



# Bethlehem Art Association

Sept./Oct. 2013  
Newsletter



Hello Artists,

I am pleased to be starting my first term as President of the Bethlehem Art Association. Let me begin by thanking Penny Koberger for her years of service to the association and to say that I hope to be able to effectively fill her shoes. As I undertake my responsibilities with the BAA, I want to thank the people who have already given me valuable advice and help in managing the organization and I appeal to all of you for help in the future.

This has been a busy summer. I had fun learning how to create a website ([www.bethlehemartassociation.com](http://www.bethlehemartassociation.com)) and look forward to continuing to develop the site to meet the needs of the BAA. As well as a useful tool for members, a significant goal for the site is to provide an easy and convenient way for the general public to be able to come in contact with BAA artists and find where their work can be seen. Another way of getting our work before the public will be through showing it at the Bethlehem Town Hall. This seems like a natural connection to show Bethlehem Art Association work at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

A major highlight of the summer was a visit to the Hyde Museum in Glens Falls to see "Modern Nature: Georgia O'Keeffe and Lake George". This is an incredible opportunity to see the paintings of a great American artist when she worked in our locale. The show runs through September 15. If you haven't already seen the show, be sure to hurry to Glens Falls.

Time to start getting ready for the fall show at the Bethlehem Library. This is the "members only" show with one piece per artist. There are still openings at the Delmar Farmer's Market and now you can see what dates are available as well as openings at other venues on the web. Peter Keitel

### ***BAA Mission Statement***

The BAA was envisioned as a focal point for all kinds of art activities in Bethlehem. Our goal is to promote art, art activities, and artists in Bethlehem.

*Please welcome new member Lynne Dearstynne*

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## Meetings

**Thursday, September 12, at 6:45 p.m.**  
**Connie Frisbee Houde**

Connie Frisbee Houde is a photojournalist who has travelled to Afghanistan and West Africa. In her trips to Afghanistan, she focused on the history and current situation of the country and the realities of life there. In 2006 Connie was awarded a New York State Council on the Arts grant to document the resettlement in the U.S. of some of the over 3000 Afghans who now live in the Capital District. At the September meeting Connie will use her month long trip to West Africa as an example to share tips for joyful and successful travel photography. From planning and arrangements, carrying equipment, suggestions for on-site, workflow to post processing. She will also share of her experiences using both still and video images of Ghana, Togo, Benin, and Burkina Faso.



**Baw Ba Mask Dancer, Ghana**



**Halfmoon 1910 Barn**

**Wednesday, October 16**  
**Charles DeMarco ~**  
**Watercolor Demonstration**

Charles DeMarco has a distinctive style of watercolor painting. His subjects typically are local scenes. Charles works indoors in cold weather and does plein aire painting the rest of the year, as well as exhibiting his work doing demonstrations and teaching. Charles is a past President of the Colonie Art League. The October meeting will feature a discussion and demonstration of Charles' method of watercolor. His work can be seen at [www.demarcowatercolors.com](http://www.demarcowatercolors.com)



## News of Our Members

**Diane Wozniak**

I participated in the Plein Air Paint-Out in historic Waitsfield, Vermont on Saturday, August 18.

Artists were invited to paint in and around beautiful Waitsfield where gorgeous scenery abounds. The Mad River, a covered bridge, quaint old buildings and gardens.

Where to set up my easel? The weather was perfect and the spirit of art was everywhere!



### **Altamont Fair**

Two of our members submitted seven entries in the Fine Arts Department at the Altamont Fair. The judge awarded them the following first, second, and honorable mention prizes:

#### Water Color

First – Bob Lynk’s Della Rocco Sheep

Second – Penny Koburger’s Taylor’s Chickens (above)

Honorable Mention – Bob’s Mill House (Rensselaerville)

#### Other Mediums (pastel)

First - Penny’s Piedmont Spring



### **Jocelyn cole**

I am showing a piece in the "Postcards from the Trail" show at the Thomas Cole National Historic Site on Sunday, September 8. The art work submitted must be from one of the sites that is on the Art Trail. The Art Trail is a series of sites that the Hudson River Painters painted. There is more information at the Thomas Cole National Historic Site website. The piece is an acrylic painting of Kaaterskill Falls; one of the sites on the Art Trail that the Hudson River School Painters painted.

