



## President's Message

On September 11, around forty-some of us met and enjoyed our first meeting since March. It was held at our new venue, the Bon Air Community Center. It felt good. Really good, even though it was different. The Director of BACC greeted each person with a smile at the front door and welcomed them. Barb took each of our temperatures. We sat six feet apart, wearing our masks and smiling underneath in the spacious and bright ballroom of our new meeting place. We shared out artwork from our summer assignment to create a piece under the theme "Richmond." The art was great! We laughed a lot. The comfort of seeing old friends and BAAA faces was sheer joy.



Sally Guynn

There have been some changes in our Board makeup during this weird time of pandemic, social unrest, and weird weather. As was always planned, Shirley Hinkson and Sherwin Ghaphery resigned as Co-Chairs of Membership, and we are very grateful for their service. Ginny Bryce, graciously, has agreed to serve as our Membership Chair for the remainder of the 2020 term.

Remember, we will be voting at our October meeting on the proposed By-Laws changes that were outlined in our September newsletter. Please take the opportunity to review the proposed changes and be prepared to vote. If you can't locate the September Newsletter, just go to [www.bonairartists.com](http://www.bonairartists.com), login (or create an account if you don't already have one), and find the Newsletter Archive in the Members-Only section.

We'll continue to meet at BACC for the rest of the year, every first Friday of each month. Did I mention how good it felt to meet in-person? The bottom line is that it worked, and I've heard positive reports since from several members.

Fall is right before us and the pace quickens with several big shows on the horizon—our BAAA Members Show at Crossroads Art Center beginning Sept 18th through November 8th; and the Virginia Watercolor Society's 2020 41st Exhibition and Show at the Virginia Museum of History & Culture, October 30-December 31st.

Stay well, be safe, and continue to create art.

~ Sally

### October Meeting

Friday, October 2, 2020 at 10:00 am  
Bon Air Comm. Center  
8725 Quaker Lane  
North Chesterfield, VA  
23235

### Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for providing material for next month's newsletter is the 15th of the current month. Please email material to:  
[Newsletter.BAAA@gmail.com](mailto:Newsletter.BAAA@gmail.com)

### Broadcast E-Mail

If you have an important BAAA-related message that must go out by email to all members immediately, send your message to this email address:  
[Newsletter.BAAA@gmail.com](mailto:Newsletter.BAAA@gmail.com)

### BAAA Website

Please send your blogs and personal photos to:  
[elizomeara@gmail.com](mailto:elizomeara@gmail.com)

### BAAA's Postal Address

BAAA  
PO Box 72932  
Richmond, VA 23235

# BAAA is Meeting In-Person Again—And Staying Safe!



Photos by Susan Rash

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## October Program

“Triple Treat”, presented by David Everette, David Austin, and Frank Mercado

It's all about art photography! David E will talk about the ins and the outs of art photography, David A will show you how he creates his stunning platinum and palladium prints, and Frank will show how even un-spectacular objects can be the subject of beautiful abstract photography. So sit back, learn and enjoy some amazing images.

~ Pat Meek

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## Summer Art Challenge Met!

Here is some of the summer art created by our members. Thanks to Elaine Banskston for the photos. There are more photos of the Summer Art Challenge later in this Newsletter.

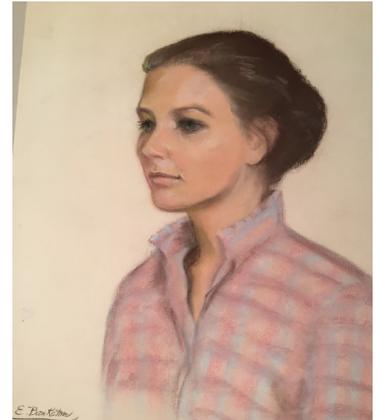
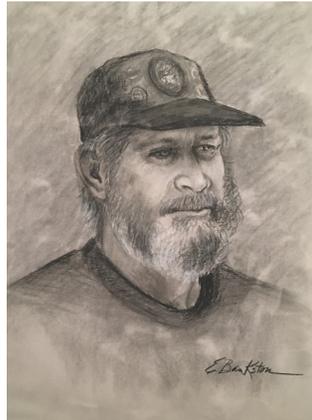


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## Know the Model?

