



SASi Newsletter

May / Jun 2020

Message from Our President

During this time of isolation and social distancing, many have thought now is the time to finally create that masterpiece or write that novel but soon find you are distracted by the constant bombardment of bad news, lack of every day necessities, and constant chaos.

Please know, you are ok. Now is a time of crisis and you may need time to process and heal. Art can help with that. We have looked forward over the years to our first Tuesday meetings as a time of learning and play. Sadly, we will not be able to meet this month but I wanted to share with you a little happy project, something to lift your spirits.

..... So, if you would like to join me in coloring or doodling this little Sasi Doodle in place of our usual meeting, please post your completed creation to our Facebook page and have some fun.

Jennifer Borja President



Above: Jennifer Borja, SASi Doodle; available on our website and in-person at our gallery

Re-opening SASi

New Days will be Tues-Wed-Thurs New Hours from 10 am to 2 pm (and by appointment)

We have some new items and new artists for you to check out! We miss seeing artsy friends and visitors at SASi! Starting May 12 our Gift Shop will be open to the public.

The number of visitors at any one time will be limited and we will take care to keep our space sanitized. When you come back to visit during our limited hours – please help us all stay safe and do the following:

- Wear a Face Covering Our Hosts will be wearing one too!
- Wait 6 ft apart be aware of your personal space.
- Wash your hands we will have hand sanitizer available for you.

Please call 704-739-5585 or check our website and Facebook page for current information.

CLASSES

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

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

Pen and Ink with Watercolor Wash with Ron Shepard

Date: Saturday, June 6, 2020 Time: 9:00 am to 12 Noon (3 hours) Cost: \$30 members; \$35 non-members Student Level: Beginners to Intermediate

Age: Ages 18 and up

Maximum Attendance: 8 attendees

Class description: How to draw a simple line drawing; using the same pen, you will use either hatching, cross-hatching, pointillism, and different designs to produce various shapes and shadows to develop shape and volume. You will develop a color scheme for your landscape.

Supplies from SASi: We can provide a brush, some paint, and a simple mat board for you to use as a drawing board if you do not have these items. For required supplies students need to bring, please see the class info sheet which is available on our website or at the gallery.

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.

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

Day class

Dates: June 29 - September 10, 2020 (Class starts one week later with 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 Cost: \$160 members, \$185 non-members Includes: one bag of clay, glazes, use of studio tools and instruction



Call to Artists

Our next judged show **A Fresh Look** is scheduled for July/August 2020. If ever there was a time to see the world through different eyes and take a fresh look around you – this it it.

We're sure we are all looking at life differently. What a better way to express what you are seeing or feeling than thru art.

Take In

Take in of artwork is scheduled for the week of June 23-27, 2020 to space out delivery of entries.

Reception

There will not be a typical Reception. Depending on the restrictions because of COVID-19, we still want to have a special event to celebrate the winners.

Stay tuned for details - as we know more, updates will be posted online to our *Call to Artists* page.

PROGRAMS

General Schedule Information

Most programs and group meetings are on hold. Please double check before attending. We will post information on resuming our programs as restrictions change.

There is a current limit of 10 people maximum in the building for meetings and classes due to restrictions from the State of North Carolina for Covid-19.

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

Southern Arts Society Programs

May 5 Tues - SASi Program - No program. **Jun 2** Tues - SASi Program - 7 pm, doors open at 6:30 - TBA / to be determined. Supplies provided. This is free program.

Calling Knitters & Crocheters!

May 20; June 17 – This group will not be meeting in May - June TBD. Any questions can be directed to Susie Neely at slneely00@gmail.com or Pam Perkins at fiberlass@yahoo.com.

Shutter Light Photography Group

Shutter Light Photography Club usually meets the second Tuesday monthly. Doors open at 6:30 – meeting begins at 7 pm. Some meetings are being conducted online. For details email Ellen Devenny at kmcameraclub@gmail.com. To connect, please visit the Shutter Light Facebook page.

2020 Membership Drive

Thank you to all members who have renewed their membership for 2020.

If you have not renewed your membership for 2020, please complete the membership forms available at SASi and online.

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

Color Pencil Group Meeting

May 28 no meeting; Jun 25 to be determined – Thurs - Color Pencil Group - Our group meets on the last Thursday of each month. We welcome anyone with a desire to learn more about color pencil to attend their meetings. All levels of artists are welcome, no prior experience necessary. Meetings are from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

Thursday Morning Open Studio Sessions

May 7, 14, 21, 28; Jun 4, 11, 18, 25 Thurs 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!

SASi Elections 2020

Since our May election meeting was cancelled due to COVID-19, the elections for Southern Arts Society's officershasbeenpostponeduntil June. We will be sending out emails or letters to current SASi members. (Only SASi members may vote.)

the slate of officers as nominated. Slate of Officers

Reply YES to the email to accept

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

Remember, just because we aren't having an in-person election – you can still participate!

OFFICERS 2020

President Jennifer Borja Vice President

Lori McAdams

Secretary Lydia Sargent Treasurer Johnsie Reavis

FEATURED ARTIST



This month's featured artist in the Jo Ann Ford Gift Shop is stained glass artist

Betty McConnell





ART TRACKS

May and June 2020

Please check our online calendar later this month - it is being updated frequently to reflect COVID-19 safety guidelines.

General Information

Events and Meetings – doors open ½ hour prior.

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

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

Events FREE unless noted otherwise \$\$





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SOUTHERN ARTS SOCIETY Gift Shop & Gallery

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

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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.