

SEPT – OCT 2026 SASi NEWS

Southern Arts Society (SASi) Gift Shop & Gallery is located at 301 N. Piedmont Ave. at the intersection of Piedmont and Battleground Avenues, Kings Mountain, NC, in the historic Southern Railway Depot. SASi offers a gift shop, ongoing exhibits and art competitions, programs, and classes in a variety of media for artists of all levels. **Gallery Hours:** Wed-Sat 10 am to 3 pm. **Admission is Free.**

Programs/Meetings are FREE unless noted by \$\$\$. **MAIL** – SASi – PO Box 334 Kings Mountain, NC 28086

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New Exhibit

Three Voices, Three Views: Landscape Painters

Kim Painter, Kathleen McDermott, and Gene Tennison

Reception Sat Sept 26, 5-7 pm – artists talk at 6 pm – On view Sept 2 – Oct 31, 2026



Special Events with

Three Voices, Three Views Exhibit

Kathleen will do two free demonstrations, on landscapes Sat Sept 12, and one for sunsets on Sat Oct 17, both at 1 pm.

Gene will teach a 2-day workshop on glazing Sept 19-20, from 1-5 pm each day.

Kim has an Oil & Cold Wax workshop on Sat Oct 3 from 10-3.

Details - next page and visit our website to learn more.

Three artists have come together to exhibit their landscape paintings, each offering a distinct lens through which to experience their environment. Kim, Kathleen and Gene all shared a love for art early on in their lives, taking time away – sometimes years – for work and family life, then later returning to painting to express how they see the world. Here, on canvas, they weave together three divergent styles, the meticulous clarity of realism; the lush, light-filled brushwork of impressionism; and the emotional resonance of semi-abstraction. They remind us that a landscape is more than a place. It is a feeling, a record of time, and a living dialogue between the land and the observer.

Spanning over 60 works of varying scales, this exhibition fills the galleries at Southern Arts Society with the beauty of our natural world. From intimate studies to sweeping vistas, these pieces capture the fleeting moments that define our surroundings.

Meet the artists Kim, Kathleen and Gene at a public reception on Saturday, September 26, from 5-7 pm. The artists will give a gallery talk at 6 pm. This is a Free Event. Exhibit dates: September 2, through October 31, 2026.

SASi Free Programs

SASi First Tuesday Art Program Sept 1, 2026, and Oct 6, 2026. Doors open at 6:00 for social time, program begins at 6:30 pm. Meet new members and try a mini-Art Project or see an Artist demo! Details are coming soon. All supplies will be provided for art projects. No experience necessary!

Shutter Light Photography Group - Second Tuesday monthly. Social Time: 6:30 – Program begins at 7:00 pm. New and old photographers enjoy getting back to the basics of photography. All levels of experience are welcome. Email kmcameraclub@gmail.com or their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/shutterlight>

Calling Knitters & Crocheters! Our knit/crochet group is taking the summer off. Check soon for fall dates.

Colored Pencil Group Aug 20, Sept 24 & Oct 29 – Meets the last Thursday monthly from 5:30 – 7:30 pm. Anyone with a desire to learn more about colored pencil is welcome to attend. All levels are welcome, no experience necessary. Bring your supplies and a project to work on. Led by award winning artist Todd Baxter. Email toddaxter@comporium.net with questions.

Thursday Morning Open Studio Sessions Aug 6, 13, 20, 27 and Sept 3, 10, 17, 24 and Oct 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 – 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 welcome. No instruction, just create and enjoy fellowship with other artists. Led by Darlene Godfrey.

FREE Painting Demonstrations

Kathleen McDermott is offering 2 Free demonstrations of her landscape painting in oils, one of a mountain scene on Sat Sept 12, and a sunset scene on Sat Oct 17, both at 1 pm until 2 pm. Visitors are welcome to come to meet Kathleen and learn more about her style of painting.



CLASSES AT SASi – Register in Advance

Students must register and pay in advance to reserve their seats for classes. Spaces are limited. CANCELLATIONS and REFUNDS: SASi may cancel class if minimum enrollment is not met. Fees paid will be fully refunded. **If you are not well**, please call to cancel. Refunds (less \$5 service charge) **ONLY** if notice is received at least 3 days before class. Ph 704-739-5585 or SouthernArtsSociety@gmail.com to register.

