

Cranberry Artists Network

NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2025



Congratulations to these award winners at the “SPRING is the NEW GREEN “ Show.

First Place - **Diane Grguras** - “My Compliments “
Second Place- **Marian Sallade** - “ “ Where the Soft Wind Blows”
Third Place- **Sheila Klotz** - “Happy Day in the Burg”
HM- **Monica Hietsch** - “ Threefold Return”
HM- **Paul Jay** - “ The Green Plate”
HM - **Deborah Walker** - “ Spring Standout”
Irene Ackerman Award - **Gina Judy** - “Nora’s Cadillac Mountain”

Stop by the New Back Hall Gallery to see these and many more beautiful art works!

Now showing thru May 22 at the Cranberry Township Municipal Center!

See page 2 for more info.

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MEMBER NEWS

Hello Spring is the New Green artists!

We have fantastic news—your artwork is making a big impact! The Cranberry Township Municipal Center management has given us wonderful feedback on the show, and they love it so much that they've asked us to extend the exhibition through the third week of May!

This extension is an exciting opportunity for your work to be showcased during Celebrate Cranberry, happening from 4–7 p.m. on Friday, May 16. This special event marks the grand opening of the Armstrong Great Lawn at the Municipal Center and will bring even more visibility to your art—meaning more eyes on your work and increased potential for sales!

About Celebrate Cranberry

This vibrant community event offers something for everyone, including:

- A Touch-A-Truck area with a sensory-friendly hour
- Cranberry Local Government Day, where residents can meet Township representatives
- A photo booth, live music, food trucks, and more!

Festivities begin at 3:30 p.m. with the unveiling of the Armstrong Great Lawn Donor Wall by the Cranberry Township Community Chest. As the 2024 Project of the Year, this initiative enhances connectivity between the Municipal Center and the community, coinciding with modernization efforts within the building.

For full event details, visit cranberrytownship.org/greatlawn.

New Show End Date & Artwork Pick-Up

Thursday, May 22 | 4–7 p.m.

If you are unable to have your artwork remain on display for the extended time, please contact Noele Reynolds directly at ncrkr@aol.com.

Thank you all for being part of this incredible show—we are thrilled to provide this extra opportunity to celebrate and showcase your work!

Best,
Noele Reynolds

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MEMBER NEWS

Welcome New Members!

Alice Lieb - Oil Painting



BFA Seton Hill College, Painting and Drawing; MEd. Bank Street College, NYC Museum Leadership. Shaler Area School District, Art Educator 7 years; art museum educator 25 years. Plein air and studio painter. Member AAP and Pgh. Society of Artists.

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Shauna McChesney Renfrew - Acrylics



wildlife and botanicals which is mainly the focus of my art. Most of my art has vibrant colors and shows a lot of intricate detail. I enjoy work-



“I am a local artist, wife, and mother of two kids, I felt a drive to create art and decided to dedicate a few hours each week to art. I love to see the growth that has come in the past few years and enjoy sharing my art. I am inspired by nature and the beauty found in



ing with various mediums such as watercolors, pastels, oils, and acrylics. I have a bachelor's degree from Edinboro university in graphic design This year I won an award from the PA game commission “working together with wildlife art contest”
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Amy Tedrow - Photography



