

# Island Art Association



Gallery of Nassau County Artists

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## December Dates to Remember

Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Cutoff for buying tickets for Holiday/Christmas Social  
Dec 4<sup>th</sup> Last day to apply for the 2nd round of Featured Artist  
Dec 5<sup>th</sup> Nouveau Art Show Receiving - "That Makes Me Laugh," 9am-noon  
Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Dickens Festival  
Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> Artwalk 5:00-7:00pm  
Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> Critique at Karibo 9:30am  
Dec 12<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting 3:30pm.  
Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> Holiday-Christmas Social / Art Chat 6:30pm

If you have an upcoming event/meeting scheduled and want it listed under the "Dates to Remember," please get the information to Susan McGrath-Smith by the 20th of the current month for inclusion in the upcoming newsletter.

## Message from the President

With the holiday season upon us, it is a time to celebrate with good cheer and to be thankful. I am very thankful for the fellowship, commitment, and inspiration I have gained from the Island Art Association, and for all that each of you has contributed to the organization this past year. As you celebrate this special season, may your heart be filled with joy and peace. May blessings of the holidays linger in your home and stay with you throughout the year.

Gwen Cowart

HAPPY KWANZAA!  
Merry Christmas  
Happy Hanukkah  
Happy Holidays

## Board of Directors Meeting November 7, 2016

### Highlights of the Board of Directors Meeting

November Board of Directors Meeting Minutes will be sent in a separate document.

### Announcements

#### Drawing Winner

Virginia Dunlap won the IAA's first drawing awarding her a \$50 gift certificate to be used toward a purchase of \$50 or more in the gallery! Congratulations, Virginia.

The next drawing will be held at next month's Artrageous Artwalk on December 10.

#### Gallery Scrapbook

Please put clippings/photos of members and committee activities in Historian folder in the office.....so we'll see next year what we did this year!! and be proud!

Karen McFadyen, Historian

#### Nouveau Art

This is a reminder that the Dec./Jan. Nouveau Art show, themed "That Makes Me Laugh", will have receiving of artwork on Dec. 5, 9am-noon, & the Reception Dec. 10, 5-7pm.

Diane Hamburg is the Chair.

Those artists who are displaying work now in "Reflections/Illusions", please remove your work on either Dec. 3 or 4, so we will have plenty of room to display the new work.

In February, we will again display the Nassau County High School Student Art Show. Receiving for that is Feb. 3 & 4, the Reception is Sunday afternoon Feb. 12 from 1-3pm. Denise Murphy is Chair of this show & with the recommendation from UNF professor, Nofa Dixon, has asked one of Nofa's students to be the judge.

This show verifies the Island Art Association's interest in supporting the arts in the Nassau County schools.

Louise Mozena, Chair Nouveau Art

#### 2016/2017/2018 Nouveau Art Show Themes

- Dec. 2016/ Jan.17- "That Makes Me Laugh", Receiving Dec.5; Reception Dec.10. Chair Diane Hamburg
- Feb. 2017- Nassau County High School Student Art Show-Receiving Feb.3/4; Reception Feb.12, 1-3 pm Chair Denise Murphy
- March Members Show- "My Favorite Subject", Receiving March 6; Reception March 11. Chair Georganna Mullis
- April/May 2017 - "In Bloom"; Receiving April 3; Reception April 8. Chair-Barbara Fuller
- June/July 2017 - "America the Beautiful"; Receiving June 5; Reception June 10. Chair -Rosemary Skidmore
- Aug./Sept. 2017- "Sunshine"; Receiving Aug. 7; Reception Aug. 12. Chair- Barb Wylie
- Oct./Nov. 2017- "Autumn Colors"; Receiving Oct. 2; Reception Oct. 14. Chair - Marlene Strobach
- Dec.2017/Jan.2018 - "Celebrate"; Receiving Dec.4; Reception Dec.9. Chair - Diane Hamburg
- Feb. 2018 - Nassau County High School Student Show - Chair - Denise Murphy
- March Members Show - "Splash of Color"; Chair - Karen Trowbridge
- April/May 2018 - "People"; Chair - Jim McKinney

You may enter 2 artworks. Fees for members are \$15.00 for one entry, \$25 for 2 entries and non-members are \$25 for each entry. The limits for both 2D and 3D art are not to exceed 144 united inches. That means that the outside measurements of the four sides of the frame (or four sides of the 3D artwork) are not to be greater than 144 inches. (Example, 36" +36" +36" +36"). No more than 2 entries per artist will be accepted. Work should be ready to hang with appropriate hanging wires. No saw tooth hangers or tiny hooks.

