



NOVEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER

Meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month, September through May, excluding December, at the Vestal Public Library, 320 Vestal Parkway East, Vestal NY from 7:30 to 9:00 PM. All artists are welcome. Our mission is education through monthly demonstrations, workshops, and bus trips, as well as providing exhibition opportunities for our artists.

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❖ From the Easel of Janice L. Wood, President of the Board of Directors ❖

Well, can you believe this unprecedented election is now behind us? As an artist, the uniqueness of the last 15 months may have jogged your creative mind. The Board of Directors (BOD) welcomes those unique pieces that may have been inspired by this moment in history. This could be a really great year for “out of the box” pieces. Remember, we have many shows planned right through December 2017.

On a different note, the BOD was notified that the Mall Gallery must close. The closure occurred on November 7, 2016. With a minor break we have been very fortunate to have been back at the Mall for almost 3 years. A very special thank you to Nancy Phillips, whose continued support has made our MALL presence possible. With regret, the BOD must also inform everyone that Nancy Phillips is retiring at the end of December, 2016. She will be missed and we extend our best wishes to her for a happy retirement!

As a result of the gallery closure, the BOD proceeded to explore other display options and to finalize others. On the second page of the newsletter, under MEMBER SHOWS, is a list of the planned opportunities to display and sell art. If you are interested please contact the person identified or Jan Wood at benzjw1@gmail.com. Don't forget the “Winter” theme show at the Broome County Public Library during December, 2016.

Finally, The Board would like to welcome new and renewed members Jeanne Osenbaugh, Terry Kimer, Warren Thomas, Jesse Bernardini, Janet Stevens, Mike Pucek, and JJ Maslin.

Just a reminder, there is no newsletter in December so on behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a Great Holiday Season.

Sincerely,
Janice L. Wood, President, BOD
The Fine Arts Society of the Southern Tier

DEMONSTRATION *by* PAULA PURKIS

SPECIAL WATERCOLOR TECHNIQUES USING YUPO

When: November 28, 2016, 7:30 PM

Where: Vestal Library

If you had the opportunity to visit the FASST Temporary Gallery at the Oakdale Mall, you have seen the beautiful works of Paula Purkis. While Paula is a very humble watercolor artist and claims not to be in the class of a professional artist, she has no problem winning award upon award for her pieces. Paula more recently has been experimenting with Yupo. During her demonstration, she will present her findings and observations using this unpredictable paper.

Come join us for a very interesting watercolor demonstration.

WORKSHOPS

Joseph Daily Portrait Workshop held November 9, 10 was very informative. Every artist walked away with increased knowledge and a better approach to portrait painting. A special thank you to Joseph's wife, Maria, who had the patience to model for the artists.

Glenda Blake is offering 3 classes ~ contact her at <https://glendablake.com/welcome/classes-and-workshops/>

Fundamentals of drawing ~ How to see like an artist
January 12 through February 9, 2017, BCPL

Exploring Oil Painting
March 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17, 2017, YHPL(JC)

Oil Painting from Altered Photographs
May 18 through June 15, 2017, BCPL

Patrick McPhee
Spring 2017 ~ info forthcoming

Plein Air with Richard Henry
June 3, 2017 ~ more info to follow

Richard also continues to teach at SUNY Broome Continuing Education. Check out course announcements provided by SUNY BROOME.

MEMBER SHOWS

Oakdale Mall Temporary Gallery
Nancy Phillips, Oakdale Mall Manager will be retiring at the end of December, 2016. In addition, the gallery was closed November 7, 2016.
The BOD will continue to explore future opportunities at the Oakdale Mall and community.

Willow Point Nursing Home
Openings remain for 2017
contact Jan Wood benzjw1@gmail.com

Community Foundation South Central
Openings July-December 2017. Artist can display up to 3 months, contact Jan Wood benzjw1@gmail.com

UHS-Binghamton General (Krembs) and Park Gallery
August 13, 2017 ~ September 23, 2017

Binghamton JulyFest ~ July 7,8,9 2017 ~ watch for more details. This is a great opportunity to exhibit and sell art.

