



A Fresh Look Art Competition and Exhibit

Even during a pandemic there is beauty all around us. Artists from around the region are displaying their artwork in Southern Arts Society's latest show entitled **A Fresh Look**. Ninety-three pieces of art in a variety of media were entered to be judged for cash prizes. Artists were asked to show their most recent work taking a fresh look at the world around them – a very appropriate theme for these trying times. Though life may be unsettling, much of the work still focuses on the bright colors of summer, heartwarming themes, and the sanctuary found in the outdoors.

Judging the show is Felicia van Bork. Born in Toronto, Canada, Felicia van Bork completed her undergraduate studies at the Ontario College of Art and Design University and earned her MFA at the Massachusetts College of Art and Design at the Fine Arts Work Center, Provincetown, MA. The artist's paintings and collages are widely collected in the United States and Canada and Felicia has been the recipient of numerous residency fellowships, including from the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts and McColl Center for Art + Innovation, where she manages the printmaking studio. In the summer of 2017, she was a Visiting Artist at the American Academy in Rome. Van Bork's collage, *How to Mine the Past*, is in the permanent collection of the Mint Museum of Art, Charlotte, NC.

Awards will be presented virtually via Facebook this Friday July 10th at 4 pm. Winners will be posted on Southern Arts Society's website and sent via email. The exhibit is open to view now



Top row:
Timmy Hord - *Grandfather Mountain* - oil;
Carol Stowe-Rankin - *Playful* - oil;
Todd Baxter - *Bucket Seats* - oil

Bottom row:
Maria Register - *Wolfgang* - mixed media;
Shelly Valenti - *Ruined Lore* - acrylic;
Barbara O'Neal Davis - *Narrow Passage* - acrylic

through August 14. Artwork in the exhibit is available for sale.

Visiting an art gallery is a very relaxing way to spend time. New Hours for **A Fresh Look** exhibit are: Tues – Wed – Thurs - Sat, 10 am to 2 pm, and by Appointment. Visitors to Southern Arts Society are asked to please wear a mask, and practice social distancing when viewing the artwork.

JULY & AUGUST AT SASi

New Gallery Hours: Tues-Wed-Thurs-Sat
10 am to 2 pm (and by appointment)

Please call us at 803-448-4578
if you would like a private appointment!

SASi loves our visitors! Come see our new exhibit in a safe and calm environment.

Please wear a mask and maintain social distancing. The number of visitors may be limited due to state regulations.

Many of our group meetings are on hold for the

summer, which is normal for us. We hope to resume some gatherings in September.

All class sizes are limited in size to keep people spaced apart. Students are asked to wear a mask.

We hope you are all safe and making art!

CLASSES

Painting Skies and Land with Ron Shepard

These are two individual classes - there is a separate fee for each class

Date: Sunday, July 12 - Watercolor Class

Date: Sunday, July 19 - Pastel Class

Times: 9:00 am to 12 Noon (3 hours)

Cost (each session): \$35 for members; \$40 non-members

Student Level: Beginner to Intermediate

Age: Ages 18 and up

Attendance / Safety: 8 attendees to allow for social distancing; students must wear a mask.

Class info and Supply list: is available online and at SASi's gallery

Call SASi today to make your reservation 704-739-5585.

Pre-payment is required to hold your seat in the class.

Refunds: Instructor cancellations are given in full.

Student cancellations up to 48 hrs before the class are refunded, minus \$5 fee.

Student cancellations with less than 48 hours before class are not refunded.

Pottery Classes with Renee Matthews and Rhonda Withers

We offer both Day and Night classes for beginners or intermediate level students wanting to learn pottery making by hand building or on the wheel.

To register contact Southern Arts Society or the instructor for the class you choose.

Cost: \$160 members, \$185 non-members

Includes: one bag of clay, glazes, use of studio tools and instruction

Current Session - begins June 29, 2020
Classes run 10 weeks, meet twice weekly

Day class

Dates: June 29 - September 10, 2020

(Class starts one week later with a make up day)

Times: 9 am - 12:00 pm ; Mon & Thur

Instructor: Renee Matthews 704-674-4517

Night class

Dates: June 29 - September 10, 2020

Times: 6:00 - 8:00 pm; Mon & Thur

Instructor: Rhonda Withers 704-773-6138

PROGRAMS

General Schedule Information

Some of our programs and group meetings are on hold, or have changed their times or formats. Since events are subject to change due to Covid-19, please call or email SASi to verify.

