



Small Wonders – SASi's Newest Exhibit Theme

Southern Arts Society opened a new exhibit this February featuring work of art with an image size of 5 x 7 inches or less. **Small Wonders** asked artists to restrict the size of their work, showing their skill at planning, and executing a more diminutive artwork. The technical skill of the artist is put to the test to accomplish this feat successfully. While working in a smaller scale is not easy for the artist, it benefits the buyer who wants to purchase work at an affordable price and still fit comfortably in their home.

We had a great turnout of artists and visitors for the reception Saturday night. Our juror, Seymour Simmons along with his wife Martine attended. Mr. Simmons was on hand to speak with artists after the awards were presented. Everyone was impressed with the quality and the quantity of artwork in the show. Thirty seven artists entered 106 pieces of artwork to be judged.

Several pieces sold during the reception. Small works are a great way to collect and purchase art for gifts. This show is only up thru February 25, so get by soon to see the show and make a purchase.



First Place \$250 Jenna Webb
In The Greenhouse, linocut



Third Place \$75 Mari Matamoros
Pollination no.2, acrylic



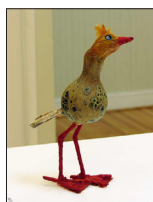
Merit Award \$50 Jan Welborn
Autumn Path, oil pastel pencil



Merit Award \$50 Shelby Sabelli
Boots, watercolor



Second Place \$150 Lorene Lovell
A Place to Ponder, watercolor



Merit Award \$50 Dianne W. Garner
Pukeko, mixed media

ART TRACKS

Events may be impacted by COVID.
Check SASi for cancellations & postponements

March 2022

- Mar 1 Tues** – SASi Program **Creating Linocuts**; 2023 Calendar Team meets before demo - 7 pm, doors open at 6:30
- Mar 3, 10, 17, 24, 31** – Open Studio Sessions Every Thurs 10 am - 12 pm
- Mar 15 Tues** – Shutter Light Photography Group Meeting 7 pm **NEW MEETING DATE**
- Mar 12 Sat** – Reception **I Am Woman** Exhibit & Competition 6-8 pm • Awards 7 pm
- Mar 16 Wed** – Knit & Crochet Group Meeting 10:30 am – 12:30 pm **(on hold)**
- Mar 31 Thurs** – Color Pencil Group Meeting 6 pm

April 2022

- Apr 5 Tues** – SASi Program Portraits led by Carolyn Parrish. 7 pm, doors open at 6:30
- Apr 7, 14, 21, 28** – Open Studio Sessions Every Thurs 10 am – 12 pm or later
- Apr 19 Tues** – Shutter Light Photography Group Meeting 7 pm **NEW MEETING DATE**
- Apr 20 Wed** – Knit & Crochet Group Meeting 10:30 am – 12:30 pm (on hold)
- Apr 22 Fri** – Last Day for **I Am Woman** exhibit
- Apr 23 Sat** – pick up art for **I Am Woman**
- Apr 28 Thurs** – Color Pencil Group Meeting 6 pm
- Alex Pietersen Photography Exhibit** April 26 – June 10, 2021

Events **FREE** unless noted otherwise \$\$
Workshops require pre-registration and payment to reserve your seat.
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2022 MEMBERSHIP

Please renew your membership for 2022!

2022 membership forms are available both at SASi and online for download. Members save on entry fees for classes and competitions and help support our free programs and exhibits. Reminder: Gift Shop Artists must have a current paid membership to sell items in the Gift Shop. A signed artist contract (online for download here.) is also required to be on file. Thank you

to all new and returning members for your support. A special thank you goes to those members providing additional support at the Supporting and Patron Level. Like all small businesses, monthly operating costs have risen as well as costs of supplies for our fundraiser. SASi needs Sponsors (\$250.00 level), Business (\$500.00 level), and Corporate Sponsor (\$1000.00 level) for 2022 to provide additional financial funding. Your support to underwrite these increases is appreciated.