## Amelia Island Art Chat

It's time to sign up for our annual Christmas/Holiday party. This year's gala is to be held at Golf Club of Amelia in the Fireplace Room. It's the club adjacent to the Ritz. It is NOT the municipal golf club. Directions are online, in the gallery, and on our website. The address is 4700 Amelia Island Pkwy. The essentials are as follows:

Date: Dec. 13, the second Tues. (not 3rd as is usual for Art Chat)

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30 per person, tax and gratuity included, for heavy appetizers and a cash bar

Tickets: keep your pink receipt after paying in gallery

Deadline to sign up: Dec.1

Parking: Ritz garage; assistance a half hour early; a golf cart for returning after if needed

Please come and celebrate being a part of our vibrant arts community. Dates, spouses, guests are welcome. This is not a member only event. As in past years, there will be a gift exchange of hand-made items for any who wish to participate. There will also be a 50/50 raffle, which means the winner takes home half of whatever money is raised and the gallery keeps the rest. The Fireplace Room holds 150, so we hope everyone who is still in town will join us.

Oh, and there is handicap access to the right of the club entrance. Special dietary needs can be accommodated (contact Virginia Dunlap for more info)

Looking forward to January: The first Art Chat of the new year is a business meeting and it's important that members attend. Also, we're still working out details for a printmaking experiential follow-up to Nov.'s Art Chat program on Japanese prints and printmaking. It looks like it will be in mid-to-late Jan. So far 19 have signed up. There is room only for 20, but no doubt a few spaces will open up. Contact Virginia Dunlap or Barb Wylie for a backup list.

Virginia Dunlap and Barb Wylie, Co-Chairmen of the Arrangements Committee

## Membership

Please add this information to your yearbook to keep it up to date. If your phone number, email or address changes, please contact Lis Krawiecki at [liskrawiecki@gmail.com](mailto:liskrawiecki@gmail.com)

If you haven't already, please stop by the Gallery and pick up your 2016-2017 Member Yearbook.

Please update your Member Yearbook with the following new Associate Members:

### New Members

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### We welcome back and/or update information on these Associate Members:

Barbara Davis: new email: [barbara\\_davis1933@aol.com](mailto:barbara_davis1933@aol.com)

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## What's Happening Here and There *by Barbara Fuller*

Barbara's column will return next month.

### Gallery Director's Corner

Vickie Maley [vickie.maley@comcast.net](mailto:vickie.maley@comcast.net)

As promised the front desk redo is almost completed. We heard and addressed these concerns about the front desk area.

- More room was needed for artists who need assistance getting around and for when 2 people work. We created 2 desk areas, and moved some walls to create more space. We still have minimal space at the desk, however, in order to not take away more gallery space.
- Safety:
  1. There are two exits in the area.
  2. We now face the customer when doing business with them rather than conducting transactions with our backs to them.
  3. The chairs to the desk still face the wall as before. Remember to stand or turn your chair to greet and address customers as before.
  4. The file cabinet under the new desk is for the workers' personal belongings. Lock it and take the key when you must leave the front desk.
  5. Wires will be off the floor where possible or better protected.
- Better organization/attractiveness:
  1. Drawers are now labeled with typed labels in a uniform holder. Familiarize yourself with the labels so you know where things are located.
  2. There are folders for all projects on the desk. Please email, phone or text the artist if there is a message for them. Do not tape messages to the desks. Officers have folders in the back office where messages for them can be placed.
  3. All the information artists need should be in the folders, in the *Forms and Procedures* book or the other notebooks located in the new open cabinet.
  4. The unsightly fly swatter and the grabber tool are accessible, but out of site.
  5. The radio and suggestion box are on a shelf.
  6. The business cards are on the wall accessible to customers.
  7. The new space for "Artist on Duty" is across from the cash wrap - more visible.
- More display space: There is new space for jewelers and 3D artists with the new cash wrap/display counter. Cori and Leslie still have their own cabinets.
- Sales transactions occur in one place: All sales equipment/supplies are in one place. (Except for the brown paper roll, but at least it is off the floor and easier to access.) This was also a safety and time issue since bubble wrap was in the back office requiring workers to leave the desk to get supplies.
- No wrapping on the jewelry counters: If there is a very large piece, it can be done on the desktop, not on the jewelry counters, as jewelers request us to do.
- Lower desk height for computer work: It is now at keyboard level of 28 inches.
- Improved traffic flow. The space is designed for 3 purposes:
  1. Transactions: Desk workers have all the cash wrap area to do transactions
  2. The desktop on the back wall is for personal use while working.
  3. Other exhibiting artists who come in for various reasons should enter at the entrance by the movable wall. Everything they need (tags, painting labels, supplies, hooks, name tags, notebooks, etc.) is in the new cabinets and the drawers at that corner of the jewelry case. There is no need for cross traffic to hinder the worker(s) on duty. Please remind artists not on duty to use the appropriate entrance. Please read the labels to locate your needed items and replace them in the correct drawers.
- Future changes
  1. Glass tops are ordered for the desk top and the new cash wrap display cabinet.
  2. Gwen is creating pewter covers for the light switches.
  3. Jane plans to add molding and refresh paint.
  4. There are plans to replace the chairs and the front door rug. There will be a rolling chair and a stationary chair as requested by members.

Vickie Maley, Gallery Director

## Art Education

### Current and Upcoming Classes

Handouts available at Gallery Sales Desk  
Check out our website for complete details – [IslandArt.org](http://IslandArt.org)

#### **Opportunities at the Education Center**

**(Check out our website for complete details – [IslandArt.org](http://IslandArt.org))**

**Using your Digital Camera with Lea Gallardo**

January 7, 2017 (Free to IAA Members!)

**Painting Miniatures with Allison Watson.**

January 13 & 14, 2017

**Watercolors with Cedar Kindy.**

Jan. 27 & 28, 2017

**Free Drawing Classes with Nofa Dixon.**

February 3 & 10, 2017 (Free to IAA Members!)

**Christine Peloquin Mixed Media Workshop.**

Feb 17 -18, 2017

**"Bigger, Faster, Fresher, Looser" Contemporary/ Painting.**

with David Kessler, Feb. 22-24, 2017

**Oil and Acrylic Painting with Elio Camacho.**

February 26-March 4, 2017

**Chinese Watercolors with Lian Zhen,**

March 16 & 17, 2017

**Intuitive Art with Candy Schultheis**

March 24 & 25, 2017

**Watercolor "Skillet" Batik Workshop**

with Linda Hammons, April 6, 2017

**"Go Big, Go Bold" Painting with Filomena Booth**

April 13-15, 2017

**A Painting a Day with Lisa Kennedy**

April 21 & 22, 2017

**Paper Painting Collage with Elizabeth St. Hillaire**

May 29-31, 2017

#### **Ongoing Art Opportunities**

**Free Children's Art:** Free guided activities provided by local artists for school age children. You must register for each session individually by calling the IAA gallery at 904-261-7020 or signing up in person at the gallery desk. The next sessions are December 17 and January 21. There are 2 groups, one for children ages 6-10 from 10 to 11 AM and a group for youngsters 10 and above from 11:15 until 12:30

**Portrait Group:** Come join other artists in creating art with the benefit of a live model. Just \$5 to participate. No advanced registration required. There is no instruction but plenty of positive support from fellow artists. Tuesdays, December 6, January 10, 24 & 31 from 7 until 9 PM and Saturday, January 21 from 9:30 AM until Noon. For more information, call Paul Massing at 904-321-0738.

**Photography Interest Group:** Free to the public. Come see demonstrations, technical presentations and a monthly critique (show and tell) of photographers' work. The group usually meets at 7 pm on the 4th Thursday of the month in the Art Education Center. November and December's meetings will be held on December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. For more information, Contact Pat Hooks at [path11@comcast.net](mailto:path11@comcast.net) or 904-277-2595.

**Tuesday Afternoon Open Studio:** This is a chance to participate in a drop-in studio group. Bring your own supplies and work with other artists. There is no formal instruction, just artist friends supporting and mentoring each other. Tuesdays 1 pm until 5 pm. \$5 fee. Contact Mary Quinlan at 904-321-0112 or [macq5050@gmail.com](mailto:macq5050@gmail.com).

**Thursday Morning Open Studio:** Bring your own supplies and work in a supportive atmosphere with other artists. Thursdays 9 am until noon. Fee is \$5. For more information, contact Gretchen Williams at 904-491-3171 or at [gretchw@att.net](mailto:gretchw@att.net).

**Thursday Afternoon Open Studio:** This is another opportunity to bring your own supplies and paint with a group. Thursdays from 1 pm until 5 pm, \$10 a month. Contact Jean Riley at 904-261-5471 or at [rileystardust@bellsouth.net](mailto:rileystardust@bellsouth.net)

## **Artist of the Month for December – Rosemary Skidmore**

Need a last minute unique gift? How about something weird, pretty or different? And always a "one of a kind" original. Check out Rosemary Skidmore's pieces.

Prices range from \$35.00 - 190.00. Her originality will make you smile or wonder - what the heck is it?

We have drawn for 2017 Featured Artist from the 7 applicants who applied as follows:

**January** Vacant  
**February** Chad Bridges  
**March** Libby Weigel  
**April** Pat Hooks  
**May** Shari Riepe  
**June** Jose Garcia  
**1<sup>st</sup> Alternate**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate**

**July** Vacant  
**August** Vacant  
**September** Jim McKinney  
**October** Vacant  
**November** Vacant  
**December** Ana Diaz  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Alternate**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Alternate**

Those artists have been drawn and placed in the calendar. We still have 5 months open plus some alternate openings to fill. A second application period will be held November 23 through December 4, 2016. The second drawing will be held in the gallery between 10 and 10:30 on December 5, 2016. If you are interested in being a featured artist, submit an application at the gallery. The following months are still available, so on your application, please choose from these months only for your choices.

### **2017 Dates Left**

January  
July  
August  
October  
November

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