# Southern Saratoga-Art Society

A SOCIETY FOR THE APPRECIATION OF THE VISUAL ARTS

## June 2024 News and Updates

## Free Ink and Watercolor Demo - Monday, June 24, at 6:30pm!

# **Ottavia Huang**

## Free and Open to the Public Please join us for a fun and informative evening!

## 2024 Schedule

Keep your calendars open for the 4th Monday of each month. All meetings are held at the Clifton Park Senior Community Center at 6:30 pm.

#### Monday, June 24, 2024

#### \*Ottavia Huang - Ink and Watercolor Demonstration

Ottavia Huang, an active member of the Urban Sketchers community, is a watercolor artist based in Ballston Lake. Using light, transparent colors and simple lines, she creates everyday watercolor and ink sketches of urban and natural landscapes, capturing the details of her surroundings. Join us as Ottavia shows us how to depict the beauty of nature with lines and color.

https://www.instagram.com/ms.otter.studio

\*Saratoga Arts made this program possible through the Community Arts Regrant Program, funded by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature.

#### Saturday, July 27, 2024

# Annual SSAS Painting Party/Picnic at Grooms Tavern - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Open to SSAS Members and their guests only

Please join us for a day of painting and fun! Get to know your fellow SSAS members and their families, draw or paint some of the beautiful perennials in the garden, participate in the annual collaborative art project, or just hang out and relax! Please rsvp to <u>info@southernsaratogaartist.com</u> or just reply to this email, so we have an idea of how many people to expect. Rain or shine! In case of inclement weather, we will move inside.

Visit our website for more program details: <u>http://www.southernsaratogaartist.com/</u> or <u>click here</u> for the 2024 Program Schedule.

Be sure to follow us on Facebook for up-to-date info on demos and other news.



## **Collaborative Art Group News**

SSAS is working on three collaborative projects this year!

The first involves jointly painting a multimedia single painting using a medium of choice by the individual artists involved in the project. The project is already underway with six artists participating.

The second project will be conducted at our annual picnic in July. We plan to paint a collage of flowers/greenery on canvas using acrylics. Everyone at the picnic will be invited to participate. SSAS will provide all needed supplies.

The third project will be performed at the Clifton Park Senior Community Center in September and involves collaboration between SSAS and Senior Center members to create another painting. Please look for the sign up sheet at our monthly members meeting.

## Save the Dates!!

#### Annual Autumn Jewels Judged Art Show - October 2024.

The reception and award presentation will be held on Monday, October 28 at 6:30 pm at the Clifton Park Senior Community Center. The show features cash prizes for artwork and photography. Entry is open to the public. Watch your email and check our website for more details and an entry form.

**Member's Themed Show - November & December -** Clifton Park Senior Community Center This year's theme - *"create a piece of art inspired by a song"* - is very exciting!! Music and art have always been so closely aligned. What inspires you? We can't wait to see what our members create!!

## **Member Shows**

Please support your fellow members by visiting these exciting shows! SSAS members - have an upcoming show? Email <u>info@southernsaratogaartist.com</u> and we will list it here.

Are you interested in displaying your work at any of the venues listed below? Contact <u>info@southernsaratogaartist.com</u> and we will direct your email to the venue coordinators.

#### SSAS Sponsored Venues

<u>Clifton Park Senior Community Center</u> (*large space - books quickly*) June/July: Group Show including Fran Cullen, Lynn Kaiser, Denise Kornak and Carol Winterton August: Group show including: Dolores Haberek, Nancy Hunt, Pamela Malsan, Mechelle Roskiewicz

<u>Clifton Park Town Hall</u> (4 pieces of art - great venue for large works) June: Barbara Buckley July: David Mayack August: Rita Helie

<u>Mechanicville Library</u> (large space - beautiful room) June/July: Rita Helie August/September: Maureen Kelly

<u>Bella Lucia's</u>, Clifton Park *(there is room for about 10 paintings)* July/August: Rita Helie, Denise Kornak, David Mayack, Jack Morgan, Tracy Pagano, Denise Stewart, Karen Zimmers

<u>Clifton Park/Burnt Hills Library</u> August: SSAS Members Show sponsored by Saratoga Arts

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#### Cheryl Jenks and Mechelle Roskiewicz:

Cheryl and Mechelle with both be Artists in Residence at <u>Wiawaka</u> on Lake George July 8-14; the Art Show will be held on July 12 to July 15.

#### Kris Kelly:

Kris, an abstract expressionist artist, has a painting in the Woodstock School of Art's Showcase Exhibition I. The exhibition is online and runs from May 11 to July 6. https://woodstockschoolofart.org/exhibitions/2024-showcase-exhibition-i/

#### **Other Local Venues/Opportunities**

<u>Mocha Lisa's Caffe</u> in Clifton Park and <u>Soave Faire</u> in Saratoga Springs are now hosting local artists' displays. Contact them for more information.

There is a National Garden Club Amateur Photography Show happening in Schuylerville on Saturday, July 20, from 1 to 5 and Sunday, July 21, noon to 4 at the Town Hall. Floral, horticulture, artistic crafts and photography competitions will be featured. Details: <u>http://www.schuylervillegardenclub.org/2024-Show.html</u>

## "Creative Jam" - New Artist's Space

Check out SSAS member Darcy Leigh's amazing new artist's space in Lake George - <u>Creative Jam</u>! Creative Jam is a 6,200 square foot, multi-use facility in Lake George (near the outlets with plenty of parking), designed to serve artists and the creative community. To learn more, check out their website:

<u>https://creativejamspace.com/</u>, or reach out to schedule a tour: <u>creativejamspace@gmail.com</u>. Darcy is also looking for teachers.

## **Artist's Corner**

The Artist's Network is sponsoring a free online demo with master artist Johannes Vloothuis next week: *"Free Paint Along – Lecture: The Most Important Lesson You'll Ever Learn In Landscape Painting"* Don't delay - it's coming up quick: Friday, June 28 @ 3 PM ET. <u>Click here</u> for details.

We've all heard the phrase "less is more" but this amazing artwork proves that good things do indeed come in small packages. Check out these mini plein air masterpieces by artist Remington Robinson: <a href="https://www.artistsnetwork.com/artist-profiles/remington-robinson-mini-painting/">https://www.artistsnetwork.com/artist-profiles/remington-robinson-mini-painting/</a>

Have some time on your hands this summer? **Saratoga Arts** is seeking volunteers to gallery sit during open hours. Whether you can commit to a shift every week or just a few times throughout the summer, they would love to have you. Volunteers will be responsible for greeting guests and talking about the current exhibition on view - sounds like fun! Fill out their volunteer application here: <u>https://saratoga-arts.org/volunteer</u>

## **Membership**

Membership in SSAS is just \$30 per year and includes meetings, discounted entry to annual Autumn Jewels Judged Art Show, social events, artist's demos, the ability to show your artwork at local venues, and also a clickable link to your artwork on our website Gallery page. Interested in joining? <u>Click here</u> for a SSAS Membership Form.

## Feedback

We welcome your feedback on any of the above topics. Please reply to this email with your comments.

Visit our website for more information about upcoming demos and other news. Questions? Email: info@southernsaratogaartist.com

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