



**Monthly Newsletter of the Gaston County Art Guild  
& Arts on the Greenway**

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**President's Message**

Dear Guild members,

2018 has been a year of transition for the Guild. We have many things to be grateful for. First, all of our wonderful volunteers who have given several hours sharing their talents to move the Guild forward. We have physically moved to a new location in Mount Holly and thank you to all those who made this possible. Also, several of our members are settled in at Unity Place. Second, while we have expanded throughout the county with our programs and juried shows, the spirit of the guild remains strong.

We look forward to seeing you December 11th in Belmont at Bliss Gallery for our holiday program with Holy Angels.

Artfully yours, Cam Tracy,  
GCAG President

**HOLLY DAYS MARKETPLACE**

FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS 10AM - 4PM

NOVEMBER 10 - DECEMBER 15

**ARTS ON THE GREENWAY**

**500 E CENTRAL AVE**

**MT HOLLY NC 28120**



**GCAG**

**Arts on the Greenway**

Guild members have been participating in the Holly Days Marketplace in Mount Holly each Friday and Saturday since November 10. If you have not already visited their tables and displays, please try to do so before December 15, which is the last day of the event.

Guild resident artists at Arts on the Greenway are settling in to their studios and work is progressing on the gallery area. Volunteers are always needed and if you can spare a couple of hours to help, please contact Dottie Scher, [dscher.nana@gmail.com](mailto:dscher.nana@gmail.com) or 704.689.2247.

**Wednesday, November 28, 2018**

**Annual Miniature Show Pick-up!**

**2:00-6:00 pm**

**Gaston County Public Library  
1555 E. Garrison Blvd. Gastonia,  
NC**



## **GCAG December Program**



**Tuesday, December 11, 2018**

**Cherubs & Bliss Gallery**

**25 N. Main St.**

**Belmont, NC**

**Meet & Greet 6-6:30 pm**

**Program begins at 6:30 pm**

### **List of Supplies Needed**

- **10- Various colors- Liquitex acrylic paint**
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- **4- Watercolor paint sets**
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- **6 packs- Ultra fine-point black pens**
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- **2 pack- Fine-point black pens**
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- **8- Foam paint brushes**
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- **6 packs- Paint pens- black, all colors**
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- **6 cans-Krylon UV-Resistant Acrylic Coating**
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- **6 packs- Alcohol Ink Yupo Paper**
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- **10 packs- Colored cardstock**

As part of our community outreach the Guild is happy to partner with Holy Angels in 2018-2019. Holy Angels is hosting our December meeting and the Guild, in turn, will donate art supplies for the resident artists at Holy Angels to use as they create artworks for Bliss Gallery.

We are excited about this opportunity to change our community through the arts while supporting such a worthwhile organization.

For more info: Brenda Bostian, [Brenda-bostian@earthlink.net](mailto:Brenda-bostian@earthlink.net).



## New & Renewing Members

BECOME A  
**MEMBER**  
*today*

### GCAG Membership!

If you've enjoyed being a member of the Gaston County Art Guild, please share your experiences with other artists who may be interested in joining.

Know someone who was a member, but lapsed?  
Encourage them to re-join!

Membership in this worthwhile organization can help area artists hone their skills and share their work with others in the community.

The following are new and renewing members since July, 2018

Justin Allison, Dallas	Allegra Klett-Wilson, Kings Mt.
Charles Austin, Charlotte	Barry Lockman, Dallas
Rachel Bagley	Timothy McDougold, Clover
Kathy Baily Cheshire, Gastonia	Stephanie McLaughlin, Gastonia
Meghan Berney, Belmont	Wanda Meekins, Gastonia
Donna Biddix	Jill Meeks, Belmont
Jim Biggers, Gastonia	Martha Moore, Shelby
Brenda Bostian, Gastonia	Suzanne Neerincx, Gastonia
Brenda Bradley, Gastonia	Jane Newsome, Gastonia
Gloria Brinkman (Family)	Linda Pellerin, Gastonia
Marina Burch, Belmont	Doris Phillips, Alexis
Beril Cakir, Gastonia	Cindy Reed, Mount Holly
Wanda Campbell, Gastonia	Jason Reynolds, Gastonia
Greta Marie Carlos, Belmont	Cass Roberts, Bessemer City
Debra Clancy, Gastonia	Teresa Ryan, Gastonia
Renee Clemmer, Stanley	Dottie Scher, Gastonia
Comelia (Freda) Crawford, Clover	Michelle Scopa, Gastonia
Kim George, Gastonia	Nancy Shannon, Gastonia
Pat Groome, Gastonia	Ronald Shepard, Gastonia
Kendall Haltwanger, Gastonia	Lore Spivey, Gastonia
Linda Hartzig	Carol Stowe, Belmont
Lynne Jessen, Mount Holly	Camilla Tracy, Gastonia
Travis Johnson, Gastonia	Raissa Urdiales
Nancy Kennedy, Waxhaw	Rosemarie Weisenhorn, Gastonia

To join Gaston County Art Guild,  
<https://www.gastoncountycastle.com/join>

Also join us on Facebook,  
<https://www.facebook.com/gastoncountycastle/>

## Holiday Events

**Now –Jan. 6, 2019:** Holidays at the Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden will be held daily with the exception of Christmas Day. Food service will be available each night, in addition to beverages including coffee, hot chocolate, cider, beer, wine and other spirits. Visitors will experience more lights than ever before, a musically-orchestrated topiary display, an illuminated prairie garden, and extended lights of fire and ice in the perennial garden. The event will also include crackling fires, a Children's Discovery Trail, and model train displays.

