



## **SASi Newsletter**

July / August 2024

# Upcoming Art Competitions: Gateway to Nature Art & Trail Photography

Exhibits on view: August 7 - September 20, 2024

Public Reception: Saturday, August 10, 2024 from 6-8 pm Awards presented at 7 pm.

Deliver Entries: Friday, August 2 and Saturday, August 3 from 11 am – 4 pm, and Sunday, August 4 from 1 to 4 pm.

Please deliver on scheduled dates or earlier during gallery hours.

#### Gateway to Nature:

All work Must be your original creation and completed within the last two years.

More information is available in the prospectus.

#### Awards:

1st Place – \$250 2nd Place – \$150 3rd Place – \$75; Merit Awards (3) – \$50 each

#### Trail:

All photos must be original and taken on the KM Gateway Trail within the last two years. Work must not have been priviously exhibited at SASi. More information is available in the prospectus.

#### Awards:

First Place \$100 Second Place \$75 Third Place \$50

Prospectuses and entry forms for both shows are available at Southern Arts Society's galleries and on our website



## Pottery Studio and Caboose Update

The City of Kings Mountain has torn down SASi's old pottery studio that burned. With that, the city is working to place the Cabooses with a museum or nonprofit to move, refurbish, and possibly get back into service or on display. The cabooses have always been under the City of Kings Mountain jurisdiction to maintain. The decision to sell and remove the cabooses is being decided by the City Council and City Manager. Removing the Cabooses has been talked about for a long time but just recently acted upon. The Cabooses have not been used since before SASi moved into the Depot in 2003. The city is working with local groups to possibly bring a Farmers Market on site here. This could greatly benefit SASi. We will let you know details as soon as they become available.

#### **ART TRACKS**

#### **July 2024**

#### On Exhibit – Summer Fun Members Art Exhibit thru Jul 31, 2024

Jul 4-5 – SASi is closed for Fourth of July

Jul 11, 18, 25 – Open Studio Sessions Every Thurs 10 am – 12 pm or later

Jul 9 Tue – Shutter Light Photography Group Meeting 7 pm

Jul 14 Sun - Bookies meeting 10 am until... – (Closed Group)

Jul 17 Wed – Knit and Crochet Group 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

Jul 20 Sat - Autumnal Scene Pastel Class w Ron Shepard \$

Jul 25 Thu – Colored Pencil Group Meeting 6 pm

JUL 31 Fri – Last day for **Summer Fun Art Exhibit** 

#### August 2024

Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 – Open Studio Sessions Every Thurs 10 am – 12 pm or later

Aug 2-4 Deliver artwork for Gateway to Nature and Trail Competitions

Aug 10 Sat - Reception *Gateway to Nature* & *Trail* 6-8 pm – Awards will be at 7 pm

Aug 11 Sun - Bookies meeting 10 am until...

– (Closed Group)

Aug 13 Tue – Shutter Light Photography Group Meeting 7 pm

Aug 21 Wed – Knit & Crochet Group – 10:30 am – 12:30 pm

Aug 29 Thu - Color Pencil Group Meeting 6:00 pm

Bookies Art Exhibit on view Sep 24 – Nov 1, 2024

#### September 2024

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

Sep 3 Tue – SASi Program 7 pm, doors open at 6:30

Sep 8 Sun - Bookies meeting 10 am until...

– (Closed Group)

Sep 10 Tue – Shutter Light Photography Meeting 7 pm – email KMCameraclub@ gmail.com

Sep 18 Wed – Knit & Crochet Group Mtg 10:30am–12:30pm

Sep 20 – Last day for *Gateway to Nature* & *Trail* 

Sep 21 Sat – Pick up artwork from Gateway to Nature and Trail

Sep 26 Thu – Color Pencil Group Meeting

Sep 28 Sat – Reception for Bookies Exhibit

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**

SASi Programs resume in September – SASi Programs run September through May and on the first Tuesday of each month. This is a free event. Doors open at 6:30; program begins at 7 – visitors welcome!.

#### **Calling Knitters & Crocheters!**

July 17; Aug 21 – The group meets from 10:30-12:00 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 email Susie Neely or Pam Perkins at fiberlass@yahoo.com..

#### **Shutter Light Photography Group**

July 9; – The group meets the second Tuesday of the month. The group will meet Tuesday July 9 at 7 pm. Assignment: Create a photo series. No particular subject theme but should tell a story. Bring photos on a flash drive to share.

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.

#### **Color Pencil Group Meeting**

July 25; Aug 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 with your ideas with questions or to suggest meeting topics and techniques you would like to see.

#### Thursday Morning Open Studio Sessions

NO MEETING July 4, We will meet July 11, 18, 25; Aug 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 – 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!

#### **2024 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 2024. Your higher level of support will be acknowledged in our marketing and social media.

#### **CLASSES**

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

### Pastel Workshop - Autumnal Scene with Ron Shepard

- At Southern Arts Society, Inc (SASi)
- July 20, 2024 9 am 1 pm
- \$50 members; \$55 non-members
- · Beginners to intermediate
- Bring soft pastels (not oil pastels) and pastel paper (preferably sanded paper). Soft Mungyo pastels are available from Hobby Lobby, Michael's or Amazon for under \$10. Ron will have extra paper for \$3.00 per sheet. Bring baby wipes for cleanup, and a sketchbook or pad to take notes.
- Call SASi at 704-739-5585 or email us to reserve your seat

### 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

Fridays 10 to noon; Saturdays 2 to 4 For more information please contact Todd at toddbaxter@comporium.net

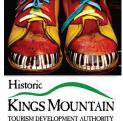
#### Officer Elections

Current Members of SASi will receive a voting email to vote to accept the slate of officers for 2024:

President - Marygrace Bianco Vice President - Lydia Sargent

Secretary - Lori McAdams Co-Treasurers - Johnsie Reavis and Karen Werran





#### SOUTHERN ARTS SOCIETY

Gift Shop & Gallery 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.