



ARIZONA ARTISTS GUILD

Newsletter

January



Tuesday, January 17, 2017, the AAG meeting will be a sculpting demonstration by Joanie Wolter

The whimsical pieces she creates are who she is – a little goofy and fun loving. These sculptures are made from a low fire fiber clay which she finds gives them durability and sturdiness. Most of her “Senior Series” pieces are modeled after her – full figured, middle aged and ready to live life to its fullest.

In addition to her art, Joanie is now teaching classes in sculpting with fiber clay. She has combined her two passions, creating art and teaching.

AAG Calendar

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

The AAG calendar Web URL is:

<http://arizonaartistsguild.net/calendar/month>.

ART SUPPLY EXCHANGE SALE

Ceramic Glazes, Frames, Paint, Paper and more!

Art Supply is open 9 am to noon Mondays and
5 pm to 9 pm AAG Meeting nights

AAG is open meeting nights at 5 PM for members and friends to socialize.

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AAG Membership News

AAG welcomes the following new members:

New Members:

Sonja Cotton
Walter Buzby

New Juried Members

Ivan Halverson
Marcia Losh

Golden Members

James(Art) Cornwell Ina May Moore Ellsy Bird
Jay Kemp Jeanne Ladewig-Goodman

Membership cards for 2016 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 2016 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 will 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.

Its time to Renew Your AAG Membership, Dues Remain the Same. Reminder: Please renew your membership for 2016-2017 by June 30, 2016. Fiscal year for membership runs from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017. You may renew online or by downloading the membership form for 2016-2017. Renewal forms will also be available at the AAG building. Thank you.

AAG's MOST IMPORTANT RESOURCE

AAG's most important resource is **YOU**, its members. Consider volunteering to help with any of AAG's events and outreach programs.

Remember to mention AAG, our Monthly meetings and AAG Exhibits to your friends.

AAG Presidents Message

I write this while in Mystic, Connecticut enjoying the holidays with my family. Sitting here this morning listening to the wind howl as it moves through the natural and constructed landscape outside my window, I think about my family of origin and my AAG family, and the impact of both on my life. Reflecting on the year that is ending and contemplating the one about to begin, I find myself proud of what we have accomplished and excited by what lay ahead.



2016 was an expansive year. We opened the door to partnership with other arts organizations, strengthened our administrative and organizational structure, refined our website and increased our social media presence. Membership is on the rise - but more important, so is member involvement- more members are participating in guild events! That tells me we are on the right path and you like what we are doing.

Working with the Arizona Arts Commission we are expanding our outreach program. Karen Wintergartner, David Bradley, and I are participating in their Creative Aging/Generations Lab program. We recently met with the Commission to review our already impactful Outreach Programs and plan our expansion. Working closely with the Commission we are building partnerships to assist us in reaching our goals. We expect to have a working plan in place by May. Stay tuned for more details!

Following Art Smith's brilliant instruction on mandalas, I led an impromptu calligraphy session at the first Streetlight-sUSA class. The girls left the class equally uplifted and ignited. True to form, we had more volunteers than students, speaking volumes to the heart of our community.

Our Veterans Program continues in its vibrancy under the helm of David Bradley, Art Smith, Lisa Wyman, and Mark Woehrle. Entering its fourth year the Veterans have established a community within AAG that supports, nourishes, and inspires. Giving back to those who have generously given of themselves is rewarding and humbling.

With Karen Wintergartner, Art Smith launched a class for non-English-speaking refugees at an adult day center. This program is positively impacting the lives of adult immigrants who are often overlooked as they are no longer in the work force and are isolated from regular community building experiences.

Many AAG members exhibited in the Arizona State Fair, with several winning awards. Few people know that David Bradley worked closely with Fair Director, Chi Isiogu to improve the quality of the exhibit. Among the work they did together was to rewrite the prospectus, review the

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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, and vote for Artist of the Month
 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, Art Smith and the evening's presenter if they wish will critique the art in a timely fashion. At 6:30 the [Critique](#) ends and snacks will be available in the small studio. The business meeting starts at 7:00 with all information on a PowerPoint presentation. Members will see and hear about the latest AAG exhibitions and activities all within a 20 minute timeframe. The featured artist/presenter will start sharply at 7:30 and run till 8:30 and beyond if there are lots of questions.

AAG Presidents Message (Continued)

juror selection process, and create the veterans art exhibit.

The Fine Arts Fiesta in Spring and Fall were hugely successful not only in money raised, but also in attendance and increased fun! Expanding the event, the Artstravaganza as it has been renamed is on March 11, 2017. Save the date!!

Speaking of fundraising, the Art Supply Exchange continues to thrive as one of AAG's most successful fundraising program. Alicia Plogman and Alice Pelchat work tirelessly to fill the shelves with materials to foster our creative experimentation.

With the closure of Gallery Glendale we are forging new relationships with other venues for next year's Statewide Exhibition. In doing so we are increasing community awareness to a broader audience.