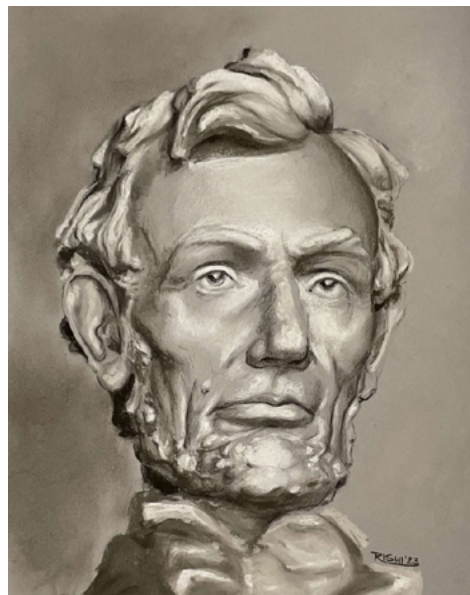
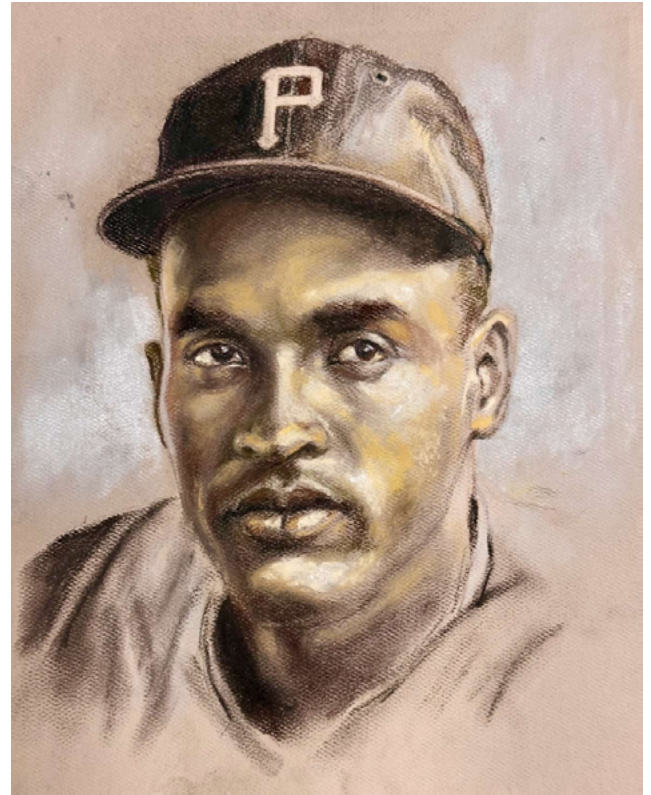
My love for nature and adventure inspires every photograph I take. There's nothing quite like witnessing a stunning sunrise, standing at the edge of a serene lake, or feeling the crisp air of a mountain trail.

Each piece is a reflection of my journey and a way to share the beauty of the world around us, creating art that feels meaningful and timeless. I currently sell my landscape prints on my Etsy store at <https://www.etsy.com/shop/AmyTedrowPhoto>,

<https://fineart.compassrosephoto.com/>
amy@compassrosephoto.com

Rishiraj Sahoo - Pastel

“A professional Geologist and an accomplished visual artist specializing in Oil, Acrylic and Pastel. With a deep passion for portraiture I try to capture the intricacies of human emotions and expressions. Originally from India, I grew up in a family with a rich artistic heritage. My academic journey led me to earn a master’s degree in Geology, which took me across the globe over the course of a decade. These travels provided me with unique opportunities to engage with local cultures and artistic traditions, profoundly influencing my creative perspective. Exhibited my artworks in India, Chile, and the United States. Won second place in the 2019 Juried Art Exhibition at the Beckley Art Center, West Virginia. My works have been featured in esteemed publications



and online platforms such as National Geographic and Wikipedia. One of my paintings has been featured in a Postal Stamp of Bangladesh. In addition to painting I have a keen interest in travel photography to document diverse landscapes and cultures.”

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Ana Carvalho - Oil Painting



“I am a figurative painter born in Brazil and based in Pittsburgh, USA. As a teenager, I embarked on my artistic journey, enrolling in a small city art school to learn drawing fundamentals and utilizing techniques such as charcoal, pastels, watercolor, and gouache. After two years of study, I paused my artistic practice to study History at the University of Campinas, Brazil, and to achieve a master’s in Psychology at the University of São Paulo, Brazil. My studies have profoundly shaped my artistic vision, sparking a passion for exploring the timeless narratives that intertwine art, history, and science. The influence of my readings often finds its way into my paintings. Relocating to a new country gave me a fresh perspective on landscape as a subject, becoming part of my process of mapping and understanding my place in the new environment. This experience allowed me to incorporate the nuances of this new culture into my art, merging this newfound perception with my background. Currently, I’m a Pittsburgh Society of Artists member, and during the year 2024, I participated in group shows at the Fowler-Kellog Art Center in Chautauqua, NY, and at the Pittsburgh Center for Arts and Media in Pittsburgh, PA. I’m a member of Confluence Arts Collective.”

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Lynda Kirby is displaying her digital artwork at Rhoads Orthodontist in Cranberry. She also has art accepted into the Westmoreland Arts Nationals exhibits.

Lynda Kirby, Debra Tobin and James Tobin have had work accepted into the Westmoreland Art Nationals Juried Art Exhibition, on display at Westmoreland County Community College (WCCC) and the Westmoreland Arts and Heritage Festival.

Lynda Kirby, Debra Tobin, and Jim Tobin have work in the April Home Town Spirit Show at ShuBrew in Zelienople, PA.

