



ARIZONA ARTISTS GUILD

Newsletter

November



Seth Fairweather will be presenting at the AAG General meeting on Tuesday, November 21, 2017.

Seth Fairweather began working with glass at Tulane University in New Orleans. He received his BFA in 2007 from Alfred University, and finished his MFA at Temple University in 2010. He has worked at the Corning Museum of Glass, the American Museum of Natural History, the New Orleans School of Glassworks, as well as Wet Dog Glass as an equipment fabricator. He has exhibited his work nationally and internationally. In 2015 Fairweather launched the first accredited glass blowing program at Paradise Valley Community College in Phoenix, Arizona, where he continues to teach.

AAG COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community outreach is the cornerstone of the Arizona Artists Guild's activities, and is the main focus of our organization. We recognize the impact that art has on people's lives and its potential for facilitating healing, which is immeasurable.

AAG's Community outreach programs include the following:

Veterans' Art Outreach, The Mosaics, and The Girls.

AAG Membership News

AAG welcomes the following new members:

New Members:

Martha Andreatos Ruth Ballard
Steve Harmston Lynn Hawkins
Philip Obermarck Colleen O'Hara
Linda Pacheco

Membership cards for 2017 are available for pick-up at Monthly AAG meetings.

The AAG Directory is only available to paid members as a PDF. Request your updated AAG 2017 Directory by email: membership@arizonaartistsguild.net. Be sure to write Membership Directory in the subject line and include your name in the email.

Golden AAG Memberships

If you are 90+ years old and have been a member of AAG for at least 5 years, you become a Golden Member of AAG. As a Golden Member benefit your annual dues are waived. Please contact the membership chair, Laura Cohen-Hogan, if you qualify.

It's time to Renew Your AAG Membership, Dues Remain the Same. Reminder: Please to-renew your membership for. Fiscal year for membership runs from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. You may renew online or by downloading the membership form for 2017. Renewal forms will be available at AAG. Thank you.

Art Supplies needed

Art Supply Exchange is one of AAG's most popular programs. Donated gently used art supplies are available at very reasonable prices. If you are interested in donating or purchasing supplies e-mail: ArtSupply@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net or call 602-944-9713.

Hours: Monday 9AM-12PM, AAG meetings 5-9pm, or by appointment.

ART SUPPLY EXCHANGE SALE

Ceramic Glazes, Frames, Paint, Paper and more!
Art Supply is open 9 am to noon Mondays and 5PM - 9PM AAG Meeting nights

AAG meets the third Tuesday of the month at 5 PM for members and friends to socialize.

Visit us at: 18411 N. 7th Ave. Phoenix, Az 85023 Send mail to: PO Box 41534, Phoenix, AZ 85080
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AAG President's Message

Happy November.

I write this in the wake of a very busy month and on the heels of another marathon of exhibitions, shows, holidays, travel, the Artstravaganza, and workshops amid the ordinariness of life. I am not alone as it seems everyone's dance cards are full. Among the myriad of events, I attended two lectures, both equally powerful and inspiring. Both got me thinking and reflecting on myself as an artist who is actively engaged in my communities and the communities in which I am actively engaged.



The first lecture was given by the dynamic duo of Dean Steven Tepper of ASU and author and artist Sharon Loudon. Sharon has compiled the stories of 80 artists in two books showing how artists extend their practices beyond the studios to be agents of change in their communities. If you have not read her books, I recommend them to anyone who is serious about themselves as an artist.

The conversation touched on the aspect of the artist myths that may influence how we view ourselves and our artistic practice. Consider the myth of the starving artist, or the sellout myth, or the tormented artist myth, or any of the multitude of misconceptions that artists have been prey to for generations. What myth or limiting belief are you living by – consciously or otherwise? Once you de-mystify this limiting belief that is most likely holding you back you can change the narrative and your perception of yourself as an artist. This is very powerful work that you may not even realize the depth of influence these stories have on your expression.

The other lecture was by the new Director of the School of Art at ASU, Joanna Grabski. Joanna discussed the artistic culture of a city, and that it is the people and projects creating its identity. As she spoke I thought about the artistic culture at AAG and how we show up as a community in support, collaboration, and celebration of one another. Or show up in the face of opportunity such as for exhibition or education. But opportunity need not end there. By showing up and engaging with your artist peers, unlikely opportunities come alive. It is these opportunities that create the culture, foster collaboration, and exploration of similar or opposing ideas. Every gathering of two or more is ripe with opportunity.

I invite you to examine your contributions to AAG's artistic personality. Contribution is not necessarily financial or dependent on volunteering your time. It can be showing up for other member's exhibitions or events. It could be friend-ing, following, sharing, and commenting on social media.

