

October 2026

October Meeting: Thursday, October 15, 2026

Member Presentation - Lorraine Day

Lorraine Day's medium is photography. She shoots BW or toned 'pictorial-style images using selective focus and/or Lensbabies. She also digitally paints her photographs with digital brushes, brush stroke by brush stroke. She especially likes to create work that evokes memories, dreams, things almost seen or maybe only suggested. Lorraine sometimes combines text with her images -- small fictional short-shorts that augment the image and maybe hint at what lies beneath. She thinks of her images as little prayer flags that fly out into the world saying, look at this; this is important, this has meaning -- pay attention!

Lorraine will be presenting a brief history of photography - where it began, and how it has changed over time.



1902 The Photo-Secession

Inspired by the British "Linked Ring," a British group founded in 1892 by Henry Peach Robinson as "a means of bringing together those who are interested in the development of the highest form of art of which Photography is capable." An exclusive club to which you had to be invited.

Inspired by the Linked Ring, an American photographer named Alfred Stieglitz formed the "Photo-Secession" with other major photographers, and thus was born the formalized American movement in photography.

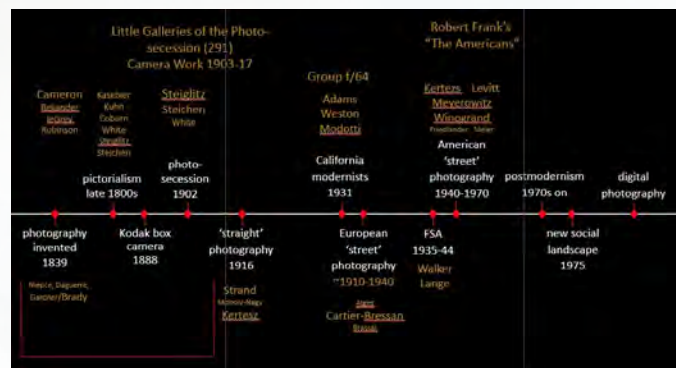
The name comes from "a seceding from the accepted idea of what constitutes a photograph." (Stieglitz)

In 1902, the Photo-Secession held the first exhibit of American pictorial photographers and opened their first gallery in NY - Gallery 291.



"The object of the Photo-Secession is to advance photography as applied to pictorial expression; to draw together those Americans practicing or otherwise interested in the art, and to hold from time to time, at varying places, exhibitions not necessarily limited to the productions of the Photo-Secession or to American work." --Stieglitz

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Join Us At Our General Meeting Location!
Blaine Community Complex - 763 G Street
October 15, 2026 - 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Graciously
Hosted by:



Blaine Art Gallery & Gift Shop - 922 Peace Portal Drive

OCTOBER

2ND SATURDAY DOWNTOWN ART WALK

**Join us in the Gallery
for the October National
Juried Show's
Opening Reception**

**October 10th
4:00 - 6:30PM**

**2nd Saturday
Downtown Art Walk**

for the Blaine Art Gallery's
August Show.

Stop by and get a first glimpse
of what is new and creative!

**Celebrate Creativity
Shop Local • Spread Joy**

**Enjoy sweet treats from
L & L Bakery!**

BEGIN at the **Blaine Art Gallery**
at 922 Peace Portal Drive. Check out
our amazing artisans' creations and
enjoy treats from L & L Bakery.

CONTINUE to **Blind Bird Art Studio**
at 264 H Street.

SEE the fantastic artist showing at
**Bella Consignment, L & L Bakery,
& The Vault Wine Bar & Bistro.**

AND enjoy the many things Blaine's local
businesses have to offer!



**Aloha Cafe
Bella Consignment
Blind Bird Art Studio & Gallery
Drayton Harbor Oyster Company
L & L Bakery
Living Pantry
Niemann's Black Forest Steak House
The Vault Wine Bar & Bistro**

*We are grateful for our partnership with
Blaine's local business community & we
look forward to expanding in 2026!*

