

Dear Members,

Shop for artwork, gifts and unique items handcrafted by local artist members of BAA at the Winter Gallery Friday November 15th & Saturday November 16th, 2019

Hours: Friday 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm and Saturday 9:00 am – 7:00 pm. The Gallery location is at Bartlesville Art Association 500 S. Dewey Ave

Nana Marchae is coordinating this event.

Another shopping event featuring BAA artists is the OKM Music Christkindle Market on December 14. BAA will pay the participation fee of \$50.00 and charge each artist a fee of \$10. Fred Cook will coordinate the “market”, and we will have a spot in Ambler Hall to display our works for sale.

Setup is from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. on December 14th with tear-down from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Fred will be there for the whole day, but, encourages the artists to stop by for an hour to help sell their goods. One would have to purchase a ticket, but, you are helping support OKM Music. There is no commission charge for sales.

Email: Cook.f@sbcglobal.net if you are interested in selling at this event.

You and your families are cordially invited to attend the BAA Christmas Party on Tuesday December 3 at 6:30 p.m. Please sign up at bartlesvilleartassociation@gmail.com by November 26, and let us know how many you will bring with you. BAA will provide Barbecue, rolls, and drinks. We ask that attendees bring a large side or dessert to share. Besides eating, we'll be giving awards, collecting art supplies for the Lighthouse Outreach Center, and updating members about some changes to the Board and the Association. It will be a wonderful evening!

Thank you for helping with our “Spruce Up Day” at the Design Center - Nana Marchae, Janet Odden, Amy Jenkins, Celeste Cleary, Cheryl Bridendolph, Denise Gregg, Kathleen and Rich Rutledge, Eloise Needleman, Meg Bennett, Bill Whitte, Tom Roane, Larry Waid, Cheryl and Scott Bryan. Our space is more organized and less cluttered.

Sculptor and Teacher Larry Waid would like to start a Sculpture group that meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month at the BAA Design Center beginning in 2020. All Sculptors are welcome from high school age and older. Bring your own supplies and project and Larry will be available to teach and assist. The price for each session will be \$20. If you would like more information about this group, email Larry at waid8337@att.net

Congratulations to member Namrata Jaju and her husband on the birth of their new baby boy born on August 27, 2019.

Spotlight Artist Bill Whitte - “I grew up in Cheektowaga NY, near Buffalo and Niagara Falls. Beautiful farmland there, which I've started to represent in some paintings. Our school had a comprehensive art curriculum. I won some art awards and was art editor of the yearbook. The instructors encouraged me to pursue an art career, but math and science seemed more tangible. I did work part time for a commercial artist making film strips (yes -- film strips. It was 1971). After college and the movie “The Graduate,” I started a thirty-seven year career at Phillips Petroleum R&D inventing, engineering, and developing plastics. I married above my league and thus came three kids, with all the appropriate activities. Art took a backseat.

“Now retired, I have more time for art. Oils are my favorite. I like the smell, flow, feel. There are an infinite number of colors to create. The vibes are good. It's what I had in the basement in 1963 (“keep the turpentine away from the furnace Bill”). I still have some tubes dating to the 1940's my mom and aunt gave me. I'm not creative, but persistent. Recent BAA classes by Ann Spoon and Ross Myers have improved my painting. Buildings and

landscapes are favorite subjects. The library in West Falls, NY features my rendition of their library. Lately, I've done a couple of commissioned pieces of historical Texas homestead sites dating to the 1800's.

"There is more to learn about oil painting than is possible in one lifetime, but in the words of Teddy Roosevelt: "Do what you can, with what you have, where you are, right now".

Spotlight Artist Pam Carrico - Pamela Carrico is the owner, designer, and creator for CMO Designer Knits. She is also

the owner of a yarn shop, Carrico's Creative Corner, just east of Bartlesville.

She tells us, "I began hand knitting to break my habit of nail biting, and began sewing because of a couple of wonderful home economic teachers when I was sixteen years old. It was then that my love affair with fabrics of all kinds, and creating something unique only to myself began. Art classes in high school and college helped develop my talent with color and texture. Knitting, sewing, and doing needlecraft of all kinds to create clothing and gifts for my family contributed to the development of my hand-knitted and crocheted creations and skills.

"In 1978, while living in Kansas, I discovered knitting machines, also called Loom-Knitting. This enabled me to use yarns I had only dreamed of, and make hand-loomed knit fabrics of all kinds. In 1979 I opened my own yarn shop and knitting machine dealership. This led to creating hand-loomed garments and custom knitting for more than just my family. I developed a small market for my knits at craft shows and did production knitting for a specialty catalog. In 1982, with help from a good friend, Cindy Kiser, and with the inspiration of Pat Higby's book, "PDQ Jacket," I learned to view the knits I made as fabric to be combined with other fabrics, and Quilt-Knit jackets were created. Another friend, Rita Baker, also contributed quilted fronts to these creations. These partnerships continued until my family and I moved to Bartlesville in 1987."

