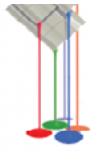


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NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2025



2025 Martinis with Monet Art Expo

**REMINDER: ART PICKUP
4-7PM THURSDAY, AUGUST 21**

SHOW DATES:

Wednesday, July 9 - Thursday, August 21, 2025



017: Red Fury (Digital
Photography Collage)



131: Cul-de-Sac (Mixed Media
Collage)



098: Ascent (Watercolor)



127: WIZARD OF OZ (Digital art
on aluminum panel)

2025 Award winners

- 1st - James Tobin - "Red Fury"
- 2nd - Larry Brandstetter - "Cul-de-Sac"
- 3rd - Elaine Heitzer - "Ascent"
- HM- Duane Cacali - "Wizard of Oz"
- HM - Karen Lovette - "Steady Soul"
- HM - Lynn Roberts - "Destination Unknown"
- WC - Josette Baker - "Strutting in Style"



071: Steady Soul (Photography)



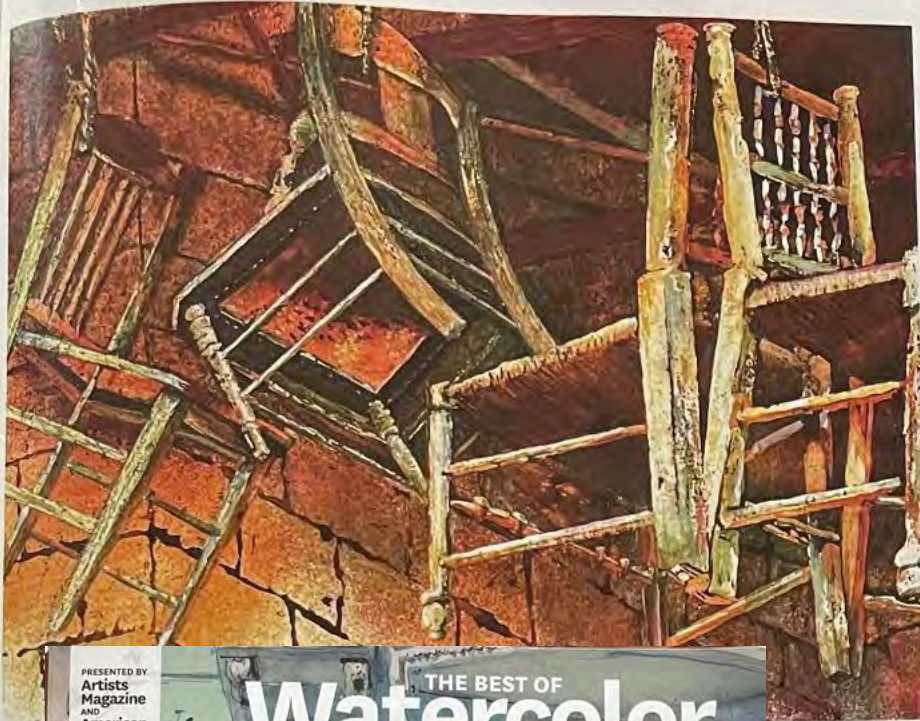
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141: Struttin' in Style (Watercolor)

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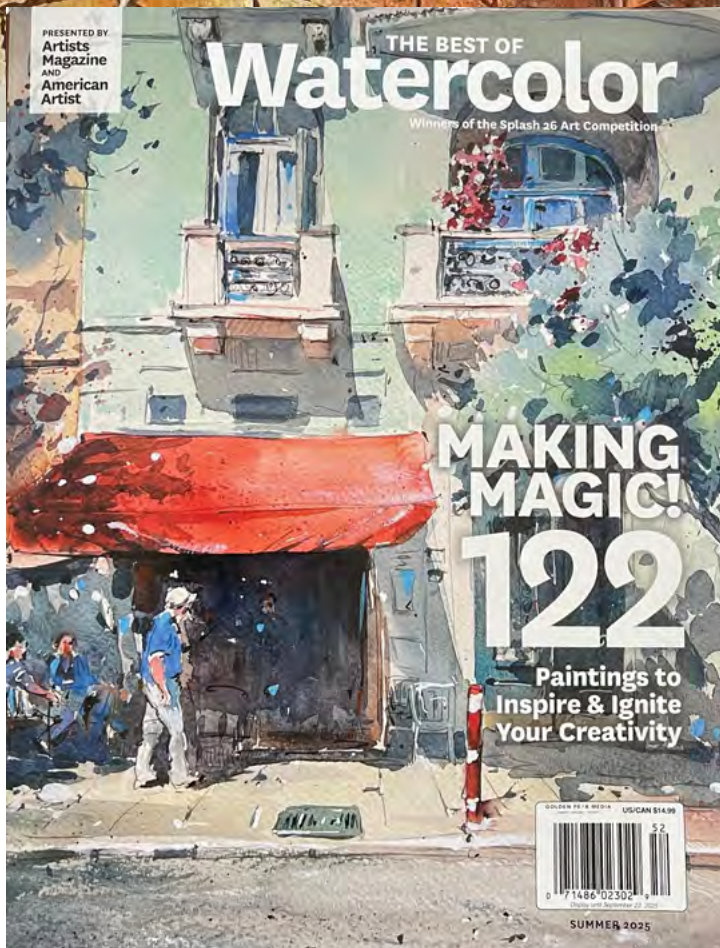


