



ASSOCIATED ARTISTS

OF WINSTON-SALEM, INC.

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Artist Spotlight 2021 - Arboreal Gallery

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This Newsletter will bring you up to date, and there is much to inform you about. After our “almost closure,” in 2018 ... the renovation interruption of the Milton Rhodes Center for the Arts in 2019 ... and the pandemic shut-down of 2020 ... it’s taken a while to get back to communications other than email Calls for Art.

WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING:

New Membership Renewal Schedule: Without staff, keeping track of “who needs to renew when,” was no longer possible. So, in January we began our new policy of everyone renewing membership in January for the full calendar year, ending in December of each year. We pro-rated only those

members who renewed or joined during 2020, and they received a separate email from me about that on January 3, following the general announcement.

Our [WEBSITE](#) has recently shifted to a new host, and once we get fully acclimated, the content will be updated on a regular basis again. Several updates have been made, but there is more to do, such as, replace photos and move some content around. One of the new goals is to have a calendar of upcoming exhibits, a place for upcoming Calls for Art and prospectus, and add some other new features. It's live and working, but we still have work to do, so please be patient. We are trying to reestablish our Facebook and Instagram pages as well, and we could use some expert volunteer help. Contact me if you can help.

Exhibits continue. COVID lockdowns halted everything for most of 2020, but we *have* been doing new exhibits at several locations since September, though receptions haven't been allowed due to CDC restrictions.

EXHIBITS:

SPRING 2021! through June 25

EVERY CORNER GALLERY

[Milton Rhodes Center for the Arts](#)

The current all-member show, **SPRING 2021!** is up through June 25th. A new show will immediately follow this exhibit. Watch for the Prospectus.

ARTIST SPOTLIGHT 2021, April 3 - June 12

ARBOREAL GALLERY

[Milton Rhodes Center for the Arts](#)

This is a juried show exhibiting bodies of work by 10 artists. Mark your calendar, because we're about to have our first Artists' Reception in over a year. There will be a scaled-down Artists' Reception on April 9, from 6-8 PM. Masks and social distancing are required.

[MILTON RHODES CENTER FOR THE ARTS](#)

M-F: 9 am – 8 pm

Sat: 9 am – 4 pm

Sun: Closed

IMAGINE! until July 23

[Masonic Center of Winston Salem](#)

The Gallery in the Masonic Center of Winston Salem is always filled by all-member work of Associated Artist members. The current show will be followed by another all-member show. The Masonic Center is normally open and has been having limited events per CDC guidelines, and regular Masonic member meetings, but general public access is somewhat limited at this time.

SALEM FOYER GALLERY **Benton Convention Center**

The **Salem Foyer Gallery** on the main floor features an exhibit of AAWS member art that began January 18. During COVID restrictions, public access is limited to only when there are events, but they too, are beginning to open up. AAWS art for the Salem Foyer is chosen by a juried/curated process. We don't yet know the end date of the current exhibit, and we will send out a Call for Art prospectus when this show changes again.

OTHER UPCOMING EXHIBITS THIS YEAR

Keener Gallery July - August **Allegacy Credit Union Headquarters**

Annual recurring exhibits are also on the schedule for the **Keener Gallery**/Allegacy Credit Union Headquarters. We are scheduled for July-August, but it will depend on if their lobby opens up again full time. Only time will tell.

Spine Gallery (2-D art) and **Reynolds Gallery** (3-D art) October - December 2021 Wake Forest Baptist Health Center

ARTIST OPPORTUNITY: Did you know that Wake Forest Baptist Health has several galleries for artists to display their work? AAWS has an annual 3-month slot in the Spine Gallery for a group exhibit, and the Reynolds Gallery case for 3-D objects, but as an individual artist, you can apply and show your own work in one of their **11 galleries**. For information, go to:
<https://www.wakehealth.edu/Patient-and-Family-Resources/Services-and-Amenities/Arts-for-Health/Gallery-Spaces>

Community Arts Program:

The **Community Arts program** is still up and running for members. A few venues closed during COVID, some still have restricted access as people work from home, but many remain open and we gained a couple of new ones. We are back to our 3-month rotation schedule. If you are a current paid-up member and want to a part of this popular program, contact Myrna Mackin:
myrnamac@triad.rr.com

Currently, we are an All-Volunteer organization. A couple of years ago the organization almost ended, but we would not be stopped. We no longer have a staff, but we're doing the best we can with a skeleton crew of volunteers. Volunteers on our new Media Team are helping with the website, and hope to provide **virtual exhibits** in the near future. More help is needed for our Media Team, and we always need help to hang shows.

On the horizon: reestablishing a full Board of Directors, and a member zoom meeting.

UPDATE FOR LAPSED MEMBERS

A reminder for past members who have not renewed for 2021:
Membership is now from January to December. We pro-rated only those members who renewed in 2020, and they received a separate email from me to that effect.

Annual Membership remains at \$75, students at \$20 for the calendar year, regardless of when you renew your membership that year.

We encourage you to renew online and please **FILL OUT THE FORM**, so we can reestablish our full mailing list. Click here to renew: <https://www.AssociatedArtists.org/renew>

If you have any problems or questions, call Margaret at 336-293-8922 or email me at margaret@associatedartists.org

Stay safe. Continue to wear a mask, and wash your hands often.
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