For the last couple months I have been in the process of sorting, organizing and purging my art studio. I came across these pastel portraits and don't remember who they are. They modeled for Eloise Atkinson's class at Richmond parks and rec back in the 90s. If anyone else has had them model for you and know who they are please let me know and I'll give them their portrait.

~ Elaine Bankston



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## Our Newest Junior BAAA Member

I'm pleased to announce the birth of our second-born, a baby boy, born on July 25, 2020. Things are, as you can imagine, different around here. I've just spent the last ninety minutes on my computer, a first in the last six weeks, trying to catch up on emails and my Publicity Chair duties!

~ Elizabeth O'Meara



# Art Story - My Home on the Farm

I did a folk art style oil painting as a memory of the farm where I was raised for 17 years. It won a Blue Ribbon so I had prints made several years ago. Recently I sent 100 of the Lithograph prints out to the University of Missouri to donate to the Future Farmers of America to use for fundraising and/or raffles. FFA has decided to build their focus on the fundraiser around my piece, and a mural of my painting will be painted in a government building in the County seat of Howard in Fayette, Missouri. I plan to be present for the presentation.

I want to thank former BAAA president, J'net Kaulfers for prompting me when I was in her classes, to do this painting 40+ years ago.

~ Elaine Bankston



*Sycamore Hill*, by Elaine Bankston

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## You Can Do It!

**Next jurying-In event for BAAA members** is October 2<sup>nd</sup>, immediately following our regular meeting. Contact Sally Guynn by Sept 18th to get on the list. The next one after October will take place in February.

**Critiques**—If you would like to have a painting critiqued, let Sally Guynn or Pat Meek know and we will set up a Zoom meeting for six people.

**Art Books** – Member Jim Calphin has donated his collection of 100 art books to BAAA. We will try to bring some of them to each regular BAAA meeting for you to purchase for a pittance...all monies collected will go to buy art supplies or other help to local art groups such as elementary school programs. **Would someone like to volunteer to organize this endeavor? Puleeze?**

**Mark the dates** for BAAA's 2021 Upcoming Annual Show at Independence Golf Club, last weekend in February...Feb 27 & 28th ...BAAA exhibiting artists can register at November 6th meeting to be in the show. Forms will be available at the Nov meeting.

**Looking for Ideas for short demos**, etc that we can have a member do following our regular meeting time. The Bon Air Community Center allows us to continue to use the room after our meeting has adjourned. Think about having our own members give short (probably 2 hours) demos, talks, etc on a variety of subjects. We need your ideas. For example, photographer, David Everette, has agreed to do a short presentation/demo on how to size your artwork image.

**Bobbie Delgado** is recovering from surgery and chemo and doing well. Friends have set up a Bobbie Delgado GoFundMe account on Facebook to help her with medical expenses.

**Virginia Watercolor Society** needs volunteers for the show in Richmond this Fall. Please call Gary-Lou Upton, Patrice Reese, Ellie Cox, Bev Perdue or Linda LaVigne-Long if you can volunteer to help.

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*Guarding My Master's Work*, photo by Dave Oxley

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## Exhibit Schedule

Please mark your calendars and save this information for reference.

Second VP, Exhibits: Cathy Tyler, [cathy.tyler@gmail.com](mailto:cathy.tyler@gmail.com) phone: 804-272-8235.

**Continuing Exhibits** (Dates refer to the next time a change out will be made)

Independence Golf Course Next swap out end of November.

Chairperson: Suzanne Jepson (804-794-7646) and Pat Meek (804-598-2972)  
Commission is 25%, so price accordingly. Pieces must be wired 2 inches from the top with tight wires. Price is displayed, and sold pieces can be replaced.

McCool's Frame Shop Swap out is the last Sunday of each month. If you would like to display, contact Wendy Moore. (804-625-0086)

### Discrete Exhibits

BAAA Annual Member Show Crossroads Art Center, Sep 18-Nov 8.

Chair, Jean Miller, Co-chairs, David Everette and Pat Meek.

Awards Presentation: Friday, Sep 18 from 6-9 PM. Juror, Robin Caspari, will give a talk and awards will be made at 6:45 pm (this is a change from what was announced at our meeting). The Big Fat Grapevine Food Truck will be on site and Crossroads will be selling wine. Masks are required. Other exhibits opening that night:

- Jan Hodges and Linda Hollett-Bazouzi, Alleys of Richmond
- Wednesday Night Painting Group, Summer Memories
- Crossroads juried All Media show

Covenant Woods Hung Wednesday, Sept 9. Will be up thru mid November.  
Chair, David Everette.

