

WATAUGA VALLEY ART LEAGUE February 2015

Watauga Valley Art League Meeting

February21, 2015, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Johnson City Memorial Park Community Center

The Watauga Valley Art League will meet Saturday, February 21, 2015, at the Johnson City Memorial Park Community Center, 510 Bert Street, from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm. An informal art critique begins at 10:30 for those interested, as well as a time for fellowship.

The speaker for the February meeting will be **Adam Shepherd**, a new young graphite artist from Elizabethton, TN. He will speak about his work in "Black and White".

Some of the WVAL artists' artwork may be seen at <u>www.wataugavalleyartleague.com</u>. For more information about the meeting or WVAL please contact Ed Puhr at (423) 467-4285.

*** Dues for 2015: \$33 per person and \$45 per couple and \$18 per art student ***
\$15.00 after July 1st

Mail to: Watauga Valley Art League, PO Box 2177, Johnson City, TN 37605

For your convenience, all forms and applications are in PDF Format and can be downloaded and printed from the WVAL Website

Judy O'Hara currently has her artwork on display at the One Acre Cafe on Walnut Street in Johnson City.***

Art Classes:

URBAN BIRD: Morning art class - TUES. 9 AM; evening art class - Tues. 6:30 PM. All media & all levels. \$30.00 for 8 wks.At Kiwanis Park.

- W. Market St., Johnson City. New classes every 8 wks. Call Urban at 743 4950.
- ART HOLSCLAW Basic Acrylics Weds 12:30-2:30 at the Community Ctr. Call Art 543-6676 for details
- JUDY O'HARA Acrylic Courses Please contact her at 833-5525 or <u>judyohara@ymail.com</u>
- LINDA CAMPBELL for class info 477-8196
- KEN SIMMELINK: Open painting and critique, Mondays 12:30 to 2:30 at the Senior Center.

Reminder: The next board meeting is February 16, 2015 and General Membership Meeting is February 21, 2015 at Johnson City Memorial Park Community Center.

Should anyone have a DVD from the WVAL Library, please return it at the next general membership meeting so the librarian can have an accurate inventory.

DREAMS OF AFRICA

JOHNSON CITY AREA ARTS COUNCIL is announcing an exhibition Of Doctor Gary Chambers' African Art to be on display at the Millennium Center Johnson City Tennessee February through April 2015. The exhibit is open to the public, free of charge, Monday through Friday nine till five p m. The exhibit includes figure paintings, portraits and animal paintings inspired by many years of volunteer medical missions to several countries in Africa. Reception and demonstration painting to be announced. For more information e mail artbyjoanelliott@gmail.com other Doctor Chambers art at Warrior's Canvas and Veterans art Center E Main Johnson City. Website www.doctorchambers.net



Any WVAL Member interested in having their profile art portfolio placed on the WVAL Website or Facebook Page, please submit a short biography along with several samples of artwork to <u>WVAL@WataugaValleyArtLeague.com</u>.

Please check us out at WWW.WataugaVallevArtLeague.com and WWW.Facebook.com/WataugaVallevArtLeague

The Kingsport Art Guild Opens Registration for "Explore, Experience and Express" an acrylic and mixed media collage workshop with Toni Carlton. The workshop will be held March 18, 19 and 20 from 10:00 a.m.- 4 p.m. At the Renaissance Center for the Arts, 1200 E. Center St., Kingsport in room 239. Carlton will lead participants through opportunities to explore new techniques using layers of acrylics, gel mediums, paper, fibers and more. They will experience the beauty of using the written word as a prompt to begin their artwork. Expressing awareness along with the mystery of allowing random surprises will stimulate the artists that will free them from traditional painting techniques. Using photo transfers, translucent paints,

graphite, in rice paper and fibers will help create texture in these experiences. Toni Carlton is owner, director and curator of Carlton Gallery near Banner Elk, NC celebrating 33 years in 2015. Visit www.carltongallery.com. Down payment is \$75 for Kingsport Art Guild Members and \$85 for non-members is due January 30. Final payment is due Febrauary 20 (members \$220 and non=members \$245). Non-member will receive a year's membership in the Art Guild as part of their tuition. Checks should be made payable to and mailed to Kingsport Art Guild, Renaissance Arts Center, 1200 E. Center St., Kingsport, 37660. Attention: Alice Payne. Mark on memo line-Carlton workshop. Supply list will be sent when down payment is received. Visit www.kingsportartguild.com for cancellation policy.

