty and was stationed in Germany for 3 years. After multiple duty stations and combat deployments my military career ended in 2012. I retired after sustaining multiple injuries and wounds.

I am a self-taught artist that picked up painting in acrylics in 2017 as part of my therapy for mental and physical disabilities related to my injuries. I volunteered my time for the 2021 HGHBA Fall home show, where I demonstrated my painting techniques to the public. Although I am relatively new to the Art world, some of my work has been shown in a Wounded Warrior Project Virtual art exhibition during the week of Veterans Day in 2020.

I joined the Guild in late 2020, and after a couple months, was invited to join the Board of Directors. I have recently assumed the position of President of the Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild. I am already getting involved in Guild projects and will do my best to move the Guild forward into 2022 and beyond. I look forward to meeting more of our members and getting to know all of you.

May your holidays be joyous. Best wishes,

Rob Walton, President

2022 WACG Show Dates

HGHBA Home Show Myrtle Beach Convention Center February 18th - 20th

Art In The Park Valor Park, Market Common April 23rd & 24th

WACG 25th Annual Juried Show Myrtle Beach Art Museum April 28th – June 4th, 2022

HGHBA Home Show Myrtle Beach Convention Center September 16th – 18th

Art In The Park Valor Park, Market Common October 8th & 9th

WACG Member's Judged Show Seacoast Artists Gallery October, Dates TBD

Art In The Park Valor Park, Market Common November 12th & 13th

Monthly Meeting

WE WILL NOT HAVE A MEETING IN JANUARY BECAUSE THE 1ST SATURDAY IS ON THE HOLIDAY WEEKEND.

At the December meeting, William Miller presented a program on Message Boarding, using collage techniques. Everyone had a great time creating their own, personal collage. It was great fun and had a great purpose....to set goals. Thanks to William for a great program that was fun for all.



JANUARY ONLINE VIDEO PRESENTATIONS Larry Bunch

Best wishes to each of you. Please put on your very best thinking cap and let's get started. Regarding this month's content, I ask that you place a particular emphasis on both your looking *and* your listening skills. As I was researching and preparing for this month, it was important to me to find a selection of artists who each had something to say, both visually and verbally, which derived from an experienced and practiced-over-time perspective. With that said, the artists come from India, the United Kingdom, and from South Carolina. They

each reveal a discernible passion and a strong commitment not only towards the creation of their own art, but also to the importance of the visual arts in general. As well, each of these distinguished artists have had long-term careers - most exceeding fifty years. Rich in both visual and verbal content, these videos provide insightful opportunities for both the viewing of the artist's workspaces and artworks and, as well, they also provide opportunities for the listening to each of the artist's articulate, open, and frank discussions concerning an array of wide-ranging topics. These topics include production materials and processes, the challenges of becoming and being an artist, the influences of place and the contributions of mentors and life-partners. They also offer discerning and reasoned thoughts regarding the purpose(s) of art, and of art as a journey, which include such powerful words as grace, forgiveness, and change. Together, both the imagery and voices of these artists importantly serve as an inspiring and valuable collection of resources, which just may provide to each of us a type of newfound gain in broadening our perception and deepening our understanding as we mark the beginning of this passage into a new year.

As always, I hope you find this content interesting and beneficial. Enjoy.

Viewing Directions: If you are reading this online, just click the blue https link provided below the title of the presentation and it should go right to the presentation. If you are reading this in a printed-paper version you will need to get to a computer, a smartphone, or tablet that can connect to the Internet. Once you have opened an Internet Browser Search Box, there are two methods of getting to the video – 1. In the search box type YouTube and the exact title of the video then press Search or Enter or Return depending upon the device you are using, or, 2. Carefully type the exact https link of the video you wish to view in the search box and press Search or Enter or Return depending upon the device you are using.

