



2015

August

News

The Bedford Day Regional Art Show . . .

. . . is coming in September! This is a *great* opportunity to display your artwork as well as to support the annual BACS scholarship for a graduating Bedford High School student who is pursuing a degree in the arts.

Two pieces may be entered per person; all entries will be accepted and shown. Judge Joy Dai Buell will select winners for first, second, and honorable mention in each of the five categories. First and second place in each category will receive cash prizes, and all winners will be awarded ribbons and certificates.

Entries will be accepted on **Thursday, September 17**, at the **Town Center building** from **9:30am to 12:30pm**. If you cannot come that day, please call the names on the entry form and we can help. There is a \$15 entry fee per piece for BACS members and \$20 per entry for non-BACS members.

Donate Your Art for Our Bedford Day Sale

If you have unmatted paintings or drawings you no longer need, please consider letting us sell them in our "bin sale" on Bedford Day. Contact Laura Wallace for details.



Crafts for the Bedford Day Crafts Table

Good progress has been made on the craft items for the Bedford Day crafts table. We have one more workshop scheduled, and we need help to finish all the unique crafts that are being made for the event. The last workshop will take place **at Emily O'Hara's house on Thursday, 8/20, at 1:00pm**. Please help out!

Bedford Day Raffle

Two lovely matted original paintings by Margrit Mason, along with a piece of jewelry created by Alyce McLaughlin, will be our **raffle items** this year. We have included 6 raffle tickets in this newsletter mailing; we encourage members to sell them. Remember, the proceeds from the raffle will go toward the annual BACS scholarship.



Silent Auction

BACS is holding a **silent auction** of two works of

art by watercolorist Margrit Mason. The proceeds from this auction, too, will support the BACS college scholarship.



The first artwork is a wooden plaque with an original interpretive painting of the Sheldon Block.

The second artwork is a beautifully gold-framed and matted original watercolor painting of flowers. Please visit our website, www.bacsma.org, to preview these unique works. In addition, they will be available for viewing at the Bedford Arts and Crafts Society Regional Art Show on Bedford Day.

Bidding on the auction items will take place from August 15 through September 23. Ongoing bids will be tracked on the BACS website, www.bacsma.org. BID, BID, BID!

Programs

The Board has voted on a wish list of presenters for the upcoming 2015-2016 programs. Sylvia Mallory, Laura Wallace, and Judi Babcock are in the process of contacting these presenters. Final information on the programs will be announced soon and will appear in the Yearbook.



New Chairs

Please join us in congratulating our two new committee chairs: **Judi Babcock**, Publicity, and **Laura Wallace**, Webmaster. Other recently appointed new chairs are **Lisa Di Sanzo**, Newsletter, and **Stewart Leshin**, Classes.

WELCOME

New Members

And also give a shout-out to our newest BACS members: **Barb Davis, Jane**

Franklin, Maria Green, Penny Leslie, Patricia MacQueen, and Hal Ward.

Yearbook

Sylvia Mallory, our president, has made progress in updating the **Yearbook**, and we will be passing out the new edition at the September Board meeting and at Bedford Day. Members may also pick up their copy at the October program.



Fall Painting Class

The schedule for **the fall painting class** has been finalized; applications are included with this newsletter. The starting date for the fall classes had to be delayed slightly due to ongoing repairs of the water damage that occurred in the library meeting room.

Website Contributions

If you have items for the website (text, photos, art), e-mail them to our **webmaster, Laura Wallace**. If you have very large files to transmit, contact Laura to set up a means of transfer.

Historical Society Event

Evelyn Rice reports that the Bedford Historical Society is holding an **auction** on November 5 from 10am to 4pm at the Unitarian Church. The Society has asked if BACS can provide 6-8 artworks (paintings, photographs, sculptures) by

members to display in the area where people are waiting in line. Participating BACS members should bring their paintings that day; easels will be provided by the Board. Contact Evelyn for more information. This is a great opportunity to exhibit your work and to promote BACS!

Artists' Critique Group

Do you think you might like to join an **artists' critique group**? The idea



is for interested artists to meet and support one another. If you are interested, e-mail Judi Babcock at judibabcock@gmail.com. Please indicate what medium you use, whether you are available during the day, and if so what days of the week you are free. If you would want to meet at night, please indicate what night of the week generally works for you. _