

BAA Newsletter July 2019

Dear Members,

I hope you are staying cool this summer! The Design Center is air conditioned and we have some fabulous indoor summer activities for you. Please check our website: bartlesvilleartassociation.org or the list at the bottom of this newsletter to see what is coming up.

We are in the process of leasing the 8 parking spaces at the entrance to the Design Center. The Price Tower owns and leases these spaces and it is needed income for them.

Tom Roane, BAA board member in charge of facilities, is interviewing contractors for the job of removing the carpet tiles and adhesive, and then sealing the concrete in the Design Center. Concrete floors will be easier to clean and give our space an industrial look.

Phillips 66's volunteer grant program turns your volunteer time into money! They donate \$500 for every 20 hours you or your spouse volunteer for BAA. And if you form a team of four or more employee, retiree or spouse volunteers, you may apply for a team volunteer grant of \$1,000. Team hours need to add up to 40 hours worked. For questions and support, email phillips66-support@yourcause.com or call 1-866-751-6031.

ConocoPhillips also offers a volunteer grant of up to \$500 for 20 hours of eligible volunteer hours. For more info contact COP's Volunteer Center. Many employers have matching gift programs, so if you donate to BAA, check with your employer to see if they will match your generosity.

To volunteer your time for a BAA project, email bartlesvilleartassociation@gmail.com

BAA Librarian Patti Kerr has ordered some new books for the library. One book with a DVD is called "Journey With Jan" by former member and wildlife artist, Jan Martin McGuire. Patti got a personal message from Jan saying that she is living in Tanzania, Africa and is honored to have her book in our library. Patti also purchased "Composition of Outdoor Painting" by Edgar Payne.

Free used frames are at the Design Center in the Coffee bar area. They were donated by Joe Howie and Patti Kerr, and we would like to give them away to our members. Donations are optional. Frames will be removed and donated to charity in a few weeks.

Bartlesville Public Library is hosting BAA in September for an exhibit of member artwork in their foyer area glass display case. The artwork cannot have any prices posted due to library policy, but we will post our BAA contact information so that interested buyers can make purchases after the event. Reita Adams is coordinating this exhibit.

Watch your email inbox for info about our upcoming Winter Gallery holiday sales

event on November 15 and 16. Nana Marchae will be organizing the sale, and details and artist applications will be available soon.

Spotlight Artist: Martha Reyburn

“Anyone can become an artist if the desire is strong enough.” Martha's philosophy demonstrates what makes her a wonderful artist, and a wonderful teacher. She shares most eloquently:

“I have loved art since elementary school, but did not have the opportunity to study art until college. The humiliating experience in my first college art class caused me to rethink my major. Everything I did was terrible, and the professor told me so without helping me learn anything. I changed my major to Elementary Education.

“It was not until I was married with three small children that I had the courage to take a painting class. It was a mini painting class, similar to decorative painting. Then I realized that I could learn to paint if I had a good teacher. I read books, took painting workshops and 'devoured' Betty Edward's book, Drawing on the Right Side of Your Brain.

“Since then I have earned a Master's Degree in Art Education and taught art to seventh graders for fifteen years, retiring in 1999. In 1997 I was honored to be selected as the Stillwater, OK Teacher of the Year, and in 1998 I was selected as the Oklahoma Art Teacher of the year.

In 1999, I married Tom Reyburn after having been a widow for six years. We moved to Colorado in 2000, where I continued to paint and teach. I displayed in galleries in Fort Collins, Estes Park and Creede.

“In 2016, we moved to Bartlesville where I became a member of the Bartlesville Art Association and began teaching watercolor painting once a week. I have displayed in several galleries and special events. The Bartlesville Art Association has been a great help in getting acquainted with other artists and feeling right at home.”

Spotlight Artist: Anne Spoon

Anne Spoon is a first generation American, whose parents emigrated from Ireland in the 1960's. She was born in the Bronx, New York, grew up in the Hudson River Valley, and received a Bachelor's Degree in Fine Art from The School of Visual Arts, NYC.

Her artwork has been featured in Southwest Art Magazine, American Art Collector, and Art Focus. In addition, her artwork has been included in regional and national exhibits, including The Oil Painters of America, Salon International, and The American Women Artists.

Anne's subjects are people, places and objects that have a quiet beauty, perhaps seemingly simple, and often overlooked until painted. She states, “I want those who view my paintings to see the world through the eyes of an artist. I want you to experience Autumn leaves in a swirling dervish, minnows just beneath the surface of a clear creek, an old dog sleeping in the sun, or a bottle stained with a kaleidoscope of age. These are the subjects that speak to my heart and remind me of moments of reflection, and if I've done my job, my students' as well.

“I've lived in Oklahoma for 25 years. This is home, and some of the things I love

most in the world are right here.”

Events on the BAA Calendar:

BAA Exhibit at the Public Library during the month of September

BAA ArtNight with Sculpture Demo by Larry Waid - September 10

Painting the Landscape En Plein Air Workshop with Cristine Sundquist - September 14-15

Beginning Sculpture with Larry Waid - September 24-26

Build a Better Watercolor Workshop with Nancy Harkins - October 16-18

Oil and Cold Wax Workshop with Lori Roll - November 9

Winter Gallery selling event - November 15-16

BAA Christmas Party - December date to be announced

Ongoing Events at BAA

Every Tuesday 10 a.m. till Noon - Fine Art Class with Valerie Jones

Every Wednesday 1p.m. till 4 p.m. - Open Studio with Cheryl Bryan

Every Thursday 1 p.m. till 3 p.m. - Beginning Watercolor with Martha Reyburn

Every third Tuesday of the month 5:30 p.m. till 7:30 p.m. - Kids Paint with Elaine Wilson

By Appointment - individual and small group lessons with Ashley Droigk

If you like what we are offering, please support BAA by signing up and attending these events. BAA would also like your feedback. Please let us know what interests you, what times work for you, and what price you are able to pay for a class or workshop. Send your comments and suggestions to bartlesvilleartassociation@gmail.com or PO Box 961 Bartlesville, OK 74005