Debra Tobin and Lynda Kirby had work in the Women In Arts Pittsburgh show, held in March at the You Are Here Gallery in Jeanette.



Debra Tobin is an invited artist in the Lyrical Abstractions Art Exhibition on display through May 17 at the Stifel Fine Arts Center, 1330 National Road, Wheeling, WV 26003. Opening reception Thursday, April 10, 6:30-8:30pm.



"Pop Glasses" by Shane Pilster

Lyrical Abstraction

April 10-May 17
Stifel Fine Arts Center

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Marian Sallade earned an Honorable Mention at the North Hills Art Center's show, "An Ordinary Life".

Gina Judy won the Susan Kiren Memorial award at the Greensburg Biennial show.



First Tuesday Drawing



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MEMBER NEWS

News from **Susan Walker**:

Spring is just around the corner, and I, Susan Walker, am excited to share what's ahead! For those that don't know, my work continues to explore abstraction, but my florals have also been a hit—so I'm embracing both directions this season.

I'm thrilled to have been accepted into The Manos Gallery's "24 Minis" exhibition (Opening September 20, running through October 31). With 175 entries and only 60 artists chosen, I feel incredibly blessed to be part of this show!

In the meantime, I'll be out and about at several events, including the Women's Artist Market on April 19, Sewickley May Mart on May 10, and the Sweetwater Blooms Markets (May 17, June 21, and July 19), where my florals and abstracts will both find a home.

I'm also excited to share that I'll be heading to Lakeside Chautauqua for their Craft & Art Show from July 24–26—a new adventure in a stunning setting!

Looking forward to seeing what you're all creating this year. Wishing you a season full of inspiration and success!

Cheers,
Susan

Susan Walker @susanwalkerart@gmail.com

Tiny Artist: ages 2-5 This class is designed for small children ages 2-5 to learn art and build confidence! Your artist will practice an array of skills both unique to art and overall age-appropriate standards. Projects, supplies, and techniques will vary to allow exploration in a variety of ways. Each class is different and offers a variety of mediums, themes, and lessons. This class includes all supplies and instruction taught by a PA-Certified Art Educator. \$25. Save your seat [here](#).  **CURIO Art Gallery & Studio Zelienople, PA (north of Cranberry Twp.)**

April 12,, Sat. 11-1 pm [SAVE YOUR SEAT here](#)

May 3, Sat. 11-1 pm [SAVE YOUR SEAT here](#)



Bible Art journaling Celebrating 6 years!!

April 11, May 9 No Charge

Location: Presbyterian Church of Portersville, PA
1297 Perry Hwy, Portersville, PA 16037

Want to advance your faith and be creative? Are you curious about Bible journaling? Or have been doing the practice for a while? Want to learn cool art techniques to use in your journals and sketchbooks? This class is for you! **Bible Art Journaling is an ongoing class that meets once a month on a Friday. You may attend one class, two classes, or every class if you would like.**

Urban Sketchers Pittsburgh: find details by following them on Facebook

April 2025

[Zoom meetings Tuesdays 6:30-8-30]

In person meet-ups

4/3 61c Café, 1839 Murray Ave 15217

4/10 Nova Asian Food Hall, 1931 Smallman Street 15222

4/17 Over Eden, 177 40th St, Pittsburgh, PA 15201

4/24 Acclamation Brewing, 314 Arch St Verona. On the River!



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Debra Tobin and James Tobin have art on display through May 2 in the Greensburg Art Center's Juried Biennial 2025 exhibition.

Lynda Kirby and James Tobin have been accepted into the 24 Minis Juried Art Exhibition that will be on display September 20 - October 31 at Mano Gallery, Tarentum, PA.



There will be a memorial gathering for **Patricia Mae Young** on Saturday, July 12th from 1-4pm at the North Hills Art Center. Artist friends of Patty are invited to come together, share stories and enjoy the collection of almost 300 paintings her children will have at the center.

