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Greater Haverhill Arts Association

Happy New Year! January 2018 NEWS

Send items (announcements, opportunities) by the end of the month, questions and feedback at anytime, to **info@ghaa.art**. If you are having a solo show, open studio, or similar event, or have your work juried into an exhibit or receive an honor, tell us so we can share the good news. *Have you not received recognition when your colleagues have? We do our best to stay abreast of the art scene, but we depend on you to notify us directly of your honors. Don't be modest - we want to rejoice with you!* If you or another member experiences a life event (marriage, birth, hospitalization, etc.) and would welcome recognition/support from the rest of us, do let us know.

Calendar at a Glance

January - February Featured Artist Debbie Shirley at Art Niche, Innovation Hub January 7 Nunan's Paint-In 10 - 2 January 13 Workshop 9 - 12 January 14 Nunan's Paint-In 10 - 2 January 20 Workshop 9 - 12 January 21 Nunan's Paint-In 10 - 2 January 28 Nunan's Paint-In 2 January 28 Nunan's Paint-In 40 - 2 February 17 ImageTec field trip 11 AM March 24 (Saturday!) Annual Meeting and Demo

WE ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS! How can you help your GHAA serve



Gently Pink Geo by Joan Turner

IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP OR JOIN US!

you best?

THE GHAA SATURDAY ART WORKSHOPS

at the FCC on the Bradford Common are held 9-12 on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays, with a still life set-up and a posed model; Mark Hayden and Joan Rademacher mentor, and Mimi Johnson monitors. All mediums, all levels, all ages welcome! A \$5 donation is requested and always appreciated. Always check the website and/or Facebook page for last-minute changes! Welcome New Member Joseph Rampulla!

Become a member!

This is Enlist-a Sponsor Season! THANK YOU TO OUR

SPONSORS - We could not do it without you! Nunan's Florist & Greenhouses **Buttonwoods Museum** Irena Sienko Maguire Joan's Art Gallery (JAG) Mimi Johnson Pentucket Bank Bernard Clohisy James Tinguely Haverhill Bank Flowers by Steve Holland Flowers Butch's Uptown Inside View Redfin Jerry's Artarama ImageTec

Enlist or become a sponsor. Sponsors subsidize our programs, including the Saturday Workshops. The form is <u>HERE</u> and on our Sponsors Page.

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VERY IMPORTANT GHAA NEWS!

We extend our sympathy and support to Debbie Shirley and her family in the loss of her father-in-law. Debbie is a Member of the Board as Communications Chair.

We welcome Ellen Repke as interim secretary. Tina Fazio is on medical leave of absence - wish her strength and courage as she faces a difficult health issue.

Nunan's Greenhouses in Georgetown is once again hosting the GHAA Paint-Ins each Sunday in January. Though drop-ins are welcome on any of the days, and there is a great deal of flexibility, we appreciate having some idea of anticipated participation and ask you to register your intentions <u>HERE</u>, especially for the exhibit on January 28.

Creative Haverhill is applying for a grant from Mass Cultural Council's Cultural Facilities Fund for Cogswell Art Center and is asking for letters of support. The GHAA has sent such a letter, but all who wish to see Reinvent Cogswell succeed are encouraged to write their own. Send your thoughts concerning the importance of the Cogswell ArtSpace project to Jenny Arndt before **their deadline January 12** (jenny@creativehaverhill.org). Address the letter to Massachusetts Cultural Council, 10 St. James Avenue, 3rd Floor, Boston MA 02116, Attention: Mr. Jay Paget.

GHAA artists continued the informal demos on Sundays during the Festival of Trees: **Tracy Meola** and **James McCarthy** on December 3; **Linda Germain** (substituting for Debbie Shirley) and **Sandra Golbert on** December 10. A big thank-you to them as well as the November 26 artist **James Gablosky** for giving of their time and talent during such a busy season.

We Are Haverhill: Changing Faces of Haverhill's Neighborhoods is an exhibit of photographs at HC Media Studio 101, Harbor Place, 2 Merrimack Street, Haverhill. The exhibit continues until February 16 and is open to the public: Tuesdays 10am-12pm, Thursdays, 5-8pm, and Saturdays 9am-12pm.

The gallery space is one the GHAA is considering for exhibits, so check out the venue at the same time with that in mind. Our next three demos will be held there, as well as the Annual Meeting.

We have a field trip arranged in February to the commercial photography studio of **ImageTec** in Methuen. Interested members will meet there on Saturday, February 17 at 11 AM. Tom Grassi will demonstrate their art reproduction services (giclee, reproductions, notecard printing, etc.). You must RSVP to attend. He has asked for two artists to bring art for a scanning demo - two names will be drawn fro those who RSVP to info@ghaa.art. Refreshments will be served. Parking is plentiful in the industrial park lot. [20 Aegean Drive #8, Exit 47 from Rt 93, near the Clark Chrysler Jeep Dealership; 978-794-5720]. We thank **Maureen DeSisto**, our Program Co-Chair for arranging this opportunity.

