

"Serenity" by Marianne Krizner

Dear Member.



"Nature's Design" by Diane Safko



"Marina #2" by Alan Rauch

Allied Artists Quarterly Newsletter Spring Edition 2018





President's Letter

Spring is sprung, and art is showing up everywhere! We received many compliments on our beautiful 2018 Spring Exhibition held at Ameriserv Bank March 12 - April 6. Sixty-five works of art were entered in this show, many by non-members, so it was a challenge for juror Kenneth Nicholson to pare that number down to the thirty-two that appeared in the exhibition. We welcomed SEVEN new members, and it was fun getting to know some of them at the well-attended opening reception on March 16. Award winners are listed below, and many thanks to Chris Tower and Sandy Vigna,

our Spring Show co-chairs, for all their hard work. On May 5, interviews were held at the Bottleworks for high school seniors competing for our Allied Artists college scholarships. Thirteen students from seven school districts applied, and Judge Maureen Kimlin selected four winners. Thanks to Annette Ballow for once again serving as our very capable Scholarship chairperson. We also provided awards for the Junior Art Show at the Community Arts Center, which opened on May 9. This exhibit showcases the work of talented local school students and recognizes the work of our dedicated area art teachers.

I hope you remembered to bring something in on May 16 for "Vision and Movement", our upcoming collaborative show with the Johnstown Concert Ballet. We're all looking forward to this exciting special event next fall! And last but not least, our non-juried Summer Show at the Community Arts Center is quickly approaching. You can pay your (late) dues at receiving on May 26th. Don't miss this opportunity to show off your best and latest creations! Kathleen Kase Burk, President

SPRING SHOW AWARD WINNERS

Dr. Magdi and Karen Azer Award - Kathleen Kase Burk, "Box Kebab #6" Dr. Joel and Mary Borkow Award - Kim Williams, "Nevertheless" Robert and Janet Wertz Award - Jaime Helbig, "Captain" Mary Lessard Award - Ann Dougherty, "Bird's Eye View" Saundra Gramling Award - Kathy Fieser, "Nells"

Allied Artists of Johnstown, Pa Inc.

2018 Officers, Exhibit & Committee Chairs

President: Kathleen Kase Burk Spring Show: Chris Tower / Sandy Vigna Vice President: Ken Cotlar Summer Show: Gary Lehman / Dan Helsel Treasurer: Bennett Vaughn Annual Show: Kathleen Burk / Ken Cotlar **Recording Secretary:** Marianne Krizner "Vision and Movement" Special Event: Membership Secretary: Kim Williams Marianne Krizner / Judith Lansberry Social Media ACOA Liaison: Jeanne Wagle Website: Duane Webb Patron Drive Chair: Marianne Krizner Facebook: Lora Marsh Scholarship Chair: Annette Ballow E-Mail / 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.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR E-MAIL REGULARLY FOR UPDATES, CHANGES, AND SPECIAL MESSAGES!



ALLIED ARTISTS OF JOHNSTOWN 2018 EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

(All dates subject to change)

NON-JURIED SUMMER SHOW — COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER - May 27—June 30,2018 Receiving: Saturday, May 26 from 10 – 12 pm / Pick-up: Saturday, June 30 Opening Reception: Friday, June 1 from 6 – 8 pm at the Community Arts Center 86th ANNUAL EXHIBITION — SAMA JOHNSTOWN, UPJ - August 24 – December 14, 2018 Receiving: Saturday, August 4 from 10 – 12 pm at Bottleworks (Drop-off of art work at SAMA Johnstown, Opening Reception Date & Pick-up - TBA) "VISION AND MOVEMENT" —Artworks - Sunday, October 21, 2:00 pm (Receiving & Hanging, Pick-up - TBA)

"Vision and Movement" UPDATE

AAJ / Johnstown Concert Ballet Collaboration

Forty-one works of art were presented to Carla Prucnal, Artistic Director of the Johnstown Concert Ballet for the upcoming special event, "Vision and Movement." Ms. Prucnal selected six groups of art works, each group to represent a ballet performance inspired by the works and choreographed by Ms. Prucnal.

Between now and October, when the event is scheduled to occur, Ms. Prucnal and her ballet students will be hard at work bringing the ballet renditions to life. Artworks is sponsoring this collaboration between Allied Artists and the Johnstown Concert Ballet. This unique performance promises to be a very special event for all those who attend.

Together we will be working on stage setup, lighting, music, seating, refreshments, advertising, etc. If you have any special skills to help make "Vision and Movement" a success and wish to help in any way, please contact Marianne Krizner, our event chairperson at (814) 255-1972. More information will follow in our summer newsletter.

AAJ 2018 Patron Drive

The Allied Artists of Johnstown Annual Patron Drive began May 15. You have probably received a letter in the mail regarding this. **Please be generous with your donation.** Funds raised are used for scholarships, awards for the three shows, and a gift for an organization serving the general public. We have been around for 86 years so we must be doing something right, but AAJ cannot function without your support. Thank you in advance.

AAJ Annual Senior Scholarship Program

On May 5th, of 13 applications received, 12 senior portfolios were reviewed by Judge Maureen Kimlin. Seven school districts were represented which included Berlin Brothersvalley, Bishop Carroll, Central Cambria, Johnstown, North Star, Richland and Westmont.

Ms. Kimlim selected four students to receive AAJ scholarships totaling \$5000:

Emily Hong - Berlin Brothersvalley \$2000

Will study Fashion Design at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City

DeShaun Hamer - Johnstown \$1000

Will study Graphic Design at Pittsburgh Technical College

Maeve Milligan - Westmont

Will study Visual Arts and Art Education at Millersville

Jacob Zidek - Johnstown \$1000

Will study Graphic Design at Pittsburgh Technical College

CONGRATULATIONS SENIORS!

\$1000

Community Notes

Call for Art: Ebensburg Arts 4 All is currently accepting art for display at the Everyday Gourmet gallery space. This work will be part of our "Summer 18" exhibit running through August. Artwork will be received on Thursday, June 8th at 8pm in Ebensburg. Artists are invited to submit up to 4 works (depending on size and number of entrants). Our Spring exhibit sold 10 of 30 exhibited pieces.

If interested, please email AAJ artist, Brian Dumm - bcdumm@gmail.com

Call for Mural Proposals: The Cambria Somerset Public Arts Project, with its parent organization; The Bottle Works Art on Third Avenue, are pleased to announce a call for design submissions for our River Wall Mural project. For complete details about this project, e-mail project administrator Michael Allison <u>publicart@bottleworks.org</u>.

Upcoming Exhibit: AAJ members Jeanne Wagle and David Greene will have an art exhibit at the Dressler Art Center in Somerset, Pa. "**Beyond the Imagination**" opens on August 7 with a reception on August17 from 6-8 pm.

Cambria County Arts and Heritage Festival: Laurel Highlands Historical Village is a reconstructed Cambria County community showcasing the history and lifestyles of this area's past. On Saturday, Sept. 15 and Sunday, Sept. 16, you are invited to take part in the first ever Cambria County Arts and Heritage Festival, to be held at Duman Park (north of route 422 and on route 271), featuring music, dance, food, arts, crafts, reenactments and displays. The cost to "craft" vendors is \$35; "artisan" vendor fee is \$50/day for a 10 x 10' space, or \$75/day for a 20 x 10' space. Applications can be found on their website, <u>www.laurelhighlandshistorical village.com</u>, or call Patti at (814) 288-7017.

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