Virginia Eye Institute December 1 – Jan 31, 2021. Chairman: Bill Corbin

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## The Art Scene

### Uptown Gallery

Uptown Gallery is thrilled to host the 4th Annual Judged exhibit of the Mid-Atlantic Pastel Society. Called "Visions In Pastels", it offers a chance to see pastel paintings by more than twenty of the best pastel artists from the Mid-Atlantic region, many of them BAAA members or former members. The exhibit will be judged by internationally-known artist Rita Kirkman, a Signature member of the Pastel Society of America and an Eminent Pastelist of the International Association of Pastel Societies. MAPS puts its best art forward for the annual show, and quality is assured. These exciting pastel works range from depictions of tiny creatures to portraits to grand landscapes. The exhibit opens in Uptown's ELM Loft with a reception Friday, October 2nd from 5 to 8 PM, and runs through November 28.

### Virginia Museum of Fine Arts

*Ancient Egypt Sunken City*

July 4, 2020 to Jan. 18, 2021

Free to members, \$20 adults, \$16 Seniors 65+, \$10 youth 7-17

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# Meeting Minutes of the September 11, 2020 Meeting

President Sally Guynn called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. at the Bon Air Community Center.

**President's Report:** Sally Guynn: Sally welcomed everyone to our first meeting since March because of the Coronavirus closure requirements. She explained that we needed to change meeting venues because the Huguenot Road Baptist Church had not decided to open its meeting room to outside organizations. Consequently, the Bon Air Community Center offered a special rate of \$150.00 per meeting, so we will continue meeting at BACC for future meetings if we can still meet. Sally thanked Bruce, the manager, and his staff for setting up and sanitizing the room. Temperature checks for every person at the meeting is required plus maintaining social distancing and wearing a protective mask; hand sanitizer containers and antiseptic spray cans are available for use. Several members called and said they really wanted to attend the meeting but because of personal reasons, they could not. Sally shared a positive quote: "Happiness is the result of making a bouquet with those flowers within reach."

Sally thanked Lee Austin and Shavon Peacock for bringing all the prepackaged snacks since we will no longer have our wonderful open refreshment table until this virus threat is gone. The Executive Board stood and was introduced: Pat Meek, 1st Veep-Programs; Cathy Tyler, 2nd Veep-Exhibits; Jack Frable, Treasurer; Barb Newlin, Recording Secretary; Frank Mercado, Corresponding Secretary; Ginny Bryce, Membership. Sally thanked Ginny for "stepping up" to serve as the Membership Chair when Shirley Hinkson and Sherwin Ghaphery needed to resign the position.

## OLD BUSINESS

Minutes: (Recording Secretary: Barbara Newlin) The last minutes were from the March meeting and there no new minutes needing approval.

## Officers' Reports:

Advisor: (Dave Oxley) No report

Corresponding Secretary-Newsletter: (Frank Mercado) Frank was not in attendance. Be sure to get photos and items for the newsletter to Frank by September 15th.

1st Vice-President-Programs: (Pat Meek) Today's program is sharing artwork with a Richmond theme. Next month is a "three-fer" with David Everette, Dave Austin and Frank Mercado talking about their photography styles and how we might improve our own photography efforts.

2nd Vice-President-Exhibits: (Cathy Tyler) Cathy announced the exhibit information.

Sarah Hoyle and Cindy Parrish were thanked for co-chairing the Westminster Canterbury show which was recently taken down. Several other shows were canceled because of the virus.

Covenant Woods: David Everette coordinated an exhibit at Covenant Woods Retirement Community which will hang through the middle of November.

All Member Show: Paintings were brought to Crossroads Art Center on September 10th. The opening will be Friday, September 18th 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Judge, Robin Caspari, will give her comments at 6:45 p.m. in Building 3. Masks and social distancing are required. There will be food and wine for sale. Other Crossroads openings: Jan Hodges and Linda Hollett-Bazouzi have a show "Alleys of Richmond," the Crossroads painting group has a show, and the Crossroads Member juried show is opening.

Virginia Eye Institute: Hangs December 1st, sign-up sheets are on the table.

McCool's: Contact Wendy Moore if interested in signing up. Change out is every month. Lee Austin said both she and Dave sold paintings, with Lee's being a gift.

