



May 2014: Mixed Media Newsletter

Stanly Arts Guild May Meeting

6:45 PM - Thursday, May 1, 2014



Our May 1st meeting presenter is local watercolor artist Sharron Burns, who is well-known for her contemporary still life subjects combined with crystal and glass. Anyone that has attempted to paint a faceted crystal bowl knows how hard this is to achieve. Her recent work, “Hy-pear-boly”, is a study of crystal and the reflections of the pears in the facets of the crystal. Sharron will demonstrate the various techniques and steps from drawing and masking to the finish. Join us for this fascinating demonstration. For a look at more of her work, check out Sharron’s website:

www.sharronburns.com

Also at our May meeting we will announce the scholarship winners and elect officers for the coming year.

From the President

As the weather warms we become more active outside. The Stanly Arts Guild is winding down the year’s activities, but there are still two really interesting meetings coming up. So don’t forget to come to Albemarle for the May and June programs. See the description of the May program in this newsletter but in addition to the presentation we will announce the scholarship winners and we will have the 2014-2015 officer elections. The June meeting will be our annual social/covered dish and we are bringing back Ali and Alex from Cheap Joes for a short presentation and hands on activity about different mediums that can be used for fabric painting. I hope to see you all at both meetings.

Susan Lackey



Now Showing at the Gallery:

We are currently showing the “Forgotten Series” by Virginia Beach Artist, Glenda Nelson. These pieces were inspired by scenes of Stanly County that we don’t often perceive as picturesque. “Glenny” works in pastels and graphite and has brought both original works and limited edition prints. Her show will be on display and available for sale until May 3rd. Glenda has volunteered to help with staffing for the next two weeks so stop in and you are likely to meet her. She is also teaching a workshop on pastels, scheduled May 3rd.



North Stanly Middle School

Art Show:

Once again we will be hosting the students' work of instructor Tammy Palmer at North Stanly Middle School. This is a very special show as it brings some phenomenal work in 3D and 2D by these budding artists. The awards and reception for this show will be held on May 13 from 4-6pm at the Gallery. The show runs from May 6 through May 18.



May Display at the Agri-Civic

Member Reda Icenhour is having a showing of her photography at the Agri-Civic Center from May 19th through the end of June. Reda has been doing photography for about six years. She enjoys doing landscapes, pets and animals as well as children and grownups. She has won several contests through the Stanly County Art Guild and other local galleries, she recently won 1st place for her photo at Cabarrus County Art Guild. Her work can be seen at Falling Rivers Gallery in Albemarle, NC.

Reda Icenhour was born and raised at Banner Elk NC where she learned to love the mountains and scenes of the hills of her home state. She is constantly striving to grow in skills and really loves sharing what she has learned as well as showing her work to others.

Also Showing in May at the Agri-Civic

Josh Griffey will be featuring his hand made knives and rings in the showcase. Josh and his wife Amanda live in New London.



Nature at Its Best Show

The show chairs, Anita Ammerman and Jackie Layman, wish to thank all the members that helped contribute to the show reception. The appetizers and all the "sweets" were outstanding. Thank you to everyone that helped prepare and clean-up also. Couldn't do it without your help! Remember we have another show coming up soon, The Summer Art Explosion, and will need your help again. Besides getting your art ready for the show in July begin thinking of what new and yummy appetizer to bring.

Workshop Schedule for May

Intermediate Pastels, May 3, 12 PM – 4 PM, \$35. This workshop promises to be full of tips and techniques to those with some experience in working in the medium. This is the time to take something you just fiddle with and step it up a level to true artistry. And even if you are already a Pastels artist, this is a terrific opportunity to learn from one of the best. You will also find the instructor to be a personable and fun teacher.

All materials are furnished, so come elevate your talent in this very informative workshop. *Note – it may not be possible to finish a project during this class – since techniques are being taught, this is information to take with you to use as you work in Pastels.

Instructor Glenny Nelson is an accomplished freelance Pastels Artist and will be doing a private showing of her work at the Gallery at the time of this workshop. You can view some of her work on her Facebook page Art by Glenda (Glenny) Nelson.

Beginning Quilling, May 10, 1 PM – 3 PM, \$30 Quilling (also known as paper filigree) is an art form involving the use of strips of paper that are rolled with a tool, then folded, curved, looped, and twisted before being glued to a greeting card, box, picture, etc. to form flowers, leaves, and various ornamental patterns. The technique is very simple, and the results are wonderful. All of the basic coil shapes will be taught, and then each participant can expect to complete at least one project. To see the many beautiful items that can be created with this craft, simply Google “quilling” and click on images. No experience necessary, and all materials are furnished.

Instructor Lorrie Hatley is an accomplished artist in many media other than quilling, including Jewelry-making (her jewelry is available for purchase at the Gallery), Alcohol Ink Painting, Acrylics, Beading, and Batik. She is naturally gifted (as well as being a really fun person!)

Handmade Paper for Beginners, May 17, 12 PM – 4 PM, \$35 Learn to make your own paper for watercolor paintings, greeting cards and more. Participants will make a sheet of paper to use for their own artistic expression, and time permitting we will explore some ideas during the workshop. Handmade paper provides a beautiful and unusual canvas for artists and non-artists. It is beautiful for watercolors and calligraphy, but also very special for a hand-written note to a friend. It doesn't require any unusual or difficult-to-find ingredients, and is something you can continue to do for yourself after this class. No experience required and all materials are provided.

Instructor Mary Ann Gantt is an accomplished Gallery artist, having a wonderful display of pottery (with her husband Jim), and also creating beautiful jewelry, and lovely ceramic pieces for use as Christmas ornaments or gifts. We are delighted to have her teaching this workshop!

A reminder from Jackie Layman, when leaving items in the gallery please label them, what or who it is for will help me to keep the workshop area neat. There are also a lot of paints that have been donated and they are in the workshop area on the counter. They are for your use when you are in the gallery volunteering.

Gallery News:

1. May staffing is the responsibility of Anita Ammerman. This is always challenging so if you would like to volunteer to staff a few shifts please contact her directly.
2. The downtown businesses are passionately working to revitalize the First Saturday events and we are participating in these events. The plan is that there will be numerous events, live music, and games in downtown on the First Saturday of each month. In May these activities will include closing the streets at around 2pm and a Beach Blast concert beginning at 7:30. There is the opportunity for craft vendors to set up and sell their goods on Second Street beginning at 2pm and going until sunset. The cost is only \$25. If you are interested in having a booth, contact Nancy for an application. This event is sponsored by the Albemarle Downtown Business Association, Vac and Dash, and Uwharrie Bank.

Member News

Reda Icenhour won first place in photography at the Cabarrus County Silver Arts competition

Artist Opportunities & Links

Listed here are links to area artist groups and activities. These are not activities sponsored by the Stanly Arts Guild. They are listed for your information and convenience.

Charlotte Art League Event Calendar <http://www.charlotteartleague.org/wp/cal-events-calendar/>

Cabarrus Art Walk -April 4, 2014-June 20, 2014

cabarrusartscouncil.org/the-galleries/gallery-tours-and-events/

TAG Galleries Highpoint www.tagart.org/index.php

Sundae Art Gallery – Union Street, Concord www.sundaeartgallery.com/

Art on Sunset May 2014 www.randolphartsguild.com/events.html

NC Arts & Crafts Shows www.festivalnet.com

Anson County Art League www.ansonartleague.com/

Moore County Art's Council www.mooreart.org/programs/visual/exhibit-your-art/

Cheap Joe's workshops www.cheapjoes.com



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