



## Natural Beauties 2023

*Exhibit on view May 2 – June 9, 2023*

Currently on exhibit at Southern Arts Society is **Natural Beauties**, an exhibit and sale of finely crafted objects made primarily from natural materials. Artists working in clay, fiber, glass, gourds, metal, and wood have created both functional and decorative items that are for sale. While some art forms remain traditional, many artists have given these natural materials a decidedly updated and original twist. There is something special and unique about every object as it relates to something made from the earth.

Sixteen artists are participating in this year's show: Janet Baxter, Marygrace Bianco, Hilde Deprez, Joan Fogle, Liani Foster, Sue Helmken, Timmy Hord, Joe Doug Knotts, Marie D. Lafitte, Tammy Lafitte, Barry Lockman, Bertie McClain,

Betty McConnell, Sarah Monteleone, Rebecca Newsome, Alex Pietersen.

There was a public reception for **Natural Beauties** on Saturday May 13 from 6 until 8 pm. Many of the artists were on hand to meet and discuss their artwork.

**Natural Beauties** will be on view in SASi's Reavis Gallery through June 9.

Also, on view in the Founders Gallery, is artwork by the late A.B. Mauney Snow. Miss Snow helped to found Southern Arts Society (SASi) in 1984. She died in 2003, just as the Society made their home in the historic railway depot, where they remain today. Miss Snow painted in a variety of media - acrylic, oil, pastel, and watercolor, which was her primary medium. All of her work in the exhibit is available for sale.

## 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

### May 2023

- Natural Beauties** Exhibit – on view  
May 2 – Jun 9, 2023
  - May 4, 11, 18, 25** – Open Studio Sessions  
Every Thurs 10 am – 12 pm or later
  - May 21** Sun – Bookies meeting 10 am  
until... – (Closed Group)
  - May 13** Sat – Reception for Natural Beauties  
Exhibit 6-8 pm
  - May 16** Tues – Shutter Light Photography  
Group Meeting 7 pm
  - May 17** Wed – Knit/Crochet Group 10:30 am  
-12:30 pm
  - May 25** Thu – Color Pencil Group Meeting  
6:00 pm
  - May 27** Sat – Introduction to Zentangle\*  
Workshop w/Mary Bartrop \$\$
- \*This class is a prerequisite for all other Zentangle classes*

### June 2023

- Jun 3** Sat – Zentangle Workshop Organics  
and Dingbat w/Mary Bartrop \$\$
- Jun 6** Tue – SASi Program - 7 pm, doors  
open at 6:30; Officer Elections
- Jun 1, 8, 15, 22, 29** – Open Studio Sessions  
Every Thurs 10 am – 12 pm or later
- Jun 9** – Last day for **Natural Beauties** Exhibit
- Jun 10-11** Sat/Sun – Deliver Art for A Fresh  
Look art exhibit & competition \$\$
- Jun 11** Sun – Bookies meeting 10 am  
until... – (Closed Group)
- Jun 21** Wed – Knit and Crochet Group 10:30  
am to 12:30 pm
- Jun 20** Tue – Shutter Light Photography  
Group Meeting 7 pm
- Natural Beauties** Exhibit – on view  
May 2 – Jun 9, 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**

## PROGRAMS

### SASi Programs

**Jun 6** – SASi First Tuesday Program – Topic TBA. SASi members to vote on board officers Program is at 7, doors open at 6:30 pm. FREE! Visitors are welcome – bring a friend!

### Calling Knitters & Crocheters!

**May 17; Jun 21** – The group meets from 10:30-12:30 on 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! All those who Knit, Crochet (or work in any medium) are also invited to join the Thursday Morning Open Studio group.

Bring along your current project: knitting, crocheting, embroidery, weaving, any handwork, or fiber work is great. Invite your friends too! We are hoping to enlarge this group. Any questions can be directed to Susie Neely or Pam Perkins at [fiberlass@yahoo.com](mailto:fiberlass@yahoo.com)

### Shutter Light Photography Group

**May 16; Jun 20** – Meeting the Third Tuesday monthly. Time: 6:30 - 7:00 for social and 7 - 8:30 for the meeting. New and old photographers will enjoy getting back to the basics of photography. All levels of experience are welcome. We always have

### Call to Artists – A Fresh Look

**Judged Art Competition & Exhibit**  
June 14 – July 29, 2023

**Deliver Art:** Sat, June 10, 11 am - 4 pm  
& Sun, June 11, 1 - 4 pm; early entries during Gallery Hours

**Prospectus and label sheets:**  
at SASi's galleries & our website

extra chairs for new or returning folks! For more information, please email them at [kmcameraclub@gmail.com](mailto:kmcameraclub@gmail.com).

### Color Pencil Group Meeting

**May 25; Jun 29** – Thursday – Anyone with a desire to learn more about colored 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 beneficial to the group. Please email Todd Baxter at [toddbaxter@comporium.net](mailto:toddbaxter@comporium.net) with your ideas with questions or to suggest meeting topics and techniques you would like to see.

### Thursday Morning Open Studio Sessions

**May 4, 11, 18, 25; Jun 1, 8, 15, 22, 29** – 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!

### SASi Officer Elections

Email or call SASi to nominate yourself or another member to be an officer  
Voting at June 6 SASi Program

### OFFICERS 2022/2023

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

## CLASSES

*Please see SASi's website and class flyer for descriptions and costs*

### Zentangle® I: A Mindful Drawing Experience with Mary Bartrop

**May 27, 2023; 10 am until 12 noon**

Prerequisite for all her Zentangle® classes  
Cost: \$50 members; \$55 non-members

### Organic Tangles Class: It's Feeling Like Spring with Mary Bartrop

**Saturday, June 3, 2023 10 am - 12 noon**

Class will create angles that flow with curving lines, and rounded corners.  
Cost: \$40 members; \$45 non-members

### Dingbatz Tangle Class with Mary Bartrop

**Saturday, June 3, 2023; 1 pm until 3 pm**

Class will create elegant borders and decorative elements based on an old typographer's design element.

Cost: \$40 members; \$45 non-members

### Self Awareness Training with Anthony Borja

**Thursday, June 1, 2023**

Class will learn to increase awareness of your surroundings, how to keep yourself safe / prevent contact or falls.  
Cost: \$5 members; \$10 non-members

### One-on-One Tutoring with Ron Shepard

**Date/Time:** arrangement with instructor  
At SASi; To sign up, please email Ron at [shepardron@hotmail.com](mailto:shepardron@hotmail.com) or call him at 704-964-4913.

### x Oil Painting Classes with Todd Baxter in his Studio

**Fridays 10 to noon; Saturdays 2 to 4**

For more information please contact Todd at [toddbaxter@comporium.net](mailto:toddbaxter@comporium.net)

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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.*