

Sawnee Artists Association

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Web Master for Christmas in Central Park –Robert Thompson

!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! REMEMBER.....NEXT SAA MEETING.....REMEMBER !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

MONDAY, 18, 2009

6:30 – 7:30 pm Guest Speaker --- 7:30 pm - Refreshments --- 7:30 pm – Business Meeting

Please, note the change in the order of our meeting. Please, try to be on time so that you do not interrupt our speaker.

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We will meet at McDonald's Funeral Home at 150 Sawnee Dr. near the intersection of Highway 9 and Sawnee Dr. Please park and enter at the end of the building nearest Highway 9. Use the door where the rocking chairs are.

MAY PROGRAM

Our guest speaker this month will be Bill Chapman

Bill is a noted watercolorist who paints and teaches in his innovative "loose" style.

He has been featured in both the Artist and Watercolor Magic Magazines.

Bill holds a BFA in drawing and painting from the University of Georgia.

His light-hearted teaching approach should provide us with both an entertaining and informative evening.

Collections in the US, Germany, Italy and Mexico contain Bills work.

Jim values the journey of each artist and seeks to help find his/her own path to the fullest creative expression possible.

Check out Bill's site at www.watercolorsketch.com

HOSPITALITY

Thank you to Arlene, Jerry and Dottie for providing refreshments at our April meeting.

CEE CEE's PIZZA will provide pizzas for our May meeting.

When you drop by to eat at their place, don't forget to thank them for this treat.

SCHOLARSHIP

The SAA Memorial Scholarship for the Visual Arts was awarded to Miss Olivia LaSelva of South of South Forsyth High School. It was a hard decision, but Olivia's versatility, leadership and character references played a large role in our judging committee's decision.

I hope you'll be able to take the time to see Olivia's portfolio, which will be available at our meeting to be passed around. Margaret Cameron will be available to present Olivia with her award at South Forsyth's Award Night at First Redeemer Church on May 12. The award was \$500 and an honorary membership in the SAA.

A great big thank you to our judging committee and to Margaret

Susan Kennedy

MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to newly weds, Robert and Barbara Thompson.

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Shirley Arnold, a former member, is in physical therapy at Chestnut Ridge Nursing and Rehabilitation Center 125 Samaritan Drive, Cumming, Georgia 30040 Shirley didn't feel she could renew her membership this year but she has been a SAA member since the association first began and I'm sure she will really appreciate cards from all of us. Edith Hill Smith

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We welcome the following new members to SAA:

Sheryl Cline	Allen Ferg
Patricia L. Groman	Bonnie McClure
Rick Rennick	Nick and Susan Yondell

If I left anyone off or included an established member, I'm sorry. Let me know and I'll publish a correction if you wish.

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HONORS

NO ITEMS SUBMITTED – DON'T FORGET TO GET YOUR NEWS TO ME.

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ARTISTS' TIPS

NO ITEMS SUBMITTED – PLEASE SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE WITH US.

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A FUN OUTING WITH OUR PRESIDENT, CONNIE SHRIVER

I am planning a Plein Air Painting excursion On May 15th at 9:00 AM . Anyone interested please come and take part.

PLEIN Air excursion: Meet at the far end of Wal-Mart close to the main road.
Bring supplies and water or drink plus lunch.
Sun lotion and bug spray
We will paint the river on the left side on the damn.
Weather permitting.

Any questions call:
Connie Shriver
678-947-8426
freestyler94@bellsouth.net

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ANNUAL PICNIC

This year we will have a Champaign Breakfast.

DATE: June 27
TIME: 10:30 am until ????

LOCATION: Kathy Wert's back yard
(Directions will come later – 'cause I don't know where it is.)

Be thinking about Breakfast Casseroles, Bread, Chips & Dip, Fruit, Pastries, Watermelon, and Champaign
You will need to bring: Lawn Chairs and maybe games.

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BELLEZZA October 10th.

Get your brushes, potters wheels, cameras, jeweler's tools, lathes, jig saws, etc.
working to produce the best art ever for this show.

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PLAY IN THE PARK

September 26

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CHRISTMAS IN CENTRAL PARK

November 21

“ART IN HISTORIC CUMMING” SHOW

The show at the Brannon-Heard House was a tremendous success.

We had a good crowd all weekend.
Those who attended seemed to be thrilled with the show, the art, and the venue.