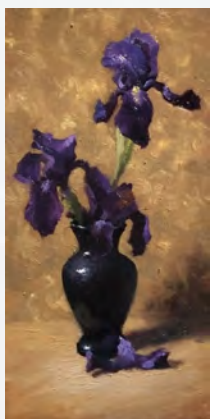
October Artists in the Gallery



Anastasia Yatsunenکو
Punta Gorda, FL



Annie Haynes
Anacortes, WA



Arena Shawn
Carrabelle, FL



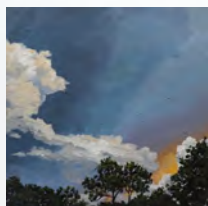
Arthur Sekula
Tyler, TX



Ashlie Tran
Irvine, CA



Barbara Sheehan
Vancouver, WA



Bethany Skena
Winter Park, FL



Bette Kauffman
Monroe, LA



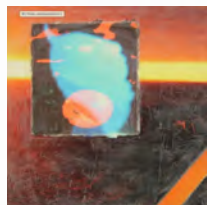
Bill Koger
Marysville, WA



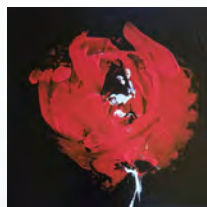
Bruce Scott
Seattle, WA



Carol Scheferman
Spring, TX



Cathy Leaycraft
Parkville, MD



Connie Walser
Mount Vernon, WA



Drew Liedtke
Cedar City, UT



Frankie Jean Koger
Marysville, WA



Heriberto Mora
Cary, NC



Ivy Manska
Knoxville, MI



Jahna Kahrhoff
Webster Groves, MO



Janet Nunn
Blaine, WA



Janice Nicol Duffy
Walnut Creek, CA



Jean Ferrier
Bellingham, WA



Jeff Brand
Ferndale, WA



Jennifer Sugarman
Carmel, IN



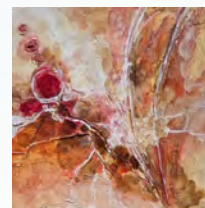
Jo Edwardsen
Blaine, WA



Joanne Schoener Scott
Blaine, WA



Joe Salletto
Blaine, WA



Jonathan Fisher
Atlanta, GA



Jonathan O'Neill
Miami, FL

October Artists in the Gallery



Judy McCullough
Blaine, WA



Juliana Brandon
Seattle, WA



Julie Drane
Lake Forest Park, WA



Kay Dee Powell
Blaine, WA



Kolette Beckert
Lake Stevens, WA



Kevin, Ebi
Lynnwood, WA



Lee Sproull
Leeds, MA



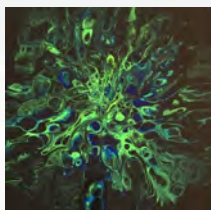
Liz List
Greenville, SC



Lorraine Day
Blaine, WA



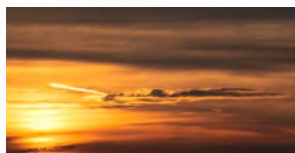
Lyn Rackley
Blaine, WA



Mary Warren
Ferndale, WA



Nancy Bardach
Berkeley, CA



Mike Wolfgang
Blaine, WA



Norha Tamayo
Dania Beach, FL



Olga Lazareva Sama
Seattle, WA



Richard P Stevens
Tallahassee, FL



Rosemary Gray
Anacortes, WA



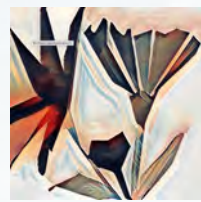
Sally Brogden
Knoxville, TN



Sarah Rehfeldt
Issaquah, WA



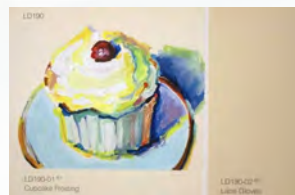
Shawna Morris
Blaine, WA



Susan Bloomenstein
Englewood, NJ



Thomas Lipkins, Jr.
Marietta, GA



Todd Johnson
Knoxville, Tn



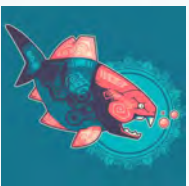
Todd Muffatti
San Diego, CA



Tyler Cartier
Seattle, WA



Wendy McCombie
Blaine, WA



Zachary Costa
Redwood City, CA

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BLAINE ART GALLERY EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

This is going to be an exciting year at our little gallery! If you would like to participate/show in the gallery this year, please let us know.

Don't miss this opportunity to share your art with the community—apply today!

November/December Holiday Gift Shop 2026 **The Return of the Much Anticipated Holiday Show!**

Runs: 11/14 - 12/23

Available Space: One to two more artists



Participation list is filling up, so let us know if you are up for some holiday fun!

The Gallery will close for the Thanksgiving Holiday (Thursday & Fri, 11/26 & 11/27), and from 12/24/26 - 1/8/27 for the Christmas Holidays.

We will once again show off the talents our local artists have to offer! Spots are filling quickly, so please let us know asap if you would like to participate. The high school choir will once again perform Opening Night on 11/14, which had standing room only last year.

The Holiday Gift Shop has a max item price for sale of \$300, with flexible art sizing/wall location size options. The charge for the space is \$65, with a 25% commission.

There will be no commission on cards.