GARDNERS FARM & GREENHOUSE
PRESENTS THE 2ND ANNUAL

Botanical Art & Garden Show

April
26th

Featuring artwork from
The Cranberry Artist Network
Shop botanical art & goods
created by local artisans.
Join us from 9am-4pm
Rain or Shine

SPEND A DAY SURROUNDED
BY FLOWERS, ART & THE
BEAUTY OF SPRING

1004 Perry Highway Harmony, pa 16037

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CALENDAR

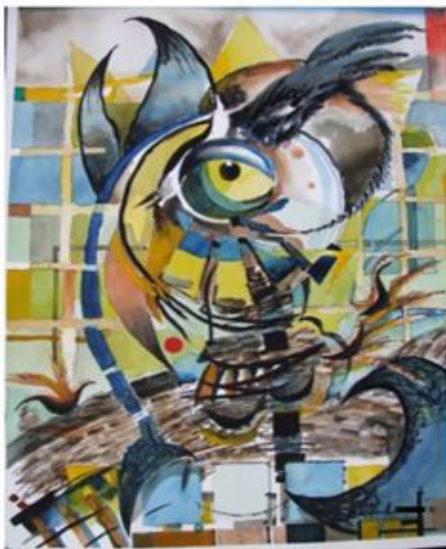
2025 Calendar of Events

PLEASE NOTE-ALL DATES UP TO THE SPRING SHOW ARE TENTATIVE DUE TO FINALIZED MUNICIPAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

January 8--Wednesday	Spring show prospectus to members			
January 31--Friday	Last day to pay 2025 membership dues			
February 4--Tuesday	First Tuesday drawing open studio	Brushcreek		
February 16--Sunday	Spring show registration closes, 8:59 pm			
February 23--Sunday	Notification of acceptance sent to artists			
February 27--Thursday	Hang show, Art drop-off, 4-7pm			
March 1--Saturday	New member screening—digital			
March 4--Tuesday	First Tuesday drawing open studio	Brushcreek		
March 6--Thursday	Spring show opening reception, 6-8 pm			
April 1--Tuesday	First Tuesday drawing open studio	Brushcreek		
April 10--Thursday	Spring show ends, Art pick-up 4-7pm			
4/26/2025--Saturday	Pop up show at Gardners Greenhouse — More info about drop off pick up as date gets closer			
May	Plein Air Painting			
May 1--Thursday	General membership meeting, 7-9pm. Martinis with Monet prospectus out to members.	Council Chambers		
May 2--Friday	Martinis with Monet prospectus out to public			
May 6--Tuesday	First Tuesday drawing open studio	Brushcreek		
June	Plein Air Painting			
June 23--Monday	M&M registration closes, 8:59 pm			
June 30--Monday	Notification of acceptance sent to artists			
July	Plein Air Painting			
July 3--Thursday	Art drop-off at Municipal building 4-7pm			
July 9--Wednesday	M&M opening reception, 7-9 pm			
August	Plein Air Painting			
August 22--Friday	M&M show ends, Art pick-up 4-7pm			
September 2--Tuesday	First Tuesday drawing open studio	Brushcreek		
September 7--Sunday	Holiday show prospectus to members.			
October 1--Wednesday	New member screening—digital			
October 7-- Tuesday	First Tuesday drawing open studio	Brushcreek		
October 26--Sunday	Holiday show registration ends, 8:59 pm.			
November 5--Wednesday	First Tuesday drawing open studio—this would be the day after Election Day	Brushcreek		
November 6--Thursday	Hang show, Art drop-off, 4-7pm			
November 13--Thursday	Holiday show opening reception, 6-8 pm			
December 2--Tuesday	First Tuesday drawing open studio	Brushcreek		
December 4--Thursday	General membership meeting. 7-9pm	Council Chambers		
December 19--Friday	Holiday show ends, Art pick-up 4-7pm			

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EXHIBITIONS AND CLASSES



Pittsburgh Watercolor Society presents:

Waterworks 2025

April 26th – May 23rd, 2025, at the

North Hills Art Center (NHAC)

3432 Babcock Blvd.

Pittsburgh, PA. 15237

ARTISTS' RECEPTION – Open to the Public

Saturday, April 26th, 2025, 7:00 – 9:00 P.M.

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EXHIBITIONS AND CLASSES



**FREE ART & MUSIC
IN PITTSBURGH, PA
JUNE 5-8, 2025**

102ND ANNUAL • ERIE ART MUSEUM

SPRING SHOW

Show Dates: April 3 to August 9, 2025



erieartmuseum.org/spring-show

Background image: Barbara Yerace, In Celebration of the Hawk, 2023. 101st Annual Spring Show.



