





"Signs and Wonders" by Gary Lehman



"Fervidus" by Megan Ochenrider



## **President's Letter**

Dear Member,

I hope you've had a wonderful Spring! Allied Artists has been very busy. Our beautiful Spring Show was held at Ameriserv Financial in April, and show chairs Ken Cotlar and Ann Dougherty did a great job. On May 7, we held our scholarship interviews at Bottle Works, and our judge, Maureen Kimlin, had a difficult time choosing the winners from the largest group of applicants in years (11). Many thanks to nette Ballow for once again chairing this important event. We also donated and presented the awards at the Young Artists Exhibit held at the Community Arts Center this month. It's exciting to see the work of these talented young artists!

Our Summer Show at the Community Arts Center is also coming up fast, so I hope you have your entries ready to go. Your (late) dues may be paid at receiving on June 4. Remember, this show is not juried and is only open to our members, so all work will be hung. We hope to see you at the opening on June 10.

You may have noticed that the dates for our 84th Annual Exhibition have been moved up about two and a half weeks this year. Due to some last-minute calendar adjustments on the part of UPJ, our 2016 show will open on August 12 instead of at the end of August, and that means the jurying will also have to take place earlier than usual. It will be on Saturday, <u>July 30</u> at Artworks. I realize this is very soon after the Summer Show, so I'm asking you to please plan ahead to have your best work available for our Annual. It's our most important show of the year (and has the most prize money!), so we want to give our juror plenty of opportunity to see the wide variety of high quality work our members produce. Watch for your prospectus in the mail in June, and create something wonderful! Kathleen Kase Burk, President

## ALLIED ARTISTS OF JOHNSTOWN 2016 EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

(All dates subject to change)

NON-JURIED SUMMER SHOW — COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER - June 4 – July 2, 2016

Receiving: Saturday, June 4 from 10 - 12 pm

Opening Reception: Friday, June 10 from 6 – 8 pm at the Community Arts Center

Pick-up: Saturday, July 2 from 10 – 12 pm

84th ANNUAL EXHIBITION — SAMA JOHNSTOWN, UPJ - August 12 – December 9, 2016

Jurying: Saturday, July 30 from 10—12 pm at the Artworks Building of Bottleworks on Third

Receiving at SAMA: Tuesday & Wednesday, August 9 &10 from 10:00 to 4:00 pm

(Opening Reception, Pick-up - TBA)



# Allied Artists of Johnstown, Pa Inc.

# 2016 Officers, Exhibit & Committee Chairs

President: Kathleen Kase Burk

Vice President: Ken Cotlar

Treasurer: Duane Webb/Bennett Vaughn

Corresponding Secretary: Diane Safko

Membership Secretary: Judith Lansberry

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Scholarship Chair: Annette Ballow

Winter Show: Norman Ed/Judy Crookston

Spring Show: Ken Cotlar, Ann Dougherty

Summer Show: Gary Lehman, Lida Hood

Annual Show: Kathleen Burk, Ken Cotlar

Social Media:

Website: Duane Webb

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ACOA Liaison / Newsletter: Diane Safko

Board Meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM

at St. Mark's Episcopal Church Hall, Locust Street in Johnstown.

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# **Member News and Community Notes of Interest**

### AAJ Scholarships awarded for 2016-2017

On May 7, 2016, Allied Artists conducted interviews of high school seniors' portfolios for the purpose of awarding AAJ scholar-ships to seniors planning on continuing their education in a visual art related field. This is an annual event made possible by our patrons who donate funds to AAJ's Scholarship program. Judge Maureen Kimlin awarded the following scholarships to five local high school seniors based on the talent represented by the work in their portfolios;

\$1500 Reiko Gresko, Richland High School, planning to study digital arts at Bowling Green State University

\$1000 Anthony Moran, Richland High School, planning to study architecture @ Penn State University

\$1000 Noah Simpson, Forest Hills High School, planning to study media arts with a concentration in photography

\$1000 Jade Regan, Central Cambria High School, planning to study art therapy at Seton Hill University

\$500 Monica Lough, Westmont Hilltop High School, planning to study fine arts at Temple University

A total of \$5000 was donated and awarded for the 2016-2017 AAJ Scholarship Award Program which was chaired by AAJ member Annette Ballow. CONGRATULATIONS to these seniors from Allied Artists and best of luck with your studies!