For more info, or to be added to the list:

GALLERY PARTICIPATION FORM. Any questions: gallerychair@blaineartscouncil.org



January/February 2027

Theme: Photography Show

Runs: 1/9/27 - 2/28/27

Openings: Approx 15-20 artists, depending on art sizing & style. **For more info:**

GALLERY PARTICIPATION FORM. Any questions: gallerychair@blaineartscouncil.org

March 2027 National Juried Show

Theme: Wings Over Water

Runs: 3/6/27 - 4/4/27 (Note, this show will start on the 1st Saturday of March)

Openings: Approx 40 artists, depending on art sizing & style.

Applications will be run through CAFE, so stay tuned for more details!

Any questions: gallerychair@blaineartscouncil.org



BAC Member Happenings & Opportunities

JIM VAN BAALEN

Jim's pottery is being shown at the Chuckanut Bay Gallery through the month of October. The artist meet & greet is October 10th, 1pm-8pm, 700 Chuckanut Dr N, Bellingham. For more info: www.chuckanutbaygallery.com

KAY DEE POWELL

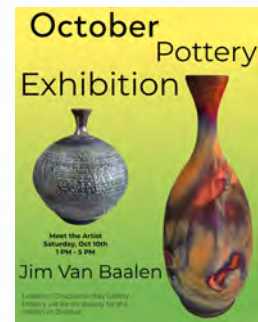
Kay Dee's art will be showing at the Last Chapter Cafe, above Village Books in Fairhaven. The show runs August 2nd through the end of October

SHAWNA MORRIS

Shawna is participating in the Whatcom Artists Studio Tour - Oct 10th & 11th, so go by Blind Bird Art Studio & Gallery, 264 H Street.

The Vault's Every Month Happenings!

Participating in the Whatcom Artists Studio Tour - Oct 10th & 11th
10% off Wine on Saturdays (15% for wine club members)
Trivia Thursdays hosted by Alan
Second Saturday Art Walk 4-6:30



BLAINE ART GALLERY

The Art Gallery is providing the kick-off location for the Downtown Trick or Treat Night, October 31st, 4pm to 6pm. Come join us for the fun, see all the adorable costumes, and support our local businesses!



DOWNTOWN BLAINE'S TRICK OR TREAT NIGHT

CALLING ALL GHOULS & GOBLINS!



COME DOWNTOWN FOR A
SPOOKY, SAFE, & FUN
EVENING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!

DOWNTOWN BUSINESSES ARE TEAMING UP FOR A
SPECIAL NIGHT OF HALLOWEEN FUN.
STROLL THE STREETS IN YOUR COSTUMES & COLLECT
SWEET TREATS FROM BLAINE'S SHOPS & RESTAURANTS.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31ST
FROM
4PM - 6PM

GET YOUR CANDY & PUNCH CARDS AT
BLAINE ART GALLERY, 922 PEACE PORTAL DRIVE
AND TAKE THEM TO THE PARTICIPATING BLAINE
RESTAURANTS & BUSINESSES FOR A TREAT.

SEE YOU THERE!



PAINT A LITTLE HOLIDAY CHEER! * ONLY 5 SPACES LEFT * SIGN UP NOW!

Create your own beautiful watercolor holiday note cards while learning fun techniques in a perfectly manageable small format! Experiment with wax paper, plastic wrap, and more to add texture and personality to your miniature works of art.

No experience or supplies required. Everything you need is provided. Bring a friend, get creative, and paint the day away!

Come for the watercolor, leave with up to 10 beautiful, handmade cards ready for the holidays!

To register: [Paint A Little Holiday Cheer](#)

Janet Nunn Watercolor Note Card Class

Date & Time: Tuesday, October 20, 10 am to 2 pm

Location: Blaine Art Council Gallery

Cost: \$60 per participant, includes supplies



Council Member Opportunities

Council Opportunities - Important Info

As we look ahead to 2027, the Blaine Arts Council is calling on our community to step forward and help shape the future of the arts in Blaine. We have a few key volunteer roles that are essential, not just to keep things running, but to allow us to grow and move forward as an organization. If you've been looking for a way to get involved, now is the time. Please consider where you can lend your time and talents. Your support truly makes all the difference.

Events Committee – Team Members

Great events don't just happen; they happen because great people pitch in! We're looking for Events Committee members to help with favorites like our annual fundraiser, studio tours, and 2nd Saturday/Gallery events.

Lead a project, share an idea, or simply lend a hand when you can. It's flexible, it's a team effort, and no one has to do it all.

If you enjoy bringing people together and creating a little fun along the way, we'd love to have you on the team!

Events Interest: janetnunn@comcast.net

We Need You: Fundraising & Grant Writing

Great art takes creativity, and keeping a nonprofit thriving takes a little of that same creative thinking! Fundraising and grant writing are essential to the future of the Arts Council and Gallery. Art sales alone cannot sustain our programs and operations, so finding new funding opportunities, developing fundraising ideas, and pursuing grants and foundation support are critical.

If you have fundraising or grant-writing experience, or simply an interest in helping us explore new possibilities, we would love to hear from you. If not you, but you know someone who might be a great fit, please send them our way!