Monika Correa – 'Experimentation has been my forte' | Tate

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6cCsMpG9wNk

"Indian artist Monika Correa started weaving in 1962. She commissioned a carpenter to build a customized loom and has experimented with this practice ever since. Hear the artist talk about the thinking behind her artwork Original Sin (1972) and the effects that the process of weaving can produce." (From YouTube website)

(YouTube, Tate, *Monika Correa* – '*Experimentation has been my forte*' | *Tate*, June 21, 2021, Accessed December 14, 2021, Duration: 7:00)

Richard Cook Artist on the Tate and Leon Kossoff https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SBoBI9voGpg

"Here Tate Collection artist Richard Cook discusses his influences, background, Tate show, time with Leon Kossoff and a wonderful little analogous testament to the depth of his talent and modesty to close with. Intelligent, erudite, charming and sincere, he embodies the need for truth in painting. As he says, "that's the scaffold upon which I hang." (From YouTube website)

(YouTube, GB, *Richard Cook Artist on the Tate and Leon Kossoff*, October 27, 2017, Accessed November 19, 2021, Duration: 14:23)

Leon Kossoff: London Landscapes (Trailer, 2013) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UnamQOijqgM

"Produced in conjunction with the traveling exhibition "Leon Kossoff: London Landscapes" at Annely Juda Fine Art, London (8 May - 7 July 2013); Galerie Lelong, Paris (12 September - 26 October 2013); Mitchell-Innes & Nash (5 November - 21 December 2013); and L.A. Louver, Venice, CA (23 January - 1 March 2014)." (From /YouTube website)

(YouTube, L.A. Louver, © Angel Film Productions LTD 2013, *Leon Kossoff: London Landscapes (Trailer, 2013)*, Accessed November 19, 2021, Duration: 5:49)

Susan Ryder: Looking Through | Panter & Hall https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=29-OTDFB2tk

(YouTube, Panter & Hall, *Susan Ryder: Looking Through | Panter & Hall*, August 25, 2020, Accessed December 17, 2021, Duration 2:36)

"British artist born 1944. ... Since the age of 18 she has exhibited often in The Royal Academy and in many other mixed and group exhibitions. Although well known for her interiors and portraits, it was as a landscape artist that Susan received her first award. Many prizes followed for both her portraits and interiors, with commissions to paint at fine houses both in this country and abroad. Her portrait commissions include a wide range of people. Most notably, in 1981, HRH the Princess of Wales in her wedding dress and recently HM The Queen for the Royal Automobile Club's Centenary. In 1999 one of her portraits was chosen to hang in the National Portrait Gallery. ... (From: artnet, *Susan Ryder*, <u>http://www.artnet.com/artists/susan-ryder/biography</u>, Accessed December 17, 2021)

Note of Suggestion: The following set of two videos regarding Leo Twiggs may best be viewed in the order provided.

 Leo Twiggs <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y7c_CYTtW6</u> <u>s</u> (YouTube, SouthCarolinaETV, *Leo Twiggs*, June 2, 2021, Accessed December 13, 2021, Duration 8:56)

 Leo Twiggs Requiem for Mother Emanuel Festival 2016 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PMoSIcyS42</u> w

(YouTube, The Mint Museum, *Leo Twiggs Requiem for Mother Emanuel Festival 2016*, November 17, 2016, Accessed December 13, 2021, Duration 7:28)

Shows & Exhibits

Myrtle Beach Art Museum REYNIER LLANES | WHEN THERE IS NO FRONTIER

SEPTEMBER 16 - DECEMBER 31, 2021

When There Is No Frontier is an exhibition of 60 fantastical paintings in oil, watercolor and coffee, spanning the last six years of Miami-based painter Reynier Llanes' career.

SYNCHRONICITY | ALICE BALLARD + BRIAN RUTENBERG

January 15 – April 16, 2022 | opening reception January 15, 4 – 6 pm (FREE/members | \$20/nonmembers) The rich beauty and wonder of the South Carolina landscape permeate the work of ceramist Alice Ballard (b. 1945 Florence, SC) and painter Brian Rutenberg (b. 1965, Myrtle Beach, SC), who both share a deep connection with and great love of our region's natural

surroundings. Synchronicity is a nod not only to this thematic tie that harmonizes their markedly different art forms, but perhaps even more so to the serendipitous connections – both geographical and philosophical – that the artists continue to discover about the paths their lives and work have taken. Rutenberg remarks: "Synchronicity is when two people respond to one another from two different vantage points to make one expression. It is that personal response to nature that the viewer will come away with. We do it in very different ways: my work is 2D and filled with saturated color: Alice's is 3D with a focus on value/monochromatism. We land in the same place, but in the middle, we diverge. It's that place in the middle where viewers will have the biggest takeaway with their experience."

