



# WACCAMAW ARTS & CRAFTS GUILD

## NEWSLETTER

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Imagine, Create, Enjoy

### Bits From The Board

On Saturday May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023, I was honored to present our Annual WACG Educational Art Grants. This time around, we awarded \$1000 grants to 3 Area Schools for the '23-'24 school year. Those Schools were Loris Middle School, Carolina Forest High School and Academy For The Arts, Science & Technology. Thank you to Sharon Sorrels (WACG Board Member and Director of Education Grants) for her diligent work on this program.

Always be creative and kind.

Robert S. Walton – President WACG Board



Claudine Scheu CFHS



Jennifer Neafsey for  
Dr. Rebecca Coleman LMS



Jaimie Franklin, Allie, Mikayla, Drew, Sara Compton AAST

### 2023 Grants

The Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild has a mission to promote the arts in our area. We feel that it is very important to promote the artistic skills and creativity of our young people. Each year we provide funding to teachers in the area who need assistance to further this objective. The teachers apply by describing their program objectives.

This year we awarded 3 grants of \$1,000. At the end of the year (May 2024) each of the three teachers involved, and their students, will present the works created as a result of these funds at our May meeting. As many of you are aware, funding for these projects is limited under normal circumstances. Our grant program provides additional funding, and the results show that art is alive and well.

### 2023 WACG Shows

26<sup>th</sup> Annual Juried Show  
Myrtle Beach Art Museum  
April 27<sup>th</sup> - June 4<sup>th</sup>

HGHA Home Show (participant)  
Myrtle Beach Convention Center  
September 15<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>

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

Art In The Park  
Valor Park, Market Common  
October 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>

Art In The Park  
Valor Park, Market Common  
November 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>

## *Monthly Meeting*

Our May meeting was the last meeting before the summer break. There will be no member meetings until September, however, your Board of Directors will continue to meet to conduct the business of the Guild.

At our last meeting, we had the pleasure of a wonderful program by our grant recipients from the 22-23 school year. As is always the case, the projects were impressive.

Art teachers Jamie Franklin and Sara Compton along with students from the Academy of Art, Science and Technology presented works from the Advanced Art Major Senior Exhibitions of Mastery.



Savannah Fowler presented on behalf of Meredith Cravin of Loris Middle School. She presented work from their project, "Warm As Wool".

The Board of Directors will have a meeting at SeaWitch Café at 10:00 am on Saturday, June 3rd .

## *WACG Juried Show*

I encourage our members and all art lovers to go to the museum to see the exhibit. It is a

great show. Time is running out as the show closes on June 4<sup>th</sup>. For participating artists, you must pick up your work Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> between 9:00 am and noon.

## *Shows & Exhibits*

### **Myrtle Beach Art Museum**

### **26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WACCAMAW ARTS & CRAFTS GUILD JURIED SHOW**

**April 27th – June 4, 2023**

The Show is almost over. Congratulations to all who made it into the show. If you haven't seen it, you have until June 4<sup>th</sup> at 4pm. If you tried and didn't get into the show, we have a judged show coming up in October.

Artists with work in the show must pick up their works on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> between 9:00 am and noon.

### **LIFTING BLACK VOICES / THE RHODES COLLECTION OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN ART**

**June 13th – September 10th, 2023**

This summer, experience the vibrant and expressive African-American art collection of Dr. and Mrs. Harold M. Rhodes, III. Although their collecting began in 1991, Dr. Rhodes explains that his interest in art has followed him all his life. "To me, art ignites the imagination and influences the decisions we make....It affects each one of us differently, and that is the beauty of art," says Rhodes. Work by such prominent artists as Arianne King Comer, James Denmark, Tom Feelings, Tyrone Geter, Jonathan Green, Philip Simmons and Leo Twiggs will fill our galleries. All of the artists represented are either native to or spent a significant time in their career working in South Carolina. The 80 selections from the Rhodes Collection range from paintings and sculpture to quilts, batiks and collage and are representative of the black Carolinian experience, from the dark times of enslavement and discrimination to

those celebrating ancestry, faith, life, love, perseverance and heritage.

## THE STICK BY CLAY RICE

June 6th – September 3rd, 2023

Developed by nationally-known silhouette artist Clay Rice and The South Carolina State Museum, *The Stick* traveling exhibition is based on the artist's children's book of the same name. *The Stick* is about a young boy, who embarks on an exciting life journey after finding a very special stick that sparks his creativity. "*The Stick* is a poignant and heartfelt oath to the power of imagination," says Rice. With original illustrations by Rice, as well as dramatic gallery backdrops by local set designer Tim Harvey, *The Stick* will come to life inside our Museum walls. This family-friendly exhibition invites all ages to immerse themselves in the elegant black-and-white world of Rice's silhouettes accentuated by a fun and colorful gallery experience filled with kids' costumes, photo-ops and a cozy reading nook.

## 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](mailto:susanduke.artist@yahoo.com)

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**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 for details.

## William H. Miller Studios & Fine Art

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## Our Sponsors

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**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.

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

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

**Walter B. Godbold CPA & Associates**– CPA for WACG.  
1131 48<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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 -*

The 26<sup>th</sup> Annual WACG Juried Show is open thru June 4<sup>th</sup>. I encourage everyone to go to the museum to see the show.

For those who did not make it into the current show, there will be a Member's Judged Show in October. Works that were not accepted are eligible for the fall Judged show, but the same basic requirements apply.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the HeArt Project for Sea Haven. It was very successful thanks, in part, to the contributions of our members. They raised \$15,000 that night to launch the new short-term housing for young people, ages 18 – 24.

We will be going on hiatus for the summer and we will resume our meetings in September. As usual, we will continue to have Board meetings and work on the business of the Guild through the summer.

We are currently working to set up an oil painting workshop during the summer. We appear to have a full roster of "students" at this point, but if you are interested let me know in the event that there is a cancellation.

Enjoy the summer months and be safe!

Tom Britton  
Show & Communications Director  
Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild

