



BLAINE ARTS COUNCIL

NEWSLETTER

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General Meeting - April 11, 2024 - 6:30pm



**Vaune
Ainsworth**

Vaune currently creates expressive abstract paintings in her home studio in Blaine, and will be walking us through her fascinating process.

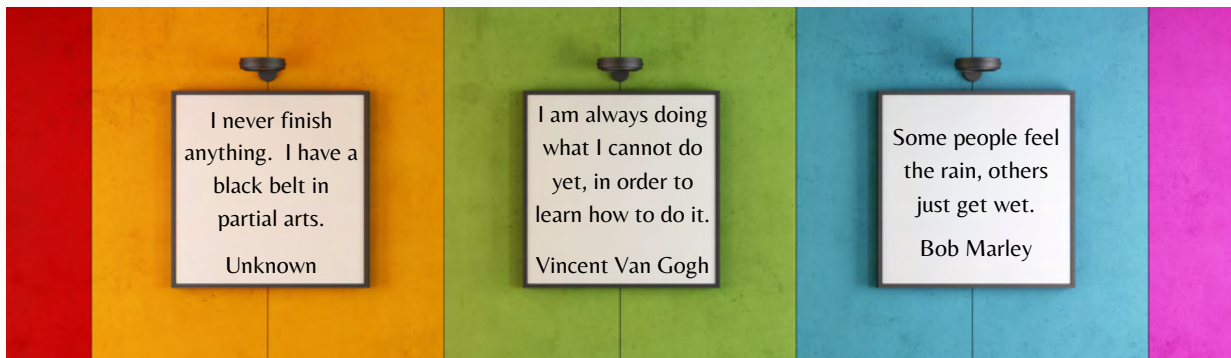
She draws inspiration from viewing the work of artists, past and present, from studies in psychology, spirituality, Asian philosophies and art, from the lineage of abstract expressionists, and from finding beauty in the simple acts of everyday living.

Vaune believes deeply that each of us is creative. Our willingness to engage fully in this process gives life meaning and purpose, launching us on a journey without a destination, one that is both personal and collective.



**Join Us At Our General Meeting Location!
Blaine Community Complex - 763 G Street
April 11, 2024 - 6:30pm**

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2024 WAVE En Blanc & Art Festival News

CALL TO ARTISTS!

The 2024 WAVE En Blanc & Art Festival is coming!
The **DEADLINE** to be juried as an artist in the Art Festival is **APRIL 30th**.

<https://www.blaineartscouncil.org/the-wave-en-blanc-art-festival-2024/>

We have small, 3" x 8" flyers to help get the word out to non-member artists you may know or meet, to put in your place of business, or to have at your artist booths this month. We will have some to grab at the general meeting on the 11th, but if you would like some prior, or could use a specific amount, please let us know and we'll arrange to get them to you.

SILENT AUCTION!

We want to again thank Jesse & Rachel Hughes for stepping up to Chair the Silent Auction Committee. They are responsible for organizing the procured items and managing the silent auction the night of the Wave En Blanc evening, so we need your support to help bring in items for the auction. Remember all funds raised that evening will go toward funding a gallery here in town that will benefit both our artists and our town. We thank you for your support!

We appreciate the members that have already stepped up with some great silent auction items:

Gaye & Dave Sawicki - Lawn maintenance service

Diane Butts - Widnor Farms dinner for 2

Faith Worthley - Sailing the Bay

Anonymous - 3-BR/2BA Orlando, FL Spring Break condo - 4/5/25 - 4/12/25

These are awesome, and let's keep them coming!

If you have any items you'd like to add to the list, please send details to Rachel at: unclejessespottery@gmail.com or 360-318-4624

WAVE En Blanc & Art Festival Brochure

Support BAC's efforts to produce a brochure, showcasing this year's participating artists, by purchasing an ad.

Our brochure will be inserted into the Northern Light's 9600 home circulation, as well as local businesses and artists' studios.

Show your support, starting at \$100 for a 2" x 2" column.

Here is a sneak peak at the brochure's front cover.

Contact marketing@blaineartscouncil.org to secure your space now!



BAC Member Happenings & Opportunities

ANNIE PFLUEGER

ANNIE has her work on display through June 8th at the Vault, and in September she'll be at the Great Blue Heron as well.

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!

VAUNE AINSWORTH

VAUNE currently has 29 works on display at the Blaine Senior Center. She will be showing at the Great Blue Heron in June. She will also be opening her studio in July during the WAVE Art Festival.

ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES!

Each year, WOODWARD CANYON WINERY features a different West Coast artist on its "Artist Series" label. The application can be found here:

[Woodward Canyon Winery](#)

SOCIAL MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES!

If you'd like to be featured on the BAC Instagram page, please send a photo of your work or yourself to bdavispyles@gmail.com. Barb would love the opportunity to showcase all of our awesome members!

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARTIST EXPOSURE!

Website Member Pages

We are busy looking for new opportunities to create exposure for our member artists, and hope you will take advantage of the new features in your Member Pages. The easiest way for local businesses to experience what you all have to offer is through your individual pages. If you need any support, please contact our web team at: info@blaineartscouncil.org.

Trash Receptacle Project

Coming in the next few months, there will be a trash receptacle project slated as part of the rejuvenation of Peace Portal, along with tree removal, sidewalk repairs, and beautification.

The receptacles will have 2 metal sides to place the wrapped art, and 2 wooden sides. Each space will be about 18" x 26", on approximately 25 - 30 receptacles. The art focus will be Historical Blaine or Nautical imagery. There may also be some historical cannery advertising on some.

If you have any interest in participating, please drop us a note and we'll make sure the person in charge of the project gets your information. communications@blaineartscouncil.org.



2024 MEETING PRESENTERS & NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES!

Here are the **General Meeting Presenter** opportunity dates: Let us know if you would like to present at any of the open months at, communications@blaineartscouncil.org.

April 11th - Vaune Ainsworth

Aug 8th - Margaret Owens (OverAll Walls murals)

May 9th - Christy Schroeder Lloyd

Oct 10th - open

July 11th - Artist Panel

Nov 14th - Bonnie Ventura

Artist Networking at the General Meetings will be held next on June 13th & 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 enjoyed creating!

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

A Petite Word From The President

Chamber Recognition

In case you didn't see it, we were honored in the Northern Light by the Blaine Chamber of Commerce as their Member of the Month for April. There is a nice bit of info about who we are for the arts, our artists, and the community. We appreciate the Chamber shining a light on what we are doing here in the community and for all their support! Here's the link:

<https://www.thenorthernlight.com/stories/the-northern-light-march-28-april-3-2024,31304?>

Call to Artists

Time moves very quickly and before we know it, the end of the month will be upon us. Please get yourselves signed up to participate in this year's Art Festival, asap. The deadline is April 30th, and we don't want you to miss out on all the fun and exposure. A few ways we will be providing exposure: a brochure with your contact info and an example of your art to be mailed with a July Northern Light edition, KAFE 104 mobile spotlights Saturday from the event, and the great new venue - there will be much more artist exposure to be had for all.

July Artist Panel & October Opportunities

As you can see above, we are hosting an artist panel for the July meeting presentation. We would like to know what you would like to see/hear about - what would be valuable for you. This is for you, so please pop me a note with your thoughts! Also, if you would like to present in October, please let me know that as well.

If there is anything else that we can do for you, or ways that you would like to be supported, please let us know. We want the Arts Council to benefit you in as many ways as we possibly can. We'd love to hear from you! Margaret Owens - president@blaineartscouncil.org

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