

York Art Association

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Winter Clay Show
March 3 – 27

Opening Reception March 4, 5-7 PM

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One of a Kind for your Valentine...

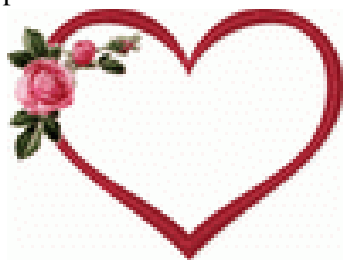
This past week a woman from New York City emailed me trying to track down a photograph she had seen at YAA this summer while visiting Maine with her boyfriend. She wanted to give it to him as a Valentine's Day gift as a way of remembering their first trip to Maine. I was able to help her track down the artist – Bob Taylor – one of YAA's photographers. He will be shipping her the photo in time for Valentine's Day. She was thrilled.

But, it got us thinking.... Valentine's Day is fast approaching, and what better gift is there than art, or something handcrafted? So Louise is assembling YAA's jewelers, textile artists, potters, etc. and asking them to drop off work to fill the gallery, and gift shop with inventory for a special *Valentine's Day sale that will start Thursday, February 3rd and run through Monday, February 14th*. We will be open for our regular winter hours, which are: Thursday through Sunday from 10-4. On Monday, February 14th we will be open 12-4 p.m. ---for those last minute shoppers!

And so that there won't be a bunch of disappointed wives, and girlfriends this year, we are hosting a **Guys Night Out shopping extravaganza on Friday, February 12th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.** We will be luring shoppers with the promise of beer, wine, and refreshments, and offering them a place for one-stop, one-of-a kind shopping! We're hoping to make this a "mall free" Valentine's Day! So ladies don't accept any excuses this year! For a modest fee we will be providing gift-wrapping services, as well. And we will be raffling off a few Valentine Gifts made by our artists for some lucky shoppers to win.

Spread the word...shop at YAA for Valentine's Day 2011!

Thanks,
Elena,
Gallery Manager



The Southern Maine Clay Guild announces its 3rd Annual Winter Clay Show and Sale, March 3 – March 27. at the York Art Association, 394 York Street (Route 1A), York, ME 03909, 207-363-4049.



Gallery hours are Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sundays from 10-4PM. □The public is invited to attend a Wine and Cheese Opening Reception Friday March 4th from 5-7PM.

Hundreds of unique pottery pieces both decorative and functional will be exhibited by SMCG featured artists Al Pelletier, Clare Rogers, Mary Ann Flemming, Cathy Cantara, □ Kathleen King, Jill Burke, Sue Berman, Mary Sweeney, Diane Aramando □ Amy Clark, Elaine X. Fuller. This year there will be a "table -scape" display during the show. This will feature dinnerware, bowls, goblets, serving pieces, and candlesticks from the various potters.

The Southern Maine Clay Guild was formed in 2005 out of a desire among southern Maine potters to foster increased interaction and support for each other, and the medium. The focus is to expand and promote opportunities in clay techniques, glaze chemistry and varying methods of firing. The members range from beginner to professional.

For more information contact Mary Sweeney at 207-363-6937.or e-mail: mwsweeney5@mac.com

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Empty Bowls Community Event

March 25th, 5-7 PM

During the exhibit there will be a community event hosted by the Southern Maine Potter's Guild members, *Empty Bowls* that will take place March 25th, 5-7pm

The Empty Bowls mission is to raise money to help organizations fight hunger, to raise awareness about the issues of hunger and food security, and to help bring about an attitude that will not allow hunger to exist.

"From its humble beginnings as a meal for the staff of one high school, Empty Bowls has spread across the United States and beyond and has raised tens of millions of dollars for anti-hunger organizations."



Over 200 bowls have been handcrafted and donated by SMCG and York High School students for the "Empty Bowls" event. Most bowls will be on display from the opening day and can be purchased in advance of the soup supper. The SMCG artist will collaborate with York High School students and local restaurants. The public is invited to sample delicious soups and breads from many favorite restaurants in our community. The bowls are to be taken home as a reminder that someone's bowl is always empty. Proceeds from donations (\$15 minimum per bowl, \$10 Kids' bowl) will benefit the York Food Pantry.

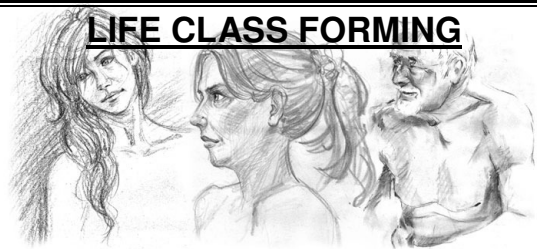
Members Corner

(Members, please submit information on what's going on with your art; i.e. Awards, Classes, Honors, Exhibits, etc.)

*Annamarie Eggert and Sue Wierzba have been invited to display their art at the Village Gallery in York Village.