**Nancy Noble Gardner** will be exhibiting at the Martinez Gallery in Troy late October through November.

### **Susan M. Story**

will be exhibiting pastels and monotypes at The Agroforestry Resource Center, Cornell Co-operative Extension, 6055 Route 23, Acra, New York from September 1 through October 31, Mon.-Fri. 9:00-4:30  
Reception: October 12 4:00-6:00p.m.



## Visual Bounty

CLASS ART EXHIBIT  
with instructor:

**Susan M Story**

& students: Agnes Rapoli,  
Bente Hirsch, Judy Scanlon,  
Sandy Orris,  
Peter Keitel, Susan Lawrence

at  
**Wellington's Herbs and Spices**

649 Rickard Hill Road  
Scholarie, NY 12157

**September 1-30**

opening reception:

**September 8, 2:00-4:00**

Wed. - Sat. 10-4, Sun. 11:30-4



## Workshop

**Saturday, November 2 ~  
Fall Oil Painting Workshop  
Jim Cramer**

**9:30 a.m.- 4:00p.m.  
Delmar Presbyterian Church  
To register and get the supply list  
call Bob Lynk 439-3948 or  
Jacqueline Smith 489-1882  
\$30 for members and  
\$40 for non-members**



Jim Cramer has devoted 25 years to plein air oil painting. Jim lives in the Coxsackie area in Greene county and has been strongly influenced by the Hudson River School as well as the Barbizon School, Impressionism, and American Realism. The Bethlehem Art Association was fortunate to have Jim do an oil painting demonstration at the April 2013 monthly meeting. Jim is a wonderful and inspiring teacher, and anyone who enjoyed his demonstration will be delighted to have the opportunity to follow up with the fall workshop . To paraphrase Jim on his approach to oil painting: “..I Strive for a synthesis of observing (seeing), internalization (contemplation), and application (brushes, paint, canvass) to ‘paint the day’ as I see it, and suggest to the viewer a sense of place via painterly brush strokes.”

## BAA Website

The Bethlehem Art Association now has its very own website. If you haven't already done so, check it out. The site was designed to be useful, not only to BAA members, but to the general public. A major feature of the home page is a membership application. The site also provides an easy way for people to find out where local artists' work is on display or to contact them if they have a website. For BAA members the site provides a convenient file of recent newsletters, listing of who is signed up for Farmer's Market dates and our other venues, as well as other news. For artists there is a section that allows easy access to popular vendors of art supplies and other art associations in the area. There is also a section with opportunities for artists. BAA members who have suggestions about how to improve the site or who have information that could be placed on the site can use the contact feature on the home page. We want to make the site as useful as possible and comments are welcome.

**[bethlehemartassociation.com](http://bethlehemartassociation.com)**



# Membership

**Please note that dues are due September 1.**

*We need to get the membership information in by then, so we can produce our directory in a timely manner. Also, it is important to indicate your wishes in regards to your email address. Many people like to communicate by email and it would be handy to publish that information, unless it is something you want to keep private.*

*The BAA runs on volunteer power, so be sure to indicate your areas of interest.  
For information contact Peter Keitel at 439-2620*

Mail this form with your check for \$25 written to the **Bethlehem Art Association** to the membership chairperson, Sandra Dovberg, PO Box 730, Slingerlands, NY 12159.

***Dues need to be sent in at the beginning of the fiscal year which is September 1.***

Final deadline for being listed in the directory is October 31.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I would prefer to receive my newsletter via email:  Yes  No

I would prefer my email be excluded from the directory:  Yes  No

I can help with:  Organizing/hanging shows  Workshops  Refreshments  Publicity

Newsletter  web  Other \_\_\_\_\_

## ***New Venue ~ Bethlehem Town Hall***

**What better place to advance the Bethlehem Art Association's goal "to promote art, art activities, and artists in Bethlehem" than to show our work in the Bethlehem Town Hall. We have the opportunity to hang a show for October/November of this year. Ideally the first show would feature works that have some sort of Bethlehem connection.**

**Please review your inventory. We can start small with as few as ten items. The September monthly meeting will be used to discuss this first show as well as how we organize for the future. A volunteer is needed to serve as the BAA coordinator with the Town Hall.**

**The Town Hall contact is Susan Leath, the Town Historian.**

### ***PLEASE NOTE NEW CODE***

Through American Frame Corporation's Alliance Program, BAA members receive 5% off on the purchases of American Frame Products.