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AAG General Meetings Schedule

5:00 – 5:30 Building is open for Members to socialize.
 5:30 - 6:30 Pre-meeting Critique sessions for Members only, the public is invited to watch.
 6:30 - 7:00 Members socialize, eat snacks, vote for Artist of the Month and get your raffle tickets.
 7:00 - 7:20 Business meeting
 7:30 – 8:30 **Meeting Program** starts featuring Artists/ Presenters.

Please help us keep to the schedule so that our featured [Artists/Presenters](#) will have time to share their work and knowledge in a more relaxed, welcoming atmosphere. Those members wanting to participate in the [Critique](#) need to bring artwork for artistic input. AAG Past President David Bradley and Ann Osgood will critique the artwork. At 6:30 the [Critique](#) ends and snacks will be available in the small studio.

Remember AAG in your Estate Planning

Please remember AAG in your Estate Planning. AAG does invaluable work through outreach and scholarship programs primarily funded through the generosity of member and private donors.

For more information call Tess Mosko Scherer at 928-300-7185

AAG Calendar

Check out the AAG calendar on the AAG web site for all upcoming events at:

<http://www.arizonaartistsguild.net/p727/>

(President's Message continued)

Or checking in on a current or past member that you haven't seen in a while. Perhaps you do some of this, or none of this. I invite you to look at yourself as an active member in a new way. Question your motives. Question your actions. Is what you are doing enough to satisfy your own needs as well as those of AAG? Is it reciprocal? Proportionate? Generous? Collaborative?

From my perspective, AAG is an extraordinary organization with a strong core value system of social engagement, encouragement, and personal artistic expression. I am proud and honored to be aligned with a vibrant community such as ours. As we plant the seedlings for the next 90 years, let's do so with intention and purpose that moves from a group of individual artist members to one of collaboration within and beyond our borders extending to the city, surrounding communities, and beyond.

In the spirit of the holiday season, on behalf of the board, I wish you happiness, good health, and creative expression during this holiday season.

Tess Mosko Scherer

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AAG Sculptors' Group

The DECEMBER 4, 2017 Sculptor's Group Meeting from 7-9 PM will be at Dessadog Studio, 1410 W. Guadalupe Rd., Bldg. 1, Suite 103. Gilbert, AZ 85233.

Beth Shook will present a program on— Drawing

on Clay: Discussion and Presentation of her Work

Beth Shook earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts from UTEP in 1985. Under the instruction of the most accomplished professors, Shook developed skills as a craftsman, found a love for clay and a near obsession with the drawn line. That drawing obsession turned to compulsion as the clay became the canvas during graduate school at Arizona State University (ASU). Her brief exposure to printmaking processes as an undergraduate would work it's way into her clay.

AAG - LIFE DRAWING

OPEN SESSIONS: MEMBERS \$10.00 DRAWING FEE
NON MEMBERS \$15.00 DRAWING FEE

NO INSTRUCTION

MODEL RELEASE FORMS AVAILABLE FOR PHOTOGRAPHS -(at model's discretion)

Easels, tables provided or you may bring your own.

Bring supplies and coffee is provided

November and December

ALL TUESDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30PM

LONG POSE

ALL THURSDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30PM

SHORT TO LONG POSES

(except holidays)

Email Walt Wieder if you have any questions at

wweider@uuma.org

AAG - OPEN STUDIO

AAG OPEN STUDIO: MEMBERS FREE

NON MEMBERS \$10.00 DRAWING FEE

November and December

Mondays 9 AM - 12PM

Wednesday 6-9 PM

(NO Open Studio December 25)

Email Alicia Plogman if you have questions at

aplogman@cox.net

AAG Calendar Highlights**Open Studio:**

Mondays 9AM - 12

Wednesday evenings at 6 PM

Life Drawing:

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30 AM -12:30PM

AAG Critique Group:

November 1, 2017 - 6-9:00 PM

Sculptors' Group Meeting:

November 6, 2017 - 7:-9:00 PM

AAG Winter Exhibit drop off:

November 17, 2017- 9AM-12 noon

AAG Monthly Meeting:

November 21, 2017- 5-9 PM

AAG Veteran's Program:

November 25, 2016, 10 AM - 2 PM at AAG

For details please see the AAG Calendar at:

<http://arizonaartistsguild.net/calendar/month.php?date=20160201>

Artist of the Month



1st Place
Sun Kissed
Robin Manelis



2nd Place
Buddies
Roger Lundskow

Exciting News: AAG has designated a space for the 2017-2108 monthly winning art to be displayed for their month. Additionally, each Artist of the Month winner receives a ribbon, a cash prize of \$25, and the opportunity to compete for Artist of the Year.

Winning works return for the May meeting, where members vote for artist of the year. The Artist of the Year wins a cash prize of \$100.

All artists are celebrated at a show and reception for their work at the September Meeting. We will celebrate last years' winners on Sept 19, 2017.