*Mary Ann Fleming is holding clay classes in her studio. 351-5155

E-mail Sue Wierzba with your information
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LIFE CLASS FORMING

For 4 evenings in March YAA will hire models for members to join in a Life Class. There will be no instructors, models will be scheduled and our Gallery Manager will contact them and be sure they're available. We have two easels in the gallery; you may bring your own or use our tables to support your canvas.

At this time we have three models; two (one nude and one clothed) are available on Monday nights 6:30 to 9:30; another nude model is available at the same time on Wed nights. The cost to members (which includes the models fees) is \$50 for 4 sessions. If enough members wish to continue we will arrange additional sessions.

If you are interested please immediately e-mail to gallerymanager@yorkartassociation.com. Include your name and phone number and day of the week when you are available. We will need at least 6 people to have a class and no more than 10. (Mondays dates: March 7,14,21,28. Wed dates March 2,9,23,30.)

Have you paid your Membership dues? Have you changed your address, e-mail address or phone number?

Some just don't remember whether they paid their dues or not. Some members have changed their information and we cannot keep in touch. So please call or e-mail Diana Servis 363-1186 or arty.candy@yahoo.com. Please help us keep our wonderful organization running smoothly we need your check today. Thanks in advance for your prompt cooperation. **Please send your \$35.00 membership check to: York Art Association, ATTN: Treasurer P.O. Box 74, York ME 03909.**

Exhibit Your Artwork Locally!!!



All the members of YAA are allowed to exhibit in 6 different sites in York for 2 months once you contact me. The exhibit sites are:

York Shears – Town Hall – York Family Practice
York Hospital – York Library –
And York Land Trust - NEW OUTSIDE EXHIBIT SPACE

The new York Land Trust's offices on Route One, just south of York Street, is the latest outside exhibit space for the York Art Association's members. Sue Wierzba will be displaying her watercolors at the Land Trust and Jean Lincoln will be at the York Library. Other exhibit spaces available are York Shears, Town Hall, York Family Practice and York Hospital for January and February 2011. Doug Coleman will be at the York Hospital in March and April.

Please contact Tom Stevens, 207-363-8453, tstevens@maine.rr.com regarding the possibility of exhibiting in the Outside Exhibit. There are open sites now this year and continuing each year. Your exhibit in York sites can expand your art presentation to several more purchasers. Please call or email me if you are interested. You can see the current calendar on our website, yorkartassociation.com.

Call Today to reserve you spot for 2011. Many venues are still open

IT'S A NEW YEAR
AND
THE YORK ART ASSOCIATION
NEEDS YOU!

We currently have openings on the Board of **Directors**. Please consider one of these positions: **Marketing, Education, and Fundraising**. The Board Meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month at 5:30 – 7:00. There are also May opportunities to serve on committees. If you have any questions or if you would like to join the Board in one of these positions, please contact Barry Tarr at 207-363-2515 or btarr@seachangeit.com.

Ongoing Events

The Photography Group is Going Strong

Entering our third year the photography group has a great year planned. Some of our photographic assignments include; Self-portrait, emulating the style of our favorite artist, Black and White and special effects. We are also planning a group trip out to the Isles of Shoals for a day of image making. Some of the topics for discussion include; digital workflow, photo books and web sites. New this year is we have assigned a different member to bring in their favorite books about photography to share with the group. The assignments and topics can be found on the YAA website. The group welcomes people with the entire range of experience from novices to experts. Remember the second Tuesday of the month at the YAA gallery. Contact Barry Tarr at btarr@seachangephotography.com if you have any questions.

Seacoast Silk Painters: The January Monthly meeting of the Silk Painters International (SPIN) Seacoast chapter will be meeting at the York Art Association on a Tuesday February 22nd, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. For the winter we will be holding all our meetings during the daylight. For every meeting, we should bring any silk painting, scarf, or project to show and tell. In January Wendy Sanborn will be demonstrating using stamps to emboss scarves for unique images and results. Please contact Sue Wierzba at susanwierzba@gmail.com or 207-361-4541 if you are interested in coming.

Fiber Arts Group: Anne Gately hosted the January meeting, and Kathy Angel Lee conducted a demonstration on "Using Paintsticks on Fiber". We created an original piece of fabric to take back to our studios and incorporate into a future project to show at our next meeting. The February meeting is February, 14th-1PM at the YAA Gallery and will be moderated by Pat Spillar.

The program is "Studios and Workspaces". Bring photos of your studios and storage ideas to share. In the event that you want to use digital photos on a computer and do not have a laptop, Carol Powley will bring a laptop computer to the meeting, which you can use.

You may send digital photos of your studios prior to the meeting to Carol at: capowley@comcast.net; please indicate in the subject box "Studio Photos/your name". Contact Carol Powley, capowley@comcast.net or Anne Gately artannie@maine.rr.com for more information.

New Programs and Classes Survey

This year the YAA hopes to offer oil, watercolor, drawing, and life classes. We are also hoping to include enrichment programs such as "how to sell artwork", "working with a commercial gallery", "framing your work", etc. There's also interest in restarting a plein air group for the summer months. We need your ideas and suggestions about instructors and specific classes you would like to see offered at YAA this coming year.

