

December 2014 Edition

Workshops, Shows, Meet Our Members!



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi All

Yum! Still thinking about the wonderful food and company last night at our fifth annual Pace Lighting Gallery show. Thanks to all who worked to make it happen. Our new works show beautifully. If you are not participating at our Pace Gallery, you might want to think about it. You get your entire selling price. The Gallery shows art at its best, drawing customers who are buying lighting fixtures.

And, looking forward to our first annual Plein Air Paint out, which will be over by the time you read this letter. Thanks to Sharon McIntosh, Jeff Markowsky, and Robert Isley for making this event happen and for the beautiful original framed oils they painted especially to donate to our raffle. Our goal is to make a profit and repeat this event in 2015 on a larger scale.

Read the articles for information on our upcoming Christmas Party on the second Thursday in December (which is the eleventh), our High School Competition, the new SAA Gallery, upcoming airport shows, new members (enrollment now 91) and other SAA information on how you may participate. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!☺

Remember to look for ways to become more active in your SAA. The more help we have, the more fun artsy things we can do. Also, know that your Board of Directors encourages your ideas, comments, and participation.

Lastly, I would like to welcome new members, whose names are listed below.

Bobbie

Bobby Morris, David W. Beaudet, and Gabriela Olano



Calendar Update

November 2014 through December 2014

November

- 4 BOD Meeting Generation One 10 a.m.
- 6 – 8 Phil Stark Watercolor Workshop at Oatland Island Wildlife Center
- 12 Deadline to submit to Brushstrokes
- 13 Reception of new artworks at PACE GALLERY 5-7 p.m.
- 15 PAINT OUT SAVANNAH pleinaire event ALL DAY.
- 27 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

December

- 4 BOD meeting TBA
- 7 Children's Painting Ornaments at Savannah Mall 10-2
- 11 SAA Christmas Party Funky Brunch Café 6-9 pm
- 16 Happy Hanukkah
- 25 Merry merry Christmas!
- 30 Airport change out art
- 31 Happy New Year!

January 2015

A Playshop in January at Generation One will be taught by Judy Nichols (markers) and

In February we have Mimi Diamond teaching one at Gen One on "The essence of Shapes".

We are putting together some new programs for 2015, including a few where we hope to involve the entire Savannah community, not just artists. We can make it happen if we start preparing now. We need a small group of volunteers (3 to 5) to help us with research. Most of it can be done using your computer, on your own time and schedule, in your own home. Volunteers should be comfortable with basic web searches, using search engines like Google. If you have the time, please contact Andrea Stark at 912-663-3188.

Pictures from Paint Out Savannah – Plein Air Event November 15, 2014



these are now on display at the Sav. Airport Gallery

Winners of the Raffle Tickets and Plein Air Paintings by Robert Isley, Jeff Markowsky, and Sharon McIntosh.

1st Jennifer Jolley

2nd Joann & Ben Goldberg 3rd Barbara

Not sure about spelling of the last name ,looks like Zinn,

Winning Plein Air painters:

1st Place Lori Keith Robinson \$150 “Market in Forsyth”

2nd Place David Boyd, Jr. \$100 “Mansard Morning”

3rd Place Dana Richardson \$75 “Price and Wahlberg”

HM Jeff Markowsky \$50 “Cathedral



FEATURED ARTIST

Grace Rohland

Artist Statement

I never tire of looking at nature and all the interesting things in it. The beauty of the low country and its rich diversity of plant life and wild life are constant sources of inspiration. I often find that word and music also provide mental images that allow me to express my thoughts, ideas and impressions about various subjects in different ways.

The mediums, papers and techniques I choose often depend on the subject, image, or concept that I am trying to capture. I especially enjoy creating mixed media monoprints and monotypes. This technique allows me freedom of expression and results in rich color contrasts and textures.

About the Artist

I come from PA and my favorite toys as a child were my paints, and crayon basket! I had my first "official" art lesson at age 10 and art has been part of my life in one way or another since then!

I've had the good fortune to live, travel, work and study in the USA, Asia, Europe and the Middle East. I believe these experiences have greatly enriched my life and have influenced my art perspectives.