LOOKING FOR A MAKEOVER

Mary Jane Hadley
(watercolor on paper, 17½x23½)

I took my mom's ladder-back chair to get the seat recaned. Entering the warehouse, I saw several aisles of furniture in disrepair. The shapes, textures and directional lines inspired interesting compositions.

I created *Looking for a Makeover* using a limited palette of yellow, red and blue. I covered the lightest value areas I wanted to save with masking fluid. Using a mouth atomizer, I sprayed the entire paper with quinacridone gold. While it was still wet, I sprayed quinacridone magenta in areas where I wanted the colors to mix. After letting it dry, I added masking fluid to cover areas that would remain yellow, orange and a deep red. Then with the mouth atomizer, I sprayed Prussian blue to achieve my darkest value. All the masking fluid was then removed. I finished the painting with a brush using phthalo blue-green, new gamboge and titanium buff.



Mary Jane Hadley's "Waiting for a Makeover" was selected as a FINALIST by Awards Juror, Stephen Zhang, in Splash 26: The best of Watercolor Art Competition. It is in newsstands now!!

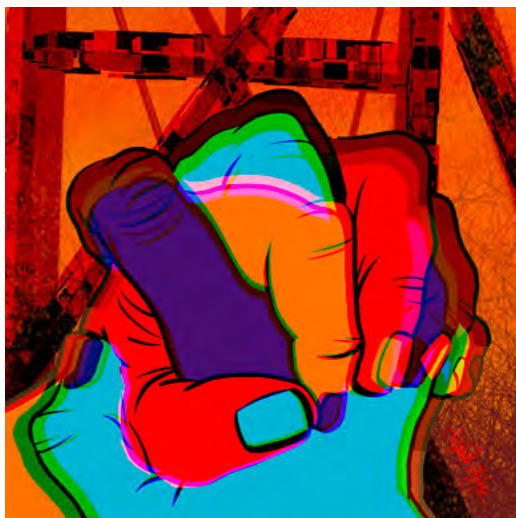
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MEMBER NEWS



Congratulations to **Lynda Theiss Kirby** and **Martha Skarlinski** for showing in the Associated Artists of Pittsburgh Brooklyn X Pittsburgh: The Industry of Art on display through August 24, Brooklyn, New York.

C.A.N. Artists, Our new gallery space is up and running! The gallery is open for 2 exhibition periods, August 22 to September 30 and October 1 to November 5. This could be used by a group, several members, etc. This is on a first-come/first-served basis. There will be more openings available in 2026. Please contact Rebecca Harvey if you are interested. I will coordinate any receptions with the township if needed. rebeccaharvey@zoominternet.net



Lynda Kirby's artwork *Held in Common* will be shown at the University of Pittsburgh Hillman Library September through December.



