

TAUNTON ART ASSOCIATION FEBRUARY 2021

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Art for the Soul!

In difficult times it is so important to keep in touch with those things that give strength and renewal and comfort. Art does that in so many ways. The viewer finds their own meaning in the colors and the shapes and the contrasts put before them by the artist. The artist finds purpose and release and freedom in the exploration of those same colors and shapes and contrasts. In these difficult times we truly need the beauty and the wonder of all things ART. 2020 was a tough year. We have hope for 2021. We have been making plans and getting ready! Have You?

While it hasn't been practical to have Demo meetings during the pandemic because of the limited number of people that could be in the gallery, we will again move forward with Demos, classes, and other programs as the weather gets warmer and hopefully the pandemic will slow down.

In the meantime, WE ARE HAVING THE SPRING SHOW!!!

Sincerely,
Joyce Wilkins President.

We have many other plans for this year and beyond. Our calendar is filling up with activities for 2021. We will get the finalized details out to you as soon as we can.

April We are having an Oil painting workshop with Mike Graves. The date is not firm yet, but it will be at the end of April or in the beginning of May.

May will be a busy month, we have:

Pen and Ink classes with Christine Belanger on Tuesdays May 4, 11, 18, and 25.

3-Day Watercolor class with Bill Lane on Saturdays- May 8, 15, and 22.

Annual Members Show on Sunday May 16.

June brings Bill McLane to TAA for a 1-day Oil painting workshop on either June 5 or 6. More info pending.

The demonstrator for June 16th meeting is Sally Caswell, working in watercolor.

One of our successful and very enjoyable summer activities for the past couple of years has included the TAA Car Show at the Star Drive-In. John and Linda Remedis have very graciously put on this fundraiser with us, and it has helped the Taunton Art Association pay for building repairs and other expenses. We are hoping to be able to continue the tradition this year. It's a lot of fun. We are looking at a June or July date.

The TAA is rapidly heading towards our 50th Anniversary. We need to make plans to celebrate all that has been achieved and all that is to come. So many talented folks have come through our doors and shared our love of Art. **YOU** are invited to join our **50th Anniversary Celebration Committee** to help make this a Grand Event. Please sign up, we need you.

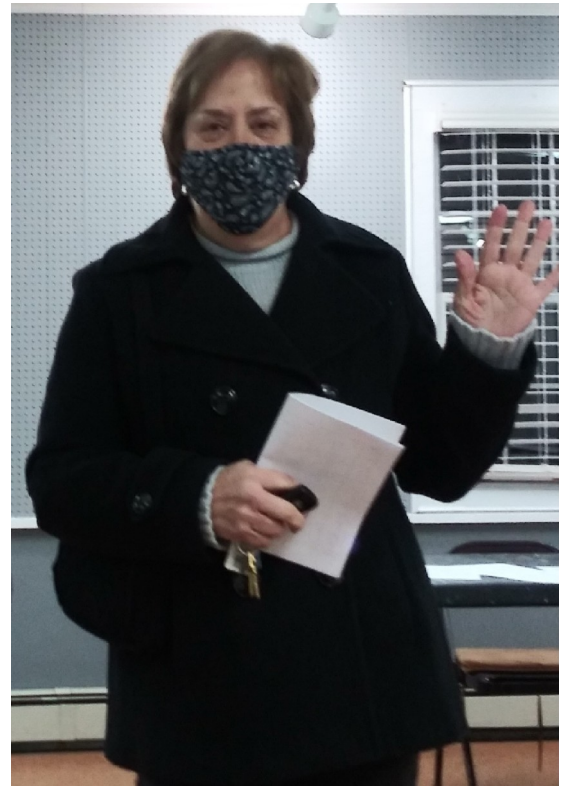
We are also in need of members to join the Building and Yard Committee. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful facility and Mike Walczak does a great job trouble shooting issues as they come up, but we need more folks to step up and help. What's that old saying, "the more hands, the lighter the load". Please lend a hand and sign up for this committee.



