

Dear SoBA Member,  
Please enjoy reading this month's issue and make note of important dates & information.



November 2016

## Message from the President

### Wow! What an October

October had most of us doing a lot of unexpected things rather than being creative. I got rather frustrated at times as I expect many of you did too. But, I hope you and your home are in good shape. If you incurred damage I wish you a speedy repair and return to normalcy.

The Society of Bluffton Artists Gallery did well structurally during the hurricane but it did cause the gallery to be closed for two weeks which most likely will have a negative impact on sales for the month of October. Please continue to be creative and we'll end this year on an upswing.

The following information is a repeat of what you have received through email, but it is very important. Do read and mark your calendar.

### November SoBA Change of Show

The next change of show is **November 14, 2016** from 9:00-11:00 am

#### Reason for Change of Date:

To give the 12 x 12 show its full showing.

Many artists are not prepared to bring a new piece the first part of November.

The November 14th Show will run through the end of December (a six week show).

January 2, 2017 is the date for the first change of show in 2017.

#### Featured Artist for November:

Joan McKeever is the Featured Artist for the full month of November.

Her show will be hung November 7th and her reception is Sunday November 13th from 3- 5 pm.

The usual space/ room will be exclusively her art.

**Small Pieces:**

December 5th - Artists are requested to bring small pieces to be displayed in the room that is usually for featured artist.

All the pieces displayed in the space will be a maximum exterior measurement of 10 x 10.

The Holiday Season brings customers looking for gifts. The Holiday Boutique and the small pieces in the gallery should make for good sales.

Both the Holiday Boutique and the Small Pieces will be advertised in the local press

Get Ready for the Holiday Boutique too!

**Gayle Miller, President  
Society of Bluffton Artists**

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## **November at the SoBA Gallery**



**From Maui to Maine & Back to the Lowcountry**  
*Paintings by*

*Featured Artist Joan Moreau McKeever*  
**November 7 through December 4**  
**Reception Sunday November 13, 3-5 pm**

The SOBA Gallery is happy to introduce Joan Moreau McKeever as the Featured Artist in November with her show entitled "From Maui to Maine and Back to the Lowcountry."

As you might expect the body of work is a range of scenes inspired by Joan's travels, painted with skill and attention to detail. You can almost smell the salt air viewing her coastal landscapes, and the scent of Plumeria in a gorgeous floral scene.

Please join us to meet Joan, enjoy her fabulous show and the work of over 100 other member artists, at an opening reception with refreshments, Sunday November 13 from 3-5 pm. The show will be on display from November 7 to December 4.

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## **Change of Show:**

**Monday November 14**

**Drop off 9 to 11 am**

**All members dues must be current.**

**Non-display members are always welcome and needed to man gallery hours.  
Contact Pat Gardiner [robpat@hargray.com](mailto:robpat@hargray.com) for training if needed.**

## **FEATURED ARTIST CALENDAR FOR REMAINDER OF 2016**

November 7 - December 4

Joan McKeever

Reception 3-5 pm, Sunday Nov 13

December 5 - December 31

Small Wonders - A collection of Tiny Art

Reception 3-5 pm, Sunday Dec 11

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## **Featured Art Calendar for 2017**

**January 2 - February 5** Open

**February 6 - March 5** Edith Wood

**March 6 - April 2** Christy McEllivy

**April 3 - 30** Member Show

**May 1 - June 4** Kendra Natter

**June 5 - July 2** Gaylon Rex Gregar

**July 3 - August 6** Nancy Vineburgh

**August 7 - September 3** Open

September 5 (Tues) - October 1 Norma Deal

October 2 - November 5 Linda Nickels

November 6 - December 3 Pat Diemand

December 4 - 31 Open

As you can see we have a few spots open in next year's featured art schedule. If you are interested in being a featured artist, and fit the criteria outlined in the President's letter in the September Eclectic, please contact Sandy Rhodes.

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## You're invited: SOBA's Holiday Boutique

November 19th - December 23rd, 2016  
in the SoBA Center for Creative Arts

If you're a current SOBA member that also creates artisanal items like mini paintings or prints, cards, holiday decorations, gift items, ceramics, glass pieces, and more, this is a chance to display and sell those items at our holiday boutique. If you choose to participate in the boutique, you'll also be required to sit a minimum of two shifts, separate from gallery requirements.

Inventory Check-in:

Thursday, November 17th, 1:30 - 3:30pm

Friday, November 18th, 9 - 11am

Inventory Pick-up:

Thursday, December 29th, 9 - 11am

Please email our boutique chair, Andrea Smith, at [andreamsmith77@gmail.com](mailto:andreamsmith77@gmail.com) to volunteer for set up and pick up, ask questions, or to get more details on boutique participation requirements.



