

SASi Newsletter January / February 2023

Call to Artists Small Wonders Art Exhibit and Competition January 20 – February 24, 2023

Southern Arts Society is proud to present Small Wonders, a new art competition and exhibit open to all artists in the region. This is a judged art show with cash prizes ranging from \$50 to a \$250 first prize. Regional Artists are invited to show small scale works in a variety of media showing the difficulty and skill to create works of smaller size. Working in a smaller scale if often more time consuming and take more planning than one would think.

All work must be original, completed within the last two years. Painting (oil, watercolor, acrylic, pastel), drawing, sculpture, printmaking, and mixed media, are eligible. The image size is limited to 5×7 inches or smaller, framing can be larger. Works must be framed, and properly wired to hang. Gallery wrapped canvas is acceptable.All work will be accepted unless it does not meet the criteria listed in the prospectus.

Art may be delivered to Southern Arts Society on Saturday January 14 from 11 am to 3 pm and Sunday January 15 from 1 to 4 pm. Early entries will be accepted during usual gallery hours. The public is invited to a reception on Saturday, February 4, from 6 until 8 pm with the presentation of awards at 7 pm. **Small Wonders** will be on display in the galleries of Southern Arts Society from January 20 thru February 24, 2023.

SASi Artists: the prospectus and inventory sheets are available at Southern Arts Society's galleries and on our website for download

2023 MEMBERSHIP

Renew your 2023 Membership

Membership forms are available both at SASi and on our website 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 who provide additional funding at the Supporting and Patron Level. Like all small businesses, monthly operating costs have risen as well as the cost of supplies for our fundraiser.

SASi encourages your company or business to help provide additional financial funding at these levels: Sponsors (\$250.00 level), Business (\$500.00 level), and Corporate Sponsor (\$1000.00 level) for 2022. Your higher level of support to underwrite these increases will be acknowledged in our marketing and social media.A full list of members at these levels is on SASi's Membership Page.

ART TRACKS

January 2023

Small Wonders on Exhibit Jan 18 - Feb 24 Jan 1-4, 2023 CLOSED

Jan 3 Tues – NO PROGRAM FOR January

Jan 5, 12, 19, 26 – Open Studio Sessions Every Thurs 10 am - 12 pm or later

Jan 8 – Bookies meet 10 am+ (Closed Group)

Jan 14-15 Pickup work from *Christmas Show* Jan 14-15 Deliver Art for *Small Wonders* Art Exhibit and Competition \$\$

Deliver Art Sat Jan 14 • 11 am - 4 pm and Sun Jan 15 • 1-4 pm (or gallery hours)

- Jan 17 Tues Shutter Light Photography Group Meeting 7 pm
- Jan 18 Wed Knit & Crochet Group Meeting 10:30 am – 12:30

Jan 26 Thu – Color Pencil Group Meeting 6 pm

February 2023

- Feb 4 Sat Reception for Small Wonders 6-8 pm, Awards at 7 pm
- Feb 7 Tues SASi Program TBA 7 pm, doors open at 6:30
- Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 Open Studio Sessions Every Thurs 10 am - 12 pm or later
- Feb 15 Wed Knit & Crochet Group Meeting 10:30 am
- Feb 21 Tues Shutter Light Photography Group Meeting 7 pm
- Feb 23 Thu Color Pencil Group Meeting 6 pm
- Feb 24 Last Day for *Small Wonders* Exhibit Pick up work Sat Feb 25, 2023

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 for details Please check with SASi for cancellations and postponements

Thank You to 133 West for their Support of Non-Profits!

133 West Mountain Street in downtown Kings Mountain For the month of January 2023, 133 west is donating a portion of its sales to the Kings Mountain Historical Museum. This is a great way to boost donations to a local non-profit and have a great meal!

We appreciate Iris Hubbard, Evan Garr and the gang at 133 west for supporting local non-profits. Enjoy their Taco Tuesdays - they have the best food in Kings Mountain!