A quote by Grace Hartigan

I cannot expect even my own art to provide all the answers - only to hope it keeps asking the right questions.

AAG Community Outreach Fine Art Exhibitions

The Arizona Artists Guild in partnership with the Beatitudes Foundation present on-going fine art exhibitions for their residents and guests. AAG juried members show for three months at this venue. The Beatitudes is located at 1610 W. Glendale Ave, Phoenix. The Current Exhibits include:

Beatitudes: September 7 to December 6, 2017



Ann Howey Falvey



Ivan Halvorson

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+ AAG Artist Highlight Feature +

William Hartill has work in the 4th Annual Surprise Invitational Exhibit at the West Valley Art HQ 16126 N. Civic Center Plaza Surprise, AZ 85374, from October 19 – December 22, 2017. Its open Tues – Thr 10AM from 5PM Fri 10AM – 2 PM. The reception Date: 10-19-2017. Reception Hours: 5 – 9 p.m. He also has been Juried into, *Art For HIV 2017* Hosted by Art Explorers AZ and Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS at The Parsons Center for Health and Wellness located at 1101 N Central Ave, Phoenix, Arizona 85004, from November 3- November 24, 2017. The hours the exhibition is open: 7:00AM – 7:00PM. The Reception Date is 11-03-2017 and the reception Hours: 6:00– 9:00PM

Tess Mosko Scherer has a piece in, *Little by Little*. The Exhibit runs from October 24 – December 2 and is at the Art Intersection located at 207 N Gilbert Rd # 201, Gilbert, AZ, 85234, The opening Reception is Saturday, October 28, 6 – 8PM. Tess also has two pieces in, *It's Elemental*, hosted by the Flagstaff Arts Council in the Coconino Center for the Arts. The exhibit runs November 10 – December 16, 2017. It can be viewed Tues-Sat 11AM-5PM. Members' Reception is November 10, 2017, from 6-8PM. The Opening Reception is on November 11, 2017, 6-8 PM at 2300 N Fort Valley Rd, Flagstaff, AZ 86001

AAG's Outreach Art Programs

AAG's Veterans' Art program introduces our Veterans' to a variety of art, mediums and techniques. On Saturday, October 28, 2017, AAG Veterans' program was a unique program presented by Karen Weingartner. She did a very successful Alcohol Ink project that the Veterans' greatly enjoyed

This program is supported by AAG donations and funding from the Arizona Arts Alliance. It's designed to provide meaningful art instruction to Veterans of US Military Service for free.



The AAG Mosaics Art program is led by Karen Weingartner, with the assistants of Beth Grandall and Tess Mosko Scherer. They work with Native American Elders and non-English speaking adult refugees using art as a common language. The art program was on embossing metal.

AAG also offers a monthly program to young girls who have survived sexual abuse and trafficking. The program is led by Lisa Wayman, Karen Weingartner, and Tess Mosko Scherer. This past months program featured creating masks.



Ceramic Classes for Veterans'

Arizona Artists Guild is proud to partner with Paradise Valley Community College to offer a ceramics program to Veterans' and their family members. Upcoming sessions are: **Ceramic Tile Mosaics**, on September 9 & 16, October 7 & 21, 2017 and **Sculpting with Clay**, on November 4 & 18, December 2 & 16, 2017.

Please Help Support The AAG's Veteran Art Program!

Arizona Artists Guild's WINTER JURIED EXHIBIT, November 19, 2017 - January 16, 2018

November 17, 2017	Drop off artwork at AAG between 9AM - 12 PM
November 17, 2017	Notification of non-accepted work, 3 - 5 PM
November 17, 2017	Pick-up non-accepted work, 3 - 5 PM
November 18, 2017	Pick-up non-accepted work, 10 AM - 12 PM
January 14, 2018	Closing reception and awards, 2 - 4 PM
January 16, 2018	Artwork pick-up after closing of the monthly meeting
January 17, 2018	Artwork pick-up, 6-9 PM

Open Media Art Classes

AAG is excited to welcome Open Media Art Classes with Mark Christopher. The classes will be on Mondays, 10AM - 2PM, they began on July 24, 2017 at AAG.

For more information Email Mark at: MarkChristopherArt@gmail.com and check out his web site at: www.MarkChristopherArt.com .

Guild School of Art News

The Intro to Social Media workshop facilitated by Tess Mosko Scherer on October 27 was met with such appreciation and success that the participants requested a regular program. Launched on Nov 1, **Social Media Demystified**, will be held monthly. There are a few spaces available on Dec 1. Space is limited as this is a hands-on program. Participants bring their laptop, tablet, or smart phone prepared with images and information to post on social media. Posting, creating events, sharing, boosting and other aspects of Instagram and Facebook, along with business tips and marketing strategies will be covered. You can register by emailing info@arizonaartistsguild.net or online through the website. \$35 per session which runs from 10AM -1PM.

