



# Bethlehem Art Association

Nov./Dec. 2013  
Newsletter



Hello Artists,

The time for the Fall Show at the Bethlehem Public Library is upon us. With an increasing membership, we should have a record turnout. The judge for this year's show is Deborah Bayly, an oil painting and drawing instructor from the Arts Center of the Capital Region. I look forward to the November meeting and hearing Debra's comments about the entries for the show.

A new event this year is the BAA Show at the Bethlehem Town Hall. The Spotlight Newspaper carried a feature article about the show and the BAA. Hopefully, this will increase our community's awareness that it is home to many talented artists.

Earlier this month I visited the Whitney Museum in New York to see the show on Edward Hopper drawings. I'm still trying to learn how to make the preparations to lay a solid foundation for a painting, and this show was very helpful. I was amazed to find that Hopper did more than 50 drawings preparing for just one of his paintings. I fear I am often guilty of rushing into a piece without doing adequate preparatory work.

We've had a good year at the Delmar Farmer's Market. Having exhibited at the Market three times this year, I look forward to next year and hope you will as well.

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.

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## Meetings

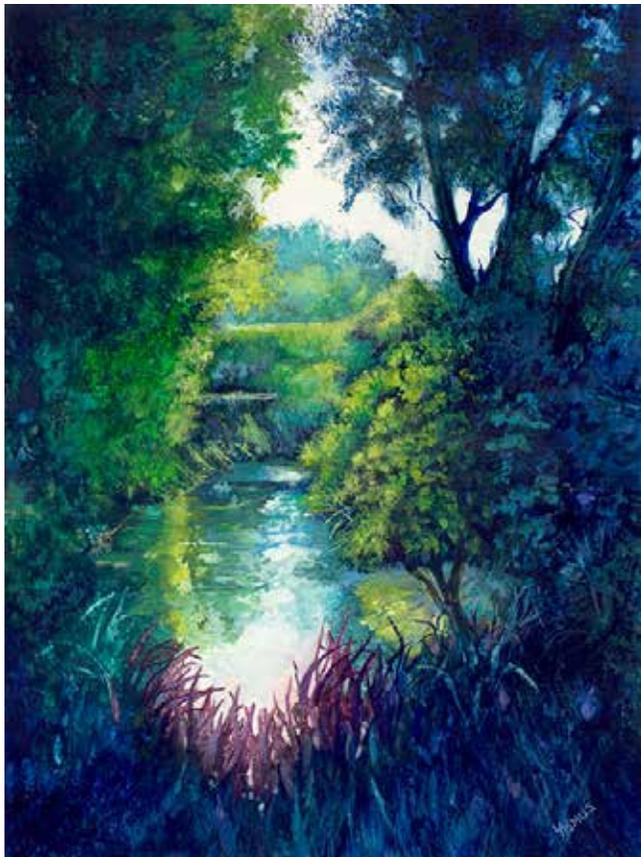
**Tuesday, November 12, at 6:45 p.m.**

**Fall Show Reception**

**With comments by Judge Deborah Bayly**

Deborah Bayly 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 in Troy, from which she teaches painting and drawing. She returned to the Capital District in 2002 after living in Peaks Island in Maine. Her work there was primarily large scale trompe l'oeil murals. Currently she has returned to representational work in regional landscape and still lifes. She is also represented by the West End Gallery, [www.westendgallery.net](http://www.westendgallery.net)

**Artwork in the Fall Show must be picked up by 5:00p.m. on Friday, November 29.  
This is due to the fact that the Library is closing early because of Thanksgiving.**



***Giverny Garden***

**Thursday, December 19**

**Linda Asmus ~  
Watercolor Demonstration**

The December BAA meeting is the one in which we have a demonstration by a member artist. This year's artist will be Linda Asmus. If you have seen Linda's watercolors at shows, you must have wondered how to get such amazingly intense colors. Now you can find out. Linda will use a slideshow to demonstrate how she gets a painting started in order to obtain a unique result with watercolor. The key is preparing the paper with an acrylic seal and using a dry brush technique. Several finished painting will be on display.



## News of Our Members

### Town Hall Show

Eighteen BAA members now have their work showing at an exhibit in the Bethlehem Town Hall that will run through the end of November. The show was announced in the Spotlight Newspaper, which followed up with a feature article on the BAA and the show.

At the October meeting the BAA membership agreed to do this show again next year as a themed show. Submissions will be limited to images that depict something in the Town of Bethlehem. Depending on the number of submissions, a decision will be made as to whether one or two items per member will be hung. Start thinking about your project and stay tuned for more information about the show. A themed show like this should be very popular in Bethlehem.



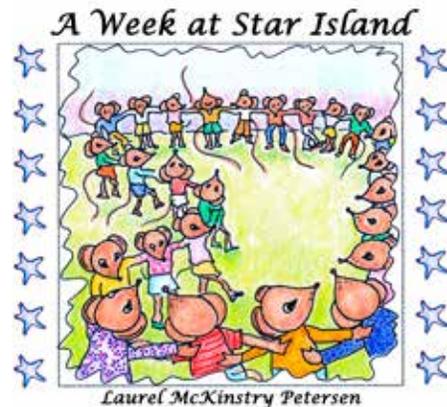
*Post Office*  
by Peter Keitel



*Myosotis Pine*

I would like to share with my fellow BAA members some good news that I recently received. I am honored to be recognized as a Signature Member Of The Pastel Society Of America and I have also been asked to be on the Ballot of the Board of Governors! The Pastel Society Of America is the oldest pastel society in our country. The annual exhibition, an event held at The National Arts Club in NYC, is the premier event for pastel artists in this country and abroad. This is an achievement I have worked for and dreamed of for a very long time.