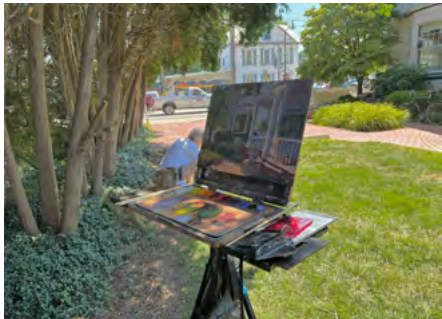
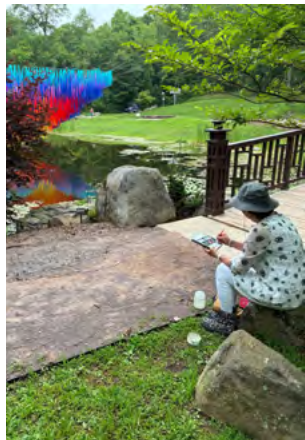
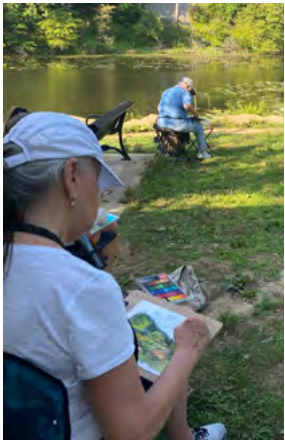
Pastel Artists: "IT'S NOT CHALK" shirts available

Have you ever been plein air painting with your pastels and have someone come up to you and ask "Is that chalk?" Well now you can tell the world "IT'S NOT CHALK"! The Pittsburgh Pastel Artists League is selling shirts that state just that. Just \$22 for non-members of PPAL and \$15 for members, including domestic shipping. Click here to visit PPAL's site and place your order: <http://www.ppal-artists.com>

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MEMBER NEWS

July Plein Air Group Outings



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MEMBER NEWS

Betty Trout is in a show at Latrobe Art Center with 2 other women. All God's Creatures. The reception is Friday, August 1st. That's is Betty's giraffe on the card.

LATROBE ART CENTER PRESENTS

ALL GOD'S CREATURES

THE ART OF BECKY MORMACK, CORA SMITH, AND BETTY TROUT

EXHIBITION ON VIEW

JULY 28TH -
AUGUST 23RD



LATROBE
art
CENTER

**OPENING RECEPTION:
FRIDAY, AUGUST 1ST | 5-7PM**

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MEMBER NEWS



JOIN US!

PRINTX

PITTSBURGH 2025

PRINT EXCHANGE & ART SHOW

GALLERY VIEWING HOURS
Weekdays 10AM - 3PM
Tuesday Evening 7PM - 9PM

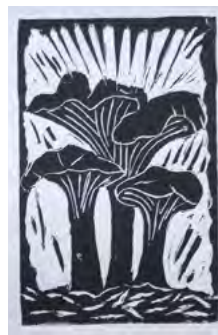
Exhibition on display
at the North Hills Art Center
3432 Babcock Blvd., Pgh., PA 15237

Opening Reception: July 26th, 6-8pm
Show runs July 19th through August 15th

NHAC
NORTH HILLS ART CENTER

For questions, email us at: pittsburghprintx@gmail.com

Kathleen Bischak, Sandra Jacobs, Gina Judy, Lynda Kirby, Sheila Hawthorne Klotz, Donna Lesondak, Paula Siebieda, Debra Tobin and James Tobin are among the participating CAN artists in the Pittsburgh PrintX show. They are on display at North Hills Art Center through August 15. Gallery Hours: Weekdays 10 am - 3 pm and Tuesday evening 7 pm - 9 pm.



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CALL FOR ARTIST

VELUM FERMENTATION

2120 JANE ST PGH 15203

OCT 24TH 2025

4PM -10PM EST

UNSETTLED 3

MONSTROUS EMOTIONS

Seeking
Mental Health & Health Care professionals
to volunteer to speak with the community

Raising awareness
on the importance of emotional health
&

Fundraising for Pittsburgh Non-profits

PAAR

Pittsburgh Action Against Rape

&

Proud Haven

A Safe Space and resources for LGBTQIA+

NO FEE TO APPLY
USE QR CODE



APPLY ONLINE AT
INCULTAINK.COM

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

8/22/25

SHOW TIME

10/24/25

4PM TO 10PM EST

Cranberry Artists Network

CALL FOR ARTIST



ART AT THE FARM GALA

Celebrating Community, Culture, and Local Heritage

AUGUST
2

Date: Saturday, Aug. 2, 2025

Time: 6 to 9 p.m.

Location: Gilfillan Farm

Live Music by Bertha & The Belles
Plus Art Activities for All Ages & Wet Paint Sale

Tickets: **\$5/person** in advance • **\$10/person** at the gate
Proceeds benefit **Gilfillan Farm** and the **McMurray Art League**.
Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/4ntGESJ to get your tickets.