Our goal is to keep everyone safe and still enjoy the special comfort that art provides.

SASi Programs

No programs July and August - SASi monthly programs run September through May. Our new season of meetings is scheduled to start in September; These programs are usually held on the first Tuesday of each month. Holding these meetings will depend on where we are with restrictions due to Covid-19. Please check our website for up to date information.

Calling Knitters & Crocheters!

No meetings July and August - the Knitters usually meet from 10:30-12:30, the third Wednesday each month. All knitters, crocheters, or other needle workers and fiber folks are welcome to join us. No instruction, just camaraderie in working with fellow artists! Any questions can be directed to Susie Neely (sneely00@gmail.com) or Pam Perkins (fiberlass@yahoo.com).

Shutter Light Photography Group

These meetings may be held online or as a group outing - For more information, please email the photography group



(kmcameraclub@gmail.com) or visit their Facebook page.

Color Pencil Group Meeting

No meetings July and August - Color Pencil group meetings run September through May. These programs are usually held on the last Thursday of each month. Holding these meetings will depend on where we are with restrictions due to Covid-19. Please check our website for up to date information.

Thursday Morning Open Studio Sessions

Open Studio Sessions every Thurs 10 am - 12 pm or longer. Bring your current art project to work on. No instruction — just time to create on your own and enjoy fellowship with other artists. Led by artist Darlene Godfrey. Feel free to stay all day!

OFFICERS 2020 / 2021

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| President Lori McAdams | Secretary Lydia Sargent |
| Vice President John Gaston | Treasurer Johnsie Reavis |

ART TRACKS

Since events are subject to change due to Covid-19, please call or email us at southernartssociety@gmail.com to verify.

July 2020

July 4 Saturday – CLOSED

July 9 Fri – **A Fresh Look** virtual awards presented at 4 pm

July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 – **Open Studio Sessions** Every Thurs 10am - 12pm or later

July 12 Sun – **Painting Skies and Land in Watercolor** with Ron Shepard - 9-12 \$

July 14 Tues – **Shutter Light Photography Group** - the group may meet online or as a group outing – details, email the photography group (kmcameraclub@gmail.com) or check their Facebook page.

July 15 Wed – **Knit & Crochet Group** – Not Meeting this month

July 19 Sun – **Painting Skies and Land in Pastel** with Ron Shepard - 9-12 \$

August 2020

Aug 6, 13, 20, 27 – **Open Studio Sessions** Every Thurs 10am - 12pm or later

Aug 11 Tues – **Shutter Light Photography Group** - the group may meet online or as a group outing – details, email the photography group (kmcameraclub@gmail.com) or check their Facebook page.

Aug 19 Wed – **Knit & Crochet Group** – Not Meeting this month

Aug 14 Fri – Last day for **A Fresh Look** Exhibit

Workshops require pre-registration and payment to reserve your seat.

Call 704-739-5585 or email us at southernartssociety@gmail.com for details

Events FREE unless noted otherwise \$\$

2020 Membership Drive Continues

A special Thank you to members who have renewed their membership and a warm welcome to our new members for 2020.

If you have not renewed your membership for 2020, please complete the membership forms available at SASi and online. Our membership year runs from January thru December.

Members save on entry fees for classes and competitions and your membership helps support our many free programs and exhibits.

SOUTHERN
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Historic
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SOUTHERN ARTS SOCIETY Gift Shop & Gallery

Modified COVID-19 Hours: Tues - Wed - Thurs - Sat
10 am to 2 pm (and by appointment)

Located at: 301 N. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain, NC 28086

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The Southern Arts Society, Inc. (SASi) is a 501c3 non-profit organization devoted to enhancing the cultural vitality of Kings Mountain, NC through the visual arts. In support of emerging, amateur, and professional regional artists, SASi offers display space, workspace, mentoring, member promotion, exhibition exposure, and workshops in a variety of contemporary and traditional media. In partnership with local organizations, SASi supports the community through monthly exhibits, meeting space, and demonstrations, as well as, ongoing educational opportunities.