Watauga Valley Art League General Membership Meeting January 17, 2015

10:30 am, Fellowship and Art Critique.

Meeting opened at 11:00 am with Wautauga Valley Art League President Ed Puhr giving a quote: "Love and skill work together to form a masterpiece". Welcome to all members and visitors. New board members will present their artwork and tell about their media and technique.

Ann Brumback volunteered to facilitate the DVD Library, thank you Ann. WVAL is in need of a hospitality coordinator to handle food setup and take down for show receptions. This position no longer involves coordinating food at monthly meetings.

Don Gotterbarn made the motion with a second by Brenda McNenny that the minutes from the short meeting in December be accepted as written. The motion was approved.

Mona Kramer, Treasurer reported that the WVAL account balance as of the end of December is \$3,237.02 and Newell/Hendershot account has \$1,095.70.

Judy O'Hara, Membership reported that we had 33 members sign in and 2 visitors: Adam Shepherd and Maria.

Sharon Neuhaus, Member Advocate stated that if anyone has a complaint of any kind, please contact her.

After this meeting and the new board members show and demonstrate their artwork, there will be a show and tell available for all members at each and every meeting to show their artwork and explain their technique and media. There is a sign up sheet in the back.

Thee will be an oil and acrylics workshop by Nancy Jane Ernest in 2015 and there is a sign up sheet in the back for informational purposes only, there has been not date or price confirmation as of this date.

Anyone interested in displaying their work at the Jonson City Community Health Center please sign up for a particular month and the sheet is in the back of the room.

David Kramer: Hopland will be changing artists January 31 and needs 9 artists to display for the following 3 months. There is no cost for displaying artwork, the piece needs to be wired and a WVAL card be placed on the front and the back with all the pertinent information. The first 9 members to contact David will be accepted. The only restriction is a 50# weight limit.

Thank you to the O'Haras for coordinating the Christmas Show.

Kimberly McCarron is taking the hard copy of the scrap books and digitizing the history of the Watauga Valley Art League.

We have been lacks in critiquing artwork at the beginning of the meetings. If anyone would like advise or an opinion on a piece of artwork, let someone know and they will help out.

Art in the Park in April at the Johnson City Memorial Community Center. There is a minimal cost and all proceeds will benefit the Center.

William King Museum will be having an exhibit call Cosmos and this should be an outstanding display.

There are frames in the back for sale and all proceeds will go to WVAL. Thanks to Judy Boone for donating these frames.

Members Susan Donner, Tom White, Judy O'Hara, Raven Waya, Mona Kramer Sharon Neuhaus and Ed Puhr all displayed artwork and told about their techniques and media used.

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Elton O'Hara.



The Johnson City Area Arts Council provides access to the arts for the people of Johnson City and the Northeast TN. area through education, communication and support of cultural activities.

January 20, 2015

Dear Members, Artists, and Supporters of the Johnson City Area Arts Council;

We are standing at a crossroads in our thirty-six year history. As you may know, this past year has brought some dramatic changes to our organization in large part because we have suffered some serious financial losses in state and local funding.

Members of the JCAAC Board have engaged in some difficult and soul-searching meetings that have resulted in decisions to give up our gallery space on the ground floor of the King Building and relocate to a smaller office on the third floor. For now, we must discontinue participation in Arts Corp and the annual 4x4 Fundraiser, and, most painfully of all, eliminate the positions of Executive Director and Director of Operations, thereby establishing us as a fully volunteer agency with no paid positions.

As difficult and game-changing as these decisions have been, we have not given up or lost our enthusiasm for supporting the arts in our region. Needless to say, we are actively seeking financial support that will allow us to continue our work. And just as essential, we are reaching out to you for ideas about our future direction. What services can JCAAC provide? Who can we impact? With whom can we partner? How will we sustain our goals? And most important, what are you willing to do to help create the organization we are meant to be.

Your past support is greatly appreciated and we trust your continuing assistance will establish a future direction to which we will all be proud.

Please send your donations and/or ideas to: Johnson City Area Arts Council (<u>jcarts@mounet.com</u>) King Centre Suite 302-D, Johnson City, TN 37601.

Wishing you an art filled New Year!

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