



*Allied  
Artists*  
of Johnstown, Pennsylvania

# Spring 2013 Quarterly Newsletter

Shown: detail of Joy Fairbanks' Digital Photo "Niner Diner" - Honorable Mention - Spring Exhibit

## 2013 Exhibit Schedule

**Summer Exhibit: Jun 1 through Jul 6, 2013**  
Art Works in Johnstown – 411 Third Avenue, Johnstown  
Open to Members Only  
Receiving Saturday, June 1, 10am - 12pm  
Juror - Robert Daley  
Reception – Friday, Jun 7 – 6:00 to 8:00PM  
**NOTE: Large format work will be accepted**

**80th Annual Exhibit – Sep 6 through Dec 13, 2013**  
SAMA Johnstown–Pasquerilla Ctr, UPJ  
Receiving for Jurying - TBA  
Drop off work - September 3rd 10-2  
Reception –September 6 – 6:00 to 8:00PM

## AAJ Patron Drive Report

The 2012 - 2013 AAJ Patron Drive was as follows:

<b>Advocate</b>	<b>\$1625</b>	<b>Contributor</b>	<b>\$690</b>
<i>\$150 was transferred from the General Fund for the Josephine Paul award.</i>		<b>Associate</b>	<b>\$385</b>
		<b>Friends of Art</b>	<b>\$425</b>
		<b>Artists Choice</b>	<b>\$175</b>
		<b>Benefactor</b>	<b>\$3150</b>

### TOTAL OF CATEGORIES \$6350

A total of \$845 was received in the No Choice category. That amount was divided by giving \$150 to the Friends of Art category and the remainder, \$695, to the Benefactor category. The Benefactor and Artists Choice categories are both used for scholarships, bringing that total to \$3225. Before the end of the fiscal year in July, we hope to receive additional financial generosity.

Our sincere thanks to all who contributed to our drive, and for helping us to exceed our goal of \$6000. Our new season is already upon us once again.

*Nadine Toth, Jim Richey (current co-chairs) and Marianne Krizner (out-going chair)*

## Lancaster Arts Hotel Features Ned Wert

**Ned Wert's ABSTRACTIONS** are being featured at the Lancaster Arts Hotel, Lancaster, PA in the John Jeffries Restaurant there. Several pieces in the show have been abstracted from Wert's realistic sketches done while on recent trips to St. Lucia in the Caribbean and Glacier National Park. The paintings will remain there throughout the summer months.



AAJ Member Ned Wert

*Lancasteronline.com* has a wonderful article celebrating Ned's fifty years of art. You will also want to see Ned's exquisite work on **Youtube** video. Just type in keyword **Ned Wert Painter**.

## Student Show at CACCC

On May 7th, students gathered to showcase their work at the opening of the annual student show at the Arts Center in Westmont. Our organization has helped to sponsor the awards for this event for many, many years. It is always a pleasure to see the talent of the young artists from our area. Stop at CACCC to see it for yourself.

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## 2013 Board of Directors

President: Diane Safko  
Treasurer: Duane Webb  
Membership: Judith Lansberry  
Patron Drive: Nadine Toth/Jim Richey  
Winter Show: Annette Ballow/Judith Crookston  
Spring Show: Lora Marsh  
Summer Show: Marcene Glover/Diane Safko  
Annual (Fall) Show: Kathy Burk/Ken Coltar  
Newsletter/Website: Duane Webb  
Facebook Coordinator: Christopher Tower

Vice President: Christopher Tower  
Recording Secretary: Annette Ballow  
Scholarship Chair: Donna Holdsworth

## President's Letter

Hello AAJ members, patrons and friends.

As June approaches we are preparing for our 2013 Summer Exhibition to be held at Art Works in Johnstown. The exhibition dates are June 1 through July 6. AAJ members were sent the summer prospectus a few weeks ago, and as a reminder to our members, this is a large format show as the Art Works building provides plenty of space for larger works. I hope to see each of you entering the Summer Exhibition, especially if you haven't entered an exhibit in some time. Through your participation we hope to fill the gallery space with interesting and unique works. Artists, patrons and friends are invited to attend the opening reception on Friday, June 7 from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Future plans for AAJ include working toward some new situations for increased involvement in community projects and events. With your help and by sending us your ideas, we hope to solidify a plan partnering with another local organization as early as next April or May. We're also hoping to plan a bus trip or all day excursion to some near by museums or an opportunity for plein air painting. Have any suggestions? Please e-mail [aaj@johnstownart.com](mailto:aaj@johnstownart.com).

Wishing you a pleasant spring season, Diane M. Safko – AAJ president



Diane Safko - AAJ President

## 2013 STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

On Saturday, May 11, Scholarship juror Phil Brulia selected the following area students as recipients of the 2013 AAJ Scholarships:

- Brenden Lovejoy**, \$750, Ferndale, attending Edinboro, majoring in Graphic Design/Fine Arts
- Christine Sopata**, \$750, Cambria Heights, attending Delaware College of Art & Design, majoring in Fine Arts
- Jena Wilson**, \$500, Forest Hills, attending Seton Hill, majoring in Art Therapy
- Kristy Weber**, \$500, Central Cambria, attending Oakbridge Academy of Arts, majoring in Photography
- Melissa Walko**, \$450, Westmont, attending Moravian College, majoring in Studio Art
- Elizabeth Compton**, \$275, Richland, attending Arcadia University, majoring in Studio Art

*Congratulations to each of these talented young artists!*

## AAJ Vice-President Appointed

AAJ is pleased to announce that Christopher Tower has been appointed to the AAJ board to fill the position of vice president.

