



BLAINE ARTS COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

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General Meeting - June 13, 2024 - 6:30pm

June Meeting: Artist Networking - Adult Show & Tell!

Please come with any project you would like to share with the group - something you're working on, excited about, or proud of. We'll be excited to see whatever it is! Each artist will have 5-10 minutes to share and answer questions, depending on the number of artists participating. After all presentations are complete, there'll be an opportunity to mingle, get a closer look at the art, and talk with other members.

Join Us At Our General Meeting Location!
Blaine Community Complex - 763 G Street
June 13, 2024 - 6:30pm

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Gallery Naming Vote - June 13th Meeting!

Thank you for all the creative names you provided for our new gallery. All suggestions are listed below. Please join us at the June 13th meeting to participate in the vote.

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| Art & More Gallery | Blaine Border Arts Gallery | On the Border Art Gallery |
| Art Box Gallery | Blaine Marine Gallery | Outreach Gallery |
| Art by the Bay Gallery | Blue Wave Gallery | Peace Arch Galleria |
| Art Connection Gallery | Border Art Gallery | Peace Art Gallery |
| Art Expressions Gallery | Border View Art Gallery | Peace Portal Gallery |
| Art Infusion Gallery | Bordering On Arts Gallery | PNW Artist COOP Gallery |
| Art Place Gallery | Borderline Arts Gallery | Sea Breeze Gallery |
| Artfully Blaine Gallery | Designer's Edge Gallery | Seaview Studio Gallery |
| Artist Showcase Gallery | Ebb & Flow Art Gallery | The ♥ of Art Gallery |
| Artist Viewpoint Gallery | Far North Arts Gallery | The Wave Gallery |
| BAC 2 Art Gallery | Gallery by the Sea | Water's Edge Art Gallery |
| Blaine Art(s) Gallery | Hands Across the Border Gallery | Wave's Crest Gallery |
| Blaine Arts Council Gallery | | |

Gallery Preparation Committees

Many thanks to all of you that have asked to be part of our Gallery Preparation Committees!

We could not accomplish these tasks without your time, generosity, and ideas. Marilyn Muelbach is organizing the set up, and will be in touch with all who volunteered. We appreciate you all so much. Let's get ready to hit the ground running! To reach Marilyn: mtm23@me.com

Meet Our New Board Treasurer!

Jen (Hui) Wu

Jen will bring a unique blend of financial expertise, community engagement, and artistic passion to the Blaine Arts Council Board. She has recently retired from Citigroup, managing corporate-level enterprise risk, demonstrating strong financial acumen and risk management skills. She served on multiple Boards from 2017 - 2021 and understands the importance of fostering connections and collaboration within communities. Jen is also a practicing artist, exhibiting twice at the Jansen Arts Center, and understands the needs and challenges that face local artists. She will be joining us at the July General Meeting, and I hope you all take the time to get to know her and welcome her to our fabulous organization.

2024 WAVE En Blanc & Art Festival News



FREE TICKET ANYONE!

Want a chance to WIN free entry to the WAVE En Blanc Evening Fundraiser, July 26th?

Simply donate a bottle of wine valued at \$25 or more for the wine pull. Bring it to our next meeting on June 13th, and your name will be placed in the drawing. YOU just might be the LUCKY WINNER!

SILENT AUCTION!

We would like to thank the members who helped us gather these great silent auction items for our July fundraiser! Your time and generosity mean so much, and we are truly grateful for your partnership.

All funds raised at the evening will go directly toward funding our gallery here in Blaine, benefiting our artists and our community.

Preview our amazing Silent Auction Items:

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| Lawn maintenance service | Silk scarf decorating class |
| 2 pre-season Seattle Seahawks tickets | Chihuly Museum & Bellingham |
| 3.5-hour hot air balloon ride for 2 | Glassworks package for 2 |
| Widnor Farms dinner for 2 | Car detailing basket |
| 3-hour Sunset Cruise on the Bay | De Lille Cellars Magnum & tasting for 4 |
| 3-BR/2BA Orlando, FL Spring Break
condo - 4/5/25 - 4/12/25 | Blaine Gift Basket |
| Art by Lyn Rackley | Fine Dining Basket |
| | 5-hour fishing trip for 2 |

Thank you to Rachel Hughs, our fabulous Silent Auction Chair!

if you have any questions about the items, or wish to add to them, contact her at:
unclejessespottery@gmail.com, or 360-318-4624

BAC Member Happenings & Opportunities

ANNIE PFLUEGER

ANNIE has her work on display through June 8th at the Vault. Annie also has 4 images featured in Sandpoint Magazine's Summer Edition. [Wonderful Waters article](#)

BARBARA DAVIS-PYLES

On the first Tuesday of every month, BAC member BARBARA hosts "Write Here Right Now" at the Blaine library from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. If you're ready to work on that book you've always wanted to write, this is the time and place!

BONNIE VENTURA

Bonnie is teaching Intro Pottery classes for BBB Parks & Rec this summer. bbbprd2.com
July 11 & 18: Balloon Animals (clay sculpture with balloon armature).
August 1, 8, & 15: Clay Planters (basic coil hand building)

DIANE BERG

Diane teaches painting classes every week at the Senior Center: Watercolor classes each Tuesday from Noon to 1pm, and Acrylic classes 12:30 to 1:30pm each Wednesday.

DIANE & PAUL BERG

Diane and Paul teach Zentangles every week at the Senior Center from 10am to 11am each Tuesday.

GEORGIA DONOVAN

Georgia will be on display at the Old Town Cafe in Bellingham June and July. It has great food and is heavily trafficked by art buyers.

