

Bits From The Board

Summer is almost over and autumn is almost upon us here in the Grand Strand. Many things are going on this fall with the Guild. We have the Home Show, Members Judged Show and Art in the Park just to name a few.

I would like to personally thank the Board members that accompanied me to the MB Chamber of Commerce Nonprofit mixer at the Aquarium. It was a productive and eye-opening experience.

As a reminder September is also the start of a new Guild season. WACG general Member meetings are the first Saturday of the month at the MB Art Museum at 10:00 am, we look forward to seeing our members.

As always let's have a Creative and Productive Season.

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 18th – 28th

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

Monthly Meeting

September is almost here and on the 3rd we will have our first meeting at the Myrtle Beach Art Museum. We will have a great program by Kathleen Stuart.

Kathleen Stuart is a self-taught encaustic artist living in Ocean Isle Beach, North Carolina. Originally from Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, she has moved and travelled with her husband around the world, learning various art forms. This is a new medium for her and she is still learning how to work with encaustic. Her main focus has been fiber art for which she has won many awards and has several pieces in private collections. Encaustic is a mixture of wax and damar resin that is melted together then applied to different substrates such as wood in layers that are fused with heat.



We will not have a Board of Directors meeting this month.

Shows & Exhibits

2022 Horry-Georgetown Home Builders Association Fall Home Improvement Show September 16th – 18th, 2022

WACG will, once again, be participating in this show at the convention center thanks to the generosity of the Horry-Georgetown Home Builders Association.

I have received a good response to my call for artists and it happened very quickly (as it usually does). I do believe that some of you have one eye on your email every day, all day long. I get a lot of responses in the first few minutes after I hit the "send" button to announce the show! I am currently putting together information to determine how many artists that we can accommodate. I will let everyone know their status soon.

Again, this is a show for sales of art. We have several thousand people come to the show. Our artists usually do pretty well. Of course, we are only a small part of this wonderful show. If you have been thinking about doing some improvements to your home, you will find a wealth of ideas and opportunities at the show. Come see the show and visit our space if you get the chance.

Myrtle Beach Art Museum 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. She 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.

South Caroline State Museum August 27th – January 8th, 2022

This show, in Columbia, is a national show put on by the South Carolina Watermedia Society. This should be a great show so you might want to check it out.

Classes & Workshops

CHECK FOR UPDATED INFORMATION CLASSES: Litchfield Exchange -<u>http://www.classatpawleys.com/</u>

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 - <u>susanduke.artist@yahoo.com</u>

William H. Miller

Private & Group Painting Lessons - 2 hour Sessions in Acrylic, Watercolor, Abstract, Drawing, Creativity, Mixed Media and more. Can schedule to mutual agreed times. (\$40 per person, no supplies, \$50 includes supplies) - Generally Available Mornings & Evenings, Saturdays.

Business of Being An Artist Mentorship

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

Custom Painting Parties, Vision Board Sessions, and Artsy Events - contact me for details.

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Support them - they support us. They are also really good at what they do. WACG is proud to be associated with each of them.

Horry Georgetown Homebuilders Association – is your contractor a member? WACG is allowed to participate in 2 HGHBA Home Shows per year.

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.

Three Ring Focus – web design and marketing – create & host our website. 1925 Mr. Joe White Ave., Myrtle Beach, SC

Ameriprise Financial Services – good advice and good results – improving Guild finances. Linda Rabon, & Aaron Neal 900 Main Street, Suite C, Conway, SC 29526

Jerri-Bob's Mail Services – printing, packing, mailing & shipping. Member Discounts. 1413 Hwy. 17 S, Surfside Beach, SC 29575 **Myrtle Beach Chamber of Commerce –** Member Discounts – at various businesses around town.

King & Godbold, LLC – CPA for WACG. 1131 48th Ave. N, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

Office Depot – discounted office supplies & printing. 9678 Hwy 17 Bypass S, South Strand Commons, Surfside Beach

Esther Sharp – thanks to this very generous member of our guild for her support.

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One More Thing -

Actually, a few more things this time!

First, this is important. If you are a member and you teach classes you may advertise in this newsletter. Send in your information and we will publish monthly for free. I have seen a decline in the number of artists offering classes. I know that there are some members doing classes that are not using this free service. I have also noticed that there have been very few updates recently.

If you advertise classes, please update your information OR confirm that it is still valid.

If you have not been advertising in this newsletter, why not? Look at the short entries listed and create one of your own and email it to me.....IT'S FREE!

I have been working to try to improve our communications with the members. I am currently (still) working on what I hope will be a permanent fix. I am not as close as I thought I was to a solution. Until it is done, we will still show email addresses of all the recipients of our mailings to assure delivery. I have been on multiple phone calls, a couple of Zoom conferences, and read a lot of information. I will be watching an instructional video and collaborating with our web host. Your next newsletter delivered via email MAY look different (I hope so), so be aware. I am excited about our new Board of Directors. We had a small group that has worked hard for the Guild, but now we have a full board of 15. The new Board members will add their expertise and energy to the group and the Guild will thrive. Thanks to them for stepping forward on our behalf.

You may notice that Larry Bunch, who did such a wonderful job setting up programs for our meetings, is no longer listed as a Board member. He served the Board well, but now has other projects that demand his attention. Although he is now inactive as a Board member, he will still be supporting our work and working with us on occasion.

Remember, we will have a Member's Show in October and I have posted the dates. Our meetings are starting again September 3rd....see you then.

Tom Britton Show & Communications Director Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild