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December Newsletter

Bon Air Artists Association

Christmas Luncheon
Crossroads Art Center
Staples Mill Road
Friday, December 2
10:30 am

President's Message

The holidays are almost upon us! We will all enjoy our time together at Crossroads Art Center for our 11:30 Christmas Luncheon on December 2nd. Last year's decorations by Sally Lawson were spectacular. We'll be in for a treat this year, too. Sampling the good recipes everyone brings is also special.

I'm so pleased that Bon Air Artist Association is planning a show at Uptown Gallery in 2012 and at Crossroads Art Center in 2013 and 2014. The date for Crossroads in 2013 is September 20th through November 5th. Kathy Miller will be the Chairperson of the show at Uptown and Garry-Lou Upton will be the Crossroads Chairperson. What a wonderful opportunity to show your work in two important galleries in Richmond. The strength of our group helps all of us individually.

The Bon Air Library big room is available on Wednesday, January 4th 2012 at 10:00 until 12:30 for a combined meeting of the BAAA Board and the Art Affair Committee and anyone who is interested in being part of the Art Affair Committee for next year. More evaluating of the Art Affair we have just finished and making decisions about next year will be our concerns. Feedback is welcomed. There will be no refreshments at the meeting. You can bring your own coffee, but it must be covered. There will be no refreshments served at the meeting.

Merry Christmas and I hope each of you has a creative New Year!

Nell Chesley

Christmas Luncheon

This year's Celebration will take place at Crossroads Art Center. If you haven't signed up, please still plan to come. Our luncheon is usually very festive and Crossroads Art Center is such a wonderful place for this celebration because of all the beautiful art work on display. The luncheon starts at 11:30. Everyone please remember to bring a dish to share. Hope to see all of you there to welcome in the Christmas session..

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Deadline for the December Newsletter is

December 15

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2012 Membership Dues

Dear Members, your membership dues are now payable for the calendar year January to December, 2012. Renewal for this year is \$35.00, remember you received an additional 4 months at no charge at the end of 2011 while we made a transition to our new calendar year. I will be at the Christmas luncheon to collect dues and of course you can mail them to me at 1925 Norwood Creek Drive, Powhatan, VA 23139. Please make the checks payable to Bon Air Artists Association or BAAA. The cut off date to be included into the new 2012 directory is January 15th, after that date your dues will be considered late and an additional \$5.00 late fee will be due to reinstate your membership in good standing.

BAAA is working to bring new and interesting speakers/programs to our meetings, along with artistic motivational projects and critiques to our members. We look forward to another great year of camaraderie and new opportunities to our membership.

Gloria Callahan

Workshop Opportunities

Mary Jo Beswick Water media Workshop

Come and EXPLORE your visual language as you work on exercises that will help you organize the languages in your paintings while inviting your imagination to play with color, texture, line, and form. There will be lots of short demos, individual attention, and painting time to work on your own creations. Mary Jo is very willing to share her knowledge and helps keep you ORGANIZED as you work from your own photographs and sketches. Learn to express your message in a unified way. Watch your paintings GROW into the finished products you see in your imagination. Come join the fun and learn at the same time. The workshop will be held at Crossroads Art Center, 2016 Staples Mill Road, Richmond. It will run from January 26th to January 28th, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm. Cost is \$210. Contact Garry-Lou Upton at 379-9330 or 347-4338 for more information and/or to sign up at the luncheon..

Painterly Collage Techniques with Christophora Robeers

Arts in the City has scheduled a Collage Workshop "Painterly Collage Techniques" with Christophora Robeers for February 24th–25th, 2012. The workshop includes your wood panel and most materials. Learn how to incorporate paper and paint on your surface to create a unique finished product. The workshop will be held at Crossroads Art Center from 9 am to 4 pm daily. Fee is \$200. More information will be available at the December meeting. Call Garry-Lou Upton for more information: 379-9330 or 347-4236.

Garry-Lou Upton

Kudos

Christopher Wynn was awarded the Award of Excellent for the Central Virginia Watercolor Guild's 20th Anniversary Juried Exhibition. It was scene painted in Richmond and started plein aire.

NOVEMBER, 2011 MINUTES

The meeting of November 4, 2011 was called to order at 9:30 am by President Nell Chesley. There were no visitors. The minutes were approved as published in the newsletter.

Jean Miller asked anyone not receiving a newsletter to notify her. Treasurer Gloria Callahan reported that our current balance was \$2954.34. There had been many extra expenses this past month including permits, fees, and board insurance. She announced that she would begin accepting dues payment today. Dues will be considered delinquent by January 15th and a late fee will be assessed after that date. Our application to become a 501c3 has been delivered and Gloria has been promised a response within 90 days.

