



# Allied Artists

of Johnstown, Pennsylvania

## Fall Newsletter



### A Message from Our President

Kathleen Kase Burk

Dear Member,

Our beautiful 85th Annual Exhibition is still up at the Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center, but not for much longer!

It ends Friday, December 15, and pickup of art is scheduled for Monday and Tuesday, December 18 and 19. (I haven't been informed of any extensions this year, but if it happens, I'll be sure to let you know!)

Included in this issue is the slate of AAJ officers and chairpersons nominated for 2018. Our bylaws require 30 days notice of the nominations to our members. If anyone wishes to nominate another member to run for office, please inform us through our email at: [aaj@johnstownart.com](mailto:aaj@johnstownart.com). (Your candidate must be aware of and agreeable to your nomination before it's made!)

Voting takes place at our Annual Meeting, which is held at the same time and place as our January monthly meeting: January 10th at 7 pm at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Johnstown. Since many members are reluctant to venture out at night in January, you may also vote by email to let us know if you accept the proposed slate of candidates.

Dues statements for 2018 will also be coming out next month. Remember, we are an all-volunteer group and depend on our members to help out in whatever capacity they can, so please check the volunteer card when you send in your dues! We have an exciting lineup of shows for next year, including our special collaboration with the Johnstown Ballet. With your help, it'll be a fantastic year!

*Kathleen Kase Burk, President*

### PLAN NOW - 2018 AAJ SHOW SCHEDULE

**AAJ Spring Show** - Ameriserv Bank **March 10 - April 7**

Receiving/Jurying: Saturday, March 10

Artists Reception: Friday, March 16

Pickup work: Saturday, April 7

**Summer Show:** Community Arts Center, dates TBA

**AAJ/Johnstown Concert Ballet:** Bottleworks, Oct 21

**86th Annual Exhibition:** SAMA Johnstown Aug 24 - Dec 14

## 85th Annual Exhibit at UPJ Pasquirella Center SAMA showing until December 15th



'Friendship Hill Stairway' - Robert Wertz



'Leah II' - Diana Williams

Johnstown - Our 85th Annual Exhibit opened on August 15th at UPJ / SAMA. The opening reception was well-attended, with many positive. This fabulous show can be viewed until December 15th. The show was juried by Adam Welch. In-Memoriam works by two recently departed members Doris Wilson (1926-2017) and Ed Kale (1937-2017) are also part of the exhibit.



Award Winners (l - r): Zone Patcher, Mary Wiley-Lewis, Robert Wertz, Ken Cotlar, Diana Williams, Larry Mallory, and Jamie Helbig. Missing: Ned Wert, Kathy Fieser and Ann Dougherty

on right: "Dr. Walter J. Asonevich, President of Pennsylvania Highlands Community College, admires artist Theresa Walters' pastel drawing titled "A Drive Thru". The artwork was presented to the college through our " Friends of Art" program.



### SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR 2018

The Nominating Committee is pleased to announce the nominees for our 2018 positions. Candidates have agreed to serve subject to election at our Annual January Meeting. The new leaders will take office immediately upon election. If any member recommends another for a position, the name must first be presented to the board and approved for addition to the slate.

#### 2018 EXECUTIVE BOARD

President: Kathy Burk

Vice President: Ken Cotlar

Treasurer: Bennett Vaughn

Recording Secretary: Marianne Krizner

Membership: Kim Williams

#### 2018 SHOW CHAIRS

Spring: Chris Tower/Sandy Vigna

Summer: Dan Helsel/Gary Lehman

Annual: Kathy Burk/Ken Cotlar



#### 2018 CHAIRS/Social Media

Patron Drive: Marianne Krizner

ACOA Liason: Jeanne Wagle

Facebook: Lora Marsh

Newsletter/Email: Diane Safko

Website: Duane Webb

Keep up to date with us on Facebook and at: [johnstownart.com](http://johnstownart.com)

## ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

Allied Artists of Johnstown is in the planning stages to collaborate a unique show with the Johnstown Concert Ballet. In the past we have had joint ventures with both the Johnstown Symphony and The Garden Club of Johnstown with great success. Allied Artists along with Carla Prucnal, Artistic Director of Johnstown Concert Ballet, discussed this opportunity and would like to extend this creative idea onto all of our members.

### "Vision and Movement"

**Receiving: May 2018**

**Show: Sunday, October 21st, 2018**

**Where: Bottle Works – Ethnic Arts Center**

**Pickup: November 10th, 2018**

The receiving for this Show will be towards the end of May. Carla will be choosing paintings, photographs and sculptures that project a mood for each performance.

Our vision is to have 4 different sets with approximately six paintings. 24-30 works will be featured in the dance performance, with others displayed around the stage. Each set will have its own music rendition to compliment both art and dance. Bottle Works will keep art on display for 3 weeks after performance. Because this is a "special project", art that was previously shown in an Allied Artists show can be chosen for this show, and art chosen for this project can be again used in a future Allied Artists show.

## 2017 Artists' Hall of Fame Inductees



above: Marcene Glover  
2017 Hall of Fame Recipient

Bottle Works - Congratulations to local residents who were recognized on November 4th for their commitment to the arts by being inducted into the 2017 Artists' Hall of Fame at the Bottle Works.

Honorees included:  
Marcene Glover, Christine Antemann, Dr. Richard and Anna Antemann and Dorothy Sheridan.

## Christmas Craft Shop

*Somerset* - Member Kathy Reed would like to announce that Laurel Arts Christmas Craft shop, located at 214 Harrison Ave, Somerset, is now open. Find a variety of original items by local artist-craftsmen for your Christmas gifting. While you're there, visit the Gallery Shoppe @ Dressler and the Guild of American Papercutters Museum on the second floor. "Feathers, Fur, Fins" is the papercutting theme. Hours at the Dressler Center: Closed Monday, Friday and Sunday; Tuesday through Thursday 11 - 6 p.m.; Saturday noon to 4 p.m.

## FORMER AAJ SCHOLARSHIP WINNER NAMED 'FORBES 30 UNDER 30'

Olivia Locher's "I Fought the Law" is a show of photographs illustrating the quirky and often ridiculous laws that either are or used to be on the books of the various 50 states. Who knew that serving wine in teacups was illegal in Kansas, or that it was a crime to undress in front of a portrait of a man in Ohio? Olivia broke laws in all 50 states and photographed the results. Her exhibition was on view at Steven Kasher Gallery this Fall, and a book to accompany the show was published by Chronicle Books, with a forward by Kenneth Goldsmith and an interview of Locher by Eric Shiner, former director of the Andy Warhol Museum.



above: Olivia stands with her work

Olivia's work has been exhibited internationally and has appeared in magazines such as the New York Times Magazine, W, Neon, Vanity Fair Italia, and Glamour, among others. She has been profiled in Interview Magazine, Wired, Slate, and Allure, as well as featured on the PBS News Hour. She was named as one of Forbes '30 Under 30' for photography in Art and Style category.

Olivia is the daughter of Bill and Marianne Locher of Johnstown, and was homeschooled during her high school years. After receiving a scholarship from AAJ in 2009, she attended the School of the Visual Arts, graduating with a BFA degree in 2013. She currently resides in Manhattan, NY.

