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January Newsletter

Bon Air Artists Association



President's Message

Happy New Year!

A festive spirit filled the Crossroads Art Center as the Bon Air Artists Association came together for its annual holiday party. I hope that you were able to attend. As usual we had delicious food, good wine, and fellowship. And then there were all the artists' galleries to visit. Thank you, James Bassfield and Jennifer Kirby, for giving us your wonderful space for our party. And thank you, Gina Venn, for being our "party planner". I think we may have a new holiday tradition.

I am certainly looking forward to our January program. As you may know several of our members painted in Italy this fall. They will be telling us all about their trip and sharing art that they created while they were there. This presentation is sure to fill us all with pride in their accomplishments (and a little envy also).

A special thank you from me goes to Gloria Callahan, who will be taking over my organizational duties with Art Affair, Wilma Bradner, who will be producing all our printed material, and Kathy Miller, who will become Art Affair's treasurer. Marti Franks will continue as fund raiser and co-chair. I know that we will be hearing exciting plans from the committee soon.

See you on January 8th.

Sarah Hoyle

January Program

Our January program is entitled "A Splash of Tuscany" and will be presented by a group of artists who traveled to Tuscany with Eleanor Cox to work en plein air for two weeks, September 5-19th, 2009. Staying at the Castello di Colognole, near Greve, Italy, the group worked daily, painting, sketching, photographing, and journaling the shared Italian experience to produce a joint exhibition. "A Splash of Tuscany" reflects a quintessential artists' view of the Tuscan landscape, subjects, and imagery. Susan Saunders will present the slide show she put together for their gallery opening. Each participant will bring one painting to share and after the slide show will answer any questions about the trip and traveling to paint. Artists participating include: Lois Virginia Babb, Jill Brantley, Gloria Callahan, Eleanor Cox, Virginia Sorsby Fergus, Sherwin Ghaphery, Dorothy McLennan, Beverly Perdue, Donna Robertson, Barbara Saunders, and Susan Saunders.

January Meeting
January 8
Congregation Or
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9400 Huguenot Rd.
9:30 am

Deadline for February
Newsletter is

Monday, January 18

Please email your information to:

Jeans_art2001@yahoo.com

Or

Bonairartists@gmail.com

Or

mail it to:

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Internet Scam

By now most of you have heard about the loss of our former email address because it had been compromised. How did this happen? It seems that someone or some group found a way to trick people into revealing their passwords. I happened to be one of those people who was fooled. I received emails from "Yahoo" asking me to provide information in order to retain my email addresses—personal and Bon Air Artists. Supposedly the reason for this was that they wanted to discontinue the inactive accounts. After several emails of this nature, I complied to their request and as most of you know this resulted in loss of access to the accounts. The perpetrators of this scam changed the passwords and the reference questions and answers.

What did they do with the accounts? They used the addresses in an attempt to get money from those names in the address book. The requests for funds came from either my email address or the Bon Air Artists email address. Therefore the requests seemed authentic because they came from my email address. In this particular incident, friends and family were told that I was in England and needed money because I had lost my wallet and my passport and that the American Embassy was slow in helping me with this situation. Fortunately, someone called as soon as she received the email. I was then able to notify most of my friends by phone that this was a scam and not to send any money. I was not as fortunate with the baaanews account as no one warned me of the problem and I didn't know it existed until I found I had been locked out of that account, too. I informed Sarah Hoyle and she suggested initiating the phone tree to alert members to the scam.

We have since opened a new account for the Bon Air Artists @ gmail.com. Addresses have been typed into the contact list using information from the directory and to my knowledge no one is out any money. The police have been informed and they have later followed up asking me for any new information and to inquire if anyone had sent money to the England address. They recommended that I contact the White-collar Crime website and inform them of the scam as well.

I hope that this experience will help you if you are ever faced with the same dilemma—**Never be tricked into revealing your passwords to anyone. No**

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one would ever ask you for your password as a provider of a service. In most cases, they have an administrative password to use if there is a need to get into your account. Furthermore, a provider knows each time you access their service since it requires a login. They can gauge inactivity from that information.

Jean Miller

Plein Air Painting Workshops

Greece Painting Workshop by Susan Stuller

Join Susan for 10 days in the Greek Islands in mid September 2010! She and workshop participants will travel from Athens to 3 fabulous islands where they will explore the tiny Greek villages and beaches making a travel journal of sketches and small paintings. The travel journal along with photographs taken will be useful tools in creating larger paintings upon their return. Susan will teach how to capture essential information quickly, discuss the creative process and how to transform the travel journal into interesting, dynamic paintings. The trip is planned around the 15th of September 2010. If you are interested in learning more about this trip, email your contact information to Lisa Harlow (trip coordinator) or Susan Stuller (painting instructor).

Cream Tea In Cornwall. May 16 to May 24, 2010 with an extension to London, May 24 to May 27, 2010. The coast is really wild and wonderful plus the countryside and quaint towns are what we all imagine Olde England is like. Questions: Call Garry-Lou Upton, 379-9330 or 347-4238 for answers and more information

Jurying in February

The next time to jury in will be February 5th. Each artist is asked to bring 5 ready to hang pieces of work for each medium that he/she wishes to exhibit. Class work may be presented for jurying into BAAA if it is the artist's original work, composition, and reference. If you are planning to bring your work for jurying, please let Lisa Harlow at 897-4549 know by January 30th.

Directory Change

Please note the follow change in your BAAA directory::

New telephone number for **Ruth Snead**: 525-5576

EXHIBIT UPDATE—Please save this page for reference.