Changing of the guard at the TAA board meeting held on January 20. Sue Boerman outgoing President and Joyce Wilkins incoming President really are smiling behind those masks. We're looking forward to a better year in 2021 as the pandemic gets under control. And don't fret, Sue may be stepping down as President, but she is staying on the board as our Recording Secretary. Thank you Sue! We appreciate all of your hard work.

Say Hello to Gail Dowd. She is our new Corresponding Secretary. Gail has been a member for some time now and we are looking forward to working with her on the board. Thank you to Edi Young for her work as Corresponding Secretary, and her work on the board.

We also want to Thank Karen Callen, our outgoing Recording Secretary. Karen you did a wonderful job. And a special shout out to Sis Denson! Thank you for so many things, your service on the board, working on the shows, the annual meetings, the scholarship committee, and so much more.



Taunton Art Association 2021 SPRING SHOW

Barradas Gallery
Sunday March 14, 2021

The Taunton Art Association is inviting all artists to enter the annual Spring Show to be held at the TAA building, 42 Williams Street, Taunton, MA.

CATEGORIES: OIL ACRYLIC WATERCOLOR PASTEL PHOTOGRAPHY
DRAWING MIXED MEDIA 3-DIMENSIONAL

No limit of entries per category. Must be works NEVER exhibited at previous Taunton Art Association shows.

Registration Friday, February 26, 6pm-8pm
 Saturday, February 27, 10am-12noon

Fees Members: \$ 6.00
 Non-Members: \$ 10.00

Sales Commission 25% To The Taunton Art Association

Awards Prizes will be awarded based on the number
 of entries.

Entries will be handled with all possible care, but the Taunton Art Association will not be responsible for loss or damage for any cause. Work is submitted at the risk of the artist and registration indicates acceptance of all above conditions. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Taunton Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Entry forms can be downloaded from the website tauntonarts.org and will also be available at registration.

Congratulations to the Winners of our Annual Raffle.

Maria Costa of Taunton

Maureen Ohrtman of Somerset

Obeso Griffin of Raynham

LL Silvia of Taunton

Thank you to everyone who participated, with a special Thanks to Eleanor Darosa for sending out the letter and tickets and conducting the raffle. This raffle, along with the Annual Meeting and Auction is one of the major fundraising events for the TAA. We did OK on the raffle this year, but due to the pandemic we were not able to have the meeting, potluck meal, or the Auction. Ben Macomber and Ted Nystrom we missed you!

We are hoping to have some type of event like a barbeque in the Spring or Summer to make up for it. Whatever we do, we will comply with the safety guidelines to prevent the spread of Covid 19.

Karen Callen, Linda Remedis, Dianne Burns, and Sue Boerman, have been diligently working on last year's and this year's Grants. Grant monies have specified uses within certain guidelines. Because of Covid 19 that monies provided were less because the programs could not take place. Now as we move forward we will be looking at a variety of ways to deal with operational costs. Thank you Grant Committee for the work you do to help us stay afloat.

Fundraising is an important component of being able to provide the good programs and classes here at the Taunton Art Association. All members of the organization need to participate. One of the ways to do this is by having ads from local businesses in our show programs. For \$25, a business can have a business card sized ad in our Spring Show program. Do you have a favorite business that you could ask to place an ad in our program? Checks should be made out to The Taunton Art Association. If they would like to place a larger ad please have them call me, Joyce Wilkins 508-345-0051.

All events taking place at TAA will be in compliance with those Safety Guidelines. Masks covering the mouth and nose must be worn at all times while in the building. The number of participants at any given event will be limited until the pandemic is under control. Frequent handwashing is an important component of staying safe as well. We are looking into providing programs remotely as well. We will keep you informed as we make progress.

Stay well! We are looking forward to seeing you all soon!!