**Susan Story**



I just published this cute little children's book called "A Week at Star Island". It's available at:  
My e-store: <https://www.createspace.com/4222611>  
Amazon.com or The Book House at Stuyvesant Plaza

**Laurel Petersen**



## More News

### Thank You Volunteers

We rely totally on volunteers to run the Bethlehem Art Association. Several volunteers who provided valuable service to the association "retired" this past year. A deep thank you to:

MJ Adelman who provided the first Internet presence for the BAA

Joan Krathaus, Fumiko Shido, and Helen Smith who hung the exhibits that are central to the organization.

Patricia Patrick who kept our meeting minutes as Recording Secretary.

Judy Scanlon who kept us fed by the Refreshments Committee.

Penny Koburger deserves a very special thank you for her years of service as the President of the BAA. After guiding the Association very effectively for five years, Penny retired at the June meeting. Here is a picture of Penny and the painting that was presented to her as a thank you gift at that meeting. The Bob Lynk painting is a poppy from Penny's own garden. Penny will surely enjoy the extra time for painting and gardening.



### Cramer Painting Fundraiser.

Jim Cramer generously donated the painting above that he did at the April BAA meeting to the Association. At the October meeting the membership decided to hold a raffle, and the proceeds from that raffle will fund the scholarship that the BAA will provide to a Bethlehem High School student next spring. The raffle will involve the sale of 100 tickets at \$5.00 each. Penny Koburger and Peter Keitel are working out the details and there will be an announcement in the next newsletter.

Joan Krathaus has also said that she would donate an Edwin Becker painting for a fundraiser next year. Thank you Joan for your generosity!

### Spring Show at Albany Visitors Center

Another themed show by the BAA will be held next spring in conjunction with the Albany Tulip Festival. The show will be at the Albany Visitors Center in Quackenbush Square and will be limited to images of tulips, other flowers, or garden scenes. One piece per person can be submitted on May 3, 2013 from 10:00am to 1:00pm and the show will run through June 27. Artists must agree that 20% of the sale price will go to the Albany Visitors Center. Keep busy during the winter. Contact Penny Koburger for additional information (439-5678 or [pkoburg@verizon.net](mailto:pkoburg@verizon.net)).



## Meeting Recaps and More News

### Indoor Farmer's Market

For those BAA members participating in the Delmar Farmer's Market indoors, we will once again be in the main lobby, which is a generous but cold space. Dress warmly! Please remember to send Penny Koberger your check for \$15 for reserving your spot ahead of the Saturday if possible.

Contact information:

Penny Koberger

49 Herrick Ave.

Delmar, NY 12054

439-5678

pkoburg@verizon.net

Below is important information from about the market.

Dear Friends,

We are pleased to have you join us for our fifth indoor Delmar Farmers Market. We begin Nov. 2 and end Dec. 21. We are located in the middle school cafeteria. To get there just follow the parking lot around to the left of the school and head to the back. You can unload your vehicle at one of the doors. After you unload, you must move your vehicle to the gravel parking areas. Be sure to convey this to any others who work for you.

You may want to bring a dolly to move your heavy or bulk items into the school. We have tables for you but you must bring table cloths that can cover 8 foot tables. Doors will open at 7:30 AM for you to set up.

See you soon, and it is great to work with you,

Paul Tick  
Manager



### Charles DeMarco at the October Meeting

Our presenter for the October meeting was watercolorist Charles DeMarco. In his presentation Charles began with the elements of design and the importance of preparation for your painting. He particularly stressed the need for a value study to guide the work. Other things to remember are to stand back from your work from time to time and to not rush to color. At the end Charles compared the painting he had been working on in the demonstration with a version of the same scene that he had done more than a decade earlier. It was very interesting to see how his technique has evolved over the years.





# Membership

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

*We need to get the membership information in, 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 or pkeitel@gmail.com*

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.

**You can bring your dues with your artwork on Fri. Nov. 1**

Final deadline for being listed in the directory is Nov. 1.

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 \_\_\_\_\_

**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

**Please welcome new members:**

- Andrew Ballato**
- Marlene A. Cerruti**
- Lorraine Chesin**
- Joan Coffey**
- Lynn Dearstynne**
- Gale Derosia**
- Jean Francois**

- Susan Keitel**
- Jean Macomber**
- Elise Mahan**
- Gary Mehлум**
- Margaret O'Connor**
- Monica Restaino**
- Barbara Walter**

## **BAA Community Exhibit Schedule–November 2013 through February 2014**

**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>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>	<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>
BONE & JOINT CENTER 28 hangers (2 halls, 14 each)	BOB LYNK		OPEN	
FOUR COURNERS LUNCHEONETTE 10 hangers - can hold doubles	LAUREL PETERSEN	OPEN	OPEN	DEE FOLEY
THOMAS NICOLLA PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSOCIATES - 9 spaces	JUNE BONILLA		OPEN	

### **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>



## *This Year's Main Events*

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

- Friday, November 1** ~ Fall Show Submission  
Drop-off at Bethlehem Library 3:00-5:30p.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
- 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
- New date! Wednesday March 26** ~ Annual Meeting ~ Delmar Presbyterian Church 7:00PM
- Friday, May 2** ~ Juried Spring Show Art Submissions  
Drop-Off at Bethlehem Library 3:00-5:30p.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

14 Maryea Lane, Delmar, NY 12054