The Society of Bluffton Artists presents

# A Holiday Boutique

Monday-Saturday 10-5  
Sunday 11:30-3

**SOBA**

843-757-6586  
sobagallery.com

bluffton

Shop a collection of local gifts,  
handmade treasures, cards, small  
paintings, and more from

**November 19 - December 23**

in SOBA's Center for Creative Arts  
at 8 Church Street, next door to the  
SOBA Gallery.

## December at SOBA Gallery: Small Wonders A Collection of Tiny Art

SOBA Artists will present a mini art show in the Featured Art room at the Gallery from December 5 through 31. Artists, pick your choice of media: watercolors, oils, mixed media, pastels, pen & ink - beautifully framed or gallery wrapped. Total size 10 x 10 inches or smaller including frame. Bring to Gallery on December 5, 9-11 am.

small  
wonders  
a collection of tiny art



**December 5-31**

**Reception**

**3-5 pm**

**Sunday**

**December 11**

in the SOBA  
Gallery,  
Corner of  
Church  
& Calhoun,  
Old  
Town  
Bluffton

## SOBA Name Tags

If anyone would like a personalized SOBA name tag please order it by writing your name on an envelope and enclosing cash or check for \$9 (which includes shipping) and leave it in the gallery manager slot on the supply room door.

Submitted by Bonnie Riley, Gallery Manager



### Bluffton Arts and Seafood Festival's 'Art in the Park' a Hit with the Kids!

SOBA volunteers again hosted Art in the Park in Dubois Park during the October 22-23 weekend of the Arts and Seafood Festival - hands on creative art projects for kids. This year it was all about Pumpkins and Sun Catchers. A great time had by all!





**12x12's will be on display an extra week!**

**Now through November 14  
See President's Letter for details**

## Gallery Stats

### SoBA Monthly Statistics for September 2016

Gallery Visitors: 1,272

Gallery Register: 306

Visitors from all over the US and Canada

Art Sales Revenue: \$4,618

Other Income (Cards and Scholarship Fund): \$514

Number of Pieces Sold: 48 (Including Jewelry)

Number of Artist that Sold Art: 26



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## Great Portrait Opportunity for SOBA Members



Photographer and SoBA member, Howard Stevens, has made a very generous offer to our members:

**Portrait photographs for a minimum gift to SoBA of \$50.**

Checks to be made out to SoBA and brought to photo session. Howard will then get checks to us. These professional photos are excellent for family gifts, business promotion or just personal use. The offer is from 11/1-11/30/2016 (except Thanksgiving) with probability of extension. To make an appointment call Howard @ 937-241-6869.



## Morten Solberg leads Water Media Workshop

Students enjoyed up close and personal time with famed Morten Solberg last year. He's back at SOBA in January! Be sure to visit [sobagallery.com](http://sobagallery.com) for more info on the latest line-up of workshops and sign up for one today!

# Upcoming Classes

## Society of Bluffton Artists (SOBA) Workshop Schedule

SOBA's workshops offer the opportunity to learn a variety of art skills as taught by some of the region's leading artists, and will provide attendees the opportunity to nurture, and foster, their love of art. Each workshop will be held at the SOBA Center for Creative Arts, located next door to the SOBA Gallery at 8 Church Street in Bluffton. All SOBA workshops are led by established artists, and include instruction and hands-on demonstrations.

**November 1-3; 10 am - 4 pm**

**Greg Barnes**

### **Impressionistic Landscape Painting with Pastel & Oils**

Get ready to dive in head first in this exciting three day immersion of landscape painting techniques, demonstrations and artistic camaraderie. Explore in either pastel or oil with award winning artist, Greg Barnes, as your personal guide. Topics covered will range from beginning composition and color theory to more advanced techniques. Each day will consist of one or two group demos mixed in with individual painting sessions. Whether your medium of choice is pastel or oil, it is Greg's goal that you will continue to learn from the experience, long after the workshop has ended.

Cost: \$325 members; \$350 non-members

**November 4-5; 9:30 am - 3 pm**

**Vickie Jourdan**

### **Creative Endeavors with Vickie**

Break out of our comfort zone! Come and play with acrylics and create a masterpiece.

Cost: \$100 members; \$115 non-members

**November 15-17; 9:30 am - 12:30 pm**

**Dennis C. Lake**

### **Paint Beautiful Landscapes in Acrylic**

Learn to paint beautiful landscapes in acrylics. Students should bring pictures, ipad, or studies from which to paint. Instructor guidance and critique will emphasize composition, value control, color and Principles of Art adherence and techniques.

Students will accomplish at least one landscape painting working with instructor demos and individual guidance.

