



SASi Newsletter

November / December 2023



SASi Holiday Boutique Fine Arts & Crafts for the Holidays

November 10 2023 - January 6, 2024

Holiday shopping is coming to Southern Arts Society in Kings Mountain. Our galleries will be turned into a *Holiday Boutique* filled with a wide variety of original art and hand made fine crafts. Many of our regional artists have work available: painting, mixed media, jewelry, pottery, leather, paper craft, fiber and textiles (knitted and crocheted items). All the items are made by hand

with many being unique, one of a kind works of art. Artisans have been busy making fine beaded jewelry, functional and whimsical pottery, crocheted scarves and hats along with paintings of all sizes for that special and personal gift. There are many reasonably priced small gifts in the ten to twenty dollar range, with larger artworks from \$50 and up.

You're Invited to SASi's Open House

The traditional **Open House** to kick off our annual SASi Calendar sale will be held the weekend after Thanksgiving: **Saturday, November 25, 2023** from 10 am to 4 pm and **Sunday, November 26, 2023** from 1 to 4 pm.

Saturday, November 26 is designated across the country as **Shop Local** to support small businesses. SASi is THE place to shop for local handmade gifts. The 2024 Calendar themed **Native Plants and Pollinators**, consists of 12 original pieces of hand pulled silk-screened art. Each month is designed by a different artist, giving you twelve individual original art prints. Our popular Calendar Tote Bags are available again this year, printed with the same images from the Calendar.

ART TRACKS

November 2023

Nov 7 Tue – SASi Program 7 pm, doors open at 6:30 - Movie night: *Georgia O'Keeffe* at 7pm. Snacks provided.

Nov 2, 9, 16, 30 – Open Studio Sessions Every Thurs 10 am – 12 pm or later

Nov 3 Fri – Last day for Gateway to Nature Exhibit

Nov 4, 5– Deliver Art for Christmas and pick up from Exhibits

Deliver art Nov 4, 10am to 4 pm and Sun Nov 5 from 1-4 pm. (other times during gallery hours)

Nov 10, 2023 - Jan 6, 2024 – SASi Holiday Boutique Fine Arts and Crafts for Christmas

Nov 12 – Bookies meeting 10 am until... – (Closed Group)

Nov 14 Tues – Shutter Light Photography Group - email KMCameraclub@gmail.com

Nov 15 Wed – Knit & Crochet Group Meeting 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Nov 23-24 THU / Fri CLOSED

Sat Nov 25 – OPEN for Small Business Saturday 10 am - 4 pm

Sat Nov 25 – 10 AM TO 4 PM OPEN HOUSE and 2024 Calendar Sale

Sun Nov 26 – 1-4 PM OPEN HOUSE and 2024 Calendar Sale

Nov 30 Thu - Color Pencil Group Meeting 6 pm

December 2023

Dec 7, 14, 21 – Open Studio Sessions Every Thurs 10 am – 12 pm or later

Dec 5 Tue – SASi Christmas Party 6:30 pm, doors open at 6:00 -

Dec 12 Tue – Shutter Light Photography Group - email KMCameraclub@gmail.com

Dec 20 Wed – Knit & Crochet Group Meeting 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Dec 28 Thu – NO Color Pencil Group Meeting in December

SASi is CLOSED Dec 24-28, 2023 and OPEN Dec, 2023 29-30

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 Check for cancellations & postponements

PROGRAMS

SASi Programs

Nov 7 – SASi First Tuesday Program at 7 pm. Join us on Election night (after you go vote!) to take your mind on an artful journey. We will show the movie **Georgia O'Keeffe** starring Joan Allen and Jeremy Irons. It's only only 90 minutes long. We will have beverages, snacks, popcorn and maybe pizza. Please RSVP if you are coming! Doors open at 6:30, Movie starts at 7. This is a FREE program.

Dec 5 – SASi Holiday Party - 6:30 - 8:30. Bring a covered dish - main or dessert - to share and join in some holiday fun. Dinner at 7 with music to follow. Invite your spouse or bestie to attend. SASi will provide plates, etc., and beverages. Please let us know what you are bringing in advance if possible. Thank you!

Calling Knitters & Crocheters!

Nov 15; Dec 20 – 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. 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 email Susie Neely or Pam Perkins at fiberlass@yahoo.com.

Shutter Light Photography Group

Nov 14; Dec 12 - Time: 6:30 - 7:00 for social and 7 - 8:30 for the 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, please email the photography group at KMCameraClub@gmail.com or visit their Facebook page.

OFFICERS 2022 / 2023

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

Color Pencil Group Meeting

Nov 30; Dec NO MEETING – 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 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

Nov 2, 9, 16, 30; Dec 7, 14, 21 – Open Studio Sessions every Thursday 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!

2023 MEMBERSHIP

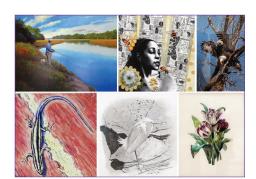
Renew Membership for 2024

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.



Winners Announced for Gateway to Nature 2023 Judged Art Competition

September 21 – November 3, 2023

Judged by Mark Hamilton, Professor of Fine Arts and Interim Chair, Department of Fine Arts, Winthrop University

1st Place

Todd Baxter Catch of the Day

2nd Place

Denesha Sweat Fear of Becombing Me

3rd Place

Ellen Devenny The Secret World of Eagles

Merit Awards

Lori McAdams Blue Tailed Lizard Robert E. Klar Waiting Janet Baxter Redoute's Tulips

CLASSES

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

One-on-One Tutoring with Ron Shepard at SASi

Date/Time: arrangement with instructor Email Ron at shepardron@hotmail.com or call him at 704-964-4913 to register

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





TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

SOUTHERN ARTS SOCIETY Gift Shop & Gallery Hours

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat • 10 am - 3 pm (and by appointment) 2023 Holiday Schedule: Closed Dec 24-28; Open Dec 29-30

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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.