

Saco Bay Artists

March, 2020, Newsletter



Our first 2020 meeting will be held on Monday, March 9, noon, @ Saco Parks and Rec Center, 75 Franklin Street, Saco, ME. Read on for "must read info."

Introducing our 2020 new tri-chairpeople of our Saco Bay Artists. Their welcome message follows:

Happy New Year Everyone!

Kathy Angel Lee, our "fearless leader" for so many years, is stepping down to have more time for other endeavors. She will still manage the shows at Ocean Park, and the selection of the judges. And, she will also still send out the news letter for Elsie, and send other announcements as needed. **Thank you Kathy for all you have done to keep SBA strong,** viable and moving forward as a group. So now that Kathy is no longer at the helm of SBA, takes three of us to replace her!

David Steed - Facilities/Budget co-chair will co-ordinate with Saco Parks and Rec for the use of their facilities, and he will be handling SBA budget planning and implementation.

Pat Scammon - Special Events co-chair will co-ordinate group exhibits, and work on the creation of an educational art series in Betty Shore's name.

Ellen Pelletier - Meeting co-chair will prepare agenda and chair SBA monthly meetings. She will carry out monthly tasks (annual donations, scholarships, dues reminders, etc.) and gather people for monthly demos. Demo suggestions are very welcome.

Together with the help of our returning teammates, Deb Eaton - Membership Chair, Lettie Lemay - Treasurer, Elsie Reese - Newsletter co-ordinator, Stephen Beckett - Webmaster and Susan Hanna - Facebook Manager, we hope to make 2020 a fun and interesting artistic year. Thanks to all of our SBA members, whose wonderful support and participation is what Saco Bay Artists is all about. We welcome your comments and help in the new year. **See you all at our first meeting on March 9th - Kathy will be doing our first demo!**

Remember that open art sessions are still available during the winter on Mondays from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM at Saco Parks and Rec. 75 Franklin Street, Saco, Maine.

David, Ellen and Pat

From the editor:

Hope you have had a restful, productive Winter. We look forward to an interesting year as it unfolds with great demos and good fellowship with fellow artists to spur us on in our creative endeavors.

Susan Hanna <artist@sehstudios.com> is setting up a FaceBook page for SBA. She would like pictures of work, events you're in, other activities. You can send them to her at her email address. Thanks. Once it is set up, if you could share it on your FB page if you have one, that would be great.

Please send information to Elsie – r124@maine.rr.com on any way you are showing your work so I can make note of it in our newsletter.

Painting opportunities:

Artists' open studio: All media, Bring your own easel, Kennebunk Unitarian Church, Every Friday 10 to 2, \$5 donation to Church, Parking behind Kennebunk Library.

Portrait sketching: We are starting up with portrait sketching at Libby Library OOBCH. on Thursdays Feb.13th, March 12th, April 9th. & May 14th. all from 11 to 2!

Oil Painter's Society of Maine: Will usually meet the third Monday of the month at 1:00 at the MacArthur Library on Maine St. in Biddeford. Contact Robert Dunn for more information.

Website: No website? Members can send four to six images at least 600px by 800px and include name, size, medium, year and price/nfs. Send these via email to Stephen Beckett mayaway@maine.rr.com.

Summer Show dates: Saturday, July 4; Saturday, August 1; Saturday, September 5

Officers/committee chairs:

Tri-Chair : Ellen Pelletier –Prepare agenda, run meetings, demos: David Steed-Facility/ Finance; Pat Scammon-Events coordinator; *Team Members*; Lettie Lemay-Treasurer; Elsie Reese-Newsletter; Deb Eaton-Membership; Stephen Beckett-Webmaster; Susan Hanna-Facebook coordinator; Kathy Angel Lee- Summer show coordinator.

Meeting dates/programs (so far):

Open painting - PLEASE NOTE THE WHOLE BUILDING WILL BE CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 25 AND LABOR DAY, SEPTEMBER 25. OTHER HOLIDAYS – BUILDING WILL BE OPEN FOR USE, BUT THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED. IN ADDITION, TO ACCOMADATE THEIR SUMMER CAMP, THE PAINTING ROOM WILL PROBABLY NOT BE OPEN AUGUST 17 AND 24. *Open painting drop in time – 10:00 to 3:00*

Open painting - March 2,9,16,23,30

March 9 - business/program meeting; program: Kathy Angel Lee - Kathy is a textile/mixed media artist working with fabrics, thread, paint, beads, and other embellishments. Her work is eclectic depicting flowers, landscapes, fish, animals, and abstracts. Kathy enjoys experimenting with a wide range of fabrics and techniques in both traditional and non-traditional ways. Kathy will share how she develops a series and then improvises to make each piece unique. She will show work in various stages of completion from beginning to a completed piece.

Open painting - April 6,13, (20 - building open, office closed – Patriot's Day) & 27

April 13 - business/program meeting; program: Pastelist Kate Berquist, PSA, will be doing Techniques in Underpainting

Open Painting - May 4,11,18, (25 **Building closed, no painting** – Memorial Day)

May 11 - business/program meeting; program: TBA

Open Painting - June 1,8,15,22,29

June 8 - business/program meeting; program: TBA

Open Painting - July 6,13,20,27

July 13 - business/program meeting; program: TBA

Open Painting - August 3,10, (17 & 24 room will be closed to SBA –summer camp) & 31

August 10 - business/program meeting; program: TBA

Open Painting - September (7 **Building closed, no painting** – Labor Day) 14,21,28

September 14 - business/program meeting; Program: Carol Santoro will be demonstrating a new process

Open Painting - October 5, (12 Building open, office closed – Indigenous People’s Day) 19,26

October 12 - business/program meeting; Program: TBA

Open Painting – November 2,9,16,23,30

November 9 - business/program meeting: Program TBA

Open Painting - December 7,14,21,28

December 14 - holiday party

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