**Friday, Nov. 30, 5:00 pm:** McAdenville will be illuminated by thousands of lights throughout December. The community is invited to walk or drive through and view the displays. The **official lighting ceremony** is on the plaza in front of the Pharr Family YMCA. A McAdenville Elementary student will pull the switch at 6 p.m. Check out the free light show from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. on weeknights, and from 5:30 to 11 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays through Dec. 26.

**Saturday, Dec. 1, 1:00 pm:** The Ranlo Christmas Parade will be held beginning at the Ranlo Lodge. The town's Christmas tree lighting ceremony will take place **Monday, Dec. 3, at 6:00 p.m.** at town hall, 1624 Spencer Mountain Road.

**Saturday, Dec. 1, 5:30-6:30 pm: Belmont Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony**—Belmont City Hall, 115 N. Main St., Belmont. Come out and watch the yearly lighting of downtown's Christmas tree.

**Saturday, Dec. 1, 8:00 pm:** Abbey Chorus, Instrumental Ensemble, voice, organ and piano students present the college's annual Holiday Concert in the Abbey Basilica, 100 Belmont-Mount Holly Road, Belmont. The audience will be invited to sing some familiar songs accompanied by the Basilica organ. A variety of music of the Christmas season both sacred and secular will be performed. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted. Visit [www.bac.edu](http://www.bac.edu) or call 704-461-6012 for more information.

**Sunday, Dec. 2: 4:00-5:00 pm:** The Jaycees Gastonia Christmas Parade will be held along Main Avenue. Following the parade, The lighting of the downtown Gastonia Christmas tree will take place at the Rotary Pavilion, 111 N. South St. at 5:30 pm.

**Tuesday, Dec. 4, 3:30 pm:** The annual **Belmont Christmas Parade**—The parade begins at Stowe Park at the intersection of South Main, McLeod and Myrtle streets and will end at Dwight Frady Field on Catawba Street. Santa Claus will make a special appearance.

**Thursday, Dec. 6, 4:00 pm:** The Cramerton Holiday Parade will be held followed by the lighting of the town Christmas tree and the annual celebration of Christmas in Cramerton. That event will be marked by photos with Santa as well as carriage rides through the decorated downtown.

**Friday, Dec. 7, 5:00 pm:** The Bessemer City Christmas Parade will be held. The parade will be followed by Christmas in the City in the downtown area, an event featuring music, entertainment, food, and rides.

## Holiday Events

**Saturday, Dec. 8, 9:30 am:** The Cherryville Christmas Parade will be held downtown and A Very Cherryville WhoVille Christmas will

**Saturday, Dec. 8, 2:00-6:00 pm:** The Schiele Museum, 1500 E. Garrison Blvd., Gastonia, will celebrate a "Colonial Christmas and Candlelighting". The event will include the procession of the Yule log, decorating with greenery, early American carols, and English country dancing. At dusk, the candlelighting service will be held, featuring hot, gingered apple cider and a taste of Christmas pudding.

**Wednesday, Dec. 12, 3:00 pm:** The Stanley Christmas Parade will be held in the downtown area.

**Friday, Dec. 14, 4:00 pm:** The annual Dallas Christmas Parade. Dallas Fire Chief Steve Lambert calls this parade, "one of the best in the county with the largest crowds." He also noted that "sirens will be used sparingly so as not to hurt the children's ears." Applications for entering the parade can be found on the town's web site.

**Saturday, Dec. 15, 3:00 pm:** The Lowell Christmas Parade will proceed down North Main Street to West First Street. The parade will be immediately followed by "Light Up Lowell," which will continue until 5:30 p.m. and will feature vendors, music, food, and kids' activities.



As the year 2018 comes to a close, why not look ahead to 2019 and consider ways you can help the Gaston County Art Guild through volunteering. We have many opportunities for you to help whether its serving as a member of the Board of Directors to teaching a class or workshop or helping with shows or events. We will find an area that is suitable to you! For more information, please contact Cam Tracy, [Camilla.k.tracy@gmail.com](mailto:Camilla.k.tracy@gmail.com).

**If you have an item for the ARTworks monthly newsletter, or the Weekly Update, please contact Linda Pellerin, [publicity@gastoncountyartguild.com](mailto:publicity@gastoncountyartguild.com).**



**Deadlines: ARTworks Newsletter—20th of each month**

**Weekly Updates—12 noon each Saturday**