The Realm presents

AWAKENING

A FINE ART EXHIBITION AND GALLERY



Featured Artists: Aimee Bungard • Aubrey Livsey • Brenda Nachreiner
Carolina Tapia-Urzu • Hannah Talerico • Hugues • Kelli Horan • Kelly Andresen
Mads Suquet • Maria Durci • MarySue Flick • Melissa Alliston
Sandi Timbus • Sara Jean Ruiz • Susan Wagner • Veronica DeAlmeida

Gallery runs through May 3
(M, T, Th, F / 11am - 4pm)

The Castle ♦ 700 Seventh Street, McKees Rocks

2025 BIENNIAL

MARCH 21 - MAY 2, 2025

OPENING
RECEPTION
MARCH 21
6-8PM



BIENNIAL 2025 OPENING RECEPTION

Greensburg Art Center

230 Todd School Road
Greensburg, PA 15601

**Friday, March 21, 2025
6-8:00 PM**

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CALL FOR ARTISTS



**MILLVALE
MUSIC
FESTIVAL**
May 16 & 17, 2025

Visual Artist Application
Submissions are OPEN and will
Close March 15, 2025!

Questions? Email us at
visualarts@millvalemusic.org

Save the Date Ohio Valley Plein Air Paint Out October 9 - 11 2025

Plans are underway for the 2025 Plein Air Paint Out. We will be painting 3 days this year. Thursday, October 9th thru Saturday, October 11, 2025. Judging will take place the evening of October 11, and a closing award ceremony will be held on Sunday, October 12, 2025. Lisa Rasmussen will be judging this year's contest entries. A professional illustrator, designer and artist for most of her career, Rasmussen works in a variety of media both traditional and digital. This year's venues will include Ohio and Belmont Counties. Event details and registration information will be sent in early Spring.

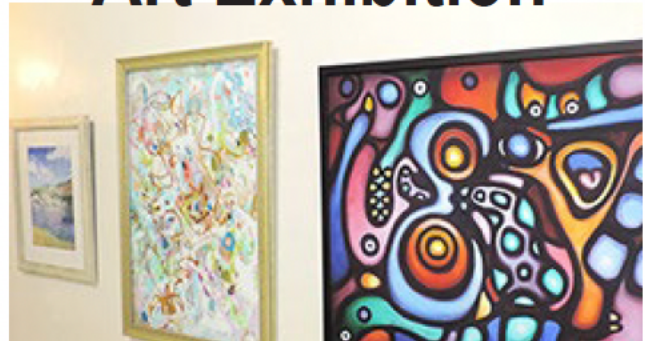
We would like to thank you for your past support
of Ohio Valley Plein Air Paint Out.
We look Forward to seeing you again in the fall.

Eric D. Dye, Committee Chairman and
Ohio Valley Plein Air Paint Out Committee
Artworks Around Town
61 Elm Lane
Wheeling, WV 26003
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ed43dart@gmail.com



Oglebay Institute
Inspiring the Imagination

Crosscurrents Art Exhibition



Stifel Fine Arts Center, 1330 National Road, Wheeling, WV 26003

Oglebay Institute's multi-media exhibition Crosscurrents has been a staple of our art exhibition season for more than 40 years, showcasing some of the finest artwork from the tri-state area & beyond. Each year, regional artists compete for a chance to exhibit in this annual show, held in the Hart Galleries of the historic Stifel Fine Arts Center. Works are chosen by a guest juror. Cash prizes awarded to winning artists.

Eligibility: Open to all artists 18 years or older, working in any media. Artists must reside in West Virginia, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Maryland and Virginia. Artists may submit up to three works completed within the last calendar year which have not been previously exhibited at the Stifel Fine Arts Center.

Awards: \$750 in first, second and third prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the juror.

Exhibition dates: May 29 - July 12, 2025

Deadline for entries: April 27, 2024

Juror's Notification emailed the week of: May 4

Opening Reception: May 29

Drop off accepted works dates: May 19 - 24

Shipped works accepted May 12 - 24 (Shipping is at the cost of the artist return shipping label must be included)

Pick up dates after the close of the exhibit: July 14 - 19 (unsold work will be shipped back to the artist at this time)

You'll need to set up a free account and profile at callforentry.org
https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=14859

Need help setting up an account in CaFE (callforentry.org)? Please call the Stifel Fine Arts Center at 304-242-7700 to make an appointment with Kevin Clancy or send him an email.

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CALL FOR ARTISTS

PRINT EXCHANGE & ART SHOW!

