



Holly Day's Market Discount and Christmas Hours

Beginning Saturday, December 2, Arts on Main will open at 12:30 p.m. and close at 6:00 p.m. We are hoping to attract city employees and patrons of Viva Tequis (formally Tequilas). A discount of 15% will be offered on all items for sale. This will include all Holly Market items, gift shop and resident artists' works. This 15% will be taken out of the commission that would normally go to the Guild. The artist will not be impacted and we hope to have lots of visitors. Look for our ad in the Gazette, on Facebook and other social media outlets. Come to Arts on Main for your Christmas gifts and tell your friends.

Happy Holidays!

The December Guild meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, December 12th, at Arts on Main. We will be having our annual holiday pot luck social hour beginning at 6:00 pm. Please bring a dish to share. Dennis Shook, a former Guild President and a local painter and sculptor, will be giving a presentation at 7:00pm. Please save the date and make every effort to join us for this fun evening.



Guild Meeting Minutes

Effective after December 12th, members who miss our Tuesday night Guild meetings can go to our website and read the business meeting minutes. The benefits of Guild members attending the meetings is to have the ability to network and educate themselves through the program presented. We understand that it is not always possible to attend and hope that the minutes will keep our members updated on current events.

Congratulations to the winners of our Miniature Show held at the Gaston County Public Library! Violet Arth, the judge for this show, has a major in marketing and a minor in Studio Fine Arts from Appalachian State.

1st Place: Cam Tracy

2nd Place: Cam Tracy

3rd Place: Betty Alfred Mackinson

Honorable Mentions

Jean Goebel, Martha Moore and Debra Martin



Happenings in Our Area

Southern Arts Society located in King's Mountain, NC is having their annual "Art for Christmas." Another great place for one of a kind Christmas gifts!

Gastonia Christmas Parade

The Jaycees' Christmas Parade will be held on December 3rd at 4:00pm. It will go down Main Avenue as it has in the past, and the parade will end at approximately 5:00pm. We have teamed up with the City of Gastonia and Keep Gastonia Beautiful to bring "Christmas in the City" to our downtown. There will be a Christmas Village from 2:00pm-8:00pm with the Christmas Parade at 4:00pm followed by Keep Gastonia Beautiful Christmas Tree Lighting at 6:00pm-7:00pm. We encourage the children to stay for the Christmas Village and the Christmas Tree Lighting. This will be a fun family outing!

Holidays at the Gardens, Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens

The Garden glows with holiday spirit from the twinkling trees to the sparkling fountains and it is transformed into a natural winter wonderland filled with unique festive décor including a towering tree of orchids, more than 600,000 lights, and illuminated displays. Each night visitors will enjoy **live music**, holiday shopping in **The Garden Store**, **crackling fires** to warm cold hands or roast a marshmallow, and the **Children's Holiday Discovery Trail** of activities. **Model train displays**



created by the Metrolina Model Railroaders can be found throughout the Garden.

Horse-drawn carriage rides will be available from Southern Breezes Carriages from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursday through Sunday through Dec. 31 and also Dec. 18-20. Carriage rides are \$6/adult, \$4/child 3-10, and free for children under 3. The **Garden Tram** will be available for rides on evenings when the carriages are not available and rides are free with admission from 6:00pm to 9:00 p.m.

Please visit <https://www.dsbg.org/events/garden-events/public-garden-events/holidays-at-the-garden/> for more information.

We want to thank our members that renewed and the ones who became new members in November, 2017.

Brenda Beard-Bostian, Wanda Campbell, Greta Marie Carlos, Carlos Cotera, Barbara O'Neal Davis, Jean Goebel, Dena Jenkins, Nancy Kennedy, Kathy Livermore, Lorene Lovell, Patrick Parks, Hazel Pearce, Cindy Reed, Paul and Angela Shafranski and Rosemarie Weisenhorn.

We wouldn't have a Guild without you.

From the Guild Board to the Guild members, we hope you all have a wonderful Holiday Season!!!