PROGRAMS

SASi Programs

Jan – NO Program – Happy New Year!

Feb 7 – SASi Program – to be determined – Program is at 7, doors open at 6:30 pm. FREE! Visitors are welcome – bring a friend!

Calling Knitters & Crocheters!

Jan 18; Feb 15 – The group usually meets from 10:30-12:30 on the third Wednesday each month; NOTE: the group will meet the second Wednesday in December 10:30-12 because of holiday scheduling. All knitters, crocheters, or other needle workers and fiber folks are welcome to join us. No instruction, just camaraderie in working with fellow artists! All those who Knit, Crochet (or work in any medium) are invited to join the Thursday Morning Open Studio group. We have space to spread out and still enjoy each other's company and share information.

We will follow SASi masking requirements, and ask that those who come bring along something they are working on, knitting, crocheting, embroidery, weaving, any handwork or fiber work is great. Bring along a friend if you can. We are hoping to enlarge this group. It is a great group of gals, and guys are welcome as well. Any questions can be directed to Susie Neely or Pam Perkins at fiberlass@yahoo.com

Shutter Light Photography Group

Jan 15; Feb 21 – Meeting the Third Tuesday monthly. Time: 6:30 - 7:00 for social and 7 - 8:30 for the meeting. Program to be determined. We are looking for some-

CLASSES

One-on-One Art Tutoring Sessions with Ron Shepard

Location: Southern Arts Society, Inc Date and Times by instructor Contact Ron at 704-964-4913 or shepardron@hotmail.com

OFFICERS 2021 / 2022

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.

one to step up and be responsible for planning programs for the Photography Group and setting up for the monthly meetings. This position can be shared between two people. Contact Nelson Stegall or SASi for details. For more information, please email the photography group at kmcameraclub@ gmail.com or visit their Facebook page.

Color Pencil Group Meeting

Jan 26; Feb 23–Thurs–Anyone with a desire to learn more about color pencil is welcome to attend these meetings. All levels of artists are welcome. 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 are free to share anything that may be beneficial to the group. Please email Todd with your ideas with questions or to suggest meeting topics and techniques you would like to see.

Thursday Morning Open Studio Sessions

Jan 5, 12, 19, 26; Feb 2, 9, 16, 23 – Thurs – 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!

Please see SASi's website for descriptions and costs

Weekly Oil Painting Classes with Todd Baxter in his Studio

Fridays from 10:00 to noon Saturdays from 2:00 to 4:00 Contact Todd: toddbaxter@comporium.net

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

Martin Luther King Jr. Observance

Monday, January 16, 2022 2:00pm

Joy Performance Center 202 South Railroad Avenue, Kings Mountain

To honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Mauney Memorial Library and the City of Kings Mountain welcome Bright Star Touring Theatre to perform, *Meet Dr. King* at the **Joy Performance Center**, January 16th, 2023.

Guest speaker is WBTV journalist, Steve Crump. Music will be provided by Henry Gilmore III.

Presented by Bright Star Touring Theatre Sponsored by Mauney Memorial Library

Volunteers Are Needed!

SASi is 100% volunteer driven and, as such, SASi is only as good as our volunteers. Numerous opportunities for volunteering are available throughout the year, many of which may be of interest to you.

Currently we have several needs:

- Volunteer Coordinator
- Program Coordinator
- Building Maintenance
- · Grants & Fundraising

To remain open to the public, we need more people to be a Host or Key Person - someone who is responsible to open the building, greet the public, handle sales, and close the building. If you are interested in helping in any capacity, please call us at 704-739-5585 or stop by in person. Just a few hours of your time each month is greatly appreciated!





TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

SOUTHERN ARTS SOCIETY Gift Shop & Gallery Holiday Hours

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat • 10 am - 3 pm (and by appointment)

Located at: 301 N. Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain, NC 28086 Mailing address: P.O. Box 334, Kings Mountain, NC 28086 704.739.5585 • southernartssociety@gmail.com

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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.