PRINTX PITTSBURGH 2025

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PITTSBURGH PRINTX *Impressions Together A Print Exchange for All*

Dive into the vibrant world of printmaking by joining our family friendly print exchange! This exciting opportunity allows you to connect with fellow printmakers, showcase your work, and explore the diverse techniques and boundless creativity of artists from all walks of life. Whether you're an experienced printmaker or just starting out, this welcoming and non-competitive exchange is your gateway to a thriving artistic community. Join us in creating and sharing work that reflects our unity, collaboration, and connection. We can't wait to see the impressions you leave behind!

Exhibition Dates: July 19 - August 15, 2025
(Online gallery available for viewing)

Location: North Hill Art Center, 3437 Fairview Blvd
Pittsburgh, PA 15207

Gallery Viewing Hours

Weekdays: 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Tuesday Evening: 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Artist Reception: July 26, 2025, 6 PM - 8 PM

People's Choice Awards: First, Second, and Third decided by crowd's choice votes collected throughout the run of the show.

- Application Opens: March 4, 2025
 - Application Closes: June 27, 2025, 9:00 PM EDT
 - Print Delivery Drop Off: July 15, 2025, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
 - Art Pick Up: Saturday, August 16, 2025, 10 AM - 3 PM
- Full Prospectus: <https://www.facebook.com/peopleprintx/pittsburgh2025/20017>

Google Submission Form How to Apply

• Form link will open on March 4th
<https://forms.gle/45Gfup447Tt6Vow7>

• For questions, please email: pittsburghprintx@gmail.com

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EXHIBITIONS AND CALL FOR ARTISTS

Beaver Valley Artists 48th Annual Juried Exhibition



Opening April 27th from 1–4 PM
Merrick Art Gallery 1100 5th Avenue • New Brighton, PA 15066

Summer
2025

art camps

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MEMBER NEWS

The Cranberry Artists Network board is looking to fill the positions of Treasurer, Program/Education Chair, and Back Hall Gallery/Display Case Chair

Below is a list of the duties for each position.

Treasurer

- A. The Treasurer and a designated board member shall receive and disburse all the funds of the organization under the direction of the Board of Directors.
- B. Be responsible for the maintenance and safekeeping of all financial records of CAN.
- C. Make a financial report at each CAN Board meeting and at any designated business meeting.
- D. Maintain a list of basic yearly expenses and provide the Reimbursement Form to Board Members for Board approved expenses.
- E. Make and record all deposits and payments.
- F. Ensures development and board review of financial policies and procedures.

Program/Education Chair

- A. The Program/Education Chair shall be responsible for arranging programs for the bi-annual General Membership Meetings and other educational events.
- B. Contact Cranberry Township for program dates and available meeting/program spaces.
- C. Provide and receive contracts from artists who are presenting.
- D. Distribute write-ups and information about programs.
- E. The Program/Education Chair will report all information related to programs and education at CAN Board meetings.

Back Hall Gallery/Display Case Chair

- A. The Back Hall Gallery/Display Case Committee Chair shall be responsible for monthly exhibit rotation.
- B. Organize and schedule the artists
- C. Oversee the show installation/deinstallation
- D. Coordinate with Cranberry Township for reception dates and times.

Please contact Noele Reynolds at ncrkr@aol.com if you are interested in a position or if you have any questions.

Exciting News!

The new Back Hall Gallery Space at the Cranberry Township Municipal Building is coming together beautifully. The installation of lights for the gallery displays is currently underway.

Additionally, the glass display cabinet is nearing completion and will include glass shelves and lighting, providing an elegant and versatile option for exhibiting smaller works and three-dimensional pieces, ensuring that the space. This will be a fantastic addition to our exhibition capabilities and open up new possibilities for displaying the incredible talent of our members.

This work will be ready to showcase our upcoming Spring Is the New Green exhibition in its best light.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing your amazing work in these upgraded spaces this spring!

Our Mission

Cranberry Artists Network was organized by artists to promote an awareness about the value of the arts. Our mission is to build a vibrant appreciation for the arts by connecting artists and their skills with the community.

General Information

Website

www.CranberryArtistsNetwork.com

Facebook

[@CranberryArtistsNetwork](https://www.facebook.com/groups/CranberryArtistsMembers/)

A members-only page is available at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CranberryArtistsMembers/>, or search for CAN Members

Cranberry Artists Network Board

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James Tobin	Vice President
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Marcy Bogdanich	Treasurer

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Open	Rotating Gallery
Open	Membership
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Kathy Bischak	Internal Communication (Newsletter)
Debra Tobin	Print Media
Lynda Kirby	Website
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