Work In Galleries

Gallery 11 in City Market, Savannah GA

Gallery 209, Savannah GA

Previous member of The Washington Printmakers Gallery, DuPont Circle, Washington DC

Memberships

Landings Art Association, Savannah Art Association, Cultural Alliance Greater Washington DC

Education: Ed.D, M.Ed, BFA, University of Utah.

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Images of Some of Grace's paintings....



Enchanted Garden



Dancing Trees



Magical Bamboo

Congratulations to Barry Nehr for his sale of his paintings of the Girraffe at the SAA Airport Gallery!!! Also, Martha Love for her sale at Pace Gallery.

The Savannah Art Association is proudly holding a scholarship competition for High School Students and their schools. The students will create their 2D pieces of art using the theme "Visual Blues". Chatham County public and private schools will compete for a first prize of \$500 and the winning entries will be hung in the Jepson during March 2015. For more information please contact Ed Eckstrand. We will be needing volunteers to help find donors to fund this project. Give generously of your time.

Thanks, BOD

News from the Board

Our Holiday Party

SAA will have its Holiday Party at the Funky Brunch Café (next to Dick Blick) on Broughton Street. Cost \$35 a person, tax and gratuity included, make checks out to SAA. Cash bar.

The menu consists of

Salad: choice of traditional Caesar or House Salad with our House dressing

Entrees: Slow Roasted Prime Rib served with whipped Potatoes and fresh garden vegetables

Fresh Catch of the Day fresh fish sautéed in a lemon butter served over Julienned Garden vegetables with seasoned red potatoes

Broiled ½ Chicken Fresh herbed ½ chicken broiled and served with a seasoned rice and fresh garden vegetables

Vegetable Medley Fresh garden seasonal vegetables grilled and seared over a puree of blended potatoes.

Dessert Vanilla bean ice cream topped with fresh raspberry coulis

THE FUNKY BRUNCH CAFÉ 304 EAST BOUGHTON STREET SAVANNAH, GA 31401

River Street

Thanks to all who participated in our River Street tent during 2014. We had a great year and enjoyed the fun of being on River Street with the First Saturday crowds. Special thanks to Jerome Mitchell for hauling all the equipment needed down to River Street. If we continue to go to First Saturdays in 2015, we will begin in April 2015. Let us know if you are interested and we plan on it.

The SAA Board is currently working on the 2015 Budget. If you have any programs you think we be working on or planning on please let us know now. We are interested in your ideas.

SAA NEW GALLERY, ANNOUNCEMENT/INFORMATION

Bobbie Kraft

At the beginning of 2014, you may recall the survey sent asking who might be interested in participating in a dedicated SAA gallery. With the support of our Board of Directors, that dream is happening. The lease has been signed and we plan to occupy in January. Though we will open sooner, look for a grand opening shortly after Saint Patrick's Day (the Savannah beginning of spring)!

The location is 232 Bull Street at Perry Street on Chippewa Square between the Savannah Theater and Café Espresso at garden level. The building is being completely restored and is lovely. Upstairs will be vacation rental spaces with vacationers (customers) constantly changing. Next door will be another gallery occupied by prominent artists, Ted Scypinski and Stephen Kasun.

A committee is being formed for members who want to show there. Andrea Stark is the BOD member to contact for more information about hanging your work there.

Founding members, (who are paying the rent and working hard to make this happen), include the SAA Board of Directors, Bobbie Kraft, Andrea Stark, Phil Stark, Ed Eckstrand, Grace Rohland, Samantha Claar, Jill Buckner, Becky Marcussen, Margie Sone and Karen Borden.

We need two more 3d artists who will be full partners which require a buy in. Because of the extra work involved for gallery management, consignments will not be considered. We currently have a short waiting list. If you would like to be placed on the list, let me (Bobbie) know. In case of a vacancy, the Gallery partners consider gallery needs and will vote on who will be invited into membership.

Welcome to our newest members

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Meet your

current Board members:

Bobbie Kraft, President

Ed Eckstand, Vice President, Education,

Barbara Gentry, Secretary

Andrea Stark, Treasurer

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