



LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Kathleen Kase Burk

Dear member,

Welcome to another art-filled year---2017! New Allied Artists officers and show chairmen were elected at our January meeting and are now busy working on our upcoming shows and events. This is our 85th year of existence, which is something to celebrate. Few local groups have lasted as long as we have, and with our original mission intact: providing the Johnstown community with high quality art shows and cultural events, and providing artists with opportunities to have their work seen and appreciated.

Our Annual Show at Pasquerilla Performing Arts Center last fall was one to be proud of, and I hope you all got a chance to see it. The award winners were not listed in the Fall Newsletter due to lack of space, so they are listed below. Congratulations to all of them, and thanks to everyone who participated and helped make the show a success.

Our Spring Show at Ameriserv Bank is coming up very quickly, with receiving and jurying scheduled for Saturday, March 4th, so be sure your dues are paid and you have lots of exciting new work to enter. This show is open to non-members as well, so if you have artist friends who would like to join us, please encourage them to bring in work for the show, too. Hope to see you on March 4th!

Kathleen Kase Burk, President

ANNUAL AAJ SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Once again, the AAJ is planning to offer \$5000 in scholarship money to deserving high school seniors. Letters will be mailed to area high schools on March 1st. Interviews will be held at 10 am Sat., May 6th in the Bottle Works building. Annette Ballow is chairperson in charge of organizing the event. Questions can be directed to her at 814-266-0874.

We greatly appreciate the continued support of the Bottle Works, allowing us to hold interviews in their building.

NEXT SHOW: SPRING SHOW

Location: AmeriServe Bank
Receiving & Jurying: Sat. Mar. 4th
Opening Reception: Fri. Mar. 10th

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2017 AAJ Exhibition Schedule

Spring Exhibition –March 4 - April 1
Ameriserv Financial – 216 Franklin Street
Artists Reception - March 10, 6 - 8 pm

Summer Exhibition – May 27 - Jun 30
Community Arts Center, Westmont
Artists Reception - June 2, 6 - 8 pm

Tentative dates for the
85th Annual Exhibit – Aug 25 - Dec 15
SAMA Johnstown–Pasquerilla Ctr, UPJ

all dates subject to change

84th Annual Exhibition Award Winners

- Jim & Chris Richey Award -
Kathleen Kase Burk, "Box Kebab #3"
- Josephine Paul Memorial Award -
Kim Williams, "Liberte"
- Dorothy & Camille Maravalli Award -
Larry Mallory, "Big Tom and Old Smokey"
- Atty. Robert E. Thomas Award -
Norman Ed, "Sky Road"
- Shirley K. Wagner Award -
Joy Fairbanks, "Wyeth Window"
- Anonymous Award - Bennett Vaughn, "Foggy Woods"
- Lynn Musulin Award - Norman Ed, "Feet of Clay"
- Sally Zoerb Award -
Tracey Bradford - "Bent, Not Broken"



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Now Through March 17th- EXHIBIT: "FRANK MASON- A PASSION FOR PAINTING"

A solo exhibition at University Museum at IUP will be on display through March 11. 76 works of art by Frank Mason offer an impressive selection of portraits, landscapes, religious and other still life paintings from throughout Mason's prolific career. Text panels in 8 gallery rooms highlight Mason's biography and painting style. Mason was a mid-20th century painter, student and then instructor in the Art Students League of New York. He was also an art conservation activist. He mastered the technique of painting rather than the theory.

University Museum is located on the campus of IUP at Sutton Hall, room 111, at 1101 South Drive, Indiana, Pa. 15705.

Hours of operation are Tues, Wed, Fri. 2 to 6:30 pm
Thurs. Noon to 7:30 pm, and Sat. noon to 4 pm
Closed Sunday and Monday.



Jeanne Wagle Workshop

Step-by-step water color batik classes by Jeanne Wagle will help get you over the winter doldrums. Her next class will be March 25th from 10 am to 3 pm at The Main Event in Ligonier. Cost is \$60. Pre-registration and deposit is required: MainExhibitGallery.com

Alan Rauch Painting Class Now Forming

Alan's next class begins on March 2nd. The cost is \$75 and takes place every Thursday, 6 to 8 pm, for 6 weeks. Can't make it for March 2nd? The next class will begin on Apr. 20th. Call Alan at 814-410-2179 to register.



Historical Society, Laurel Arts to Feature Fiber Arts as they Explore and Exhibit "Common Threads"

Laurel Arts is partnering with the Somerset Historical Society to host a special series of events showcasing Fiber Arts, exclusively! *Common Threads* will celebrate, educate, explore and exhibit the wide variety of domestic, historical and contemporary fiber arts and the artists who make them throughout the spring and summer of 2017.

A symposium style event is planned for Sat., Apr. 22, 2017. Fiber artists will demonstrate and sell their products at Somerset Historical Center. The public is invited to meet the artisans and learn about their unique art-making processes, including hands-on activities. Featured keynote speaker Melinda Zonger of the National Museum of the American Coverlet. The Somerset Historical Center will also present a historical flax-scutching demonstration. Act 48 credits will be available to Pa. art educators for this event. Call Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433 to reserve a box lunch & admission.

During a Makers Market July 8 and 9 (part of Somerfest 2017) fiber artists will be invited to showcase and sell their work under the large tent. More information and vendor applications are available by calling the arts center or by visiting www.laurelarts.org.

The culminating fibers event will be a juried exhibit, Aug. 21 - Sept. 23, 2017. Fiber artists are encouraged to submit work to Laurel Arts Aug. 10 thru Aug. 12. The opening reception for the "Common Threads" exhibition at the Phillip Dressler Center for the Arts (home of Laurel Arts) will be Sun, Aug. 25th from 6 to 8 pm.

For more information or to participate, please contact Laurel Arts at 814-443-2433 or email arts@laurelarts.org.