We had good grub.
Thanks to all who brought goodies.
Special thanks to the following businesses for contributions of food:

Ingles at exit 17
Lenny's Sub Shop - Market Place Blvd.
Dunkin Donuts – Highway 20

We had a beautiful location for the show.
The Brannon-Heard House is something to be proud of.

What a beautiful weekend. We had great weather.
With all the threats of stormy weather, we had two glorious days.
We had members demonstrating on the porch for the entire show.
They were Frank Hancock, Norma Hulsey, Pat Martin, Hans Meier, Dixie Mesler, and Connie Shriver.

We had sales \$3223.
Congratulations to the following artists who sold art:
Beth Cohen, Charlotte Gardner, Nanch Horton, Norma Hulsey, Owen Jones, Pat Martin,
Dixie Mesler, Hans Meier, Edith Hill Smith, Brenda Thomas, Kathy Wert, Sally Whitlow, and Hugh Williams

We had art.
The SAA members should be proud of the quality of art that was presented at both
The Methodist Church Show and the Art in Historic Cumming Show.
We had 43 paid entries. I'm not sure of the number of pieces that were on display, but the house was full.

We did well financially.
The show cost \$323 and that amount has been recovered.
The City of Cumming shared in the cost of the show.

We had workers.
A rough estimate of the work done by members of SAA was: 518 hours by 21 folks - before, during, and after the show.
This doesn't include the time and money spent by many of the same folks, and others, who brought food and flowers.
If you were unable to participate in show by submitting artwork and/or helping with the show,
we hope that you will be able to contribute both for our next show.
We had some mighty tired folks who could have used some relief. We had some mighty happy folks who made sales.
We had a mighty good time and we invite every member to join us next time.

We have people to thank.

Sue Scaggs – North Georgia Party Rental
(Sue always provides us with the beautiful linens for the tables at our shows.)

Linda Heard

The City of Cumming

Heard Florist

Again, this show demonstrated the quality of art in our community and the interest that our community has in this art. The SAA organization is a leader in the art community of Forsyth County. With the success of this show, we are encouraged that the powers that be will be even more aware of the need for a home for SAA to use to teach, exhibit, and promote art for the benefit and enjoyment of the citizens of Forsyth County.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please notice that when you point to a link you are instructed to hit the control button then click on the link.

1. **The Blue Ridge Mountains Art Association 2009 National Juried Art Exhibit** is October 17. Deadline for entry is July 31. For more information please contact: Sarah Verner, Executive Director, Blue Ridge Mountains Arts Association: 706-632-2144 Office, 706-632-7785 Fax, or sarahverner@tds.net, or <http://blueridgearts.net>
2. **Susan Kennedy, SAA Member**, invites everyone to attend her **2-hour oil painting workshops** at the Cumming Hobby Lobby. Classes focus on Florals (Mondays 10-12), Color Mixing and Brushwork (Mondays 12:30-2:30), Landscapes (Wednesdays 1-3) and Still Life (Fridays 1:30-3:30). www.susankennedy.com or call Susan at 770-617-6004 or email her at susan@susankennedy.com
3. **Anita Elder's - Elder Ridge Studio Workshops:**
May 21, 22, 23 (9:00 – 5:00) Amanda Carder – Plein Air Workshop - \$275
June 5th and 6th – Jim Chapman – Loosen up Watercolor Workshop - \$175
For more information contact Anita Elder: aelder1@windstream.net
4. **Great Chattahoochee Paint Out:** www.visitroswellga.com
5. **Billie Mathis** – Billie will be exhibiting her watercolor paintings April 25 through May 14 in Historic Downtown Canton, Georgia – Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Artist Reception: Saturday, April 25th, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. 770-720-4253
[Click here to learn about Billie's Upcoming Workshops](#)
Billie f. Mathis, GWS, 110 Cedar Court #3090, Waleska, Georgia 30183 billiemathis@windstream.net
770-720-4780
6. **Art in The Square** – Gainesville – 1st Saturday in October. More info to follow next month.

Please be aware that other shows are being discussed and considered.

You will be kept aware of upcoming events as they are finalized.

Ask any board member for information on anything.

We are working on ways to inform members and especially new members of what we do.

Please, don't hesitate to ask if you don't understand what Bellezza, Christmas in Central Park, etc. are.