

Cranberry Artists Network

NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2019

CALL FOR ARTISTS

[2020 American Academy of Equine Art Juried Exhibition](#)

Call for Artists. Aiken Center for the Arts, Aiken, SC March 24, 2020 - May 1, 2020 Entries must be received by Juried Art Services Saturday, January 5, 2020.

The [Three Rivers Art Festival Juried Visual Art Exhibition 2020](#) call for artists is now open! Applications will be accepted until January 21, 2020. Full requirements and details can be found [here](#).

The [Three Rivers Art Festival Artist Market 2020](#) call for artists is now open! Applications will be accepted until January 21, 2020. Full requirements and details can be found [here](#).

[Hoyt Regional Juried Exhibition](#) Emerging and professional artists from the 150 mile radius of New Castle, PA are invited to apply electronically for the Hoyt Regional Juried Exhibition to compete for awards! Deadline for submission is January 25, 2020!

[Westmoreland Art Nationals Juried Fine Art and Photography Exhibition](#) Two locations
May 18 - June 5 Westmoreland County Community College and
July 4 - Sunday, July 7 onsite at the Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival. Deadline March 3, 2020.

Cranberry Artists Network A Season of Joy Holiday Show 2019

Now is a time of joy, good cheer and celebrations. This year we asked our members to celebrate with us and show us what brings them joy. Help us ring in the season with one final member's show and a gallery full of art and holiday cheer!

**All Artwork is priced at \$200 or less...Perfect for holiday gift giving!
On display through December 20, 2019**



**CRANBERRY ARTISTS
NETWORK 2019
CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Dec 5 General Membership Meeting 6:30-9pm
6:30-7:15 business meeting,
7:30 demo presentation by
artist [Bill Karraffa](#)

Dec 20 Holiday show ends,
artwork pick up 4-7pm

Please note: There will be no First Tuesday drawing in January due to New Years.

Our 2020 calendar will be published in our January newsletter.



DECEMBER FEATURED ARTIST

Kathy Bischak



Kathleen H. Bischak is a retired art teacher who lives in New Sewickley Township.

Most recently, Kathy has been working on paintings with oil or acrylics, and charcoal and pastel drawing. She taught art at Evans City School (Seneca Valley School District) for 31 years, and has taught art privately. Kathleen

also does commissioned portraits of people and houses. She is influenced by the Impressionists, and studies drawing with Elizabeth Castonguay. She has studied with Christine Swann, Bob Burrige and Joe Sweeney. She has a BS in art education from Edinboro State College and an ME with credits from Kutztown University and University of the Arts in Philadelphia.

Kathy is the Publicity Chair for Cranberry Artists Network and Beaver Valley Artists, Art committee member of Merrick Art Gallery Associates, and Pittsburgh Society of Artists & North Hills Art Center member.



Her recent exhibits include:

Recollections 3 Person Show at Merrick Art Gallery 2017
Beaver Valley Artists Annual Juried Show- all shows - 2007 -2019
Sweetwater Art Center, Sewickley, Self Portrait show, "Inception of Sleep"
Spring 2011
Merrick Art Gallery—Merrick Masters Juried Open Show 2012, 2014, 2016
AABC Nature and Wildlife Show -1st place painting "View from Graces"
North Hills Arts Center many shows. (Most recently won HM in Pet Show)
All Cranberry Artist Network Shows including acceptance in all Martinis
With Monet Open Juried Show (Most recently received the People's Choice
Award in the 2019 "A Season of Joy" Holiday Show.)
Pittsburgh Society of Artists (most recently accepted in 2019 Small Works,
and Members juried)

Dear Members,

2019 is rapidly becoming history! Our CAN dues run from January through December 31. So as of January 1, your dues for 2020 will come due. This is your "early reminder".

Active Members must pay yearly dues of \$25 by January 31. If a couple is both members of CAN, their membership is \$40. After January 31, the active Member's dues will increase by \$5 to \$30; couples will increase to \$45. Nonpayment of dues by March 31 will result in loss of membership. Active Members who have lost their membership for nonpayment of dues will need to go through the screening process to be reinstated as an active Member again.

You can mail check payable to Cranberry Artists Network to the following address:

*Cranberry Artists Network
c/o Marcy Bogdanich
PO BOX 174
Mars, Pa 16046*

You can also pay at our membership meeting on December 5.