These are just some of the past and future highlights that come to me in this morning's reverie. Please pardon if I overlooked anything. As I look toward the upcoming year, I see it full of transformative and creative possibilities for all.

On a personal note, may the new year treat you kindly, inspire you wildly, and fill you with unexpected and welcomed experiences.

Doro Marko Scheres

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AAG Sculptors' Group

The January Sculptor's Group Meeting has been postponed.

Please check the website and eblasts for announcements of the new date.

We apologize for the inconvenience

AAG member **Lisa M. Wayman** has published a book titled, **Longing for Home**.

Longing for Home is a tale of exploration, love, hardship, resilience and finding one's place in the world, set against the backdrop of the great American Age of Immigration. Check out her website at: Lisawayman.com

AAG - LIFE DRAWING

OPEN SESSIONS: MEMBERS & NON MEMBERS

\$10.00 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

January and February

ALL TUESDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30

LONG POSE

ALL THURSDAYS - 9:30 AM - 12:30

SHORT TO LONG POSES

(except holidays)

Email Josie if you have any questions at

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AAG - OPEN STUDIO

AAG OPEN STUDIO: MEMBERS FREE

NON MEMBERS \$10.00 DRAWING FEE

January and February (except Jan 30)

Mondays 9 AM - 12 (No open studio Jan 30)

Wednesday 6-9 PM

Email Alicia Plogman if you have questions at

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AAG Calendar Highlights**Open Studio:**

Mondays 9AM - 12 (**No open studio Jan 30**)

Wednesday evenings at 6PM

Life Drawing:

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30AM -12:30

Sculpture Group Meeting:

January 2, 2017 - 7:-9:00 PM

AAG Winter Exhibit:

Until - January 7, 2017

John Erwin Critique Group @ AAG

January 16, 2017- 11:45 AM – 4 PM

AAG Monthly Meeting:

January 17, 2017- 5-9 PM

Zentangle Group at AAG

January 21, 2017 - 9 AM – 2 PM

AAG Veteran's Program:

January 28, 2016, 10AM - 2PM at AAG

For details please see the AAG Calendar at (click):

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

Artist of the Month

Artist of the Month will return in the February issue of the AAG Newsletter.

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. This fosters recycling and opportunities for artistic growth and exploration in new media that may otherwise be out of reach. If you are interested in donating or purchasing supplies e-mail: ArtSupply@ArizonaArtistsGuild.net or call 602-944-9713.

Hours: Monday 9am to 12pm, AAG meetings 5-9pm, or by appointment

-AmazonSmile.

This is a relatively new concept created by Amazon. It works exactly like Amazon. If you already purchase through Amazon, please log in through **Smile.Amazon.com**. **You will notice it's the same merchandise only a different web address.** Be sure to select Arizona Artists Guild as your charity. A percentage of each purchase will go to AAG **at no cost to you.** **When you click the order button, it will list what charity you selected.** This is a great way of contributing to the guild. Spread the word, tell your friends.



A Quote by William Faulkner

Always dream and shoot higher than you know how to. Don't bother just to be better than your contemporaries or predecessors. Try to be better than yourself.

Evening Open Studio

AAG has a evening Open Studio at our building each Wednesday of the month from 6 - 9 PM, except Holidays. All AAG members are invited to attend.

A Quote by Jackson Pollock

Painting is no problem. The problem is what to do when you're not painting.

Remember AAG in your Estate Planning

Please remember AAG in your Estate Planning. The next time you're at AAG check out the plaque we have that shows the people that donated to AAG in their Estate planning.

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: December 7 2016 - March 1 2017.



Darlene Ritter



Linda Thiel

Call for Art

Sonoran Art League, Small Works Art show

The Sonoran Small Works Art Show is a Juried Fine Art Show open to all Arizona artists. The Exhibit is at the Red Truck Trading Company in Cave Creek, AZ Show date: December 10, 2016 – January 8, 2017

The Arts Beacon

The Arts Beacon is a locally produced free service to artists and the community that has a calendar of events, call to artists and reviews of local art shows.

+ AAG Artist Highlight Feature +

Pat Scheurich has work in the Tempe Library, Youth Department, in a show titled, Botanical Garden to run Sept. 16, 2016-Jan. 11, 2017. The address is 3500 S. Rural Rd. Tempe, AZ 85282 (480) 350-5500

Joan McGue's Artwork named, *Brain Freeze* has been accepted into the Sonoran Small Works Art Show. The exhibit can be viewed, Dec 10 – Jan 8, 2017, from Monday-Saturday 10 AM-5 PM and Sunday 12-5 PM. The Reception is on December 10 | 6:00 – 9:00 PM at the Red Truck Trading Company, |6501 Cave Creek Road, Suite 1, Cave Creek, AZ 85331

Joan Baron has artwork in the Sonoran Small Works Show, at the Red Truck Trading Company 6501 Cave Creek Rd Ste 5 Cave Creek, AZ. The exhibition starts on 12/10/2016 with hours from 10AM – 5PM. There is an reception on 12/10/2016 from 6-9PM

Arizona Art Alliance News:

"INTERPRETATIONS II" a Juried Fine Art Exhibit and Sale sponsored by the Arizona Art Alliance will be held this spring at the WHAM WEST GALLERY in Surprise during the month of March, 2017.