Call to Artists for I Am Woman 2022 Art Exhibit & Competition

Southern Arts Society is calling for artists to enter our annual show I Am Woman with artwork that speaks to womanhood, the feminine experience or perspective, women's issues, or the essence of being a woman.

Artwork will be judged for cash prizes. Both women and men may submit entries. Prospectus and entry forms are at SASi and on our website.

PROGRAMS

SASi Programs

Mar 7; – SASi Program **Making Linocuts** – Tuesday March 1st at 7 pm. Join us in creating linocut artwork – led by a fellow SASi artist. (SASi will provide supplies.) The 2023 calendar team will meet briefly before the demo. Doors open at 6:30, demo begins at 7.

Apr 5 – SASi Program **Portraits** – Artist Carolyn Parrish will do a demo on the planes of the face in portraiture. She will discuss values, color, and painting from a photograph (when a model is unavailable). This will be an intro to the class she is planning Fundamentals of Light and Color. The date for her class will be late April or early May. Doors open at 6:30, demo begins at 7.

Calling Knitters & Crocheters!

Because of COVID, meetings are on hold - we'll send updates. When the group meets, they 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 work in any medium) are invited to join the group. Any questions can be directed to Susie Neely at sneely00@gmail.com or Pam Perkins at fiberlass@yahoo.com.

Due to Covid-19, Some of our programs and group meetings are on hold, or have changed their times or formats. Please call or email SASi to verify.

Shutter Light Photography Group

Mar 15; Apr 19 – **NEW MEETING DATE.** In March the photography group will start meeting on the third Tuesday at 6:30 pm monthly; Time: 6:30 - 7:00 for social and 7 - 8:30 for the meeting. For the March meeting, please bring 3 images and have a short discussion on, who, what where, why, and how you took the image. Beginners corner will be led by Raymond Beck. New and old photographers will enjoy getting back to the basics of photography. Monthly presentation: Nelson Stegall will present a photographic journey of a 149-mile rafting trip along the French Broad River Trail. Lastly, the group will have closing thoughts and monthly photography challenge. For more information, For more information, email the photography group at kmcameraclub@gmail.com or visit their Facebook page.

Color Pencil Group Meeting

Thurs – Anyone with a desire to learn more about color pencil is welcome to attend these meetings. All levels of artists are welcome, no prior experience necessary. Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month from 6 - 8

pm. Attendees are encouraged to bring something to work on, and feel free to share any product, resource or other info that may be beneficial to the group. Please email group leader Todd Baxter at toddbaxter@comporium.net with your ideas for meeting topics and techniques you would like to see covered.

Thursday Morning Open Studio Sessions

Every Thurs 10 am - 12 pm or longer. Bring your current art project – painting, pastels, colored pencil, knit or crochet, etc., to work on. Fiber artists are welcome to join this group. 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

Please see SASi's Class listings sheet for updates

One-on-One Tutoring with Ron Shepard

SASi instructor Ron Shepard is offering individual art tutoring sessions at SASi. Ron teaches beginning to intermediate students in watercolor, acrylic and pastel. To sign up, email shepardron@hotmail.com or call 704-964-4913.

Weekly Oil Painting Classes with Todd Baxter in his Studio

Fridays 10 - noon • Saturdays 2 - 4
For more information email toddbaxter@comporium.net

SASi MEMBER NEWS

Lori McAdams

Works from her vintage hat series is on now view at the Kings Mountain Historical Museum exhibit **Hats Off! A History of Headwear** Feb. 22 - May 14, 2022

Sue Helmken

Sue will be teaching classes in Inkle Weaving, Weft Ikat dyeing techniques and Woven Overshot Variation at the Interweave **YarnFest** in Loveland CO this April 20-23, 2022.

Janet Baxter

Janet Baxter's short story **A Frank Lesson** was selected and published in a book titled **Luck and Opportunity** **Forty-four** writers explore the path we tread between "if" and "if only" as part of the Personal Story Publishing Project - spring 2021 by editor Randell Jones, published by Daniel Boone Footsteps.

The book is available in Southern Arts Society's gift shop.

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