



Bethlehem Art Association

Jan./Feb., 2018
Newsletter



Hello Artists,

Happy New Year to all of you.

The new year is a time for renewal and changes are coming to the Bethlehem Art Association. I want to thank Hillary Raimo for agreeing to become the next President of the Association. Hillary is a very accomplished photographer who has won ribbons in virtually all shows since joining us, and is now expanding her skills as a painter. I am particularly pleased that Hillary has stepped forward early this year in order for us to work closely together for a smooth transition for the 2018-19 year.

I also want to thank Rita Buttiker and John Moser: Rita, for her many, many years of service as the Treasurer of the BAA, and John, for taking over this important position. This transition has already taken place and John is hard at work in his new role.

The BAA runs entirely on volunteer efforts and there are several other jobs that will require new people to take them over. I will be reaching out in the near future with requests for your services.

During the holiday season I visited one of my favorite places in the region, the Arkell Museum in Canajoharie. I am a big fan of Winslow Homer and always enjoy seeing Mary Cassatt, Edward Hopper, Georgia O'Keeffe, and others. This visit I had the extra pleasure of seeing a painting by BAA member Kevin Kuhne in this wonderful museum.

Peter

BAA Mission Statement

The BAA is a focal point for all kinds of visual art activities in Bethlehem.
We promote art, art activities, and artists in Bethlehem.

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Please welcome new members Bob Blackmon, Laura Conti, Deborah LaFleur, Cathy Torlina, and Vanessa Mellom Williams



**Thursday,
January 11, 6:45 p.m.**

**Drawing Demonstration
by Ed Ticson**

Ed Ticson will return to give a presentation on drawing at the January meeting. Ed has served as a juror for several BAA shows and always provided very thoughtful and helpful comments. Ed worked for a number of years as a freelance artist and then pursued graduate studies in drawing and painting at SUNY Albany. He has a Master of Arts and Master of Fine Arts degrees. Ed is an adjunct professor at Sienna College, Sage College, and Empire State College; and he teaches at the Art Center of the Capital Region.



**Thursday,
February 15, 6:45 p.m.**

**Annual Critique of Member Artwork
with Sharon Siegel**



Sunrise by Sharon Siegel

The annual critique of member artwork will be held at the February meeting. Members can bring one piece for evaluation and suggestions by a professional artist. This is a good opportunity to get advice on the piece that you might be working on for the Spring Juried Show. Our guest this year will be Sharon Siegel. She is an independent artist and illustrator and was the founder and director of the former Albany School of Visual Arts. She has led many professional development activities for regional artists and art teachers as Arts Coordinator of the Capital Region BOCES. She has also been an adjunct professor at the College of Saint Rose. You can learn more about Sharon and see her work at www.sdsiegelart.biz



News of Our Members and other news

BAA Demonstration Mirror

Bob Lynk would like to find a new home for the BAA mirror that is so useful for our art demonstrations. The mirror is 4' x 8' but is very light weight. Please contact Bob at 518-439-3948 or the2lynks@gmail.com

Winter/Spring Art Classes with Marion Reynolds at

the Art Center of the Capital Region:

Painting Color (beginning-intermediate) & Painting Techniques (intermediate-advanced):

Two consecutive 5-week courses, your choice of oil or acrylic. Turpentine-free.

Beginning Drawing, Advanced Beginning Drawing, Intermediate Drawing:

A series of three 4-week courses teach fundamental skills & how to work from the creative right side of your brain. Move from simple to more complex subject matter at your own pace.

Morning and evening sections offered.

See the websites below for schedule and pricing.

www.artscenteronline.org www.marionreynoldsdunleavy.com.

There will be a meeting for the Spring Show and Sale on Thursday, January 11 at 1:00 at the Library. For further information contact Linda Spielman at lyndaspelman@aol.com



Winter on Clinton and North Lark, Albany

Kevin Kuhne won Best in Show and People's Choice award at the Annual Art Show at the Arkell Museum and Canajoharie Library for the painting above.



First Presbyterian Church, Christmas Eve, 2013

Kevin Kuhne will be having a one-night only solo show for First Friday Albany, March 2 at the First Presbyterian Church, corner of State St. and Willett on Washington Park. Hours are 5-8pm.



Annual Town Hall Show

The BAA has already been holding an annual show at the Bethlehem Town Hall for five years. The October and November show this year returned to the “Bethlehem Scenes” theme. This show remains one of our most popular. Three items were sold even before the hanging was complete. People just love artwork that depicts scenes from their hometown. Of course, we will do this again in 2018, so you have plenty of time to get ready before October.



Rita Buttiker Retires as Treasurer

Many thanks to Rita Buttiker for her many years of excellent service as Treasurer of the Bethlehem Art Association. Rita held this position for most of the time that the BAA has been in existence.

Of course, she will remain active painting and participating in the BAA.

A Certificate of Appreciation was read at the December Monthly Meeting and later presented to Rita.



Meeting Recaps

Annual Fall Member Show

The Fall 2017 Member Show appeared at the Bethlehem Library in November. This year's juror was Melanie Painter. Melanie supervises the Art Department at the Bethlehem Public High School. She gave a very thoughtful and detailed description of the selections that she made as well as her overall thoughts about the show. Many thanks to Melanie.