GHAA elections will be held next March. The Officers and Standing Committee Chairs are listed on the website. Review those currently on the Board, and consider nominations for the two-year term. The position of Vice President has remained unfilled - please give this serious consideration. Nominations are due March 1.

The full 2018 GHAA Calendar is on the website. We all know that changes can happen, so be sure to check the monthly newsletter, the website, and the Facebook page for the latest information.

Are you receiving our news and benefiting from all the GHAA has to offer, but are not yet a member? We hope you'll join us! The GHAA year is September 1 - August 3. If your membership has lapsed, consider renewing - still a bargain at \$30 (if you attend the five demos and enter one piece in the Annual Open Exhibit as a non-member, it would be more than the membership fee). We do not mail individual renewal notices to keep expenses down. It's also a good time to **UPDATE YOUR BIO**; send the current one to info@ghaa.art or bring it to the next event. Do you have representative **IMAGES ON THE WEBSITE**? Have you updated them recently? Did you notice that each newsletter features the work of a different member? Send images to dshirleyart@yahoo.com.

Members' Honors, Awards, Solo Exhibits

Margaret Moon Hames took an award at the Winter Show of the Greater Salem Art Association.

Sandra Peters has artwork juried into the Whistler House Members Fall Exhibit. It continues through January 27, 2018. Go to www.whistlerhouse.org for more information.

Ann Jones has paintings juried into the alternative Gallery at 100 Market in Portsmouth. The exhibit continues through February 16.

Susan Kneeland had a painting chosen for the 2018 calendar to benefit Families First. For more information or to order a calendar, contact Families First, 100 Campus Drive, Portsmouth, 603-422-8208.

ARTISTIC OPPORTUNITIES

Innovation Hub at Harbor Place (2 Merrimack Street, Haverhill, 3rd floor) is collaborating with the GHAA to feature members in an Art Niche on the third floor. The space lends itself to featuring a single artist for a two-month period. Two adjacent walls (5 ft and 8 ft) can accommodate 2 very large paintings or 10 very small paintings, or a mix of in-between sizes. There is a surface for promotional materials and perhaps a small sculpture. The venue hours are Monday - Friday, 8:30 - 5:00 (www.uml.edu/ihub). There is no charge to participate; the usual

15/20/65 % (venue/GHAA/artist) will apply to any sales. If you are interested in participating, respond to info@ghaa.art, giving preferred months. Debbie Shirley has installed her work for January-February.

- Tracy Meola, member artist and owner of Art on Main Gallery is offering *The Art On Main A to Z 26 Week Art Challenge.* Create one piece of art (paint, draw, photograph -all media) per week for 26 weeks, working your way through the alphabet (week 1 something that begins with the letter A, week 2 letter B, week 3 letter C, etc). The artwork can be any subject: still life, an object, a person, an emotion or anything else that begins with the letter (for example: A could be apple, angry, atmosphere, antler, alligator, absence...). Join Tracy in the challenge post photos of your weekly art on Instagram with the hashtag #26weeksA-Z and tag artonmainnh. At the end of the challenge there will be an opportunity for participants to exhibit some of the finished pieces at the Art On Main Gallery in Plaistow. You can follow Tracy's progress on her blog every week (tracyspaintandpen.blogspot.com) and on Instagram: artonmainnh.
- The Tewksbury Community of Artists invites area artists to participate in themed exhibits for 2018 at the Tewksbury Library. Contact Valerie Borgal (<u>vjb@valeriejeannesart.com</u> or 978-658-4693) if you are interested or have questions.

Ongoing

- **Creative Haverhill** is a network and clearing house for art in Haverhill. Visit the website to see what's happening, and to subscribe to future notices: www.creativehaverhill.org. Also visit the Facebook group: <u>Haverhill Artist Connection Facebook group</u>.
- <u>MVArtEvents.com</u> serves those of us in the Merrimack Valley; Paul Graveline, editor, spurred by the success of his North Shore bulletin <u>NSArtEvents.com</u>, fills a need for a similar listing for this region. Sign up to receive regular updates. Contact Paul to have your event listed.
- Western Avenue Studios hosts Open Studios the first Saturday of every month, 12 5 PM: http://westernavenuestudios.com. Free parking/shuttle service; 122 - 160 Western Avenue, Lowell MA.
- Newburyport Art Association (<u>newburyportart.org</u>) offers Life Drawing (nude model) every Wednesday evening 7-9:30 (\$10, \$8 for NAA members). Each session has quick gestural drawing as well as 20 minute poses. The NAA also offers various classes. For the schedule visit <u>www.newburyportart.org</u>.

Bookmark these valuable links:

- <u>http://artsake.massculturalcouncil.org/blog/artsake/index.php/category/call-to-artists/</u>
- <u>https://www.facebook.com/BOSTONAREAARTISTS</u>
- **NH Watercolorists** is a new group on Facebook for those interested in the medium: https://www.facebook.com/groups/191551704655829/?fref=nf.
- <u>http://www.fortpointarts.org/</u>

- http://westernavenuestudios.com
- www.essexartcenter.com
- http://www.nh.gov/nharts/newsandcalendar/e-news/e-opps.htm
- http://www.artshow.com

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