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Greater Haverhill Arts Association
Celebrates 50 Golden years!

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 10 Nunan's Paint-In (10-2) January 17 Nunan's Paint-In (10-2) January 23 10 AM online - watercolor demo with Susan Kneeland January 24 Nunan's Paint-In (10-2) January 31 Nunan's Paint-In (10-2) February 27 10 AM online - pastel demo with Lisa Regopoulos

WE ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS!

How can you help your GHAA serve you best?

THE GHAA SATURDAY ART WORKSHOPS will resume when it's safe to do so! We're waiting for the hall behind the church (FCC) on Bradford Common to reopen. They are held 9-12 on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays, with a still life set-up and a posed model. Mark Hayden mentors all participants. All mediums, all levels, all ages welcome! No registration necessary - drop in anytime. A \$5 donation is requested and always appreciated. Want a bit of immortality (and a \$25 stipend) by serving as a portrait model? Volunteer for a sitting here! Always check the website and/or Facebook page for last-minute changes!



Yellow Still Life by Anne Cook

WELCOME NEW MEMBER!

Faith Benedetti

MEMBER -JOIN US <u>ONLINE</u> or<u>HERE</u>

Become a member!



Thank you to our valued Benefactors! Please take every opportunity to patronize

and thank them for their valuable support

Nunan's Florist & Greenhouses	Flowers by Steve
Buttonwoods Museum	Bernard Clohisy
Irena Sienko Maguire	UMASS Lowell iHub at Harbor
Joan's Art Gallery (JAG)	Place
Pentucket Bank	Joseph Rampulla
James Tinguely	Michael Rossi
Mark Hayden	One Path of Light
Teresa Machie	Finbury & Sullivan, PC
WHAV	Image-Tec
HC Media	Creative Haverhill
Haverhill Bank	Art Supplies Wholesale

Enlist or become a Benefactor - It can be done <u>online</u> or <u>HERE</u>

Benefactors subsidize our programs, including the Saturday Workshops.

The GHAA NEWS

It's always important to check our website and Facebook page for any changes, but especially so during this pandemic . We cancel events as we must in order to keep us all safe.

Our Paint-In on Sundays at Nunan's Greenhouse in Georgetown is still happening. Drop in between 10-2 (January 10, 17, 24, 31) and work in any medium. **Masks and distancing are required; the number of participants may be limited.** There will be no exhibit/sale/reception this year due to Covid. They are welcoming us to the greenhouse, but cannot promote it as a gathering. Check online for updates!

The GHAA celebrates 50 years in 2021 - a golden year ahead! Do you have ideas about how we can honor and celebrate 50 years? We intend to make it a banner year. T-shirts are available for \$10 and car window decals with our logo are free for members and sponsors; send us any other ideas you may have. If you have pictures from the GHAA past, we'd love to have you scan and send them. And any minute now our new website will be up and running - watch for it! We're grateful to Melissa Morrison for her hard work and our bright fresh look for the year ahead.

Calling all members! We're beginning a series of podcasts "Meet the GHAA Artists" conducted and recorded (virtually) by Joan Turner, . The interviews can be whatever length is comfortable. You can speak of what's important to you or respond to the interviewer's questions (provided beforehand). The interviews will be be posted on Facebook and our website. To schedule yours, please email info@ghaa.art.

Susan Kneeland will offer a watercolor demo recorded for January 23 (10 AM). Check the website and Facebook page for the link; during this Covid-19 pandemic we bring you all demos free, sponsored by Pentucket Bank.

Previous demos with **Susan** are available: still life with oil bars, animal portrait in charcoal, portrait in white on black paper, landscape in three primaries and white, and a monochromatic portrait. And **Nella Lush**'s encaustic, **Mary Taggart**'s gouache, **Ann Jones**' demo *Tracking Your Art* and **Joan Turner's** many teaching videos can be viewed (more to come). We are bringing these to you free while we wait for the Saturday Workshops to resume!

Don't forget - **Debbie Shirley, Communications Chair,** continues to share what GHAA artists are doing on our Facebook page - which has reached over 800 in one week (no small thing). We encourage members to continue sending her images of artwork: <u>dshirleyart@yahoo.com</u> - jpegs around 1MB, noting title and artist. Or let her know if you've resumed art activities; Painting outdoors? Taking classes? Teaching? Exhibiting again? We're all hungry for good news, so share yours please.

Would you be interested in learning how to use a TV camera in order to help the GHAA record and publicize events? HC Media (Haverhill Community TV) offers classes (two 2-hour sessions) that qualify a person to borrow cameras for such purposes. Let us know: info@ghaa.art. We'll schedule lessons when it becomes safe to do so.

HELP FOR THE ART COMMUNITY!

FindHelp.org is a resource for finding specific resources by zip code - for assistance paying for utilities, mortgages etc.

Essex County Creative (<u>http://eccf.org/creative-county</u>) lists resources for artists during these troubled times, and links to other helpful sites. To contribute to the relief fund or to apply for assistance: <u>eccf.org</u>

And if you are a self-employed full-time artist/teacher you should apply for unemployment; the CARES Act is designed to cover you: <u>http://www.mass-creative.org/</u> has links to keep you informed to facilitate relief efforts.

And for 2020 taxes, contributions up to \$300 will be allowed for non-itemizers - an incentive worth considering.

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 31. 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 <u>dshirleyart@yahoo.com</u>.

Members' Honors, Awards, Solo Exhibits

Anne Cook is the Featured Artist for January and February in the Art Niche at Innovation Hub (UMass Lowell at Harbor Place, 2 Merrimack Street, Haverhill). She paints diverse subject matter in acrylic- see above for her cheery still life. Security is a plus for iHub at Harbor Place. To assure access during Covid-19 email <u>Stephanie_Guyotte@uml.edu</u> or phone 978-934-5560.

Margery Jennings and Ann Jones have paintings accepted for the "On the Edge of Light" exhibit at the Amesbury City Hall Gallery, through January 28.

Kathleen Bennett and Debbie Shirley have paintings juried into the exhibit at the Marblehead Art Association, January 30 - March 14.

ARTISTIC OPPORTUNITIES

*The GHAA will adhere to CDC guidelines during these trying times, so updates will be on our home page and Facebook page.

Check with the sponsors of other events for possible cancellations.

 Tewksbury Library hosts exhibits that change every two months. The 2021 schedule follows. For info contact the coordinator <u>valeriejeannesart@gmail.com</u>.

Date of drop off:Theme:February 23, 2021NEW ENGLANDApril 27, 2021SPRING AWAKENINGJune 22, 2021UNDER THE SUNAugust 24, 2021FALLOctober 26, 2021GLORY

Pick up date: April 27, 2021 June 22, 2021 August 24, 2021 October 26, 2021 December28, 2021

 Innovation Hub of UMASS Lowell at Harbor Place (2 Merrimack Street, Haverhill, 3rd floor) is partnering with the GHAA to showcase members in an Art Niche, a space that 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 (<u>www.uml.edu/ihub</u>). There is no charge to participate; the usual 65/20/15 % (artist/GHAA/venue) will apply to any sales. If you are interested in participating, respond to info@ghaa.art.

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