Nell Chesley announced that we had two new members. Suzanne Jepson thanked Joyce Satterwhite, Gina Venn, Garry-Lou Upton, Pat Meek and herself who had all brought refreshments for the meeting. She asked for people to sign up for the future meetings and shared that Phillis Elliot was feeling better after her surgery.

Sally Lawson was not present but had provided a sign-up list for the Christmas Luncheon next month that will be at Crossroads at 11:30 on December 2nd. She also asked for volunteers to help set up at 10:00.

Dee Justin told us about today's program with Victoria Dye who teaches photo/computer classes locally. Victoria will introduce us to various visual formats.

Trish Berry said that the Tuckahoe show was up and hanging. Sylvia DeShazo and Dee Justin had chaired the show and also arranged for a show next year as well. SunTrust will be hung at 10:00 December 3rd. No prices on the front of the card that is placed on the front of the painting. The price should be on the back with a notation on the front card "see back for price". Cedarfield is rescheduled for January 6th. Chairman Pat Trgina has health problems and Garry-Lou Upton volunteered to chair the show in her stead and deliver the paintings after the Friday meeting if they were wrapped and brought to the meeting. Larry Robinson announced the change at Winchester. All dates and times will be in the newsletter

Kathy Miller announced that Mary Marshall has a new address and reminded all member to get any changes to her by January
Joanie Harper announced that Mary Marshall thanked everyone for calls and letters. Nell reported that \$50.00 will be donated to Crossroads in honor of Rhoda McCallum after polling the board for approval. Garry- Lou Upton announced that Pauli Hagan's father had died.

Old Business

President Nell Chesley recognized the Art Affair committee, volunteers, and artists. They all received an enthusiastic ovation. Marti Franks thanked all who had made donations which had been extraordinarily generous.

In September Vince Calabrese had suggested that we look into renting a space at Crossroads that would include us in their advertising. He now proposed that we rent the side car gallery, September 20–November 5, 2013, which is the first available date. The cost will be \$500 rent with Crossroads receiving a 15% commission. That would be 34 paintings at \$15.00 per painting. The opening reception will be September 20, 2013. Artists will bring food for the reception. Wine will be sold by UNOS at \$4.00 a glass. Advertising will be in **Style, Richmond Times Dispatch** and possibly **Richmond Magazine**. Postcards will be sent out by UNOS and Crossroads who will also feature the show on their websites. The artist whose work will be on the cover will be selected by lottery. Garry-Lou Upton will chair the show. Money will be due by August 15th prior to the hanging. The show will conflict with Art Affair, but it was felt that it would be a good synergy. 800-1200 people attended the last opening in September. Vince moved that we proceed with this idea. It was seconded by Larry Robinson and passed unanimously. Nell asked for a show of hands from those present get an estimate of how many would bring a painting. The count was 25. Trish Berry moved that we reserve a space for 2014 also. It was seconded by Vince Calabrese and passed unanimously. The discussion then moved to doing something similar in 2012. Uptown Gallery was suggested and a committee was formed of Vince Calabrese, Kathy Miller, and Patrice Reese; chaired by Kathy Miller to research the possibility. The motion to proceed was made by Gloria Callahan, seconded by Patrice Reese and unanimously approved. (*continued on Page 4*)

New Business (Minutes continued from Page 3)

Richmond Art Workshop's Patrice Reese announced that Skip Lawrence will be teaching March 19th–23rd. There are still 3 spaces left. Send money to Mandy Peterson now if you are interested in attending. Donna Zagotta will be teaching May 14th–18th. Mary Whyte and Greg Packard will teach in 2013.

Garry-Lou Upton announced that Linda Baker will be returning next year to teach another workshop. Mary Jo Beswick will teach a three day workshop in January on exploring visual language and Nicholas Simons will be teaching in 2014.

Kathy Miller announced the Vera Dickerson workshop, November 16th–20th at Uptown Gallery. Christopher Wynn will also be teaching there in December. Sign up forms are on the table. Kathy also announced that Bev Perdue Jennings and Patrice Reese were featured artists at Uptown tonight. Patrice is featuring a series on chairs and Bev is featuring paintings from Italy.

Suzanne Jepson and Gloria Callahan have an exhibition at Cooper's vineyard in Louisa this weekend. Ellie Cox is running a trip to Provence in January. Garry-Lou Upton has an opening at Crossroads next Tuesday. Betsy Kellum, Sue Stuller, and Garry-Lou Upton have all updated their studios at Crossroads. Ronda Dandliker is showing soft pastels at the Visual Arts Center.

President Nell Chesley called a joint Board meeting between the BAAA board and the Art Affair board, January 4th at the Bon Air Library at 9:30 am. Norie Burnet thanked everyone for cards and calls after her hip transplant and reported that Dan Decker from The Foundation for Chester Art Center had requested a representative from our group to be on the board. Marti Franks volunteered and was approved.