AAG's Veteran Art Program



Every month AAG's Veteran Art program gives our Veterans' exposure to many different types of artwork and technique. The Veterans' always enjoy working in all the many different mediums that we have exposed them to and continue to produce great artwork. Their ability to grasp new art concepts and work in new mediums is remarkable. The Veterans' especially enjoy meeting and working with accomplished artists.

Saturday, December 17th, AAG past President David Bradley, did an educational lecture and a fun filled program on Raku. The Veterans' glazed pottery that David brought in with many different kinds of glazes that David supplied. The Veterans used several different techniques that David showed them to do this. David set up a special Raku Kiln outside of the AAG building and Raku fired each piece that the Veterans' had worked on. The Veterans' had a great time, enjoyed the process immensely, and got to take home an original Raku pottery piece that they had worked on.



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. Since June 2014, this program has helped, on average, 15 Veterans each month, learn how to be an artist.

Please Help Support The AAG's Veteran Art Program!

How to become a juried member?

A guild member can become a 'Juried Member' when the member's artwork has been accepted in three (3) Guild juried membership shows. It is the responsibility of Associates to maintain a complete record of their acceptance in Guild Shows. The form may be downloaded from the back of the by-laws or available at the building. Submit this record to the Membership Chairperson. Title of Artwork, to be considered for 'juried member' status, must be different for each show location. To maintain 'Juried Member' status, dues must be kept current.

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AAG Winter Exhibit

The exhibit was juried by Connie McBride , Art Smith and Viki Lev.

Art Smith one of the jurors was very impressed with the diversity, quality, and originality of the show. Art has juried shows for a number of local guilds. He thought this was the best of the traditional and cutting edge work being done. Art thinks the guild as a group, and the individual artists in this show, should be very proud of their accomplishments.



\$500 Best of Show
Heartstrings
Anne Howey-Flavey



\$250 Award of Excellence
Eco-City
Harold Baldwin



\$150 Award of Merit
The Singer
Sandy Bonstelle



Honorable Mention
Shared Border
David Bradley



Honorable Mention
Whee
Kimberly Harris



Honorable Mention
Fly
Rodger Lundskow



Honorable Mention
The Other Park City Barn
Nancy Long


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

January 17, 2017 | Joanie Wolter | Sculpting Demo

February 21, 2017 | Tessa Windt | Arts in Healthcare

March 21, 2017 | DeCaussin | Oil Painting on Shellac

April 18, 2017 | David Bradley | Reflections on CubaCam

May 16, 2017 | Scholarship Recipients' Presentation

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

Body of Work: April 22 - May 22, 2017. Reception Sunday, April 30, 2017 2-4pm

AAG Workshops: visit ArizonaArtistsGuild.net for more information

Rachel Bess: Figurative Painting: Saturday, March 4, 2017

Joanie Wolter: Sculpture: Saturday, April 1, 2017

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

January | This meeting has been postponed

February 6, 2017 | Roger LaBrash | Blacksmith

March 6, 2017 | Carole Perry | fused glass presentation

April 3, 2017 | Kevin Caron | 3-D printing with demo

May 1, 2017 | Raku firing with David Bradley

AAG Events: visit ArizonaArtistsGuild.net for more information

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

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

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

AAG Exhibition information**Winter Exhibition**

Exhibit at AAG until – January 2

Associates Body of Work Exhibition

This exhibition is open only to AAG Associate members only. Associate members are required to submit three works that are consistent in medium, artistic style, and subject. Jurors will look for quality of technique and artistic concept originality that is consistent across all three works. Jurors will either accept all three works or none of the three. Acceptance of all three works in this exhibition counts as one exhibition towards juried member status.

Exhibition dates: April 22 - May 22, 2017

Drop off and jurying: Friday, April 21, 2017

Hanging: Saturday, April 22, 2017

Reception: Sunday, April 30, 2017

Pick up: after meeting presentation May 16 or during open studio Monday May 22, 2017

Please Support The AAG Scholarship Fund!

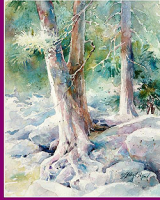
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THANK YOU

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

A quote by Pablo Picasso

The artist is a receptacle for emotions that come from all over the place: from the sky, from the earth, from a passing shape, from a spider's web.

**What is AAG's Greatest Resource..... YOU ARE!
Please help AAG grow, become an AAG Volunteer.**



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