Pamela then gave a name to her line of unique creations and garments : "Cherokee Maiden of Oklahoma Designer Knits" (CMO Designer Knits). She states, "I am of Cherokee heritage and my Cherokee grandmother is where my love of color came from, plus now I live in the Cherokee Nation and I am a licensed Cherokee artist.

"In 1990, another door opened for me when I was in a craft mall in Bartlesville, where I saw quilts that excited my color and textural senses. Thus, I found a new quilt designer, Bonnie Eggert. Working together either from the yarn to the quilt or from quilt to yarn, Bonnie and I combined our skills and expanded the styles of "Quilt-Knits" available from CMO from the casual to evening wear. Continuing to explore the world of fabric with customer inspiration, I started some specialty machine quilting of my own to create jackets and vests.

As the exotic yarns market grew, so did my design combinations and fabric creations. This inspiration gave me the unique shrugs and shawls I call my 'Fun with Yarn Creations.'

"Luxury yarns such as alpaca and quality wool, silks, viscose/rayon, and soysilk also add to the wonderful world of fiber I continue to explore. This has led to custom knitting for some Oklahoma Alpaca ranchers using yarn from their herds. As always, I am looking forward to the next creation wherever the inspiration comes from. My creations are one of a kind, alternatives to the mass-produced market -- jackets, shawls, sweaters, dresses, baby sweaters and blankets.

"My family consists of Jack, my husband of forty-one years, who went home to the Lord in 2007; 2 grown daughters; 2 granddaughters; plus 2 cats and a Great Pyrenees – and now also a flock of chickens. I have knit almost every day for the past forty-some years, except for the six months I took off to make my eldest daughter's wedding dress in 1992, and my youngest daughter's wedding dress in 2000. Hand-knitting and crochet comforted me during the eight months of Jack's last illness. The Lord used my love of yarn, fabric and wonderful customers to enable me to go forth and continue with my creations.

"In February 2013 I retired from twenty years with ConocoPhillips. Life continues with more doors opening. I travel to new Art and Craft shows in Kansas and Arkansas, where I am meeting new customers. This is exciting, because I am customer driven and I am meeting many more inspiring new friends and customers."

Pamela's CMO Designer Knits are available at Carrico's Creative Corner, just east of Bartlesville, her Etsy site and her website – HYPERLINK "<http://www.cmodesignerknits.com/>"www.cmodesignerknits.com

She will also offer many of her knits at Gift Marketplace, November 21 at the Bartlesville Community Center; and some of her knits will be available at the BAA Winter Gallery, November 15 & 16, and at BAA's booth for OKM's ChristKindle show, December 14.

Woolaroc Retrospective Art Exhibit opened October 18 and includes works by Jeremy Lipking, Clyde Aspevig, Logan Maxwell Hagege, Quang Ho, Tony Hochstetler, Thomas Quinn, Tony Angell and Skip Whitcomb. This fabulous show continues through December 29. Thank you to BAA members who came out for the opening weekend artist lectures or volunteered during the art sale: Celeste Cleary, Eloise Needleman, Larry Waid, Janet Odden, Tom Roane, Bill Whitte, Patti Kerr, Joey Frisillo, Nancy Harkins, Amy Jenkins, Angela Box, Hanny Basso. Our 2017 Spring Show judge Derek Penix was also in attendance, and Michael and Lois Bryan were official event photographers.

Kiwanis Wreath Event is November 28 and 29 at the Hilton Garden Inn, and BAA will donate a wreath for their silent auction fundraiser. If you want to help make this wreath contact bartlesvilleartassociation@gmail.com to volunteer. Kiwanis is hosting a Finale Party on the 29th from 5:30 - 8 p.m. and the tickets are \$10. Buy tickets online at www.bartlesvillechristmas.org

A new menu of Art 101 classes will be announced at the Christmas Party. These are short introductory classes that are FREE with individual memberships. Family memberships also get one free class. If you want more than one class, pay \$30 for each additional class.

If you are interested in becoming more involved in BAA, we have some volunteer positions available. Please email bartlesvilleartassociation@gmail.com about serving, and we will contact you. Thank you.

Some residents at Tallgrass Estates would like to have a one day Oils workshop at the Tallgrass Complex. If you are interested in teaching Oil Painting, please contact Julie Maxton, the Resident Experience Coordinator at 918-331-5251.

Please visit our BAA website bartlesvilleartassociation.org to check out upcoming classes, workshops, exhibits and events.

Happy Thanksgiving,

Amy Jenkins
BAA Board President

Ongoing Classes

Art Classes for Kids with Ashley Droigk - Mon thru Thurs

Fine Art Classes with Valerie Jones - Tuesdays

Watercolor Made Easy Class with Valerie Jones - Tuesdays

Open Studio with Cheryl Bryan - Wednesdays

Watercolor Painting for Beginners – Martha Reyburn - Thursdays

Price Tower Family Fun Day free admission, art activities - Monthly

Kids Paint Class with Elaine Wilson - Third Tuesday of the Month

For details on all classes and events please visit www.bartlesvilleartassociation.org