Judy Pollard requested that Art Affair not conflict with the Folk Festival next year. Gloria Callahan explained that our show had been on the third weekend of October for 19 years. The Folk Festival was a moveable date and in fact they had changed their date after all arrangements had been made.

The meeting was adjourned at 10,25 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Angevine, Recording Secretary

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts Exhibits

"Mummy: Secrets of the Tomb"

November 19, 2011 –March 11, 2012

Featuring more than 100 objects from the internationally renowned Egyptian collection of the British Museum. Explores the rituals of death and burial in ancient Egypt and uncovers mysteries that have shrouded mummies for millennia.

Free for VMFA members, children 6 and under, and active-duty military personnel and their immediate families

\$15 for adults

\$12 for seniors 65+, students with ID, adult groups of 10+ (after noon only), youth 7-17

Tickets can be purchased by calling 340-1405

"Elvis at 21"

December 24, 2011–March 18, 2012

Fifty-six dramatic black-and-white photographs taken by Alfred Wertheimer in 1956. The photographs feature Elvis Presley on the brink of international superstardom—including images taken in Richmond.

"Mourners: Tomb Sculptures from the Court of Burgundy"

January 21, 2012–April 15, 2012

This exhibit presents 37 alabaster mourners that convey powerful emotion, some lost in thought grieving, and other consoling neighbors. Mourners is an experience of all people throughout history.

EXHIBIT UPDATE - Please save this page for reference.

Chairperson Patricia Berry (pberry4pr@earthlink.net)

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 **bimonthly** in the months of Sept., Nov., Jan., March, and May with a few scheduling change in July.

ONGOING EXHIBITS

Winchester Office Complex, Friday, January 13—Friday, March 9th, 2012 @10:00am

Chairman: Larry Robinson 320-7734, Co-chair: Horst Arfert 744-2553

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 Friday of scheduled month.

Virginia Urology Center—Friday, November 25, 2011—Friday, January 27th 2012 @ 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.

MONTH LONG EXHIBITS

December—Sun Trust Bank— Saturday, December 3rd—Saturday, December 31st @ 10:00 am

Chairperson: Gloria Callahan, 379-0016

Directions: 919 E. Main Street (Corner of 10th and Main). Proceed down Cary St. to 11th Street. Make a left on 11th. Go one block to Main. Left on Main. Bank is in the next block on your left. Parking should be available in the bank's parking deck, entrance is on Cary Street. Tell the guard in the deck that we are there to hang or take down a show. Parking should be free.

January—Cedarfield—Friday, January 6th—Thursday, February 2nd, 2012

Chairperson: Garry-Lou Upton, 379-9330

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

You may sign up for any of these exhibits by calling the chairperson before 9:00 pm 2 days before show begins. Space is limited at each venue, so please call early.

If you sell a painting in a BAAA venue, please contact Patricia Berry, 2nd Vice President in Charge of Exhibits, at pberry4pr@earthlink.net so she can put it in the newsletter and add it to our sales record.

CLASSES AND SUCH...

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

Jillian Warner: *Watercolor and other media classes with an emphasis on content*. Tues. For more information call Jillian @ 320-2727

J'Net Kaulfers *Oil and Acrylic Painting Studios*. Tuesdays 9:30 am —12:30 pm and 1:30 pm—4:30 pm, Off Robious Road in home studio. Call 794-8964

Betsy Kellum *fall session in Oil and /or pastel* Fall session is currently filled. However she is interested in filling in for a regular students when they can't attend for a daily rate of \$40. Please let her know if you are interested. Class is on Thursdays 9:30-2:30, bring lunch. Email her at : betsykellum@gmail.com or call 598-8645.

Linda Wolitz. *Pastel painting class* at Cultural Art Center, For more information call the art center at 261-2787.

Ann Marie Vaughn: *Oil Painting Classes* and *Mixed media classes*. For more information call Ann Marie at 784-0824 or email: annartist@msn.com

Christopher Wynn: *Intermediate/Advanced Watercolor Classes in transparent watercolor*. For more information call 747-3446 or email him at Christopherwynnart@yahoo.com

Gloria Callahan: *Painting in Colored Pencil:* For more information, call Gloria at 379-0016 or email her at Gloria@gloriacallahan.com

POSSIBLE LANGUAGE LEARNING CLASS

If you are planning a trip to France, it might be helpful to learn some useful phrases for your trip. Ginette Perreault is fluent in French and has taught Tourist French in the past with success. She would need a minimum of 4 people for a 6 week class. The suggested fee is \$75 per person plus materials. This would be at her house near South Providence Road. If you are interested, contact Ginette at 804-385-9854 or email her at ginettenewartist@msn.com

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