



WACCAMAW ARTS & CRAFTS GUILD

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Imagine, Create, Enjoy

Bits From The Board

2023 is here and we have a busy first quarter ahead of us, starting with the HGHBA home show at the MB Convention Center in February. Tom has already established the members that are demonstrating and showing their works for sale. I want to personally thank the members of the guild that are setting up and running our booth.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome all our new members to the guild and say thank you to our returning members. Let's make 2023 a very productive and successful year.

Always be creative and kind.
Robert S. Walton – President WACG Board

HGHBA Home Show (participant)
Myrtle Beach Convention Center
September 15th – 17th

Judged Member Show
October 2023
Date, Time & Place - TBD

Art In The Park
Valor Park, Market Common
October 7th & 8th

Art In The Park
Valor Park, Market Common
November 11th & 12th

2023 WACG Shows

HGHBA Home Show (participant)
Myrtle Beach Convention Center
February 3rd - 5th

Art In The Park
Valor Park, Market Common
April 22nd & 23rd

26th Annual Juried Show
Myrtle Beach Art Museum
April 27th - June 4th

Monthly Meeting

There will be a meeting Saturday, February 4, 2023 from 10:00 am until noon at the Myrtle Beach Art Museum, in the second-floor classroom. We will have a brief meeting and then have the program by Liz Blood.

Liz will present a program on lampwork glass. Lampworking is a process that uses an oxygen and propane torch to melt Italian glass around a stainless-steel mandrel. Liz melts the glass rods to make unique and interesting color combinations that form the leaves, vines, and flowers. Her art glass beads and sculpture capture the diverse forms and

shapes found in nature. Her jewelry and beads have been displayed in fine art galleries throughout the United States, and highlighted in local and national publications. Examples of her work below. It should be very interesting and fun for all.



Our last program was presented by Connie Huddle in the pottery studio on the ground floor of the Art Museum. It was a lot of fun and very interesting. Some of us also got back our hand-built pieces from the December meeting which had been glazed and fired. The pottery demos were great. Below are photos from Connie's program.



We will be not be having a Board meeting following the Member meeting this month.

WACC Announcement

The HGHBA Spring Home Improvement and Outdoor Living Show is coming very soon. Thanks to the Horry Georgetown Home Builders Association for allowing us to display and sell some of our art and craft items. It is a great show, particularly if you have been planning to do some home improvements, or are building a home. We always enjoy participating in this show.

We will be located in the lobby at the front of the Myrtle Beach Convention Center. Come see our booth and our artists doing demos.

Shows & Exhibits

Myrtle Beach Art Museum

RANDI REISS-MCCORMACK – WONDERLUST

January 10 – April 16, 2023

Originally from Boston, MA, Randi Reiss-McCormack currently lives and works as a professional artist in Baltimore, MD. Reiss-McCormack focuses her art primarily on painting, printmaking and mixed-media works. She is currently interested in the play between experiments in printmaking, textiles and painting and how they inform and influence one another.

The work in *Wonderlust* was created over the past three years and veers between the recognizable and the abstract. The imagery is derived from the physicality of the world but is guided by the subconscious. Reiss-McCormack explores how abstraction gives form to things residing in and imprinted on our subconscious. Working in a wide range of media, moving from textile and printmaking to painting and mixed media, the artist uses the constraints of each medium to intercede on one another. The structure for these latest works relies heavily on the imprint of organic shapes and forms derived from nature.

JENNIFER YORK – ESTUARY BLUES

January 19 – April 16, 2023

Jennifer York is a lifelong artist and explorer. In 2018-19, York traveled to a dozen countries for four monthlong international art residencies, where she filled sketchbooks with observational drawings and created a series of collapsible carousel pop-up book sculptures that fit in her carry-on suitcase. She then relocated to the tidal marshlands near Folly Beach, SC, in March 2020. As an avid runner during the COVID-19 pandemic, York found old suitcases and mirrors on the side of the road and saw them as creative vessels in which to build wondrous new scenes of

intricate cut paper – a natural development from the carousel book structures. She continued to develop this body of work as a 2021 Gibbes Museum of Art (Charleston, SC) Visiting Artist. *Estuary Blues* encompasses York's work and life since moving to the South Carolina coast.

Classes & Workshops

CHECK FOR UPDATED INFORMATION

CLASSES:

Myrtle Beach Recreation Center –

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

Members Who Teach

Susan Duke – 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

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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 for details.

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SOUTH CAROLINA arts COMMISSION
One More Thing -

As we enter into the new year we, once again, prepare for some yearly events. We always kick-off with the HGHB Home Show at the Myrtle Beach Convention Center. Many of our artists look forward to an opportunity to display and sell at this venue. This year will be interesting as we are doing a lot of demos during the three day show.

We are also moving forward to prepare for the 26th Annual WACG Juried Show at the Myrtle Beach Art Museum. For those who are interested, I attach a copy of the prospectus. This is a great show to

be in, but you must be juried into the show. To be accepted is an honor and a great opportunity to have your artwork in the museum for a month. Some of you may also win cash prizes. You may enter up to 3 artworks, so enter and good luck.

Tom Britton
Show & Communications Director
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