GORDON NEALY

Gordon has been accepted into another juried show - Edmonds Arts Gallery Exhibit, as part of the Edmonds Arts Festival. The accepted sculpture is shown here. The show runs June 14th - 16th.



JO EDWARDSSEN

Jo won a Judge's Award for a piece entered at the Museum of Beadwork in Portland, MA. Here is the link: [Museum of Beadwork - A Novel Tea Challenge](#)

JUDY NEWLAND

Judy wrote an article about the local Blaine dye group, Cauldrons of Color for the Surface Design Journal - Spring 2024 edition - Hunter/Gatherer. This organization features innovation in fiber, art, +design. Here is the link to her article: [Surface Design - Cauldrons of Color](#)

ROCK MORRIS

Rock is participating in the WAST Summer Show at the Jansen Arts Center, July through September.

VAUNE AINSWORTH

VAUNE has her art in the Great Blue Heron at Semiahmoo for the month of June. There will be a "Meet the Artist" opportunity there on Sunday, June 16th, from 4:30pm - 6:30pm.

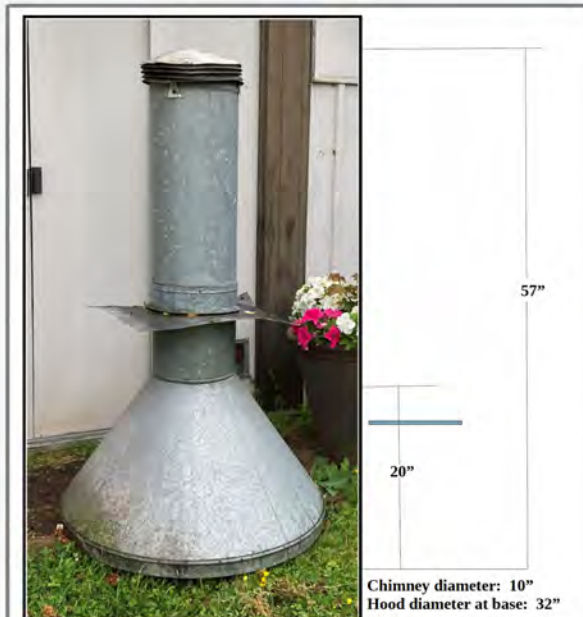
SOCIAL MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES!

We would love to feature you on the BAC Instagram page! Please send any jpegs and info to bdavispyles@gmail.com. Barb would love the opportunity to showcase all of our awesome members!

BAC Member to Member

BONNIE VENTURA

Bonnie has a kiln hood for sale. See information listed in photo below for details. For additional info, contact Bonnie directly at: bonnie.r.ventura@gmail.com



High heat steel hood, chimney and cap constructed by Lynden Sheet Metal to vent propane kiln. Has withstood 2300 degree heat for numerous firings. \$200.00 OBO

ROCK MORRIS

Rock is looking for recycled wood frames with deep rabbets. 8 x 10 and up in standard sizes, especially 16 x 20. If you have any frames of this nature, and interested in parting with them, please contact Rock directly at: rmorris@rockmorris.com

RUBY STARR

Ruby has various supplies, such as tarps, wall display items, and doors used as tables in the last Goff Art Show. If you would like more details, please contact Ruby directly at: fuzedlight1@gmail.com

BAC ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY PRODUCTS LISTED, AND DOES NOT ENDORSE OR RECOMMEND ANY THIRD-PARTY WEBSITES, PRODUCTS, OR SERVICES.

You use a mirror to see your face.
You use art to see your soul.
George Bernard Shaw

Create with the heart and build with the mind .
Criss Jami

Great things are done by small things brought together.
Vincent Van Gogh

2025 MEETING PRESENTERS

If you would like to present in 2025, please let me know. Available months will be: January, February, April, May, July, August, October, & November.



We want the Arts Council to benefit you in as many ways as possible, so please let us know how we can best support you. Margaret Owens - president@blaineartscouncil.org.

2024 MEETING PRESENTERS & NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES!

Here are the **General Meeting Presenter** dates: Thank you to all of our members who have graciously shared their talents with us this year. See below for 2025 opportunities!

July 11th - Artist Panel/TBD

Oct 10th - Helen Worley

Aug 8th - Margaret Owens (OverAll Walls murals)

Nov 14th - Bonnie Ventura

Artist Networking at the General Meetings will be held next on Sept 12th. It's Adult Show & Tell! We are excited to see what you have been working on, what you've done that you are proud of, or even something you just enjoyed creating!

BAC's Holiday Party will be on December 12th!

A Petite Word From The President

Blaine High School's "Evening of the Arts"

On the 30th, I was honored to be a juror in this year's event, along with Melanie Smith, and BAC members Diane & Paul Berg. The level of art being created by the youth of our community was both moving and inspiring. I got the opportunity to chat with a few of these stand-out art students, talk about their work, and also speak to the possibility of exposure in our gallery. I am excited to spend this Wednesday speaking about all things art with the BHS art classes - maybe even find a future muralist - who knows!

Their teacher, Brian Smith, is an extraordinary champion for them, and I think that speaks to quality of work being created. I for one would love to see more involvement between our organization and the burgeoning artists in our schools. I look forward to many more conversations and opportunities for us to work together in the future.

My best to you all! Margaret Owens

New Members!

WE WISH TO WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS TO THE BLAINE ARTS COUNCIL.

Bridged Atkins Darrell Cowan Gary Theriault
Jeanne McGee Jo Edwardsen

ARTISTS - we want to know all newsworthy items about you.
Shows, awards, where your art will be, etc - let us know!

Submit information by the 25th of each month to:
communications@blaineartscouncil.org.