*Thank you,
Mary Jane Hadley
Membership Chair*

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MEMBER NEWS



[Carol Scheftic](#) enjoyed hosting small groups of members of the Pittsburgh Society of Artists in her Regent Square studio as part of their semi-annual meeting. CAN members are invited to visit during her Second Saturday Studio Open House next month, December 14, from 1 to 5 pm, at 7604



Charleston Avenue, 15218 (just off the Edgewood/Swissvale exit from the Parkway East). She will also be selling a wide range of pieces at the [Arts & Crafts Fair](#) hosted by the CC Mellor Library in Edgewood on December 7, from 9 am to 6 pm. Would you prefer to stay north of Pittsburgh? A small sample of Carol's work will be available in the Holiday Artisans Market of the [North Hill Art Center](#) in Ross Twp and (year-round) in the [Gift Shop](#) at the [Hoyt Art Center](#) in New Castle and at the [Portage Hill Gallery](#) in Mayville, NY. Do your travels take you south of the city? You can find a mid-range selection of hers at [The Artsmiths of Pittsburgh](#) in Mt. Lebanon and [Artsmiths' pop-up shop](#) (and future home) in Carnegie.



[Gina Judy](#) had two pieces of her work accepted into "Women in Art", Seton Hill University, Greensburg, show that recently ended. She also has one piece in Pittsburgh Society of Artists' Annual Show, at Panza Gallery, through November 29 and another one in Pittsburgh Watercolor Society Show at The Wilkins Center, "In the Neighborhood" which ends Nov. 15. Gina also received First Place in Watercolor Show at the Tuscarawas Center for the Arts, New Philadelphia OH, through January and received an award at the Tuscarawas Center for the Arts, Tuscarawas Guild Sponsored-show, on display through Dec. 14. She also had two themed-pieces in Kansas-City Zoo Fundraiser, Jones Gallery, Kansas City, and two in "Artists who Teach" Show in North Carolina.

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Back Hall Gallery and Glass Case Show Schedule

Back hall gallery artists please send Kathy Bischak your bios, headshot/photo, photos of artwork, website and contact info now so she can prepare press releases in advance.

November/December 2019
Annual Holiday Show

January 2020
New Members Show

February 2020
Thomas D'Andrea

March 2020
Alicia Stankay

April 2020
[Monica Hietsch](#)

May 2020
Krishna Rathod

June 2020
[C. Keith Jones](#)

July/August 2020
Figure Drawing Show

Please contact Vickie Schilling,
exhibitions chair with any questions
Shows@cranarts.com

Our Mission

Cranberry Artists Network was organized by artists to promote an awareness about the value of the arts. Our mission is to build a vibrant appreciation for the arts by connecting artists and their skills with the community.

General Information

Website

www.CranberryArtistsNetwork.com

Facebook

[@CranberryArtistsNetwork](https://www.facebook.com/CranberryArtistsNetwork)

A members-only page is available at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CranberryArtistsMembers/>, or search for CAN Members

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[Larry Brandstetter](#) recently had 32 drawings and collages on display in his show “You had me at Woof!” which ran from November 2-30 at the Elaine Biondi Gallery Space, located in the Monroeville Public Library. Larry says this year will feature some new ink drawings. In addition, he has been enjoying creating several new collages that take forever to make – you’ll see why, once you see them.



[Lorrie Minicozzi](#) is proud to say that her work has been chosen to be a part of the holiday art show, Glorious Wilderness, at Nemaconlin Resort in Farmington, Pennsylvania. The show opens on December 1, 2019 and runs through March. Lorrie is also, very excited to be newly represented at Christine Frechard gallery in Lawrenceville. They are having a holiday show December 13 to January 30.

Welcome to our new Cranberry Artists Network Secretary [Colleen Tittiger](#).

[Debra](#) and [James Tobin](#) have a two person display at the Clearview Federal Credit Union in Sewickley through January 2020.

Jaison Schafer and **Stephanie Cassidy** have opened an art studio in downtown Saxonburgh on 251 West Main street (right across the street from the library). It is called Art Spirit Studio and it is the new home of their two businesses ([Live Painting Pgh](#)) & ([Blue Brush Murals](#)). They also offer fine art classes for all skill levels.

[James Sulkowski](#)

one-day workshops in his studio

December 14th

James Sulkowski Art Studio

10 N. Cherry Avenue

Houston, Pa 15342

Workshop begins at 9 AM and continues to 4 PM.

Lunch break from 12 noon to 1 PM.

COST: \$125 Per workshop day