



WACCAMAW ARTS & CRAFTS GUILD

NEWSLETTER

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June 2022

Imagine, Create, Enjoy

Bits From The Board

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Well June started off great. At our Board Meeting on Saturday, we invited the 2 recipients of the Waccamaw Arts and Crafts Guild 2022 art grants. The winners were The Academy for Arts, Science and Technology and Loris Middle School. I was humbled to present the grants to the teachers for the students at these to schools.

I want to personally thank Sharon Sorrels. She worked diligently to put this together, sending emails to the high schools and middle schools in the counties the Guild represents. We definitely will be doing the grants again for 2023. We are hoping to get just as many, if not more, schools sending in applications next year.

Remember, no general meetings until September. Board meetings are still on (except July).

Also, I want to put this out to our members. As you know some of our Board Members have resigned. If any of our Members are interested in becoming a Board Member send an email to wacg@wacg.org. Thank you for all our members do.

Have a great Summer

Robert S. Walton – President WACG Board

2022 WACG Shows

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

The May meeting was held on Saturday, May 7th at the Myrtle Beach Art Museum. This is a program we always look forward to. Jaime Franklin brought students from the Academy of Art, Science and Technology to show their artistic accomplishments.

As is usually the case, the presentations were very interesting. Jaime also led us all on a tour of the high school show on the second floor of the museum. That show was wonderful.

We had our June Board of Directors meeting Saturday, June 4th, at which time we awarded a \$1,000 grant to Loris Middle School Teacher, Meredith Cravin, to fund her project, “Warm as Wool” for the students at Loris Middle School.



We also presented a \$1,000 grant to Jamie Franklin from the Academy of Arts, Science and Technology. That grant will cover expenses for “Advanced Art Major Senior Exhibitions of Mastery” by her senior students. These projects are complex and materials can be quite expensive.



Both groups will do a presentation next year, in May, which will show us the end result of the work done.

We believe these grants are a wonderful way to give back to the community and to help our local students learn new skills and enhance their creativity.

Shows & Exhibits

Myrtle Beach Art Museum

Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild 25th Annual Juried Show

We closed the show on June 4th and the artists picked up the art June 6th. It was a very successful show. We had six pieces sold during the show and a lot of people attended. I do not have a final count yet on the attendees.

I am of the opinion, based on the feedback that I got, that everyone liked the way we approached this show with 3 Jurors and a Judge. We ended up with a good variety of styles and media. It was a very diverse selection. Our Jurors, Yvette Arendt, Meghan O’Connor and Easton Selby from Coastal Carolina University did a wonderful job and greatly enhanced our selection process. Our Judge, Alicia Leeke, did a wonderful job selecting the prize-winners. She was very thoughtful and took a lot of time evaluating the works. A great job was done by all.

Thanks to all who participated in the show. Thanks, also, to all who made it possible at the Myrtle Beach Art Museum. They do a wonderful job, each year, hosting and hanging the show.

THE WORLD OF FRIDA

June 18 – September 24, 2022

One of the most well-known female painters in the history of art is the fiercely brave and passionate Mexican painter Frida Kahlo (1907 – 1954), who is, today, a shining example of empowerment, beauty and determination. Her name alone conjures her self-image in our minds, as her numerous self-portraits in which her unibrow is her most discerning feature are considered iconic examples of her work. As with many artists that have come before and after Frida, her work did not receive critical acclaim until a couple of decades after her death. It was in the late 1970s that art historians and political activists began to rediscover and examine her work, which eventually led to Frida becoming a champion for the Chicana, feminist and LGBTQ activist movements. It is Frida’s fearless expression of honest individuality and the human condition that has inspired the 114 works of

art in a variety of media by 94 artists from around the world in the Art Museum's exciting summer exhibition *The World of Frida*, which was organized by The Bedford Gallery at the Leshner Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek, CA, and has been traveling the country since 2018. The Art Museum is proud to be one of the last venues to host the traveling exhibition, particularly during this very special year, 2022 – the Art Museum's 25th anniversary.

The opening day ceremony will be on June 18th from 11:30-2:30pm at the Art Museum. It will be family-friendly and include tin art and skeletons kids art workshops, self-portrait and flower-crown workshops for adults, loteria, games, community Frida mural, face painting, authentic Mexican food, mariachi, exhibit tours in English and Spanish, films, selfie station, and a costume contest.

The art museum is looking for volunteers to work in the gift shop and at the front desk on Sundays from 1-5pm. They also need some volunteers to work the World of Frida Community Day events. Please contact the museum at -

www.myrtlebeachartmuseum.org/

Click on "support", scroll down to "volunteer" click, and scroll down to find the application.

OR call: 843-238-2510 and ask for Shari

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CHECK FOR UPDATED INFORMATION

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Linda Rabon, & Aaron Neal

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One More Thing -

Actually, a few more things this time!

First, and foremost, we need a few more Board members. Many of you expressed interest in being a part of our Board of Directors. There is a lot going on and we need input and participation to keep it all going. If you are interested, please contact us via email at wacg@wacg.org and tell us a little bit about yourself.

Among the things that we are trying to accomplish is to establish a gallery/meeting place/etc. in the new Art & Innovation District of Myrtle Beach. Quite a lot of time and effort has already gone into the project. We were optimistic that we could get a building and have the funds to make it a proper home for the Guild. Now, we find ourselves “going back to the drawing board” due to current, and I suspect, long term economic issues. The inflated cost of fuel, building materials, and just about everything else is causing concern with regard to our plans. There is still some hope, so keep your fingers crossed. We will do the best that we can with what we have. The problem is that what we have may not be enough with material costs doubled and tripled over what was anticipated. I will try to keep everyone apprised of the situation. We are looking for help wherever we can get it.

On a lighter note, the summer break has arrived. School is out and we have stopped having the

monthly member's meeting until September. However, we do not give you permission to stop creating, no, no, no! There will be hot days when that air-conditioned space will feel pretty good.

Don't be idle. Draw, Paint, Sculpt, and whatever else because we will have a Member's Show in the fall. Seriously, enjoy your summer, be safe, be happy, and we will see you in the fall.

Tom Britton
Show & Communications Director
Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild

