

Saco Bay Artists

August, 2021, Newsletter



Our meetings will be held on the second Monday of the month, 10:30-12:30 @ Saco Parks and Rec Center, 75 Franklin Street, Saco, ME.

NEXT meeting date: August 9 @ 10:30



Open painting is again available at the Rec Center every Monday at 10:30 - 1:30. Once a month on meeting days we will have a meeting and a demo for you to take part in and enjoy. HOWEVER please be aware that our meeting room will be closed to us when there is a Rec Center conflict and we will make you aware of that in the newsletter. In addition, the Rec Center is closed on holidays such as Labor Day, Columbus day, etc. Wear your mask when in the building when not in our meeting room.

PLEASE NOTE -For the month of August, - yes - painting session on August 2, -yes - SBA meeting on August 9 - NO PAINTING SESSIONS ON AUGUST 16TH AND THE 23RD - yes - painting session on August 30 -(no painting session on September 6 due to Labor Day.)

NOTES FROM ELLEN: Greetings All - Hope you all are having a good summer so far. Our July Ocean Park Show was a big success, and the August show is just around the corner. We will have a SBA tent, and 5 of us will be participating.

We hope to see you there, and at our newly started Monday painting sessions at Saco Parks and Rec. These will be most Mondays, from 10:30 to 1:30. This is a come when you want event. Next session is August 2nd. See you soon, Ellen

We had a good meeting in July, with 8 people in attendance. The success of the July show was discussed. The topic of judges and criteria for judging was brought up. Since the next two shows are all set, we will

discuss this further later in the year. - It is now the plan to have SBA meetings each month through December.

We had our first painting session this Monday 7/26/21, with 5 of us having fun with our media. Present were Elsie Reese, David Steed, Ruth Wallingford, Robert Dunn, and myself. And Pat Scammon, Richard du Fosse, Evelyn Moreshead and Iona Desmond are also interested.

Good news – SBA is collecting no dues this year since we were not active for a whole year and dues were collected January of 2020.

The first Elizabeth Horten Shore art series workshop will be held outdoors in Ocean Park with Russel Witten the instructor. Maximum 10 people to include watercolor and acrylic. A date in the Fall will be set along with the fee.

Kathy reported that the July show turned out very well. Following are the show prize winners:

First: Heather Fountain; outstanding work and display

Second: Linda Koch; mastery of interesting materials/combination

Third: Dennis Simmonetti; sense of humor

Bill Edmunds: Moe Chen; material combinations of photos with Maine theme

Honorable Mention:

Cheryl Goguen; coiled baskets w/ shells are intriguing

Richard Winslow; overall quality of work

Anne Alexander; great contents of materials

Purchase Prize: Moe Chen

It was noted that parking for the shows is “back to normal.” Questions? Please contact Kathy.



We had a great demo by Al Pelletier showing his methods of making his beautiful pottery. Two of his pieces were raffled off with Iona and Elsie the lucky recipients.

Al's business name is: Hands on Pottery. He does functional and artistic stoneware. His store in Portland and Bath is: Lisa-Marie's Made in Maine. In Kennebunkport he is in: Wendy Webster Good's The Port Gallery.

Other interesting possibilities:

2021 PORTRAIT SKETCHING SESSIONS **OUTSIDE** on the Libby Library grounds
27 Staples St. Old Orchard Beach. Come join us OUTSIDE on the 2nd Thursday of the months of: August 12 – 1:30pm to 4:30pm, September 9 – 11am to 2pm,
October 14 – 11am to 2pm. Rain date would be the following week on Thursday.

We will have a live model to sketch. Everyone is welcomed – for beginners and advanced. Please bring your art supplies, a chair, beach umbrella, TV table (small tables), etc. (also bring your mask for being inside the library.) Restrooms will be available. There will be some chairs and small tables available to be used on library grounds.

Sponsored by the Libby Library and Saco Bay Artists. For more information call the library at 934-4351 or Saco Bay Artists – Sylvia at 934-2930.

Robert Dunn is beginning activity for OPSOM – Oil Painter's Society of Maine. Look for more information upcoming.

Robert Dunn is putting together a show for SBA in April 2022 at the Libby Library. More details to come. Thank you Robert!