A few hours, a good idea, or the right connection could make a tremendous difference.

Fundraising & Grant Writing Interest: president@blaineartscouncil.org

Your time, ideas, and energy can make a real difference, and now is the moment to get involved.



JOIN US!

**Opening Reception
& 2nd Saturday
Art Walk**

**October 10th
4:00PM - 6:30PM**

**Check out the
new show and
refreshments
& sweet treats
from L & L
Bakery.**



Community Involvement That Enriches Us All

BUILDING A CREATIVE, CONNECTED COMMUNITY THROUGH ART THAT IS SEEN, SHARED, AND EXPERIENCED.

The Blaine Arts Council brings creativity into the heart of our community through hands-on projects, shared experiences, anchored by the Blaine Art Gallery - a welcoming hub for exhibitions, classes, and connection. Together, these efforts engage all ages and make creativity accessible year-round.

By connecting gallery programs with youth initiatives, we build confidence, spark imagination, and create a stronger sense of pride in our community - where creativity is not just seen, but lived.

These efforts add vibrancy to our streets, support local businesses, and help shape Blaine as a welcoming, creative coastal destination.



SCAN THE QR CODE BELOW, GO TO WWW.BLAINEARTSCOUNCIL.ORG/SUPPORT, OR CONTACT PRESIDENT@BLAINEARTSCOUNCIL.ORG FOR MORE INFORMATION.

PUBLIC ART IS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

INCREASES VISITOR SPENDING SUPPORTS LOCAL BUSINESSES
BUILDS COMMUNITY PRIDE

VIBRANT COMMUNITIES ARE BUILT — INTENTIONALLY — BY THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN THEM.

How CAN I SUPPORT?

CHOOSE YOUR LEVEL OF IMPACT

VISIONARY – \$25,000 +

LEAD INSTALLATION SPONSORSHIP

COASTAL ICON – \$10,000

GATEWAY OR MAJOR PROJECT SPONSOR

COMMUNITY BUILDER – \$5,000

DOWNTOWN SCULPTURE OR PROGRAM SPONSOR

GALLERY PARTNER – \$2,500

ONE MONTH GALLERY SPONSOR

CREATIVE PARTNER – \$1,000

WORKSHOP OR ART SUPPLY SPONSOR

ART PARTNER – \$500

GALLERY UTILITIES PARTNER

SMALL GIFTS. REAL IMPACT

IT ONLY TAKES:

4 GIFTS OF \$500 FUNDS
ONE MONTH OF GALLERY SPACE

10 GIFTS OF \$200 DO THE SAME

20 GIFTS OF \$100 MAKE IT POSSIBLE

SUPPORT THE GROWTH OF ART
AND COMMUNITY IN BLAINE.
YOUR SUPPORT MAKES IT POSSIBLE.

TO GIVE, SPONSOR, OR GET INVOLVED

SCAN TO GIVE



SPONSOR A SCULPTURE • FUND A CLASSROOM • UNDERWRITE A LANDMARK • LEAVE A LEGACY

BAC Member Happenings & Opportunities

2026 MEETING PRESENTERS & NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES!

Artist Networking at the General Meetings is our Adult Show & Tell, and is super fun! See below for 2026 open opportunities to be a presenter at a general meeting and share what you do with us!

November 19, 2026 - Holiday Party
December - **NO meeting - Merry Christmas**
January 21, 2027 - Social - Gallery
February 18, 2027 - Annual General

March 18, 2027 - Social - Gallery
April 15, 2027 - Open
May 20, 2027 - Social - Gallery
June 17, 2027 - Open

A Petite Word From The President

Hello all,

October already? Apparently, time really does fly when you're having fun - oh, and hanging art!

We're heading into fall with plenty to celebrate. Our August/September Member Show was a tremendous success, filled with beautiful work, including pieces never shown before. When visitors describe our Gallery as an "exhibition that rivals any in Seattle," we can't help but feel incredibly proud of the talent right here in our community.

And now, Small Art, Big Impact is upon us! Our largest juried show to date brings together 55 artists from across the country and 84 works of art. I can't wait for you to see it!

Then, just when we catch our breath, our popular Holiday Gift Show will arrive, and then somehow, 2027 will be knocking at the door.

My term as President will be ending with the year, and while I'll save my reflections for another newsletter, I am so very proud of what we have accomplished in these three short years. While I'm looking forward to more personal freedom, I'm not going far. I'll still be playing at the Gallery, surrounded by art and the wonderfully talented people who create it.

What could be better than that? My best to you all!

Warmly,
Margaret Owens



Welcome BAC Newest Members!

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

Evelyn Turner | Jeff Brand | Jennifer Hammond Landau
Karen Sage-Stockwell | Rod Nibbe