Chris is a graduate of Penn State University & is employed by the Commonwealth of PA as a caseworker. He describes himself as a self-taught artist & is associated with Northwestern PA Artist Association & most recently Allied Artists of Johnstown. Chris is also AAJ's facebook manager. We encourage you to go to [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) & enter Allied Artists of Johnstown to check out our facebook page. If you have any information you would like to have included on the AAJ Facebook page, please contact Chris at [tower-christopher@gmail.com](mailto:tower-christopher@gmail.com). AAJ welcomes Chris in his capacity as vice-president & appreciates his willingness to volunteer his time & efforts.



Christopher Tower

## Donna Housel "Colored Pencil and Beyond"



### EXHIBITING AT CACCC in JUNE

WESTMONT ARTS CENTER - Donna Housel's works will be displayed at CACCC throughout June. Come join Donna at her opening reception on **June 7th, 5:30-7:30 P.M.**

## Johnstown Symphony Orchestra Project Summary



On March 9, 2013 Allied Artists and the Johnstown Symphony Orchestra combined efforts and presented "Music in Pictures", the symphony's presentation of Mussorgsky's "Pictures at an Exhibition" and Beethoven's 6th Symphony. As the orchestra played, the works of the Allied Artists were projected on screen keeping time with the music and capturing the feeling of each movement. The evening was a complete success much to the efforts of all who participated by lending their works, hanging the lobby exhibit and greeting the guests. AAJ received many positive comments and terrific publicity regarding the event. As a result, AAJ plans to participate in more joint community projects. Special thanks to Jim Richey who initiated the project and worked tirelessly to photograph our art works and arrange the works to the music. Jim's dedication to the success of this project was steadfast and much appreciated. If you would like a copy of the event, you may purchase a DVD from Jim for \$5.00 by emailing him at jimrichey@hotmail.com. or calling 814-242-6901. (DVD is free to the members who assisted the evening of the event, as decided at the March 20 board meeting).

## Artists needed to do demonstrations

AAJ has received a request from a local girl scout troop for volunteers to demonstrate different art media this coming Fall. The troop meets on Monday & Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30pm at Grove Ave. UMC, 501 Grove Ave in Moxham. The girls are interested in all types of art & the purpose is to help them explore their world through learning about art. If you are willing to help, for complete details please contact troop leader Della Csehosi at hoski@verizon.net & let her know you are an AAJ member who became aware of her request in the latest AAJ newsletter. This is a perfect way to share your talent while boosting AAJ community awareness, especially for retired art teachers & just those who love working with children.

## Suggestions Wanted

Due to the enormous success of the AAJ/JSO Joint Project, AAJ is seeking your suggestions for joint community projects. If you know of a community organization that might be interested in joining their efforts with AAJ on a particular project, activity or event, please contact Diane at aaj@johnstownart.com or call 814-421-1525. Depending on the type of project or activity, AAJ may be eligible to receive grant money to support the project. This type of involvement also provides publicity opportunities for AAJ. The organization can be another non-profit, a local church or fire station, a bank, radio station, etc. All suggestions are welcome.

## Treasured Memories at the Bottleworks

Works by Daniel Helsel

Exhibit Showing until May 31

## 2013 AAJ Spring Exhibition

The AAJ 2013 Spring Exhibition held at Ameriserv Financial Bank closed on April 20, 2013. This year's exhibition featured 37 works from among 21 artists. Eleven works stood out, 7 receiving monetary awards and 4 receiving honorable mentions. The recipients were Lori Perrine-Miglioretti for two entries: "Momento Mori" (shown on right) and "Dogwood and Daisies". Sherrill Begres received an award for her photograph "Death Valley Boulders # 2". Kathleen Kase-Burk received an award and a honorable mention for her pencil drawing "Many Moons" and color pencil rendering "Sea Life" respectively. Larry Mallory was recognized for his watercolor "Rust in Peace", Nadine Toth for her watercolor "Chaos in Color" and Gary Lehman for his mixed media work "Signs and Wonders". The remaining three honorable mentions went to Diane M. Safko for her digitally painted photograph "Garden Grandeur", Alan Lichtenfels for his metal sculpture "Wounded Warrior" (shown below) and Joy Fairbanks for her photograph "Niner Diner". Two works were purchased from the exhibition, Chris Tower's "Metamorphasize #5" and Diane Safko's "Garden Grandeur". **CONGRATULATIONS!**



Perrine-Miglioretti



Lichtenfels

Former art teacher and local businessman Arthur Lambert was juror for the exhibit. Mr. Lambert said he wasn't surprised to see so many outstanding works, because he knows how much talent is in this area. Our thanks to chairperson Lora Marsh for her work in the success of this show and also to the volunteers who assisted with receiving, hanging, refreshments & pickup.

## Marcene Glover Portrait Retreat Workshop at Touchstone Center for Crafts

1049 Wharton Furnace Road, Farmington, PA 15437

**Sept 20-22 2013**

Base fee: Tuition Deposit \$100. + lodging

see Touchstone site for details or call to register.

touchstonecrafts.org

Tel: 724.329.1370

## Oil Painting Class

Saturday, May 25

10am - 3pm

Instructor: Daniel Helsel



For more information or to sign up for this workshop contact the BOTTLE WORKS at (814) 536-5399

**DID YOU KNOW?** You can add information or a link to your art site on AAJ's Facebook page. You can also post notices on our Blog at: [www.johnstownart.com](http://www.johnstownart.com)