



BLAINE ARTS COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

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General Meeting Presentation - October 12, 2023 - 6:30pm



BLAINE ARTS COUNCIL
Presents

Sea to See
Art Show & Sale

November 4, 2023
10am - 5pm

Pavilion at the
Blaine Community Center
635 8th Street

Art Food Truck Music

Get a jump on your holiday shopping and see what our fabulous, local artists are creating.

FREE ENTRY TO THE PUBLIC

PARTICIPANT ENTRY FEE:

\$35 BAC Member

\$50 Non-Members

Artist registration at:
blaineartscouncil.org/seatoseereg

Art is ...



Spotlighting



Ruth Lauman

EMBARK ON A SERENE JOURNEY OF ARTISTIC TRANSFORMATION WITH RUTH LAUMAN

Ruth Lauman is a multifaceted artist with an impressive background in marketing and advertising. Numerous awards and recognitions marked her illustrious career in the corporate world, but her innate passion for visual arts drew her back to the canvas.

Her favorite mediums, pastels, watercolor, digital art, and of course photography, echo the vibrant tones of the Pacific Northwest's seascapes, a recurrent theme in her work. Ruth's approach to art is immersive and reflective. Each piece she crafts is not just a creation but a serene journey in creativity. Her art reflects her deep connection to nature, each stroke a testament to her love for the region's distinct seascapes.



The joy Ruth finds in creating new paintings and photographs is palpable. She participates in local art tours, sharing her passion and knowledge with art enthusiasts and fellow artists. Her work is not just about self-expression but also about contributing to the vibrant local art community. Ruth's dedication to honing her creative skills shines through as she immerses herself in the vibrant artistic community of



the Blaine Arts Council, where she eagerly learns from and draws inspiration from fellow accomplished artists.

Ruth Lauman's journey from marketing maven to visual artist is not just a career transition but a testament to the power of following one's passion.

View Ruth's art at: www.ruthlauman.com.

BAC Member Happenings

EXPLORE FROM THE SEA TO THE SKY WITH 4 DYNAMIC ARTISTS

JENNA GOODMAN
SUNSPOTSERIES.COM

CO-CREATE AN ART PIECE WHEN YOU VISIT US

SIERRA JAMES
SIEARTS.COM

KASEY POTZLER
NORTHSHOREHANDBOONDBOOKS.COM

CHRIS MOENCH
AXISOFHOPPE.NET

STUDIO 44
3896 YEW STREET
RD BELLINGHAM
OCT 7, 8, 14 & 15
10AM-5PM

SIERRA JAMES will be participating in the Whatcom Artist Studio Tour (WAST) at Studio44, where she will be sharing space with 3 other talented artists. The WAST artists will have a show at the Whatcom Museum, with a meet the artists event on the first Friday Artwalk, October 6th! Go check it out!

ART
FRIDAY OCTOBER 6, 2023, 6-9 PM

MEET THE ARTIST EVENT
Whatcom Artist Studio Tour Exhibition
Features art by Sierra James and various other WAST artists.

Old City Hall, 121 Prospect Street
www.siearts.com

New Opportunities!

ART SALONS, ANYONE?

Suzanne Steel

Gertrude Stein hosted weekly art salons in Paris in the 1920's & 1930's. What if we tried something like that here? Possibly meet on a Sunday every other month, and interested Blaine artists could rotate hosting, with each host choosing an art topic to discuss. The topics could be announced ahead of time and people would sign up to attend. That way the host would know how many to expect and be able to cancel if not enough attendance. We could enjoy a couple of hours, or an afternoon together getting to know each other, sharing art-related knowledge and questions, and provide a great venue for networking. Perhaps a few folks could come together to create the framework for a workable schedule and format. If this sounds interesting to you, please contact Suzanne via her website: www.suzannesteelart.com.

LIBRARY NEWS

WANT TO EXHIBIT?

The Blaine Library is looking for 2 artists to exhibit their hangable work this fall, October 1st - December 31st. If you are interested in exhibiting your art for the public to enjoy, as artists Dana Hayden and Georgia Donovan did this summer, please contact the Blaine Library Branch Manager, Jonathan Jacobitz: 360-305-3637 or jonathan.jacobitz@wcls.org.

WANT TO TEACH?

The Blaine Library is also interested in offering some art-themed programs to the Blaine community - anything from basic art classes to presentations. It could be a great way for BAC to raise awareness in our community. There is a small programming budget to cover supplies and instructor fees. For more information, please contact Jonathan via the info above.

ATTENTION: HOME STUDIOS

You have the opportunity to be in the first BAC HOME STUDIO DIRECTORY. This will be available year-round at the Visitor's Center, Library, local resorts, and other public venues, and will be a great way to promote your art and the Blaine Arts Council.

Here's the information needed to be included:

- Your name/name of studio and your studio's address
- 2 photos of your art
- A short description of what you do/what visitors will see
- Available times to visit and/or contact information for appointments

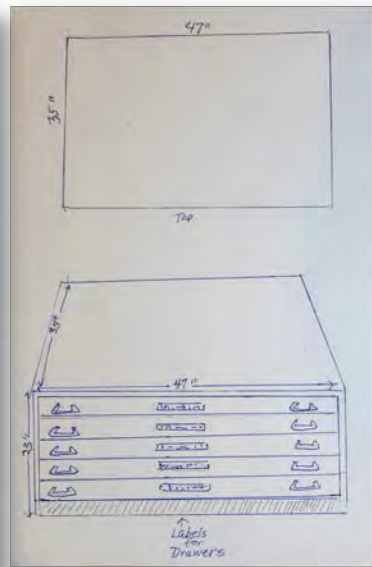
Please submit your information to: communications@blaineartscouncil.org, Attn: Georgia Donovan.

Join Us At Our General Meeting Location!
Blaine Community Senior Center - 763 G Street
October 12, 2023 - 6:30pm

Member to Member

PAPER STORAGE CABINET

A local Semiahmoo artist has a large paper storage cabinet for sale. The dimensions are 47"W x 35"D x 23"H, and the asking price is \$275. If you are interested, or have additional questions, please contact Georgia Donovan: georgiaddonovan@hotmail.com.



EASEL

Philippine Mahogany Single Mast Paint Easel
Holds up to a 50" canvas and folds flat for easy storage. The asking price is \$49.

If you are interested, or have additional questions, please contact Nancy Hobberlin at 360-392-7795

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BAC Qtr 3 Meeting Presentations & Member Happenings

JULY

Lyn Rackley



AUGUST

Kim Morris



SEPTEMBER

Janet Thomas & Judy Newland



The Cloth Girls

A Word From Your Website

The goal of our BAC website, besides being an online presence for the organization, is to give our members an additional platform to be seen and known. We still have quite a few members who have not updated their member pages. If you have not done so, you are leaving networking opportunities on the table, and it will only take you a few minutes to complete.

Here's all you need:

- A picture: Head shot, selfie, your art, your pet - whatever strikes your tasteful fancy!
- 2 - 3 sentences about yourself and your art, so that other artists and potential customers can easily find you.
- You may also upload up to 5 photos of your art, which will scroll across our Home Page for all to see. You may submit new, replacement photos each month. What's not to like about free advertising!

We look forward to seeing more of you soon!

New Members!

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

Annie "Oakley" Pflueger

Interested in being a contributing editor to the newsletter? We'd love to have you on board!

Please contact Margaret Owens at communications@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 communications@blaineartscouncil.org.