The Best in Show Award

went to Karen Woodin for "*Winter Overlook*". (right)

The other award winners were (in order, by Category):

Oils:

Dee Foley, Susan Trottier, Ann Madeo, and Cheryl Wickstrom

Watercolor:

Kevin Kuhne, Ritvik Sharma, Sue Nye, and Monica Restaino

Pastel:

Jeannette Young and Rita Buttiker

Other Media:

Joan Krathaus, Denise Crisafulli, Jocelyn Cole, and Laurel Petersen

Photography:

Nancy Noble Gardner and Hillary Raimo



**Melanie Painter and Karen Woodin
with "*Winter Overlook*"**

The People's Choice Awards

went to (place and number of votes):

First (25) Karen Woodin;

Second (13) Linda Asmus;

Third (three way tie with 11 each) Dee Foley, Ray Henrickson, and Peter Keitel;

Sixth (10) Dale Crisafulli;

Seventh (three way tie with 9 each) Laurel Petersen, Mary Phillips, and Ritvik Sharma.

Community involvement in the voting process enhances awareness of the BAA.





Meeting Recaps

December Holiday Meeting with Karen Woodin

The December Holiday Meeting always features a presentation by a BAA member artist. This year's honoree was Karen Woodin doing an oil painting demonstration. Karen does beautifully detailed landscape paintings. For her presentation she brought pictures and handouts explaining how she develops her paintings. Her five phases include prepping the canvas, working out the composition, creating the underpainting, creating the basic palette, and attending to details. Karen brought a partially completed painting to her session and showed us how she adds detail to provide liveliness and interest. She did a great job of preparing and presenting her program for us.





Venues

BAA Community Exhibit Schedule

Jan. 2018 through Apr. 2018

Sign up at a monthly meeting to schedule a showing of your work or contact Bev Braun at 489-0601 or bevbraun@nycap.rr.com

VENUES RESERVED FOR BAA MEMBERS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR
BONE & JOINT CENTER 2 halls, 20 hangers and 16 hangers	BARBARA VIA SUSAN TROTTIER		HILLARY RAIMO	
FOUR CORNERS LUNCHEONETTE 10 hangers - can hold doubles	ANN-MARIE MORIN	LAUREL PETERSEN	OPEN	OPEN
BANK OF COXSACKIE Rte. 9W, Glenmont - 13 spaces	SUSAN BUCHER	CAROL TURNER		

VENUES FREQUENTLY AVAILABLE FOR BAA MEMBERS

The Massry Residence at the Daughters of Sarah Senior Community:

Contact Antoinette Guenette at 724-3406 or guenette@dosscc.org. Space for 15 pictures

Merriman and Pfister, An Artisan's Marketplace. Located behind the Perfect Blend at the Four Corners.

Contact Kathy Agneta at 588-7268

Big Eye Gallery Fine Arts and Crafts, 270 County Route 405, South Westerlo, NY

Contact Hope Konecny at 966-5833

Terra International Cuisine and the NuWave Café, 238 Washington Ave., Albany

Contact Howard Katz at howard@terraalbany.com

Capital Bank, Slingerlands Price Chopper Plaza:

Contact Greg Bruno at 694-5625 or email gbruno@capitalbank.com

Bethlehem Public Library, Delaware Ave., Delmar:

Contact Alissa, 439-9314. Ask for the Information desk. Space is available on a 24 month cycle and requests are handled on a first-come-first-serve basis. Early on the first business day of the month appears to be the best time to submit requests for one of the two corridors.

Beverwyck Independent Retirement & Assisted Living:

Contact Jessica Newman, 451-2111. Beverwyck Lane/Autumn Drive, Slingerlands, 15 spaces, availability. Please call.

Greenville Public Library, Rte. 32, Greenville:

Contact Stanley Maltzman, 634-7386. Two month showings. Space for up to 50 pieces.

Uncommon Grounds Coffee & Bagels, 1235 Western Ave., Albany:

Contact Geralee Hall at geralee.hall@gmail.com. Please note that Ms. Hall also arranges exhibits for their Saratoga location on Broadway.

Voorheesville Public Library: 51 School Rd., Voorheesville

Contact Lynn Kohler at 765-2791 to schedule a show and reception.

National Bank of Coxsackie, Rte. 81 near Rte. 32, Greenville: Contact Rita Buttiker, 634-2272

Greene County Bank, Rte. 32 near Bryant's Plaza, Greenville: Contact Rita Buttiker, 634-2272

Madison Theater Windows: Contact Lorenz M. Worden, 489-0866 <http://lorenzworden.wordpress.com>



This Year's Main Events

*All Monthly Meetings begin at 6:45PM
in the Bethlehem Public Library Community Room*

- Thursday, January 11** ~ Drawing Demonstration by Ed Ticson
Thursday, February 15 ~ Annual Critique of Member Artwork - Sharon Siegel
Thursday, March 15 ~ Watercolor Demonstration by Tony Connor
Thursday, April 5 ~ Annual Planning Meeting - Delmar Presbyterian Church 7:00p.m.
Saturday, April 7 ~ Watercolor Workshop with Tony Connor
Thursday, April 19 ~ A Panel on How to Promote Your Artwork
Tuesday, May 1 ~ Spring Show Submissions Drop-off at Bethlehem Public Library, 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 17 ~ Spring Show Reception ~ Juror to be Announced
Thursday, May 31 ~ Spring Show art removal by 9:00 p.m. (**No Exceptions**)
Thursday, June 21 ~ Picnic at Rita and Peter Buttiker's

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