



# GALLERY GAZETTE

March/April 2011

Macon County Art Association  
<http://www.mcaauptowngallery.org>

**Gallery Hours**  
 March Monday thru Saturday 11- 4  
 April Monday thru Saturday 10 - 6

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	14) Nick's Watercolor Class 10 -12 <b>Membership meeting</b> 12:30 Lunch 1PM Presentation 2PM Bus Meeting	15) <b>Every Tuesday Oil Painting</b> with Jon 9-noon, 1-4PM & 5 – 8PM		17) <b>Every Thursday Painters</b> Thursday Painters Group Open to the public 9am -2pm	18) <b>Friday Painters</b> 9am – 2 pm	19) <b>Gridding to Paint Pet Portraits Workshop</b> Sheila Moffitt 10AM to 3PM
	21) <b>Nick's Watercolor Class</b> 10am to 1pm	22) <b>Every Tuesday Oil Painting Classes</b>		24) <b>Thursday Painters</b> 9am – 2 pm	25) <b>Friday Painters</b> 9am – 2 pm	
	28) <b>Nick's Watercolor Class</b> 10am to 1pm	29) <b>Oil Painting Classes</b>		31) <b>Thursday Painters</b> 9am – 2 pm  Wine Down Wednesday 6pm	April 1) <b>Friday Painters</b> 9am – 2 pm Flea Market set up 11 – 9pm	April 2) <b>Silver Games Flea Market</b> 8am – 2pm <b>Children's Art Class</b> 9:30-noon
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	4) <b>Nick's Watercolor Class</b> 10am to 1pm <b>Board Meeting - 3:00 pm</b>	5) <b>Oil Painting Classes</b>		7) <b>Thursday Painters</b> 9am – 2 pm	8) <b>Friday Painters</b> 9am – 2 pm	
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## From Your President

Flowers and trees are beginning to bud in preparation for the unfolding of a beautiful new season. MCAA and the Uptown Gallery are, likewise, showing signs of preparation for a fantastic 2011.

- The façade of 30 Main has been refreshed (snazzy new canopy, front panels painted to coordinate, old print removed from window). The planters will soon be replanted.
- The front desk appearance is streamlined, with efforts being made to keep it clear of clutter(new notebooks on the desk, sign-up sheets moved to the classroom bulletin board, a daily cleaning schedule to guide all "sellers" or any willing volunteer cleaner.
- The Member Opportunities binder awaits "sign-ups" for workshops and classes. It provides all necessary information readily at hand. (Remember, payment is required when we sign-up.)

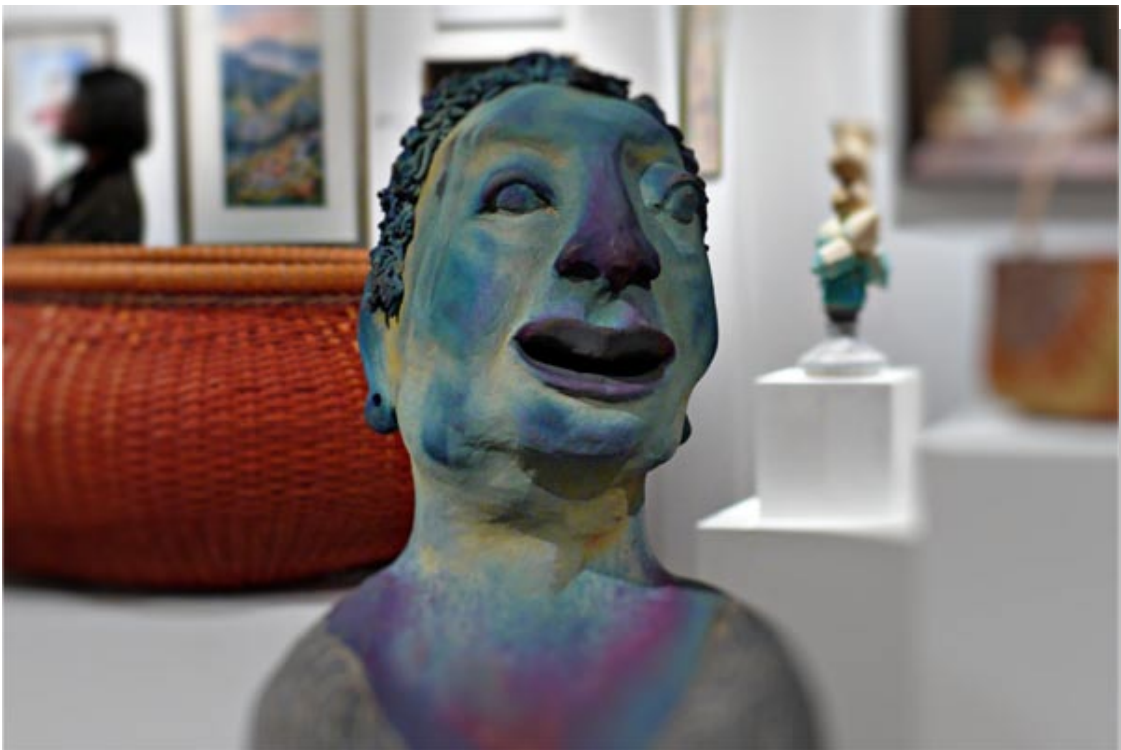
The 2011 calendar of events provides many opportunities for MCAA as an organization as well as individuals, both members and non-members.

