

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



December 2015

Message from the President

Happy Holidays! This month's change of show date is December 7th from 9-12 pm. Because of SOBA'S HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE, we will be using the Gallery for show registration this month. Registration will start at the front door of the Gallery. Please let Jean (our display manger), or Norma (our gallery manger), or me know if you have to bring in art before the 7th. Do not leave art in the Gallery before 3:00 pm on Sunday December 6th. Remember the Gallery is open on Sundays for business. Good news! Jean says exhibiting artists can bring in one large and one smaller piece of art for wall exhibition this month.

Remember the Holiday Boutique is open until December 30th so be sure to bring friends, neighbors, and relatives in to see it and shop. The Boutique is doing great with sales and has received many complements from new and returning guests.

I am still working on getting a blue ribbon committee for the Spring Member's show in April. If you would like to volunteer and are willing to work hard, SOBA needs you.

Again, have a Very Happy and Safe Holiday Season this year!

Marian Sanders

Visit our website

SoBA Gallery in December

Holiday Boutique and Tis' the Season

The Society of Bluffton Artists presents

'tis the season
to give the gift of original art!

December 7 - January 2 in
the SOBA Gallery

and
A Holiday Boutique
November 21 - December 30 in
SOBA's Center for Creative Arts
next to the SOBA Gallery.

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SoBA Voted Favorite Gallery

The 2015 Monthly Reader's Choice for favorite Bluffton Art Gallery has been

bestowed upon our gallery by Monthly Magazine readers. A big thank you to all of SoBA's hard working volunteers and membership for continued support and participation. Let's start working now to make it two in a row! Volunteer opportunities in 2016 await.



Next Change of Show

December 7th

Two (2) pieces permitted

Drop off 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

[Change of Show Form](#)

Important Info from Gallery

Staffing:

Do not confuse any dates you have scheduled in the Holiday Boutique with the December Show as it is an entirely separate entity.



The December change of show is December 7th and runs through January 3rd. When you bring in your piece(s) please remember that this month we have room for two pieces from each hanging member - one large and one small. This is because we will also be using the featured artist space.

If you bring in two pieces, please plan to volunteer for two gallery sitting shifts. Remember that all vacancies must be filled before you can double up on days.

Message from Gallery Staffing Coordinator

Scheduling Problem

We have a recurring problem with members who sign up in advance of a new show and decide not to display. If you have signed up to sit, you must remove your name from the calendar before the change of show. You may not take your name off the calendar after change of show. Even if you do not have anything hanging, you are committed to sit.

Pat Gardiner volunteers to be responsible for keeping the gallery staffed. If you have a problem contact her at robpatt@hargray.com or call 843-379-5666.

List of people who you can pay \$10 per hour who will sit for you.

Cheryl Arnold	(603)-321-7010
Paula Chesney	(843)-757-8636
Sandra Woodward	(843)-384-1386
Cynthia Zeiss	(843)-521-1058

Holiday Boutique Gets a Great Start

SoBA's Holiday Boutique is up and open for business. Many thanks to chairperson, Gayle Miller, and her talented crew of volunteers and 30 artisans who submitted unique art and handcrafted items transforming the CCA Building into the charming boutique. The Holiday Boutique is a unique place to find one-of-a kind items for special gift giving or simply "from me to me" indulgences.





SoBA Shots

Last month a group of SoBA artists were led by professional photographer, Eric Horan, on a very special evening cruise for, "Photography on the Water." SoBA member, Murray Sease, summed it up so perfectly with this description on SoBA's Facebook page:

"Photography on the Water with Eric Horan was a fun and instructive outing for both photographers and painters. As an expert wildlife photographer and photo safari tour guide, Eric helped everyone, from the i-phone camera user to the top of the line SLR photographers, make the most of their equipment on a gorgeous late afternoon cruise through Broad Creek. We saw herons, ospreys, dolphin playing and beautiful views of the marsh, water and sky, topped off with a drop dead sunset!"

Hopefully those of us who missed the event

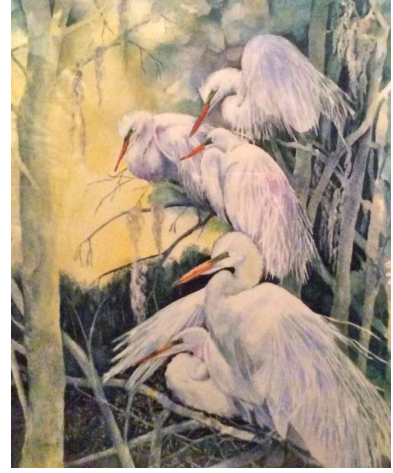
last month will have another opportunity soon!



Member Accolades

Congratulations to SoBA member, Pat Wilund, who was recently awarded a 2nd place ribbon in the Fall Art Show of the Sun

City, All About Art Club. Pat's watercolor also garnered her the People's Choice Award.



The Giving Marketplace

SoBA is now able to accept monetary donations through the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry's THE GIVING MARKETPLACE. They will accept the donation, inform us, invest it for us, tell us if it is earmarked for a specific purpose and do everything that is necessary legally.



The Community Foundation of the Lowcountry says..."Our mission has always been to strengthen our community by connecting people, resources and needs. The Giving Marketplace helps accomplish this by increasing nonprofits' visibility with current and potential new donors and providing a repository of credible, relevant and current information about local nonprofits - the information donors use to make their philanthropic giving decisions. Donors are growing more sophisticated in their philanthropic decision-making. They want clear descriptions of non-profits' missions and strategies. Donors want assurance that they are investing in organizations that operate efficiently and effectively."

SoBA is extremely grateful to be considered a donor recipient in the The Giving Marketplace and thanks the Community Foundation of the Lowcountry for the inclusion of our organization.

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