



The Mountain Calls: Echoes of Appalachia

Exhibit on view April 21 – June 4, 2021



Crystal Whitesides, Stacey Pilkington-Smith, Jenna Webb and Robert Webb

Four local artists: Stacey Pilkington-Smith, Jenna Webb, Robert Webb, and Crystal Whitesides have strived to capture the life, magic, and forgotten ways of the Southern Appalachian people through various art mediums.

The four friends traveled around Appalachia to research and document scenes to use in their artwork.

Stacey Pilkington-Smith's mastery of illustration beautifully explores the folklore, myth, and curiosities about life in the Appalachia, capturing a rapidly declining culture and their stories before they disappear or are rearranged to suit the needs of the future. Robert Webb uses his skill of his camera lens to cap-

ture a moment in time that remains forever still for the viewer.

Robert's photographs are contemporary scenes but can easily be placed in the distant past as the landscape remains seemingly unchanged for over a century. Both Jenna Webb and Crystal Whitesides highlight the flora and fauna of the region in their different processes. Jenna Webb creates her imagery with linocut print making and green crafting focusing on nature, and more specifically medicinal and edible plants of the Appalachia. Crystal Whiteside translates her visions into eco-prints and mixed media works of art. Crystal finds inspiration in the constant beauty found within plants, animals, and the natural world, utilizing these elements to create worlds that awaken an unknown nostalgia within the viewer.

The artists' results immerse viewers in an echo of life in the mountain hollers, root them to our now, and give slight glimpses into our future.

Volunteers Needed

If you would like to volunteer - please give us a call. SASi is 100% volunteer driven and, as such, SASi is only as good as our volunteers. SASi needs the following:

Volunteer Coordinator

The Volunteer Coordinator is someone who will contact members to fill the calendar to help during Gallery Hours and other events.

Program Coordinator

This person will seek out and procure artists/teachers to present or demonstrate various art techniques at our monthly meetings (Sept thru May).

If you would like to help, please email SASi or call Jewel at 803-448-4578.

2021 Membership Drive

**All 2020 memberships ended
December 31, 2020.
Please renew for 2021 now!**

Membership runs Jan - Dec each year. If you have not renewed your membership for 2021, please send your membership form available at SASi and online.

Members save on entry fees for classes and competitions and support our free programs and exhibits. Thank you for your continued support.

ART TRACKS

Events may be impacted by COVID

Check with SASi for changes

New Hours: Tues - Sat • 10 am - 2 pm

May

May 4 Tues – No May SASi Program

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

May 11 Tues – Shutter Light Photography
Group Meeting 7 pm

May 15 Sat – Expressive Watercolor
Florals workshop w/Ron Shepard 9 am
– 1 pm \$\$

May 19 Wed – Knit & Crochet Group
Meeting 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

May 27 Thurs – Color Pencil Group
Meeting 6:00 pm

June

A Fresh Look on Exhibit Jun 9 – Jul 30

Jun 1 Tues – SASi Program: officer
elections - 7 pm, doors open at 6:30

Jun 3, 10, 17, 24 – Open Studio Sessions
Every Thurs 10 am – 12 pm or later

Jun 4 – Last day for *The Mountain Calls*
exhibit

Jun 5-6 Sat/Sun – Deliver Art for *A Fresh Look*
art exhibit & competition \$\$

Jun 8 Tues – Shutter Light Photography
Group Meeting 7 pm – for details email
kmcameraclub@gmail.com

Jun 16 Wed – Knit & Crochet Group
Meeting 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Jun 19 Sat - Reception for *A Fresh Look*
art exhibit & competition 6-8 pm •
Awards presented at 7 pm

Jun 24 Thurs – Color Pencil Group
Meeting 6:00 pm

Jun 26 Sat – Printing on a Gelli Plate w/
Dianne Garner 10 am – 3 pm \$\$

July

Jul 12 Mon - New Pottery Class Sessions
begin – Classes available Day (9-12) or
Evenings (6-8), meeting Mon & Thurs
for 10 weeks thru September 16th \$\$

Events FREE unless noted otherwise \$\$

Officer Elections in June

- Election Committee forming in May
- SASi members will vote in June
- New officers will take office in July

Interested members please contact SASi

PROGRAMS

Monthly & Weekly Programs

Events and meetings are subject to change due to Covid-19 - please call or email SASi to verify.