#### **Artists Remembered**

In years past, Allied Artists has honored its deceased members by donating an art book to the Cambria County Library in their names. AAJ recently made a gift to the library to purchase books in honor of the following artists: Glenn Brougher, Walter Kososki, Rich Newill, Jean O'Malley, Sandy Vargo, Ralph Welsh, and Paul Whinnie. They are remembered as talented individuals and our friends

### Johnstown's Artists on the Lawn

On Saturday, June 25, 2016 the Community Arts Center of Cambria County will host a family-friendly alternative to the Thunder in the Valley weekend, Artists on the Lawn. This program was inspired by the original New York and Paris street artists scene. We wanted to give homage to these pioneers by hosting an event where artists can participate by showing a live demonstration of their choice of medium, while public attendees and other artists watch. Last year was the premier of this event. The sense of comradery and socialization between artists with each other and the community was a thrilling sight. For further information and/ or application to participate, please contact the Community Arts Center of Cambria County, P.O. Box 866; 1217 Menoher Blvd., Johnstown, PA 15907 or call 814.255.6515. www.caccc.org.

# 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Learning Lamp Book Festival

The 8th Annual Learning Lamp Book Festival was held on April 8, 9 and 10 in the Artworks Building of Bottleworks on Third. It included amazing book illustrations, many done by local artists. It is noteworthy to mention that the illustrations of AAJ members Brian Dumm and Richard Hower were included as were the illustrations of former AAJ member Marcene Glover. Other illustrators were Eric Luden, Nora Thompson, J.D. Donnelly, Terese Jungle, Janet Carlisle, Judith Laslo and Judy Emerick.

### **Annual Knotweed Festival**

The Annual Knotweed Festival in Blairsville, a one-day event, will take place on August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016. There are many activities planned for children, a quilt show, demonstrations, historic walking tours and music all day. The organizers are looking for artists and food vendors to participate in the festival. Art spaces... 10 ft. \$35. Food vendors... \$50. Deadline for applications is June 30, 2016. For more information, please contact 724-459-8588 (Community Development Authority) or you may e-mail: bcda@blairsville-pa.net.

### 2016 Art Festival Schedule for Kenneth Cotlar

Harrisburg Art Fest-May 28-30 Frederick, MD-June 4-5 Three Pivers Art Festival, June 11 12 (boot Boalsburg Peoples Choice-July 14-17 Mount Gretna, PA-August 20-21

Three Rivers Art Festival-June 11-12 (booth 102)

Stop by and say Hey!

For more info about these events google the event name.

## Watercolor Batik Workshop

Offered by the Main Exhibit Gallery & Art Center, 301 W. Main Street, Ligonier, AAJ member and instructor Jeanne Wagle will teach a Watercolor Batik workshop on Saturday, June 18, from 10:00 – 4:00 pm. \$60 per class includes all materials. For more information and to register call 724-238-2310 or visit www.mainexhibitgallery.com.

## "Connections" with Brian Dumm

An exhibit entitled "Connections" opens at the Artworks Building of the Bottleworks on Third on June 24, 2016. It features the works of AAJ member Brian Dumm and Pittsburgh artist Ramon Riley. Save the date and plan to visit this unique and creative exhibition. For more information, visit www.bottleworks.org.

## **Donna Whitford Housel receives Teaching Honor**

On May 7, 2016 the Community Arts Center held the 17th Annual Richard G. Baker Recognition Awards at which AAJ member Donna Whitford Housel received the Excellence in Teaching award. Ms. Housel is a wildlife artist from Bedford. She has done many workshops and classes for the CACCC over a period of years which earned her the honor. Ms. Housel continues to teach classes that include color pencil, encaustics, pastel drawing and scratchboard art to name a few. CONGRATULATIONS Donnal

# **ACOA joins Showcase for Commerce**

Johnstown's annual Showcase for Commerce takes place May 31 through June 2, 2016 at the Cambria County War Memorial. The Arts Coalition of the Alleghenies (ACOA) will have a booth at the showcase to represent and promote the arts in our community and the groups which are members of the ACOA. AAJ member Diane Safko will act as representative for AAJ at the showcase along with reps from other member organizations. Please remember to stop by and show your support for the arts and enjoy the many businesses and organizations that are represented. For times of planned events, booth locations, etc. google Johnstown Showcase for Commerce.