Cost: \$100members; \$115 non-members

**January 25-27; 9:30 am - 4 pm**

**Morten E. Solberg**

### **Waterbase Media**

Work at painting in a more experimental direction, landscape, figure & florals & wildlife etc. Demonstrations every day. Working in watercolor, Gouache, Acrylic,

Gesso, and the combination of all of these mediums.

Cost: \$350 members; \$375 Non-members

**February 8 - 10; 9 am - 4 pm**

**Linda St. Clair**

**Art of Animals**

This workshop will focus on creating paintings of animals that exhibit emotion.

Working with value, color and brushwork, what to leave out and what is essential.

The artist will do a demo each day before students begin painting. Beginners to more advanced students are welcome.

Cost: \$450 members; \$475 Non-members

**February 22-23; 9 am - 12 noon**

**Cathy Cooney**

**Collage**

Colored paper and interesting stamps, seals, etc. have always fascinated me - and it was like a life line when I was introduced to collage at the hands of Edyi Lanprosona.

Years later, I had her come to Spring Island to teach and she is a hoot. I hope to impart the same colorful joy to the classroom and have everyone make art that they can frame and enjoy.

Cost: \$125 members; \$140 Non-members

**February 27-28**

**Michael B. Pearson**

**Basic Intro to Watercolor**

**March 2-3; 9 am - 3 pm**

**Bill Farnsworth**

**Oil Painting Studio Workshop**

Students will learn the importance of the principals of painting and how they can achieve believable paintings full of light. Demos every morning and a step by step of how to build a painting. Learn how to get the most out of your photographs in a studio environment.

Cost: \$325 members; \$350 Non-members

**March 15-17**

**Michael B. Pearson**

**Medium-Advanced Watercolor**

**March 29-31; 9 am - 4 pm**

**Linda Benton McCloskey**

**Cold Wax & Oil Painting**

Explore the innovative way to use oil paint - You will learn everything about painting with cold wax - from the very basic to the more advanced techniques by using oil paint or dry pigment. Everyday offers many demonstrations on the many ways to apply the cold wax using various tools, plus lots of personal attention and critique.



Cold wax is very similar to encaustic but WITHOUT THE FUMES and HEAT! Beginner to advanced. A Fun Class is Guaranteed.

Cost: \$300 members; \$325 Non-members

May 23-25; 9 am - 4 pm

**Dee Beard Dean**

**Taking Plein Air into the Studio (Interpreting from Photographs)**

This workshop is geared toward intermediate and advanced artists who are striving to bring their work up to a new level. Artists will receive challenging group and individualized instruction in studio painting. Dee will observe the artists' works and help them to improve rather than change their individual styles.

Cost: \$350 members; \$375 Non-members

Reservations must be made in advance for each workshop. For more details or to register, please visit [www.sobagallery.com](http://www.sobagallery.com). Questions (843)-247-2868

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## Did You Know?

This quick video demonstrates how to use a long elastic string anchored at the horizon of a canvas to sketch a drawing with two point perspective. A more traditional and accurate method would involve a ruler and drafting table. This ingenious method is for mocking up something quickly. The architect who is doing it is Reza Asgaripour.

<http://www.thisiscolossal.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/perspective.gif>

Submitted by Pat Wilund

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## Fiber Artists of Beaufort 5th Annual Show Moves to Bluffton

*Fifth Annual FAB Collective*  
**Fiber Art Show and Sale**

**Thursday, Friday, Saturday**

**November 10 - 12, 2016**

*Opening Reception:*

**Friday, November 11th**

**5:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

*Show Hours:*

**10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

*\*New Location\** **SOBA**

**The Center for Creative Arts  
8 Church Street  
Bluffton, SC 29910**

The Fiber Artists of Beaufort (FAB) announces its fifth annual show to be held at the SOBA Center for Creative Arts, Thursday through Saturday, November 10 - 12. The hours are 10 am to 5 pm with a reception, open to the public on Friday, November 11 from 5 to 8 pm.

Eileen Berchem, chairman of FAB, says "For our fifth show we decided to move the event from Beaufort to Bluffton. Since half of our members are from the Bluffton area we are excited to present our work to an expanded audience." The group has 10 members who have been juried and whose work represents a broad range of contemporary textile arts. Wall art, as well as wearable and three-dimensional pieces for the home will be shown. FAB artists are Eileen Berchem, Laura Bircin, Margo Duke, Barbara James, Kim Keats, Roxanne Lasky, Laurie Lovell, Linda Patalive, Andrea Stern and Cynthia Zeiss.

This is a great opportunity to purchase special holiday gifts at a broad range of prices. For more information about FAB call Eileen Berchem at 843-379-4228. For information about the SOBA Center for Creative Arts call 843-757-6586.

