



SASi Newsletter

July / August 2023

A Fresh Look 2023

Art Competition & Exhibit • June 14 – July 29, 2023

Awards were presented Saturday June 24th at Southern Arts Society for their latest competition *A Fresh Look*. The exhibit will be on view through July 29. Much of the artwork is available for sale. Artists from around the region submitted over eighty works of art to be judged for cash prizes. Artists were asked to show their most recent work, taking a fresh look at the world around them.

The theme for this show is very open, allowing for a wide variety of subject matter to be entered.

Judging the show was Jane Allen Nodine, Distinguished Professor Emerita and retired Gallery Director at the University of South Carolina Upstate, where she served as head of the art program for over twenty years. Miss. Nodine selected First, Second, Third place prizes along with three merit awards.

Artists participating in the exhibit are: Susan Arrowood, Mary Bartrop, Todd Baxter, Janice Booth, Arlene Calvert, Carl Childs, Barbara O'Neal Davis, Ellen Devenny, Janet Dyer, Faith Gaillot, Dianne W. Garner, Timmy Hord, Mimi Irwin, C.M. Kakassy, Robert E. Klar, Emma Kay Lewis, Rosie Little, Janet Littlejohn, Lori McAdams, Bertie McClain, Kathleen McDermott, Jill Meeks, Martha Moore, Tom Pacheco, Katrin Paschakarnis Breitkreutz, Linda Pellerin, Alex Pietersen, Patricia Pietersen, Cass Roberts, Robert Silver, Austin Walker, Jenna Webb, and Joe Zdenek.

Top row: 1st Place - Pipe Dreams - Todd Baxter - colored pencil

2nd Place - Red Kaleidoscope - Robert Silver - glass, wire, mirror 3rd Place - P.I. Starbucks - Lori McAdams - colored pencil, ink, watercolor

Bottom row: Merit Award - Embrace - Ellen Devenny - photography

Merit Award - Tree with Three Crows - Janice Booth - photography on canvas Merit Award - Peaches: Pensive by Barbara O'Neal Davis - watercolor

ART TRACKS

July 2023

A Fresh Look on Exhibit June 14 – July 29, 2023

Jul 1-4 - SASi closed

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

Jul 11 Tue – Shutter Light Photography Group Meeting 7 pm(Now meeting the 2nd Tuesday)

Jul 19 Wed – Knit and Crochet Group 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Jul 27 Thur – Colored Pencil Group Meeting 6 pm

Jul 29 Fri – Last day for A Fresh Look Exhibit

Jul 29 Sat - Pick up Artwork from A Fresh Look Exhibit

Regional Artist Exhibit with Ron Shepard and Kathleen McDermott

Aug 1 – Sept 15, 2023, Reception Saturday, August 5, 6-8 pm

August 2023

Aug 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 – Open Studio Sessions Every Thurs 10 am – 12 pm or later

Aug 5 Sat – Reception 6-8 pm for Ron Shepard and Kathleen McDermott

Aug 8 Tue – Shutter Light Photography Group Meeting 7 pm

Aug 13 Sun - Bookies meeting 10 am until... – (Closed Group)

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

Aug 31 Thu - Color Pencil Group Meeting 6:00 pm

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

Jul / Aug - NO SASi First Tuesday Program SASi First Tuesday Programs run September through June - see you in September!

Calling Knitters & Crocheters!

Jul 17; Aug 16 – 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. We have space to spread out and still enjoy each other's company and share information.

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.

Shutter Light Photography Group

Jun 29 – Outing planned at Crowders Mountain State Park Lake, 522 Park Office Lane. The group is calling these outings Adventures in Photography.

Jul 11; Aug 8 - NEW: beginning in July, the group will meet the second Tuesday monthly. Time: 6:30 - 7:00 for social and 7 - 8:30 for the meeting. Gary McGinnis will present on Motion Photography at the July meeting. Vic McCord will do a presentation on Macro Photography at the August meeting. All levels of experience are welcome. For more information, email the photography group or visit their

Facebook page. We always have extra chairs for new or returning folks! For more information, email kmcameraclub@gmail.com.

Color Pencil Group Meeting

Jul 27, Aug 31 – Thu – 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. Darlene Godfrey will host the June and July meetings - please email SASi with questions about the July meeting. For other dates, please email Todd Baxter at 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

Jul 6, 13, 20, 27; Aug 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 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!

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

One-on-One Tutoring with Ron Shepard

Date/Time: arrangement with instructor At SASi; To sign up, please email Ron at shepardron@hotmail.com or call him at

704-964-4913.

Oil Painting Classes with Todd **Baxter in his Studio**

Fridays10 to noon; Saturdays 2 to 4 For more information please contact Todd at toddbaxter@comporium.net

2023 MEMBERSHIP

Renew your 2023 Membership

Membership forms are available both at SASi and on our website.

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 and artist contract to sell items in the Gift Shop.

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 3 levels: Sponsors \$250, Business, \$500 and Corporate \$1000 for 2023. Your higher level of support will be acknowledged in our marketing and social media. A full list of members at these levels is on SASi's Membership Page.





TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

SOUTHERN ARTS SOCIETY Gift Shop & Gallery Holiday Hours

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat • 10 am - 3 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.