



## ARTWORKS

### Gaston County Art Guild Newsletter October 2017

#### ~A Visual Harvest Show~

We would like to congratulate the winners of A Visual Harvest show:

Best of Show: Barbara O'Neal Davis

1st place: Alex Pietersen

2nd place: Mary Margaret Myers

3rd place: Stephanie McLaughlin

Merit Awards: Pat Pietersen, Anne Cowie and Betsy Parke

Honorable Mentions: Gary Shelley, Allie Farlowe and Sandy Collier

The show will be at Arts on Main until November 2nd and can be seen Wednesday through Saturday from 11:00am until 4:00 pm. If you haven't been by to see these wonderful works of art, please join us with a show of support for these artists.

#### ~Classes at Arts on Main~

Acrylic Pouring Class

by Melissa Lynch

Please visit [www.gastoncountyartsguild.com](http://www.gastoncountyartsguild.com)

to find out all the details of this super fun class.

**Are you interested** in sharing your talents with others? There are many opportunities to teach a class at Arts on Main. Please contact Cathy Caron at [sunnycjcaron610@gmail.com](mailto:sunnycjcaron610@gmail.com) or Susan Walker at [sandycove@comporium.net](mailto:sandycove@comporium.net)

### **~Important News~**

We are pleased to announce that we have received a \$2,000 Grass Roots Grant for our High School Senior Show. The Guild is required to match that amount for the program. In order to fund this we are planning a **Masquerade Ball** to be held on October 28th at Arts on Main from 6:00pm-9:00pm.

There will be a \$5.00 entry fee for 12 yrs. and older. Children under 12 are free.

For more information, please contact Jane Newsom at [j.yellowfish@gmail.com](mailto:j.yellowfish@gmail.com).

### **~Our October Guild Meeting~**

Our meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, at AOM, at 6:30pm. We will learn who our new Guild President is and afterward, we will have a presentation by Scott Boyle, a NC landscape artist and the founder of the North Carolina Plein Air Painters. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

### **~Call to Artists~**

The Catawba River Artisans, in partnership with Gaston County Art Guild, would like to extend an invitation to local artisans to participate in a Veteran's Day Art & Music Fest. There will be a lot of advertising done for this show, making it a great opportunity for the artist to sell their work.

A reception will be held on November 10th from 6:00pm 9:00pm.

Please visit the Guild's website and Catawba River Artisans website for more information.

### **~Call to Artists~**

The take in for Holly Days Market Place begins Wednesday, November 15th and runs through Saturday, November 18th from 11:00am - 4:00pm. The prospectus will be available on our website at [www.gasoncountyyartguild.com](http://www.gasoncountyyartguild.com) by mid-October. The show will run from October 22nd until December 22nd.

### **~Christmas in the City Festival~**

It's time to begin accepting applications for this year's Christmas in the City Festival. This event is held in downtown Gastonia on Dec 3rd from 2:00pm - 7:00pm in conjunction with the annual Christmas Parade and the annual tree lighting. For more information, please visit <https://www.gastoniafestivals.com/christmas-village>.

### **~More Family Fun~**

Come join the fun at Daniel Stowe Botanical Gardens for the Chinese Lantern Festival 2017, held until October 29th.

There are more than 12 acres of larger than life animals from around the world and is a must see for people of all ages. For more information, please visit <https://www.dsbq.org/events/garden-events/public-garden-events/chinese-lantern-festival/>

## ~What's Happening~

The Schiele Museum is seeking volunteers to be the Mascot for 2 upcoming events - Reptile Day & Dinosaur Day.

Dates: Saturday, November 4th from 1:00pm to 4:00pm

(note: 2 people are needed for this time slot because the person wearing the mascot suit needs a spotter) If you are available, please email [gaston@gastonarts.org](mailto:gaston@gastonarts.org) to receive additional information.

## ~Member News~

Guild member, Mary Margaret Myers, presently has her work in the lobby of the Manor Theater and the Providence Gallery, located behind the theater on Providence Rd., Charlotte. Mary Margaret is an award winning artist whose works have been shown over the years in Charlotte Galleries. She won 2nd place this year in the Visual Harvest show and Best of Show last year.

**Do you** have any ideas of how we can make our Guild work more efficiently and create more of a buzz in Gastonia? If so, please email Wanda Meekins with your ideas and she'll share them with the board.  
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~Artist Opportunities from the Gaston Arts Council~



Gaston Arts Council has several opportunities for artists of all ages.  
Please check it out at <http://gastonarts.org>

~Putting Your News on Our Website~

Any information you would like to see on our website or in our  
newsletter, please send to  
Angela Shafranski at [shafranskip@gmail.com](mailto:shafranskip@gmail.com).

~IMPORTANT~

Gaston Arts Council is planning for a GO Month in October with each week of the month having a different focus. The week of October 22-28 is Culture and Recreation Week. The Council's goal is to provide access for the community with the abundance of cultural touch points in the county. The Guild is one of those touch points.

The board has voted to give a 15% discount on any purchases made during that one week. The 15% would be taken from the commission that the Guild would take and the sale would not impact what the artist would receive. Advertising and publicity is being handled by the Council and we felt this would be a great opportunity to encourage people to visit the Guild.