**Opportunity from the Arts Center of Coastal  
Carolina**



# HOLLY DAY ART Market

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

3:30 - 5:30 | ARTS CENTER OF COASTAL CAROLINA

The Arts Center of Coastal Carolina invites local artisans to join us for the Holly Day Art Market on Saturday, November 26.

The market is a new addition to the Arts Center and Town of Hilton Head's Official Tree Lighting Festival, which is held each year on the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

The outdoor free family festival includes live performances, crafts, a visit from Santa, face painting, refreshments, and more, attracting hundreds of locals and visitors each year. Acceptable wares include "gift-oriented" items such as jewelry, pottery, small scale fine art, fiber arts, etc.

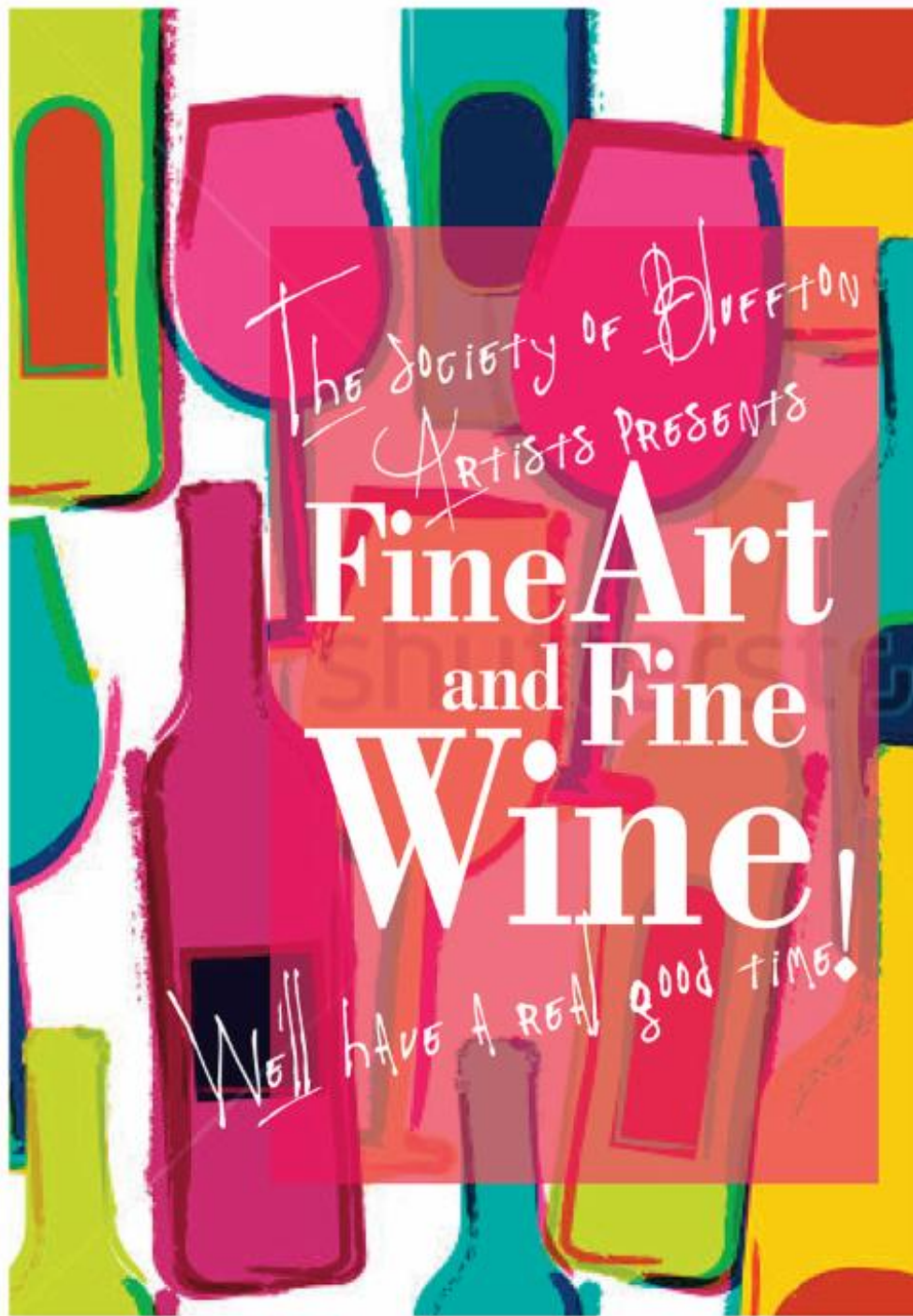
The fee for art vendors is \$25 and spaces are limited.

To reserve a space or for more information call 843-686-3945 x205.

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**Coming in 2017!**





**February 11**

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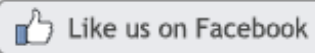
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