



WACCAMAW ARTS & CRAFTS GUILD

NEWSLETTER

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May 2025

Imagine, Create, Enjoy

Bits from the Board

Hello all,
Happy Easter and Passover.

It is with great pleasure that I can share the news about Gallery 320. If you haven't heard we are opening up the Gallery this week. Our volunteers made this happen, so thank you to all.

It took some time and lots of coordinating and hard work to bring the Gallery to the community. So be sure to stop by.

If you would like to follow the progress and what goes on at Gallery 320, follow us on Facebook. We are also in the process of designing a website for Gallery 320.

Watch your email for important information about the Guild and the Gallery programs.

As always, remember to keep being creative.

Thank you,

Robert S. Walton – President WACG Board

2025 WACG Shows

HGHBA Fall Home Show
Myrtle Beach Convention Center
September 12th – 14th

Art in the Park
Valor Park, Market Common
October 11th & 12th

28th Annual Juried Show
Myrtle Beach Art Museum
October 28th – December 21st

Art in the Park
Valor Park, Market Common
November 8th & 9th

Monthly Meeting – May 3rd

Our May Members' meeting will be held in our new home at 320 Broadway Street, Myrtle Beach at 10:00am. Teacher Jamie Franklin from the Academy for the Arts, Science & Technology will discuss how the Guild's annual award was used by the students in the Senior Program. A few students may also be accompanying her to show and discuss their work. The Board meeting will follow immediately after.

Gallery 320 News

Gallery Soft Opening Reception
Friday, April 25th
5:00pm – 7:00pm

We are honored and excited to announce that the artwork of Dixie Dugan, one of our founding members, will be exhibited in our Gallery!

Please come by to view the fine art and crafts that are on display. Guild members exhibiting in Gallery 320 are:

Lynn Aultman, Colleen Bang, Jamie Baylor, Bobbie Berg, Liz Blood, Bettye Brookfield, Linda Caskie, Sandra Cassens, John Cello, Holly Clark-Dull, Donna Clement, Carol Corsitino-Stabile, Jen Dauberman, Dixie Dugan, Phil and Deb Duwel, Marina Espanol, Susan Fleming, Suzanne Gaff, Donna Gagnon, Pat Ghannam, Lesta Hardee, Niki Hendricks, Teri Herl, Connie Huddle, Drew Huddle, Monika Hyde, Clay Johnson, Kate Johnson, Kathy Kenny, Yvonne Knight, Joyce Lincoln, Travis Mack, Amy Marr, Donna Mertz, Steven Miller, Dean Nelson, Judy O'Brien, Allison Cesario Paton, Terri Pierce, Ed Rana, Claudine Scheu, Lee Selinger, Wendy Shelley, Sharon Sorrels, Karen Stampfle, Andrea Theocles, Mandy Todd, Polly Turner, David Utterback, Norm Veit, Rob Walton, Barbara Williamson, Beth Wilson, Eileen Wroe, and Catherine Zuilkoski.

The Gallery will officially open on Saturday, April 26th at

The ribbon cutting and Grand Opening will be held on May 22, 2025 beginning at 4:30pm.

Member News

Clay Johnson won Best in Show at Seacoast Artists Gallery's Spring Show for his painting 'November Trees'. A number of our Guild members also won other prizes in the show.

Bettye Brookfield's painting, 'Kentucky Oaks Day at the Races', will be featured on the cover of Sasee magazine's May issue.

Current & Upcoming Shows & Exhibits

25TH ANNUAL HORRY-GEORGETOWN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOLS JURIED ART EXHIBITION

May 4 – June 1, 2025

Opening Reception and Awards
Sunday, May 4, 2025. 1 – 3 pm

Get ready to see what our area high school students have been up to in their visual arts departments this year! Museum visitors look forward every year to seeing the amazingly creative and skillful work that makes up this diverse and vibrant annual exhibition juried by Curator Liz Miller and Education Coordinators Jayme Carlson and Colin Riebe. After a full week of jurying at all participating high schools in Horry and Georgetown Counties, as well as a viewing visit with our area homeschool high school students, jurors whittle down the hundreds of submissions to the best of the best for exhibition. All art media, including painting, photography, sculpture, printmaking, ceramics, fiber and more, are accepted. This extraordinary opportunity for teenage art students helps them to gain professional experience in the Museum exhibition process.

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 susanduke.artist@yahoo.com

William H. Miller

Private & Group Painting Lessons

2 hour Sessions in Acrylic, Watercolor, Abstract, Drawing, Creativity, Mixed Media and more. Can schedule mutually agreed times. (\$50 per person, no supplies, \$60 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 William H. Miller for details.

William H. Miller Studios & Fine Art

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They support us - please support them. 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 HGHB 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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1131 48th Ave. N, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

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New Features -

Stay up-to-date with what's going on in the Gallery with our new newsletter section 'Gallery 320 News'.

Have you recently won an award for your artwork or had your work featured somewhere special? Let me know and I'll include it in our new newsletter section entitled 'Member News'. Please try to get the information to me by the 15th of the month so I can get it into the next month's newsletter.

Best Regards,
Leslie Danklefs
Show & Communications Director

PS – Remember, as members, we will advertise your classes in our newsletter as a free service to you as a member. You may also send information on festivals and special events. Send your information to wacg@wacg.org. We will get it posted. We will run regular ads until you change it or cancel it. Special events run 1 time. We also want to know about members with needs, health issues or that may need a kind word. This is your newsletter and we are here to serve our members. We care about you.