



BLAINE ARTS COUNCIL

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General Meeting Presentation - July 13, 2023 - 6:30pm



Lyn Rackley

Art in all its diversity is my life. I remember the first time I realized I saw the world around me in a different way. When I look at the things around me I do not see just things. I see shapes, values, colors, and reflected light. It's not just a tree!

I taught Art at NWFSC in Niceville, FL. for 21, wonderful, creative years. I will share some of the tips in design and painting that I passed on to my students with you at the July BAC meeting. I also want to get you involved in your own creative experience in your chosen art genre. My Mantra for this stage in my life is to play and enjoy the creative process, which is something I feel we all need. It's where the magic happens. My presentation will focus on the watercolor medium, which has been my principle medium for years. I enjoy working in my studio as well as outdoors. So many things happen when you are on-site; a bird appears in the sky, a dog comes up - you never know what might end up in your painting.

See you Thursday, July 13th.



Art is ...

<p>The Earth without Art is just Eh. Unknown</p>	<p>Art is not what you see, but what you make others see. Edgar Degas</p>	<p>Art is coming face to face with yourself. Jackson Pollock</p>
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Spotlighting



Christy
Schroeder-Lloyd

When I was ten, my grandfather gave me a Sheaffer Calligraphy Kit - I still have it.

My rough beginnings as a calligrapher are still in that box; a reminder of a seed that was planted and eventually took root ten years later in 1990 when I took my first formal class.

Twenty years later my business, Pilgrim's Quill Studio, was established. I see myself as a pilgrim on a path of beautiful letters utilizing an art form with rich history.

Calligraphy is more than "pretty writing". The beginning steps of learning are modeled after the lettering of ancient scribes from the 3rd through 19th centuries. That connection to history, and to scribes all over the world who painstakingly hand-wrote beautiful, illuminated manuscripts, have grounded me with a purpose in recent years.



Calligraphy allows me to step back in time with appreciation AND also press forward in sustaining the visibility of this artform in a time when technology dominates our culture.

I'm blessed to have learned from teachers all around the world, and have also traveled to England and Italy for additional study opportunities. In 2002 I began teaching to help others discover a love of calligraphy and nurture their development. I feel entrusted with a gift to share, and as a pilgrim passing through life, I hope to place a mark of beauty in the world.

DeStash Re-Hash

Our friends at the Blaine Community Center graciously allowed us the use of the Blaine Pavilion for our first Art Destash. We loaded up all our extra art stash and had fun shopping at each other's tables while we sold, traded, or donated the leftovers to the Senior Center and Allied Arts. Blaine Arts Council and each artist made some money, and we enjoyed sharing BAC with the public.

Our thanks to Ruth Lauman for the great ads on Facebook and Instagram and to each member who participated or simply showed up to help others out. What a great group we have! Upon reflection, we'll need more advertising and lead time to repeat this, but in our year of firsts, we Destashed!



THE WAVE

Blaine Arts Council's Marquee Event



Don't Miss Out!
Opening Night tickets are
on sale now!
www.blaineartscouncil.org

Opening Gala: Friday, August 25th, 6:00-10:00 p.m.

Blaine Boating Center
Art, Wine, Hors d'oeuvres, Silent Auction,
& Wine Pull!
So much fun to be had!

Thank you to the wineries who have donated so far:
Opolo, Eberle, Cairdeas, Benson, Amos Rome, & GLM.

Elizabeth Phillips has taken the lead for the Silent Auction. Please let her know if you have any items to add, contacts for donations, or ideas for additional auction items - ephillips58101@gmail.com.

A Word From Our Website - THE WAVE Tickets!

Tickets for the Opening Night event of The Wave are currently available for purchase on our website. The event is being held August 25th, at the Blaine Boating Center, from 6 - 9pm. Your admission includes a drink ticket and light hors d'oeuvres. The event will include a silent auction and wine pull. BAC members can purchase discounted tickets, for \$20, [here](#). General admission tickets, priced at \$25, for non-members can be purchased [here](#).

Once your ticket has been purchased, you will receive an email with your ticket information and a QR code to check-in at the entrance to the Opening Night event.

THE WAVE Event - Juror Selection Process

The jurying process for THE WAVE event is almost complete, and artists who have submitted to participate will be notified by end of day, Saturday, July 8th. Each accepted artist will receive notification via email for upcoming meeting dates.

BAC Qtr 2 Meeting Presentations & Member Happenings

MAY

Jesse Hughs
Uncle Jesse's Pottery



APRIL

Sabrina Gomez-Vanelli
Day-to-Day Dance



JUNE

Xandra Blackburn
Allied Arts



DANA HAYDEN will be showing his incredible wood crafting skills at:
Northwest Tune-Up - Trackside at Bellingham's waterfront - July 14th - 16th
Three days of music, bike demos & bike racing for all ages.
For more info, visit: nwtuneup.com or @nwtuneup



GEORGIA DONOVAN is in a show through July at the Old Town Cafe in Bellingham.

Join Us At Our General Meeting Location!
Blaine Senior Center - 763 G Street
July 13, 2023 - 6:30pm

New Members!

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

Teri Walsh
Amanda West

Interested in being a contributing editor to the newsletter? We'd love to have you on board!
Please contact Kay Dee Powell at info@blaineartscouncil.org.

ARTISTS - we want to know newsworthy items about you.
Shows, awards, where your art will be, etc - let us know!
Submit articles by the 20th of each month to info@blaineartscouncil.org.