All member are invited to fill out an electronic survey asking for your input re: classes and workshops. We sincerely need your help and suggestions to guide us. PLEASE take a few minutes and check off those which are of interest and/or suggest others so we can plan for this year's schedule. We want to respond to your interests and will work to bring excellent instructors, but we need your input and expression of interest in attending to make sure we are moving in the right direction. We hope all members will participate. The link is:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/9C6F32B>.
Please contact gallerymanager@yorkartassociation.com for more information.

Calling All Artists:

The Museums of Old York cordially invites artists to produce a sketch of the 2011 Decorator Show House Emerson House. Deadline, Monday, March 28th.



The Emerson House is located at 31 Long Sands Road in historic York Village. The chosen artwork, which becomes the property of the museums, will be published on the cover of the Show House Catalogue, poster and advertisement materials. The artist whose sketch is chosen will be required to submit a minimum size of 12 X 14 completed colored painting of the Emerson House in his/her medium and artistic style, by May 13th to the administrative office.

Please submit your sketch of this historic home along with a copy of an original work, which demonstrates your style and medium of artistic preference. Your sketch and copy of artwork should be mailed or dropped off at the Museums of Old York's administrative office at 207 York Street, P. O. Box 312, York, Maine 03909. The proposal deadline is Monday, March 28, 2011. For questions, please call Lezlee O'Connor at the Development Office, 207-363-4974 (ext. 13) or development@oldyork.org

YAA Newsletter

(February Newsletter Article Deadline, Friday 1/14/11!!!!)

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York Art Association 2011 Show Schedule

Dates	Show Name Reception	Chairman	Drop Off	
2/3 – 2/14	VALENTINES SALE <u>Guys Night Out shopping extravaganza on Friday, February 12th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m</u>	CHAIRMAN NEEDED	1/30 & 1/31	2/4, 5-7 PM
3/3 – 3/27	Clay Show w/Southern Maine Clay Guild “Empty Bowls” night	Elaine Fuller Mary Sweeney	2/27 & 2/28	3/27 5- 7 PM
3/31 – 4/24	SOLO Invitational Show – Sarah Haskell			4/1, 5-7 PM
5/5 – 5/29	Spring Members Show, Art and Bloom Judged 7PM Old York Garden Club members making arrangements	Priscilla Schwartz	4/24 & 25	4/29, 5-
6/2 - 6/26	Fiber Arts Show, “Open” Juried	Carol Powley	5/31 & 6/1	6/5, 5-7 PM
6/30 – 7/31	Annual Exhibition, Featuring Invited Guest Artists	Mary Sweeney and Jean Lincoln	6/26 & 6/27	7/1, 5-7 PM
8/4 – 8/28	Summer Member Show, “World Around You” Juried, Open, Prizes	Marina Forbes & 7 Mary Ann Fleming	/31 & 8/1	8/5, 5-7 PM
9/1 – 9/25	Fall Members Show, Judged	CHAIRMAN NEEDED	8/28 & 8/29	9/2, 5-7 PM
9/29 – 10/30	Photography Show, Judged	Barry Tarr and	9/25 & 9/26	9/30, 5-7 PM
11/3 – 11/ 20	“Nature and Wildlife”, Judged	Marina Forbes	10/30 & 10/31	11/4, 5-7 PM
11/19	Holiday Fine Art and Craft Show	Louise Gerstenblatt		
12/1 – 12/18	Open			



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CALL FOR ARTISTS

Second Annual York Art Association Judged Fiber Art Show June 3 – June 26

Opening Reception: Sunday, June 5, 2-4 PM

All Fiber Artists are welcome to submit

Including: Quilts, Rug Hooking, Weaving, Wearable Art,
Fabric Painting and Soft Sculpture

Judge: Wen Redmond

Nationally known Fiber Artist, member of League of NH Craftsmen, and Professional Studio Art Quilt Assoc. Wen's work is represented in numerous publications and Art Galleries.
(Judging will be based on Artistic Value and Workmanship)

Guidelines for submitting work are:

Work must be in one of the above categories.

Piece must not exceed approximately 200 inches in circumference and must have been completed within the last three years by the submitting artist.

There is a limit of 3 works submitted per member or non-member of YAA.

The work must be for sale with 30% of the proceeds going to YAA.

The Entry Fee includes up to three pieces of Art Work and is: YAA Members \$10, Non-Members \$18.
There is no guarantee that piece will be accepted into the show and the entry fee is not refundable.

DROP OFF DATES FOR ARTWORK: Tuesday May 31, 5 -7 PM; Wednesday June 1, 5-7PM

PICK UP UNACCEPTED WORK: FRIDAY JUNE 3, 5-7PM

PICK UP ALL ACCEPTED WORK AFTER THE SHOW: Sunday June 26, 5-7 PM; Monday June 27, 5- 7 PM

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