This President's Message ends in an appeal to all members. Everyone can help if we will all try to –

- Complete a new work for every MCAA Uptown Gallery Exhibition (every two months).
- Paint new minis – at least one each month, so our displays are fresh for repeat customers.
- Commit to and prepare for our four outdoor show at a new site in Highlands and a new outdoor show in Franklin.
- Volunteer for fundraising events. With the present economy, MCAA is very reliant on fundraisers

I am grateful for the hard work of the membership. These are labors of love, but when you see a change you like, tell people. Perhaps the person/people who did it will overhear.

Susan



**Bascom Regional Arts Organization exhibition opening reception. Sculpture by Hank Shuler**

## Announcements

**The Silver Arts Flea Market** is on Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 11:00 until 9:00. *We need someone to be the event coordinator for this Fund Raiser.* Also, put your name on the list at the gallery if you can help with setting up on Friday or selling on Saturday. We need lots of good, clean, tagged items to sell. Ask your friends and neighbors to help. **No clothes.** Books, jewelry, fashion accessories, kitchen items, miscellaneous knick-knacks, and the like are great. *Your trash is another person's treasure.* If you need help getting stuff there let us know so we can arrange to pick it up or bring things to gallery before April 1<sup>st</sup>. A box for items is in the back room of the gallery. We need lots of people to help set up and to 'man' the booth April 2nd. Sign up now.

**March Birthdays:** Natalie Bucki 3-6, Meta Walton 3-19 and Kay Smith 3-26. Sorry I missed those born in January and February. They were Karen Smith 1-10 and Camille Tuttrup 1-19, and in February, Janice Mansfield 2-4, Sue Weathers 2-18, Ruth Goodier 2-19, Stephen Clark 2-20, Barbara McLellan 2-22, and Debra Weinelt 2-27. They say that babies born during the frigid months are smarter than most. From the list above I think that might be true.

**Kay Edson** is the featured artist at Southwester Community College.

**Margie Kellam** is the featured artist at the Franklin Airport in March. *Ruth Goodier* will display her artwork in April and May.

**Jim Smythe** is the guest artist at Franklin High School's Art Café program. *Hank Shuler* will be the guest artist in April.

**Private display and reception at the gallery on Sunday afternoons** - Would you be interested in such an event to show off you work to friends and relatives? Let the Board of Directors know what you think of this as yet under-developed idea.

**Pat Mennenger's Classes for Children** – This month's topic is pencil rendering.

**FULL HOUSE IN MARCH:** March's Children's Workshop was tuition free for ten budding artists, six girls and four boys each used metallic gold scratchboard to create a portrait of a lion. The Children's program is made possible by a grant from The Community Foundation, The Uptown Gallery and donation of time and supplies by MCAA members.



**The New Canopy at the Uptown Gallery**

## News from the Board

**Treasurer Hank Shuler** – The 2011 budget has been presented to the Board of Directors. Check out budget on the bulletin board in back room. Budget decisions were based on some of the information listed below.

1. A total loss for the upcoming year of \$915
2. That art sales for 2011 approximate our 2010 sales
3. Show more outdoor sales for 2011 in hopes that new locations\ in Highlands and elsewhere would generate better participation and thus sales.
4. Since the new commission rate is 80%, MCAA doesn't net much off sales and other revenues will have to carry more of the cost of operations as they did in 2010.