By Gloria Callahan (379-0016) Chairman

CHANGE OUT EXHIBITS – These are ongoing exhibits that are always up. Dates refer to next time a change will be made. Over the next few months there may be some date changes so check this page closely for exhibit information at these change out venues. Most changes will be made in the months Sept, Nov, Jan, March and May with a few scheduling a change in July.

Winchester Office Complex Fri. Nov. 13 – Jan. 15, 2010 @ 10:00 am

Chairman: Larry Robinson- 320-7734, Co-chair: Joan Osmalov-897-1521

Directions: 10800 Midlothian Turnpike. Turn onto Koger Center Blvd. First right takes you into Winchester parking lot. All doors lead to the Main foyer. Space for 36 paintings. Change will be 2nd Fri of scheduled month.

Virginia Urology Center – Fri. Nov. 27 – Jan. 22, 2010 @ 2:00 pm

Chairman: Richard Leslie – 778-4696

Directions: Take Huguenot Rd to the Chippenham Pkwy going west. First exit is to the Stony Point Fashion Center. Take this exit and stay to the right at bottom of the ramp. At second light turn left and go up the hill. The Urology building is in front of you. We will be exhibiting on the second floor. There is room for 16 paintings. Change will be made on 4th Friday of scheduled month.

Great Seasons – Mon. Nov. 30 – Jan. 25, 2010 @3:00 pm

Chairman needed, but call Renae Major 276-0009 or Gloria Callahan 379-0016 until then.

Directions: At 11400 W.Huguenot Rd. Suite 109. Heading toward Robious Rd., In the Bellgrade Shopping Center in the corner to the left of Kroger This room for 15-17 paintings. Change out will be the 4th Monday of the month.

MONTHLY EXHIBITS

December , Sun Trust Bank – Pick up is – Dec. 27, 2009 @ 1:00pm

Chairmen: Lori Wilson 751-9855 Co Chair: Jan Delsak 378-1163

Directions: 919 E. Main St. (Corner of 10th and Main) Proceed down Cary St. to 11th st., Make a left on 11th. Go one block to Main. Left on Main. Bank is in the next block on your left.

January Cedarfield – Thurs. Jan. 7 – Thurs. Feb. 11, 2010 @ 9:00 am

Chairman: Pat Trgina 527-115

Directions: 2300 Cedarfield Parkway, Richmond. Take Gaskins Rd. to Three Chopt. Go West on Three Chopt about 1/2 mile. Cedarfield is on your left. Use Main Entrance. Sold need to stay until end of show, there is space for 20 – 30 paintings.

January St. Michael's Episcopal Church – Mon. Jan. 4 – Mon. Feb. 1, 2009 @ 10:00 am

Chairman: Gina Venn 741-1572

Directions: 8706 Quaker Lane, Bon Air, VA. Take Huguenot Rd. and then a right onto Forest Hill Ave. Turn right at Buford Rd. go .7 of a mile and turn right on Rockaway Rd. .2 of a mile. Turn right at Lancraft Dr. the church is at 8706 on Quaker Lane. Sold stay until end of show, space for 45 paintings.

****A RECEPTION IS PLANNED FOR FRIDAY JAN. 8TH FROM 6-8:00 PM.****

NO SHOW IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBUARY DUE TO TWO IN JANUARY.

March James Center Atrium – Sat. March 6 – March 27, 2010 @ 9:00 am.

Co Chair: Donna Adams 357-4344 and Jean Miller 744-2647 Helpers needed.

THIS IS OUR JURIED SHOW AND HAS A \$5 ENTRY FEE (Please have exact change)

Directions: 901 E Cary St., Richmond. Take the 9th St. exit from the downtown expressway to the corner of 9th and Cary St. Turn right onto Cary. On weekends you can park on the street. Enter the building on Cary Street where the Wachovia ATM is located. There is room for 40-50 paintings. Be sure to only sign up once as this is a popular show so there is room for everyone. The awards reception is on Fri. evening March 26th from 6 – 8 pm. After the awards ceremony you may take home your painting. **NOTE: NO PAINTINGS OVER 38 INCHES WIDE/FRAMED.**

We have sold one painting since Sept. If you sell a painting, please let me know so I can put it in the newsletter and add it to our sales record. Gloria Callahan 379-0016. You may sign up for any of these exhibits by calling the chairman before 9pm 2 days before show begins. Space is limited at each venue so please call early.



Classes and Such...

Eleanor Cox: *Watercolor classes*. Tuesdays 7-10PM & Wednesdays 9-12AM. Bon Air Community Center. Email: Eleacoxart@verizon.net Phone: 320-1445.

Anne Marie Vaughn: *Oil Painting classes*. Tuesdays 1-4PM. Mixed media Thursdays 1-4 PM. Off River Rd. Call Anne Marie at 784-0824

Jillian Warner: *Watercolor classes, other media*. Tuesdays, 6-9 PM, Call 320-2727.

Liz Wooten: *Watercolor classes*, Thursdays, 10:00 to 1:00. Guaranteed to improve your work. Call 320-8789.

Linda Leah Wolitz: Pastel drawing, and Painting classes at the Cultural Art Center in Glen Allen,

Betsy Kellum: *Spring Classes in Oil and/or Pastel*. Individual Projects with instructional emphasis on COLOR. 8-week sessions: Thurs. mornings, 9:30 and Thurs afternoons 1:30-4:30, March 4 thru April 29 (limit of 8 students per class) Cost: \$200 (a \$50 deposit reserves your place) Call 804-598-8545 or email: betsykellum@gmail.com with questions. Send deposit to: 1200 Schroeder Road, Powhatan, VA 23139

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