



WACCAMAW ARTS & CRAFTS GUILD

NEWSLETTER

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June 2026

Imagine, Create, Enjoy

Bits from the Board

Summer is here and it is a time of sunny days, warmth and spending time with family and friends. I encourage all to be creative and keep growing in your Arts and Crafts. The Waccamaw Arts & Crafts Guild continues to grow as an Art Community through our increasing membership, and Gallery 320 continues to host First Friday Art Walks on the first Friday of each month.

On Saturday June 13, 2026, 9am-2pm we will hold an Art Yard Sale/Art Market at Gallery 320, including the lot beside the building. It is a great opportunity for all of us to clean out some of our unneeded supplies. The idea is that we will hold an ART market similar to a yard sale entitled WACG flea mARTket.

Artists in the Gallery and WACG members can have a table for a \$10 donation and sell their new and gently used supplies that they no longer need. We will also have a tent and an area where the Gallery will be selling items that have been donated to us over this past year.

We hope this will benefit the community, our Gallery Artists, and WACG members by enabling individuals to purchase supplies for their arts and crafts. If, at the end of the Art market, you feel you would like to make an additional monetary donation

to the Guild/Gallery from your profits, it would of course be greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in having a table or sharing one with one of your co-artists, please email Connie at 31455chuddle@gmail.com or Leslie at wacg@wacg.org so we can reserve you a spot. Our goal is to support the Gallery, our artists and the community. Wishing all a wonderful Summer Season!

Warm Regards,
Connie Huddle

2026 WACG Shows

Art in the Park

Valor Park, Market Common

October 10th and 11th

November 14th and 15th

HGHBA Home Improvement and Outdoor Living Show

Myrtle Beach Convention Center

September 11th – 13th

WACG Annual Juried Show

Myrtle Beach Art Museum

October 29th – December 20th

No Member Meetings in Summer Months

The Guild does not hold Member Meetings during the summer months; meetings start up again in September, all to be held on the first Saturday of the month. The dates for the remainder of 2026 will be:

September 5th
October 3rd
November 7th
December 5th

WACG Workshops & Classes

All held in the Guild's meeting space at 320 Broadway Street, Myrtle Beach unless noted otherwise.

ONE DAY WORKSHOPS

DRY BRUSH ACRYLIC PAINTING

Discover the expressive power of acrylics in this hands-on class focused on the *dry brush* technique. In "Dry Brush" students will learn how to use minimal paint and a lightly loaded brush to create rich textures, soft blending effects and striking detail.

Throughout the session you'll explore how this technique can mimic natural surfaces like weathered wood, fabric and stone, while also adding depth and movement to your compositions. You'll be guided step-by-step through exercises that build control, layering skills and confidence with acrylic paint.

This class is perfect for beginners looking to expand their skills, as well as more experienced artists interested in refining texture and brushwork. By the end students will complete a finished piece that highlights the unique, tactile qualities of dry brush painting.

Materials to Bring

Please come prepared with the following:

- Acrylic paint colors you might find on an apple (for example: reds, greens, yellows and a touch of brown or white for highlights and variation)

- Acrylic paint brushes with soft or flexible bristles (avoid stiff brushes, as they won't work well for the dry brush technique).
- Paper towels and a cup for water.

DATE: Tuesday, June 9, 2026

TIME: 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

FEE: \$40 (small canvases will be supplied)

INSTRUCTOR: Linda Patkin

REGISTRATION: Please contact Linda at 978-407-1628 for questions or registration

CREPE PAPER FLOWER



Have a place in your house that need a little color, a nice vase asking for some flowers to show off, a holiday season to decorate, maybe a friend that needs some cheering up or a loved one to give a special hand-made flower?

Crepe paper flowers can give a burst of color that is very unique and lasts much longer than a real flower, and they are not difficult to make. It is a very creative and fun craft getting you lots of compliments when you are done.

In this workshop, led by Shannon Mason, you will make a camellia flower and bud. Shannon will give you the basics of flower making so that you can continue to make many other flowers of your choice. All materials to complete the 3 flowers and buds will be provided to you. You will be asked to bring some tools and supplies for the workshop.

DATE: Wednesday, June 17, 2026

TIME: 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

FEE: \$35

LIMIT: 5 Seats available

INSTRUCTOR: Shannon Mason

REGISTRATION: Please contact Shannon at shansmsn@sbcglobal.net to sign up

WEEKLY CLASSES AND STUDIOS

CHARCOAL, OIL, ACRYLIC CLASSES

ONGOING

DAY AND TIME: Fridays, 1pm-4pm

COST: \$45.00 per class, pay at door

INSTRUCTOR: Ruth Cox

This class is small and informal. Ruth will do a demo and Q&A for each class. She will answer questions as they come up, and give each person individual attention during the class as time permits.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

CONTACT:

Ruth Cox: coxrc@yahoo.com 843-602-7220 talk or text

Member News

If you have any special news you'd like to share – a special show you're in, an award you've won, etc., please email a short write-up of the information to us at wacg@wacg.org. We'd love to include it in the next newsletter. Please get the information and any images to us by the 15th of the month to have it included in the next month's newsletter.