When you call or email an order, please use our code:  
ALLIANCE13\_5%  
americanframe.com

1-888-628-3833 M-F 8:30AM-5:30PM

## ***BAA Community Exhibit Schedule–September 2013 through December 2013***

**Sign up at a monthly meeting to schedule a showing of your work  
or contact Bev Braun at 489-0601 or [bevbraun@nycap.rr.com](mailto:bevbraun@nycap.rr.com)**

### **VENUES RESERVED FOR BAA MEMBERS**

	<b>SEPT</b>	<b>OCT</b>	<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>
BONE & JOINT CENTER 28 hangers (2 halls, 14 each)	LINDA ASMUS		BOB LYNK	
FOUR COURNERS LUNCHEONETTE 10 hangers - can hold doubles	PETER KEITEL	ELLIE PRAKKEN	LAUREL PETERSEN	OPEN
THOMAS NICOLLA PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSOCIATES - 9 spaces	AVAILABLE	AVAILABLE	JUNE BONILLA	

### **VENUES FREQUENTLY AVAILABLE FOR BAA MEMBERS**

#### ***NEW Capital Bank, Slingerlands Price Chopper Plaza:***

Contact Greg Bruno at 518-694-5625 or email [gbruno@capitalbank.com](mailto:gbruno@capitalbank.com)

#### ***Bethlehem Chamber of Commerce, Main Square, 318 Delaware Ave., Delmar:***

Contact Chamber President Jennifer Kilcoyne, 439-0512. Jennifer kindly lets us decorate her office/meeting room–space for 8-10 pieces.

#### ***Bethlehem Public Library, Delaware Ave., Delmar:***

Contact Alissa, 439-9314. Ask for the Information desk. Space is available on a 24 month cycle and requests are handled on a first-come-first–serve basis. Early, on the first business day of the month appears to be the best time to submit requests for one of the two corridors.

#### ***Beverwyck Independent Retirement & Assisted Living:***

Contact Jessica Newman, 451-2111. Beverwyck Lane/Autumn Drive, Slingerlands, 15 spaces, availability will vary. Please call.

#### ***Greenville Public Library, 8 North Street, Greenville:***

Contact Sean Stewart, 518-966-8205. Two month showings. Space for up to 50 pieces.

#### ***Ultraviolet Café, 292 Delaware Ave., Albany:***

Contact Annette Nanes at 434-0333 or stop by when at or near the Spectrum Theatre next door to the Ultraviolet Café.

#### ***Uncommon Grounds Coffee & Bagels, 1235 Western Ave., Albany:***

Contact Jennifer Maher, 885-4857 or 542-1897. Please note that Ms. Maher also arranges exhibits for their Saratoga location on Broadway.

#### ***Voorheesville Public Library:***

Call 765-279 and speak with BAA member Barbara Vink to schedule a show and reception.

#### ***Bank of Coxsackie, Rte. 81, Greenville:*** Contact Rita Buttiker, 518-634-2272

#### ***Green County Bank, Rtes. 32 and 81, Greenville:*** Contact Rita Buttiker, 518-634-2272

#### ***Madison Theater Windows:*** Contact Lorenz M. Worden, 518-489-0866 <http://lorenzworden.wordpress.com>

# Fall Show

Entry Date: Friday, Nov. 1, 2:30-6:00 p.m.  
Take Down: Friday, Nov. 29, by 5:00 p.m.