Classes & Workshops

CHECK FOR UPDATED INFORMATION CLASSES:

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

Myrtle Beach Recreation Center – http://www.cityofmyrtlebeach.com/recreation.html

Members Who Teach

<u>Susan Duke</u> – watercolor, gouache & all water media, all skill levels. Tuesdays 10-12:30, her studio, 637 Grissom Pkwy, MB (at the corner of Hwy 501 and Grissom Pkwy). Wednesdays 9:30-12:30 at B&C Art Museum. Call (843)251-3877 or email - susanduke.artist@yahoo.com

<u>William H. Miller</u>

Weekly Figure Drawing Sessions with nude model

Thursdays 6:00pm - 8:30pm \$10 Model Fee

Private & Group Painting Lessons - 3 hour sessions in Acrylic, Watercolor, Abstract, Drawing, Creative Mixed Media, and more.

Can schedule to mutually agreed times. (\$30 per person, no supplies) (\$40 per person, includes supplies) - Generally available, Mornings and Evenings

The Business of Being and Artist

Artistic Mentorship learning how to sell, price and show your art. Cultivate more collectors, set artistic goals, build a series, and attract a gallery. Can schedule to mutually agreed times. \$50 per session

Custom Painting Parties

A fun event that can celebrate your occasion, be it a birthday, anniversary, engagement, wedding, or team building event. I work with you to create a fun event lasting 2-3 hours, scheduled at a mutually agreed time. Cost is \$200 for 5 people, and additional \$40 per person. Can easily accommodate up to twenty people. BYOB and Food, (Can be provided at extra cost) Canvas, Easels, Aprons, Water, Brushes, Paint and Instruction included.

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Prestige Art & Frame (formerly Myrtle Beach Art & Frame) – great quality frames at low prices. Member Discounts. Call Brad at (843)236-4370 Two locations – 3261 Waccamaw Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29579 & 5200 C Hwy. 17 Bypass, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576.

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Myrtle Beach Chamber of Commerce – Member Discounts – at various businesses around town.

Esther Sharp – is a new member who also joined our list of sponsors. Esther made a generous donation to our guild.

This organization is funded in part by the South Carolina Arts Commission which receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts.



One More Thing -

Actually, several more things:

We have a new President, Rob Walton, and a new Vice President, Connie Huddle. They will be leading us into 2022, which promises to be a great year. There are a lot of things in the works and the future looks great going into our 51st year. Thanks to them for taking on the responsibility of keeping our organization going in the right direction.

You may notice that there have been a few changes in the Board of Directors. The current Board is listed within the header of this newsletter.

I am pleased to say that the items that I obtained from an artist's studio and the donations from our generous members have contributed to a great Christmas and New Year at Sea Haven. There is nothing better than giving during the holidays. Where I worked for many years, we were giving gifts between the employees. We later transitioned to giving to Angel Tree, Toys for Tots, etc. That is always a feel-good moment when you do good for someone else. Ya'll did great bringing in things for Sea Haven and the kids really appreciate it.

Finally, NOW is not too soon to start creating some great art for the juried show. Remember, we have recently allowed for additional entries per artist (up to 3 depending on size) and this year we should, once again, have a great show.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! The very best to all of you this Holiday season. I attached a cartoon by my favorite cartoonist, Gary Larson to give everyone a chuckle for the holidays...well, maybe Santa isn't laughing!

Tom Britton, Editor WACG Show & Communications Director

PS - With the dawning of a new year, we must consider that the annual "Renewal of the Dues" ritual should be completed by January 1st. Every year I end up reminding a lot of our members several times AFTER January 1st. Please, don't forget to renew. If you initially joined our guild after August 1st, 2021, you will not need to renew for 2022 as that was included in your first payment.

If you are not clear on your status, you can call us or email and we will check it for you.