Gallery 320 Happenings

Gallery Hours:

Mon-Sat: 10:00am to 5:00pm

Sun: 12:00noon to 5:00pm

First Friday Art Walks

These Art Walks are held 5pm-8pm on the first Friday of every month through 2026.

The Gallery is always looking for members who want give a demonstration of their work during First Friday events. If you're interested in giving a demo, or want more information, please contact Connie Huddle at: 31455chuddle@gmail.com

Current Art Museum Exhibits

At the Myrtle Beach Art Museum

Paul Kremer + Stephanie H. Shih:

Lateral Hazard

Now through October 18, 2026



Painter Paul Kremer of Houston, TX, and ceramist Stephanie H. Shih of Brooklyn, NY, have joined forces to create a most playful and thought-provoking exhibition inspired by Myrtle Beach's reputation as "the golf capital of the world" and as a former United States Air Force Base. The exhibition title, *Lateral Hazard*, which refers to a type of golf water hazard that runs parallel to the direction of the hole, hints at the oblique and distinct strategies both Kremer and Shih employ in approaching golf as a subject matter. Where Kremer considers the game of golf visually through its landscaping and architecture, Shih focuses on the game's political associations. Alongside one another, both artists' affinity for Pop-influenced imagery is highlighted reciprocally: the bright palette for Kremer and the commercial iconography and mass-culture critique for Shih.

Kremer, known for his unique minimalist abstractions, paints configurations that may imply architecture or images from nature with an exuberant eye for color and form. At the core of the artist's practice is a three-part journey: inspiration and conception, exploration via digital experimentation, and execution through manual articulation. Kremer's hard-edged, flat, modernist paintings are achieved with a blend of wet, yet opaque, acrylic paint that drips down the edges of his canvases, striking a balance between controlled mark-making and seemingly-spontaneous motion on all four edges.

Shih renders outdated consumer goods as trompe l'oeil sculptures that reveal the tensions within American domestic life. Turning everyday items – a microwave, a self-help book, many pantries' worth of condiments – into intricately painted ceramic objects transforms each into a permanent artifact. Seen together, the works play with notions of timelessness and obsolescence, memory, and disillusionment.

Kremer and Shih are represented by [Alexander Berggruen](#) in New York, NY.

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 Artists on 8th Ave

The Arts Grand Strand

702 8th Ave. N.

Myrtle Beach, SC 29577

843-444-3213 Studio Phone

843-410-9535 Studio Voicemail

214-632-2809 Cell (ok to call or text)

whimdesigns@gmail.com

Brigitte Nicol-Messali teaches mosaics workshops and classes. For more information, contact Brigitte at: themosaicbox@gmail.com.

Kathy Peoples

Professional Photographer

Photography Classes with your Cellphone or DSLR.

Private and group lessons available at your location.

Also Workshops on-location of your choice.

To schedule or questions, call or text 215-262-7515.

Our Sponsors

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 HGHBA Home Shows per year.

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

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.

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.

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.

A Final Note

Over the summer, the Board is going to be establishing a few committees to help the Guild and Gallery out in various areas.

The committees we are focusing on are:

1. **Events** – This committee will help with the various shows and events being held at the Gallery during the year.
2. **Development** – This committee will work on researching and pursuing fundraising opportunities and sponsorships.
3. **Marketing & Advertising** – This committee will research and pursue venues to market and advertise the Gallery and Guild.

A lot of work goes into running Gallery 320 and the Guild, and we can always use volunteers to help out. We'll be sending out more detailed descriptions of these opportunities during June; please consider volunteering for one or more of these important committees.

Sincerely,
Leslie Danklefs
Communications Director

This organization is funded in part by the South Carolina Arts Commission which receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts.



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.



Flea mARTket



Gallery 320 and WACG are excited to announce a one-day art flea market event!

Saturday, June 13, 2026 9am-2pm

Gallery 320, 320 Broadway St. Myrtle Beach, SC, 29577

Arts and Crafts Supplies will be available. New and gently used items will be sold.

Paint, yarn, craft tools, brushes, canvases, drawing paper, art supplies, display grids, frames, and more.....

Sales inside and outside the Gallery.

Come out and support Local Artists and Gallery 320!

Free parking on 3rd and Broadway MB City parking lot.