Arizona Art Alliance News

The Arizona Art Alliance is a non-profit organization currently staffed by volunteers with a membership of Arizona-based art groups. The member groups represent thousands of visual artists who produce fine art in over a dozen mediums.

The AZ Art Alliance is pleased to announce that the Alliance is sponsoring a new exhibit opportunity for their participating art leagues. This program is called "*A League of their Own*" which will take place during the months of June and July of 2018 at the Holland Gallery of Fine Art in Scottsdale. The AAG was chosen for the month of July 2018. More information will be made available in the coming months.

Your AAG representative is Kathy Rose who can be reached at kearose@juno.com.

Evening Open Studio

All AAG members are welcome to attend the Evening Open Studio on Wednesdays from 6-9pm. The Open Studio provides room to work on large pieces, camaraderie, and lively conversation about art and the creative process.

Please Support The AAG Scholarship Fund!

www.ArizonaArtistsGuild.net 602-944-9713


ARTISTS INFORMATION


AAG Programs, Exhibitions, Workshops and the AAG Sculptors Group

AAG Programs: Critique 5:30 - 6:30 | Break | 7:00-7:20 Business | 7:30 - 9:00 Presentation
 November 21, 2017 | Seth Fairweather | Presentation on Glass Work
 January 16, 2018 | David Bradley | Reflections on the Balkans

2017 AAG Exhibition Calendar: visit ArizonaArtistsGuild.net for entry information.

90th Anniversary Exhibition at Sky Harbor Museum: October 28, 2017 - May 13, 2018.

Winter Exhibition: November 19, 2017 - January 15, 2018. Reception January 14, 2018, 2-4PM

AAG Workshops: Visit, ArizonaArtistsGuild.net, for more information

Tess Mosko Scherer: Selling from the H.E.A.R.T, Friday, January 12, 2018, 10-4PM

Tessa Wendt: Sculptural Painting, Friday, February 2, 2016, 10-4PM

Travis Ivey: Painting from Photographs, Friday, March 16, 2018, 10-4PM

Sculptors' Group: 7:00 - 9:00 PM, See Website for location

November 6, 2017 | John Manley | Ceramic presentation

December 4, 2017 | Beth Shook | Drawing on Ceramic

AAG Events: visit ArizonaArtistsGuild.net for more information

Open Studio: Mondays 9AM-12PM | Wednesdays 6-9PM

Life Drawing: Tuesdays and Thursdays - 9:30AM-12:30PM

Artstravaganza: Friday, December 8, 5-9PM

Veterans Art Program: Fourth Saturday of the month | info@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net for details

AAG Artstravaganza on December 8, 2017

Featuring: **Glass blowing Ornaments with TJ Marco of Phoenix Arts by Fire, Horsehair Raku Pottery and Firing with David L Bradley, 3-D body scanning and printing with Andrew Noble, Alcohol Ink projects with John Erwin and Kathy Rose, and a Dinner Buffet.**

Don't miss out on the fun. December 8, 2017 | 5-9pm. Enjoy a fun-filled creative evening. You do not have to be a member to attend.

Plan to arrive early to assure you have enough time for your activities.

Participation in each activity requires a certain amount of time. We encourage you to arrive before 6 in order to have time to enjoy the series of activities that include dinner, alcohol ink projects and the premium activity(ies) of your choice, while having fun watching the other activities. Although tickets are purchased in advance, scheduling of each event is on the evening of the event, adding you to the list once you arrive. A small number of tickets will be available at the door.

Enjoy browsing the **Holiday Bazaar**, featuring handmade objects and works of art by members of Arizona Artists Guild. Perfect for yourself or holiday gift ideas. Enjoy holiday shopping and support a good cause while you are at it with a portion of the proceeds to support AAG. (If you are a member artist and would like to participate in the Bazaar, email info@arizonaartistsguild.net).

Come hungry! Your ticket includes a buffet dinner with a variety of food to satisfy all palates. We have Pulled Pork, Curried Chicken, Salads, Cheese and Crackers, a variety of appetizers, dessert tray, wine and soft drinks, and more.

The **Artstravaganza** is our primary fundraiser which has been designed to give you creative experience in mediums you might never get to explore. It is a great opportunity to try something new, and introduce your friends and families

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Thank you [Arizona Art Supply](#) for your donations to AAG. I'd like to encourage our members to support the people who support AAG. Think about [Arizona Art Supply](#) when you need art supplies

Scheduling the AAG Building

If you wish to contact AAG for scheduling meetings, etc. at the AAG Building please email us. The email address is: info@arizonaartistsguild.net

Paul Cezanne

The knowledge of the means of expressing our emotions is only acquired through very long experience

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 Please help AAG grow, become an AAG Volunteer.**



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