SASi Programs

May 4 – NO May program; SASi Programs usually run September through May. These programs are usually held on the second Tuesday of each month. Doors open at 6:30; program begins at 7 – visitors welcome!

June 1 Tues – The June program is member elections for SASi's board officers. Doors open at 6:30; program begins at 7.

Calling Knitters & Crocheters!

May 19; Jun 16 – Knitters usually meet from 10:30-12:30, the third Wednesday each month. No instruction, just camaraderie in working with fellow artists! All those who Knit, Crochet (or any medium) are invited to join the Thursday Morning Open Studio group. Send questions to Susie Neely at sneely00@gmail.com or Pam Perkins at fiberlass@yahoo.com.

Shutter Light Photography Group

May 11; June 8 Tues – To confirm if the group will be meeting onsite at SASi or elsewhere, and for more information, please email the photography group at kmcameraclub@gmail.com.

Color Pencil Group Meeting

May 27; Jun 24 – Thurs – Anyone with a desire to learn more about color pencil is welcome to attend these meetings. The group meets on the last Thursday of each month from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

Thursday Morning Open Studio Sessions

May 6, 13, 20, 27; Jun 3, 10, 17, 24 – Every Thurs 10 am - 12 pm or longer. Masks required. 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!

CLASSES

See class flyers for full descriptions

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

Pre-payment required to hold your class seat

Pottery Classes with Renee Matthews and Rhonda Withers

SASi offers both Day and Night classes for beginners or intermediate level students wanting to learn pottery making by hand building or on the wheel. Classes meet twice weekly for 10 weeks.

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

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

Spring Session: April 12 - June 21

Summer Session: begins July 12

Day class

Day/Time: Mon & Thu • 9 am - 12 pm

Instructor: Renee Matthews 704-674-4517

Night class

Day/Time: Mon & Thu • 6 - 8 pm

Instructor: Rhonda Withers 704-773-6138

Class Cancellation Policy: *Canceled by instructor:* All payments received by SASi will be fully refunded. *Canceled by student:* To receive a refund, students must notify SASi of cancellation 72 hours prior to the start of class. Students will receive a refund, less a \$5 processing fee. No refunds will be issued if the student cancels less than 72 hours in advance.

Expressive Watercolor Florals workshop with Ron Shepard

Date: Saturday, May 15, 2021

Time: 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (4 hours)

Cost: \$50 members; \$55 non-members

Student Level: Beginners - Intermediate

Ages: 18 and up

Class Size: Limited to 10 Students
(Masks and seating 6 ft apart)

Description: learn how to make expressive, loose, and vibrant floral paintings using wet-into-wet, negative painting with lost and found edges technique for painting popular flowers

Supplies: full list on class info sheet

Printing on a Gelli Plate with Dianne Garner

Date: Saturday, June 26, 2021

Time: 10 am to 3 pm

Cost: \$50 members; \$55 non-members.

Age: 16 and up

Skill Level: Beginning to Intermediate

Class size: Limited to 10 Students
(Masks and seating 6 ft apart)

Description: Gelli Plate printing is a form of art called monoprinting done on a rubbery plate made of gelatin. Dianne will lead you working with acrylic paints using tools and stencils on the plate.

Supplies: full list on class info sheet.

One-on-One Tutoring with Ron Shepard

Date & Time: arranged by instructor

Individual art tutoring sessions. To sign up for waiting list: contact Ron at shepardron@hotmail.com or 704-964-4913.

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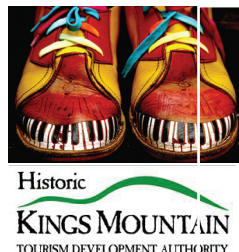
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The Southern Arts Society, Inc. (SASi) is a 501c3 non-profit organization devoted to enhancing the cultural vitality of Kings Mountain, NC through the visual arts. In support of emerging, amateur, and professional regional artists, SASi offers display 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.