November 2–29, 2012 • November 12, – Show Reception and Commentary by show judge

## Deborah Bayley - Judge for Fall Show

Deborah is an oil painting and drawing instructor at the Arts Center of the Capital Region in Troy, NY. She received a Masters degree in Art from SUNY at Albany and maintains a private studio in the Ilium building Troy, from which she teaches painting and drawing. She returned to the Capital District in 2002 after living in Peeks Island in Maine. Work there primarily was large scale tromp l'oeu murals. Currently she has returned to representational work in regional landscapes and still lifes. She is also represented by the West End Gallery, [www.westendgallery.net](http://www.westendgallery.net)

**RECEPTION** – Plan to learn from the judge, extend commendations, and enjoy refreshments Thursday, November 12, at 6:45 p.m. in the Community Room of the Bethlehem Public Library. Ribbons will be awarded in all mediums.

**PICK-UP** – The show will end on Friday, November 29. All entries must be retrieved by 5:00 p.m.

(NO EXCEPTIONS) If unable to do so, you must make arrangements for pick-up with another BAA member. The library cannot be held responsible.

### RULES –

1. Each work (one per member) must be submitted Friday, November 1, between 2:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Bethlehem Public Library. The entry fee will be \$6.00.
2. Paintings must be properly framed and wired for hanging with eye screws. Wire must be placed no further than 1/3 of the distance from the top of the painting. Clip frames will not be accepted. Watercolors should have mats as well as frames. Canvas may be hung unframed if the sides are painted and the staples do not show.
3. All works must be original. No prints or copies will be accepted.
4. If a work has won an award in a previous BAA show, it may not be entered again.
5. Paint, especially oil, must be totally dry.
6. Ribbons will be awarded in all categories at the discretion of the Show Committee. The Show Committee reserves the right to reject any painting or work that does not meet the specifications or is determined to be of unsuitable subject matter.

## Fall Show Labels

Please pay your 2013-14 dues before the November show to prevent delays during the show sign-up process.

**Important:** Print legibly. Fill out two (2) labels for each entry. Attach one label to the back of the painting/photograph on the upper left side. Give the second label to the person who accepts the work for the show.

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

MEDIUM: \_\_\_\_\_

PRICE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

MEDIUM: \_\_\_\_\_

PRICE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_



## *This Year's Main Events*

*All Monthly Meetings begin at 6:45PM  
in the Bethlehem Public Library Community Room*

- Thursday, September 12** ~ Monthly Meeting ~ Connie Frisbee Houde ~ Photography  
**Wednesday, October 16** ~ Monthly Meeting ~ Charles DeMarco ~ Watercolor Demonstration  
**Friday, November 1** ~ Fall Show Submission  
Drop-off at Bethlehem Library 2:30-6:00p.m.  
**Saturday, November 2** ~ Art Workshop ~ Oil Painting with Jim Cramer  
**Tuesday, November 12** ~ Fall Show Reception ~ Comments by Juror Debra Bayly  
**Friday, November 29** ~ Fall Show Art Removal by 5:00pm (**No exceptions**)  
**Thursday, December 19** ~ Holiday Demonstration ~ Linda Asmus ~ Watercolor and Pastel  
**Thursday, January 23** ~ Monthly Meeting ~ Michael Eck ~ Dremel tool & recycled found objects  
**Thursday, February 20** ~ Monthly Meeting ~ Bev Saunders ~ Pastel Demonstration  
**Thursday, March 20** ~ Monthly Meeting ~ Critique of Members' Work by John Williams  
**Saturday, April 12** ~ Peg Foley Workshop ~ Mixed Media Composition  
**Thursday, April 17** ~ Monthly Meeting ~ George Dugan ~ Painting  
**Thursday, April 27** ~ Annual Meeting — Delmar Presbyterian Church 7:00PM  
**Friday, May 2** ~ Juried Spring Show Art Submissions  
Drop-Off at Bethlehem Library 2:30-6:00p.m.  
**Thursday, May 15** ~ Monthly Meeting ~ Spring Show Reception ~ Juror to be determined  
**Friday, May 30** ~ Spring Show Art Removal by 6:30p.m. (**No exceptions**)  
**Thursday, June 19** ~ Monthly Meeting ~ Picnic at Rita Buttiker's

49 Herrick Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054