FOOD & BEVERAGE TRUCKS ON-SITE



Sponsored by:

The Historical Society of Upper St. Clair

McMurray Art League

Cranberry Artists Network

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Artists are invited to participate in the Celebration of Visual Arts, held at Saxonburg Memorial Presbyterian Church on Main Street during the Saxonburg Artisan Festival on September 6 & 7.

This year's judge is Tim Kostilnik. Each artist may submit up to five pieces.

Application Deadline: August 11 Artwork Drop-off: September 4

We look forward to showcasing incredible talent!

[Download application](#)

CELEBRATION OF VISUAL ARTS

SEPTEMBER 6 -7

Call for ART !!

Download Application !

 /fineartsofsaxonburg

Application Deadline Aug 11
Art Drop off Sept 4

Cash Prizes & Festival Fun

Presented By



Cranberry Artists Network

CALL FOR ARTISTS



CALL FOR ARTISTS!

Fresh A.I.R. FESTIVAL

Art In Recovery

CELEBRATE THE ART & CREATIVITY THAT BLOSSOM WITHIN ADDICTION RECOVERY!

WE ARE SEEKING ARTWORK FROM INDIVIDUALS IN RECOVERY FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL FRESH A.I.R. FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 26-28TH 2025!

THIS 3-DAY CELEBRATION DURING NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH WILL FEATURE ARTWORK AND LIVE READINGS OF EXPRESSIVE WRITING/LITERARY WORK BY NOVICE TO PROFESSIONAL ARTISTS AND WRITERS IN RECOVERY FROM SUBSTANCE USE/ADDICTION, ALONG WITH HANDS-ON CRAFTING STATIONS!

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO MAKE YOUR SUBMISSION!



www.teetotal.org/fresh-air

SUBMISSIONS DUE 9/1/25



PRESENTED BY:



TEETOTAL INITIATIVE

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CALL FOR ARTISTS

Masterpiece Creations ART GALLERY

NOW OPEN



"Disconnected" Oil with knife on canvas

*"My life will be a canvas that screams
glorious masterpiece".*

I want to create work that touches the human soul. Each piece has something in it that viewers can relate to, whether they realize it or not. Art is beautiful and I want my pieces to portray that. Art breathes life."

To see more work or to purchase a piece
Contact Dina Russo 412-576-5657
dinarussoart@gmail.com
masterpiececreationspgh.com



Visit us: 129 Grand Avenue, Mars PA 16046

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CALL FOR INSTRUCTORS



Twig + Berry ART STUDIO

620 Warrendale Road Gibsonia, PA 15044

twigandberryart.com

TEACHING ARTISTS WANTED:

- join our creative community
- flexible schedule - teach single class, series or workshops!
- teach what you love and have fun in our inviting studio space
- love what you do but haven't taught before? No worries, I'm happy to give gentle coaching & encouragement

Meeting & Event Space Available!

- comfortable studio space
- classes
- creative activities
- parties
- team-building
- room for up to 20
- central Treesdale location, between Wexford, Gibsonia, Cranberry & Mars

Contact **Shannon Marino**

twigandberryart@gmail.com

412-403-1105

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CALL FOR ARTISTS

SAVE THE DATES!



McMURRAY
ART LEAGUE

presents

"Fun - Sized"

An OPEN EXHIBITION of works that are not too large and not too small.

NOVEMBER 15 – DECEMBER 13

Open to ALL Artists, aged 18 and older, living within 100 miles of McMurray Art League Studio. Juried for Cash Awards.

Online entries due October 23, 2025.

Receiving of works: November 8, 2025.

FULL PROSPECTUS WILL BE AVAILABLE at the end of AUGUST on our website: <https://www.mcmurrayartleague.com>

The Manos Gallery

CALL FOR 2025 Exhibition ARTISTS

**November Theme is:
Garden of Grandeur
Deadline to Register is
September 3, 2025**

Basic Details
All mediums and forms of art are welcome.
Art can not exceed 48"x60"
Artists must stay on theme.
All art must be available for
purchase and gallery ready.
For more specific questions,
please reach out via email.

