

## October 2018 Newsletter

Thank you for joining BAA and supporting Visual Arts in Bartlesville. We now have over 200 members on the roster. We will be giving out printed member directories at our next ArtNight which is November 9 so that members can stay in touch with each other.

Also our newly organized library will be open for checkouts. Patti Kerr and her team have been preparing our books and videos for you to borrow and enjoy at your leisure.

Christopher Westfall will speak and demo at ArtNight on 6:30 p.m. Friday, November 9. Chris lives in Tulsa, OK and has been a fine art painter since 2005. He does representational and abstract work in acrylics and has a long list of awards.

Patti has also organized a raffle for ArtNight with donated prizes. To donate an item for the raffle, bring new or gently used art supplies, paintings, frames, DVDs, storage containers... to ArtNight when you come. Tickets are \$1 each and members may purchase as many as they want. Tickets will be drawn and the numbers read at ArtNight. The winners may choose one item per ticket drawn from donated items. The money raised will go for scholarships.

Come early - 6 p.m. for ArtNight and make a clay ornament for our Christmas tree. We will provide a small square clay tile and participants will draw a design in the clay. Ornaments will be displayed on our tree for "Art of the Tree" contest held at the Price Tower Gallery during December.

Chris Westfall's Abstract Acrylics one-day workshop is Saturday November 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Design Center. Steven Graham is coordinating this workshop. There are openings. Cost is \$105. To sign up and pay online: <https://squareup.com/store/bartlesville-art-association/item/abstract-acrylics-with-chris-westfall> or mail a check to BAA P.O. Box 961 Bartlesville, OK 74005

Award Winning BAA Members - Dedra Morgan is our 2018 recipient of the "Schmoltdt Champion of BAA" award. Without De, this organization might have gone "under" several years ago. She has been the glue that held BAA together for the last decade. De is resigning from the board at the end of 2018, but will stay involved as liaison to the Price Tower. We will honor her at our Christmas party on December 4. Thanks for your service to BAA, De! We appreciate you so much!

Kathy Mitchell won the Grand Prize overall at the Washington County Fair for her watercolor of Pansies. She also won 5 ribbons for china painting and a ribbon for drawing. Eloise Needleman won 1st place overall for an acrylic landscape and two ribbons in China painting.

Cheryl Bryan won the 2nd place award for her painting at the Green Country Watercolor Society Members Show, and Amy Jenkins received an Honorable Mention.

Women Artists of the West Show is on display at the Price Tower Gallery till November 4. This organization has members in the US, Canada and Australia and potential members must go through a jury selection process - the exhibit quality is very high. BAA members that are also WAOW members are Anne Spoon, Joey Frisillo, and Nancy Harkins. These three women have beautiful paintings in the show.

WAOW artist Dee Kirkham donated an Oil Painting to be auctioned for BAA. During the week of the "Women Artists of the West" reception, several WAOW artists did demos at the Design Center. Dee did an oil painting demo, and donated it to BAA. Carolyn Mock will frame the 11"X14" painting which is on display at the BAA Design Center. A bid sheet is with the painting. Bids can also be received by emailing [bartlesvilleartassociation@gmail.com](mailto:bartlesvilleartassociation@gmail.com). The WAOW organization is also taking bids, and will coordinate with BAA to find the highest bidder. A photo of the painting is on our BAA FB page.

Thanks to Gretchen and Jimmie Schmoltdt for an exhibit of Jimmie's paintings that are hanging in the Design Center till October 29. The exhibit includes watercolor and oil paintings and small sculptures completed over the span of seven decades, since starting college. Gretchen organized a reception at the Design Center on October 13 and also gave generous checks to Washing County Art Teachers to help with their supply budgets.

Crystal Bridges day trip is Saturday, October 27. We currently have 12 signed up and 3 vehicles. The museum is free, but attendees will need money for 2 meals and snacks and non-drivers are asked to chip in for gas. To sign up email: [bartlesvilleartassociation@gmail.com](mailto:bartlesvilleartassociation@gmail.com) Thanks to Jim and Hanny Basso, Celeste Cleary, and Jim Jenkins for driving to Crystal Bridges.

BAA Winter Gallery will be November 16 and 17 at the Design Center. Thanks to Diane Leroux for coordinating this event to sell member art, jewelry, and handmade gifts. BAA has selling space at the Artisan Market - Washington Park Mall. Thank you Celeste Cleary for coordinating this effort. The Artisan Market is currently open on Saturdays but will also be open on Fridays and Sundays as we get closer to the holidays.

Thanks to Stacey Foresman for writing a grant to the Bartlesville Community Foundation for a large TV. The grant was not funded, but we do appreciate the time and effort that it took to write the grant.

Thanks to Library helpers - Patti Kerr, Meg Bennett, Claire Lutton, and Celeste Cleary.  
Thanks to all that helped hang the Schmoldt exhibit: Steven Graham, Amy Jenkins, Tom Roane, Cheryl Bridendolph, Cathy and Maurice Casad, and Patti Kerr.

Thanks to OLLI Teaching Volunteers: Cheryl Bryan, Pepper Hume, Debbie Finch and Meg Bennett.

Volunteers are needed for hanging ornaments from 2nd floor opening at Price Tower.  
Contact Dëshane Atkins at [datkins@pricetower.org](mailto:datkins@pricetower.org). Volunteers must be willing and able to work from 30- ft. scaffolding and/or cherry picker to hang ornaments from string and wire caging on top of balcony.

Amy Jenkins  
BAA President



***Beautiful oil still life painting donated by Dee Kirkham  
to benefit BAA, now being auctioned to the highest bidder at BAA!***