Gene Tennison - Glazing Techniques for Landscape Painting 2-day Workshop

When: Sat Sept 19 and Sun Sept 20

Time: 1:00 to 5:00 pm

Cost: \$120 for SASi Members; \$150 for Non-members.

Student Level: Intermediate to Advanced **Ages:** 18 and up

***Supply List for students to bring:** your favorite size flat brushes, a fan brush, water container, acrylic paints and a palette. Bring reference photos – or select one of Genes to use. Sketchbook and pen for notes. ***Gene will supply** small canvas boards for each day, spray bottles, a blow dryer and paper towels. **The workshop:** We will work in acrylic paint to speed up drying time needed between transparent paint applications. Acrylic paint will be provided for oil painters who do not have acrylic paints available. **You will learn:** How to paint with glazes and make your landscape paintings glow like the Old Masters! Two techniques will be covered: 1) Monotone underpainting then adding transparent layers of colors; and 2) Glazing your current painting style to harmonize hues and change values.



Oil & Cold Wax Workshop w/Kim Painter

When: Saturday October 3, 2026

Time: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm **Cost:** \$85 for SASi Members; \$100 for Non-members.

Student Level: Beginner to advanced, anyone interested in learning about cold wax application. This class is geared towards semi-abstracted landscape, to capture atmosphere and energy or emotion more than representational scenery.

***Supply List for students to bring:** Your favorite oil paint colors, brushes, palette and palette knife(s), bring reference photos or use some of Kim's. If you'd like to bring your own cold wax, art panels, mark making tools, that's OK too. Sketchbook, pen for notes. (If you don't have oil paint, SASi has some to share!)

***Kim will supply:** Practice paper, 12"x12" art board panel, cold wax for workshop, visual references, mark making tools like bowl scrapers, brayers, sponges, whisk broom, etc.

What you will Learn: This class is geared towards semi-abstract landscape, to capture atmosphere, energy or emotion. Students will observe how Kim determines intent for the artwork, mixes the materials and uses specific tools to create translucent landscapes.



ART TRACKS

New Art Exhibit Sept 2 – Oct 31, 2026

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SEPTEMBER 2026

SEPT 1 Tues – NO SASi program

SEPT 3, 10, 17, 24 – Open Studio Sessions 10 am – 12 pm

SEPT 8 Tues – Shutter Light Photography Meeting 7 pm

SEPT 12 SAT – 1:00 pm Kathleen McDermott demonstration of Mountain Scene in oil - FREE

SEPT 19-20 Workshop Glazing Techniques w/Gene Tennison \$\$

SEPT 24 Thurs - Color Pencil Group Meeting 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

SEPT 26 SAT – "Three Voices – Three Views" Reception 5-7 pm – Gallery Talk at 6 pm

OCTOBER 2026

OCT 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 – Open Studio Sessions 10 am – 12 pm

OCT 3 SAT – Workshop Oil and Cold Wax w/Kim Painter \$\$

OCT 6 Tues – SASi Program TBA – 6:30 pm

OCT 11 SUN – Bookies meeting 10 am until... – (Closed Group)

OCT 13 Tues – Shutter Light Photography Group Meeting 7 pm

OCT 17 SAT – 1:00 pm Kathleen McDermott demonstration of Sunset Scene in oil - FREE

OCT 29 Thurs – Color Pencil Group Meeting 5:30 pm

Events are FREE unless noted by \$\$

Doors open ½ hour prior to meetings/programs

SASi GIFT SHOP

Welcomes New Artists – Yvette Andino - oil painting, pastels; and Beverly Putnam - fiber and collage. New works in the Gift Shop by Lorene Lovell and Lucy Warlick.

Come browse our unique selection of handmade Fine Arts and Fine Crafts for Graduation, Mother's Day, Father's Day, House Warmings, Weddings, Retirements, Birthdays, and Yes - CHRISTMAS is just around the corner!

SASi MEMBERSHIP

Our Dues run Jan through Dec each year. Members save on entry fees for classes and competitions. Your Dues support our free programs and exhibits that benefit the community. Find our Membership form online or in person at SASi.

Mail check and Membership form to:

Southern Arts Society

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Thank you for your continued support!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SASi is 100% volunteer driven and there are numerous ways to support SASi throughout the year by Volunteering for a few hours each month. You can really make a difference! You can be a Gallery Host, help on a committee: Programs, Building Maintenance, Exhibits, Landscaping, Grants and Fundraising.

To volunteer – please call 704-739-5585 or email SASi at SouthernArtsSociety@gmail.com.