EMAIL TO REGISTER

Manosgallery@yahoo.com
Themanosgallery.webflow.io

320 E 5th Ave
Tarentum PA 15084



The Manos Gallery Textile Transformation

Call For Artists

Coming January 2026

**An Art Exhibit highlighting the
versatility and changeability of fiber art.**

**Artists Registration
Deadline November 1, 2025**

**Contact The Manos Gallery
For registration Forms.
Manosgallery@yahoo.com**



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CALL FOR ARTISTS

North Hills Art Center

MEMBER'S SHOW

Call for Art

SHOW RUNS

September 6th - 26th

OPENING RECEPTION

Sept 6 from 7-9 pm

Drop-off: 8/18 - 8/22

Pick-up: 9/29 - 10/3

2D and 3D welcome!

Limit two (2) entries per artist.

Not a member? Join now!

NO THEME

Show off your
latest work!

All NHAC members working in any medium are encouraged to submit.

Awards will be given during the opening reception.

To download the contract visit

www.northhillsartcenter.org



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EXHIBITIONS AND CLASSES



“Time for Me: A Women’s Creative Circle”

Meeting the third Thursday of each month, 6:30-8:30pm

CELEBRATING 14 YEARS!

Facilitator and Leader: MJ McCurdy

As women, we all seem to make time for everyone else in our lives— but when is OUR time? **Time for Me** is a way to set aside time for ourselves, to meet new friends and express our inner creativity. In each class, we explore various creative forms or techniques, then use what we’ve learned to express ourselves. The art form we try is always a surprise, announced at the class and taught by working artists. **You do not have to have art talent to join us.**

Time for Me is a monthly class meeting at 6:30pm on the third Thursday, see schedule below for exclusions. You can attend one class, two classes, or every class if you would like. **Each class you attend is \$30 and includes all materials and instruction needed for the evening.**

. Women from 13-100 welcome!

2025 Class Meeting Dates:

~~February 20, March 20, April 17, June 19, July 17, August 21, September 18,~~
October 16

Please RSVP in advance so we have enough supplies available: email bottlebrushgallery@yahoo.com or call 724.452.0539.

Bottlebrush Gallery & Center for the Arts 539 Main Street Harmony, PA 16037

www.bottlebrushgallery.com
www.fb.com/bottlebrushgallery

Cranberry Artists Network

EXHIBITIONS AND CLASSES

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.

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
304-2318418
ed43dart@gmail.com

Arc Human Services

The Arc
Washington County

Connecting through Inspiration
Arts Festival

SAVE
THE
DATE

August 9th 12pm - 4pm
111 W. Pike Street & N. Jefferson Parking lot
Canonsburg, PA

More information will follow!!!

SWEETWATER
BLOOMS



**SATURDAYS
9 AM - 1 PM**

LOCATED ON BANK
STREET BETWEEN
BROAD & WALNUT ST,
SEWICKLEY, PA

SAVE
THE
DATES!

**MAY 17
JUNE 21
JULY 19
AUG. 16
SEPT. 20**

Cranberry Artists Network

CALENDAR

June	Plein Air Painting	
June 22-Sunday	M&M registration closes, 8:59 pm	
June 30-Monday	Notification of acceptance sent to artists	
July	Plein Air Painting	
	Art drop-off at Municipal building 4-7pm	
July 3-Thursday		
July 9-Wednesday	M&M opening reception, 7-9 pm	
August	Plein Air Painting	
August 21-Thursday	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	



MEMBER NEWS

The Cranberry Artists Network board is looking to fill the positions of Treasurer and Program/Education 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.

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/CranberryArtistsNetwork)

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

Cranberry Artists Network Board

Noele Reynolds	President
James Tobin	Vice President
Cindy Paul	Secretary
Marcy Bogdanich	Treasurer

CAN Chairs

Colleen Tittiger	Interim Exhibition Programs
Open	Rotating Gallery
Rebecca Harvey	Membership
Gadi Leshem	Publicity
Kathy Bischak	Internal Communication (Newsletter)
Debra Tobin	Print Media
Lynda Kirby	Website
Colin Richards	

Founding Members Emeritus

Irene Ackerman
[Duane Cacali](#)
Mary Jane Hadley
Mary Mason
Elise McVeigh

Cranberryartistsnetwork@gmail.com

Postal Address

PO Box 1476, Cranberry Twp, PA 16066

Please send newsletter submissions to debratobin@ymail.com

If you are interested in either of these positions or would like more information please contact Noele Reynolds, President of the Cranberry Artists Network at Cranberryartistsnetwork@gmail.com.