

Greetings!

We hope everyone is getting through the winter in good health and high spirits. Check out all that has been going on in BACS to brighten this dreary time of year!

Bedford Cultural Council Grant

Sylvia recently received the happy news that BACS has been awarded a grant of \$800 from the Bedford Cultural Council. The funds will go toward this year's formal workshops and art demos.

Committee Chair News



Please note the following changes to various chair responsibilities.

Ellen Hurley is now handling secretarial responsibilities solely.

Sylvia Mallory is the newsletter chair and has joined the art show committee.

Barbara Purchia is managing the collection and updating of membership data.

Ellen Royalty has assumed responsibilities as the publicity chair.

Margo Zelermyer has joined the exhibits committee.

New Members

We warmly welcome our newest members: *Joanne Kenney, jlkfxk@comcast.net *Eileen Larsen, egavinlarsen@gmail.com *Mary Reyling, 781-275-5537 (no email)

Hone Your Painting Skills w/ Valeria

There are plenty of openings for **Valeria Lanza's** next mixed media studio art class, which begins March 13. The class runs on Tuesdays, 9:30 am–noon. Contact Bedford Recreation for details and to sign up: 781-275-1392.

Formal Craft Workshops

We recently enjoyed a fun afternoon with **Tanya Lee**, who taught us how to paint bold designs on ceramic tile using alcohol ink.



Don't miss our upcoming workshops:

*Polymer clay beads led by Kat Fast, Tuesday, February 20, 10:00 am–3:00 pm, First Church of Christ, 25 Great Road. Bring your own lunch. Fee: \$20 for BACS members; \$30 for nonmembers.

*Collage led by Linda Branch Dunn,

Tuesday, March 20, 1:00–3:30 pm, Flint Room, Town Center Building. Fee info to come in next month's newsletter.

<u>NOTE:</u> Space for these workshops is limited. To secure a spot, sign up by **Monday,** February 12, at crafts@bacsma.org

These programs are funded in part by a grant from the Bedford Cultural Council, a local agency that is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

Weekly Crafting, Wednesdays, 2–4

Join us at our Wednesday crafting at the COA and share in the fun! Develop a new skill and enjoy the camaraderie. Coming next:

February 7: Decoupage flower pots February 14: Decorative gift boxes February 21: Doodle pendants, part 1 February 28: Doodle pendants, part 2 March 7: Beading crochet

Got ideas? Contact crafts chair **Jane Franklin** at crafts @bacsma.org if you would like to: *lead a crafting session *propose an idea for a crafting session *request a repeat of a craft we've done before



watercolors on display at the delightful Short Stop Café, 54 Loomis Street.

Judi Babcock's painting Underwater was selected for Concord Art's 2018 Members' Juried I show, which runs through February 10. Judi Babcock, Sylvia Mallory, Victoria Roark, and Laura Wallace have work on exhibit in the "Migration" show at Grace Chapel, 59 Worthen Road, Lexington. The exhibit runs through February 25 and may be viewed on Thursdays 2:00–5:00 pm, on Sundays, during services, and whenever the building is open.

Bedford Day Crafts Committee

We are seeking to form a crafts committee to brainstorm about the BACS crafts tables on Bedford Day. The group will also consider whether we might offer our crafts for sale at other venues. Contact **Sylvia** if you are interested in volunteering to help.

Spring Luncheon!

Monday, May 21, is the tentative date for our annual luncheon. Mark your calendar! More info will follow.



Web Gallery: bacsma.org/gallery/

Our website has a Gallery page where you can show examples of your artwork and crafts. Contact our webmaster, **Laura Wallace,** for details. If you've had certain pieces there for a while, it might be time to update!

Member Page: bacsma.org/member-page/

Our website's Member Page is the go-to place for art show entry forms, expense reimbursement forms, the BACS membership list, and more. Go to bacsma.org/memberpage/ and use the password "Bedford" to access the information.