5. Credit card usage to approximate that of last year.
6. Dues and subscriptions include joining Smoky Mnt Host, the Franklin Chamber and Streets of Franklin.

**Membership Chair, Camille Tuttrup** – 41 members have renewed plus two new members: Reesa Anne Boyce, 365 Carolina Village Circle, Franklin, NC 28734, 828-369-3561, [raboyle1@live.com](mailto:raboyle1@live.com) and Fitzallen Eldridge, 3239 N River Rd., Sylva, NC 28779, 828-586-6901, [fitzallen@yahoo.com](mailto:fitzallen@yahoo.com) .

Allison Wunder wants everyone to know that her new phone number is 828 488-6596.

Camille has contacted the Graphic Arts Department at SCC and sent them applications for students to join our organization for \$10.00 per semester. The students will be able to display their art in our gallery twice a year, May and December. She felt it was greatly appreciated.

The sixteen members attending the February meeting were excited by a step-by-step slide presentation of John Howard Sanden painting a portrait “head” study. Jim S. had worked with the artist and so his narration was very insightful. It did not matter that Jim brought that slide tray by accident. The planned presentation about Samuel Morse will have to wait until another day.

**VP for Marketing, Stephen Clark** – Spring is here and the gallery looks better than ever. Thanks to ALL who contributed hard work and donations. We were able to update our great space using mostly elbow grease and some generous private donations.

This year’s marketing calendar (which will be available soon) is FULL of member opportunities – and we need EVERYONE’s participation! There are new classes, exciting workshops, awesome outdoor events, much needed fundraisers and more. I travel all over going to other galleries and have yet to see a member gallery that has such a concentration of talent. So please PARTICIPATE and get the most out of your membership!

The next **Wine Down Wednesday** will be March 30 at 6:00.. Plan to come and bring someone. We are hoping our neighboring retailers will join us and the gathering will help to energize the Streets of Franklin activities.

**VP for Education, Karen Smith** – Guest presenter for the April membership meeting has not been determined at this time.

Eight of the needed sixteen waterfall paintings for the first Quilt Project have been completed.

*Sheila Moffitt* will be conducting a *workshop* on using a grid to create pet portraits on March 19. Each participant should bring a picture of a pet to paint. The class will meet from 10AM to 3PM and will cost \$15 for members and \$30 for non-members. Check the sign-in information for a list of materials.

**Gallery Director, Ruth Goodier** – Staffers and members: Cheers to all of you who helped with our "new look". The show now hanging will be up until April 30th. The next hanging is May 2nd. Mark your calendars. We want every hanging member to be in the show. If you are working as a “seller, check a new item in the procedures book, *How to sell a gift certificate*. Also, check the *cleaning schedule* which is posted above the coffee pot and in the procedures book. Gallery open hours for April are 10:00 until 6:00, or 10 'til 2 and 2 to 6, two four hour increments. If you cannot do this, you can split a 4-hour shift with a buddy. . No matter how we staff it **OPEN IS GOOD**. We are trying to support our neighbor retailers by being open when they are. Thanks to all helping Millie with Silver Arts. If you win a ribbon there you can hang the picture in our following show with your ribbon attached. Support the Flea Market. Get your friends and neighbors to make contributions of things to sell. We are a non-profit so we can give them a receipt for tax purposes for the value donated if they want one. All sign up sheets for Flea Market etc. are now on the bulletin board in the classroom. So check the bulletin board when you come in for pertinent information. If any of the items on the back shelf under the black board in the classroom belong to you, please claim them before the Flea Market or they will be sold. There are some tablecloths, clothes, and umbrellas etc. Look for new happenings in this space every month. Your Gallery Director, Ruth Goodier.



**Nick teaches Water Color on Monday Mornings**

**Editor's Endnote**

Special thanks to Sue Weathers for submitting photos, and secretary Margie Kellam and president Susan Lizer for providing Board of Director's minutes that made this newsletter possible. The copy for this newsletter was compiled by Jim Smythe. The best way to send information is by email, [lec@lawrencecrawford.com](mailto:lec@lawrencecrawford.com), call me at 828-342-1319 or talk with Lawrence in person. *Lawrence Crawford*, Editor.



**Oil painting by past President Sue Weathers displayed at the Bascom Opening**



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