Ross Park-Rock and Roar and Art ~ Labor Day weekend
This is a new opportunity which began in 2016. Socialize with artists, the red panda, listen to great bands and take advantage of plein air painting.

New ~ Dan Harrington Photography, Framing & Art
85 Main Street, Sidney, NY 13838
Classes, Framing, Gallery Opportunities
Contact Dan directly at 607 226-0579
(Dan was in the 2015 National Watercolor Show in Old Forge and was one of the top prize winners)

Christ Episcopal Church First Fridays 2017 (one night only) Few openings remain for 2017
Contact Suzanne at 222-2615

**Supporting members' Holiday Show 2016
at Cooperative Gallery 213**
Contacts: cooperativegallery213@gmail.com, or Glenda Blake at greenboat@stny.rr.com
Download PDF at <http://bit.ly/2dMt1Qz>

Gallery 41 Owego
The BOD has scheduled a multi-artist show at the gallery for September, 2017. A central theme will need to be determined by the participating artists. Space is limited.
If you would like to participate, contact Jan Wood at benzjw1@gmail.com.

Don't forget the FASST Website Online Gallery
contact Christine at cmo18818@yahoo.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The 5th Harvest Dinner was held 10/24/16. Thank you to all who attended, those who helped set up and cleanup. A special thank you to Eleanor Juozitis who brought some delicious goodies. Cline's catering was a hit once again ~ Thank you!

The following were prize winners:

Small candle ~ Dora Gonos
Medium candle ~ Ken Rothemeyer
Bottle wine ~ David Menichiello
Bottle Wine ~ Elsie Fendick
\$25 Michaels Gift Card ~ Vivian Perkins
\$25 Michaels Gift Card ~ Hank Frassetto
2017-2018 Membership ~ Joyce Merwin
(for daughter Margaret Bobier)
2017-2018 Membership(family) ~ Doug Williams

Thank you to all artists participating in the Holiday Fund-raiser due November 28, 2016. These will be held for future activities.

Newsletter featured artists for January-June 2017 will be May 2016 award winners. One additional featured artist drawn was Dan Sniezek for November 2017.

FEATURED ARTIST

JAMES TRUJILLO



James Richard Trujillo is an American, award-winning self-taught contemporary artist currently living and working in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He was born in Philadelphia, PA during the month of November in 1981.

Since his emergence, his subject matter, medium and art form have remained unchanged. Aside from being an Artist, James is a former United States Navy Technical Engineer, Disabled Veteran, Parent, Runner, Archer and Horologist (Watch Enthusiast).

Artist Statement

For me, Art is more than creation, it's outlet, chaos, mood and storytelling. I use a combination of these, along with structure, for the most current direction in my creation process. Besides my membership with the FASST, I am also affiliated with the Veteran Artist Program, the Wellsboro PA Art Club, Gallery 41, Owego NY, and American Veteran Arts and Crafts.

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!!!!!!! SPECIAL EVENT !!!!!!!!

**FASST HOLIDAY THEME SHOW
"WINTER"
BROOME COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
185 COURT STREET
BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK 13901
DECEMBER 2016**

Set-up December 1, 2016 1:30-5:30 PM
(and bring a goodie sign up)
Take-down December 29, 2016 5-8 PM

Reception December 8, 2016 5-8 PM.
(from 5 to 6 PM members will have an opportunity to vote)
People's Choice voting only December 1~ December 8

Five ribbons will be awarded

Submit 1 to 2 pieces, framed or cradled,
wired and ready for hanging

Dan and Donna Cheresnowski's HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

(Several FASST artists/members are participating)

When: November 27, 2016 **from** 10 AM **to** 4 PM
Where: 7 Park Street, Newark Valley NY 13811

FASST Plein Air Group

Thank you Lori Farist. Currently seven FASST artists have become part of the plein air group. Sessions will be held at various locations throughout the local area. If you would like to become part of this group, contact Lori at lfarist32@yahoo.com

BUS TRIPS

The BOD is working with Shafer Bus on the following proposed trips:
Philadelphia ~ Barnes, Philadelphia museum, Flower Show on March 12, 2017.

Bronx Zoo with a drop off at NY Botanical Gardens featuring Chihuly glass art ~ Summer 2017.

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