Independence Golf Club: Shows will change out every three months. The next change-out is Friday, November 13th at noon

Treasurer: (Jack Frable) Jack discussed his detailed Treasurer's report, which is on file. The total assets balance for August was \$22,893. Of note: \$100 was donated to both the Virginia Watercolor Society's annual show and the Atlantic Pastel Society's show

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## Meeting Minutes (Continued)

Membership: (Ginny Bryce) Sally reported that the Executive Board met via ZOOM numerous times to discuss by-laws changes that mainly impacted membership and jurying. The proposed changes were in the August newsletter and a vote on the By-laws changes will be held at the October meeting.

Directory: (Kathy Miller) Kathy said the remaining 2020 blue covered directories are on the table. Annual dues (\$35) will be collected beginning at the November meeting and due by the end of the year; members who do not pay their dues will not be listed in the new 2021 directory and will lose membership status. Please pay your dues on time!

Parliamentarian: (David Snellings) Not present

Communications: (Elizabeth O'Meara) Not present. In late July, Elizabeth had her second baby, a boy. Elizabeth is still accepting photos of member studios to post on the website.

Hospitality: (Lee Austin and Shavon Peacock) Sally thanked Lee and Shavon for bringing bottled water and lots of packaged snacks.

Historian: (Elaine Bankston) Elaine mentioned that her painting of her family's farm in MO. is being used to promote an event for the Missouri Farmers of America with a big mural and copies on brochures, etc. Congrats!

Social Director: (Bobbie Delgado) Not present. Sally said that Bobbie continues to Chair the Independence art show but is fighting cancer again and is in her second round of chem-therapy. A GoFundMe account has been set up on Bobbie's Facebook page and the reason is to help Bobbie with her expenses since she had to deplete all her savings for her medical costs. If members want to contribute, go to the GoFundMe Facebook page, or write a check to Bobbie Delgado and either give it to Sally or mail it to her home. Anything would be appreciated.

Fundraising: (Marti Franks) Not present. Sally said Marti has been busy moving and successfully sold all her paintings that were for sale in her house.

Museum Representative: (Ronda Dandliker) No report

**Virginia Watercolor Society Annual Show:** Garry-Lou Upton. The show is being held at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture October 30, 2020 to the end of December. The reception will be held on October 30th at the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. Over 400 paintings were submitted, and 86 paintings were accepted by the judge, Fred Graff. Help is needed for the 29th, 30th and 31st; sign-up sheets are on the table. Donations are being accepted for a Brenda Bickerstaff Stanley Memoriam award. Make checks out to: 41st Annual VWS Show. Other Memoriam awards are Stuart White and Christopher Robeers. Patrice Reese spoke about Fred Graff's workshop October 27-30 (two days using surface of choice and two days using Yupo paper). There are four slots still available for a \$150.00 deposit, \$500.00 total workshop cost being held at the Museum of History & Culture. If interested let Patrice know. Linda LaVigne-Long will be needing help checking in paintings on Saturday October 10th from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm and on Sunday October 11th from 12:00 to 3:00 pm. Let Linda know if you can help

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Art for the Journey:** Jack Frable explained that Art for the Journey is an art education program for disadvantaged groups based at the Independence Golf Club. Check their extensive website. It is having the annual fund-raising art show event at the Virginia Country Club in November. It will be a wonderful show.

**BAAA Independence Golf Club Show:** The show is scheduled for February 27-28, 2021 and entry applications will be accepted beginning in November. Only w48 artists can be in the show. Members should apply early.

**Jurying-in Dates:** October and February are jurying dates for members who want to exhibit in certain medium.

**After Meeting Demos:** It is possible to have additional time after the business meeting for a demo. David Everette has agreed to do a short demo on photography. Other ideas are needed.

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# Meeting Minutes (Concluded)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pastel Society:** Shavon Peacock thanked BAAA for the \$100 donation to the Pastel Society.

**Masks:** Bev Perdue said you can order the \$7.00 clear protector face masks at: [MASKS@ArtForFrames.com](mailto:MASKS@ArtForFrames.com)

## PROGRAM

Members shared their interesting *Richmond* themed paintings, and the meeting adjourned after a group photo was taken by Susan Rash.

Respectfully submitted:

Barbara Newlin, Recording Secretary



Photos by Elaine Bankston