



April 2018

April brings the promise of better weather and many opportunities for members. Read all about them here. We hope to see you at these upcoming events!

Artist Demo on April 17

On Tuesday, April 17, Lowell artist **Tom Gill** will present a demo of a work in acrylic. Join us in the Meeting Room of the Bedford Library at 6:15 p.m. for refreshments. Tom will begin around 6:30 p.m.



<Art by **Tom Gill**

Tom was a musician in the 1980s. When deciding between art and music, he chose art. He trained at the Art Institute of Boston. His paintings

have been shown at many venues, including the Rockport Art Association, Concord Art, and the Whistler House Museum, as well as by Francesca Andersen Fine Art. His works hang in collections throughout New England. Don't miss this special event!

This program is funded in part by a grant from the



Bedford Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

Please Renew Now

It's time to renew your membership so that you can continue to enjoy the wonderful programs and friendships BACS offers. At the April or May painting demos or at any upcoming Wednesday crafting session, you can give **Dawn Warrington** your renewal check, payable to BACS. Alternatively, you can mail your payment to P.O. Box 604, Bedford, MA, 01730.



Dues are \$30 for an individual; \$35 for a family (two members of an immediate family). Please submit a membership renewal form with your check even if you are just updating your contact info. The form is available under "Forms for download" in the Member Page link of our website, www.bacsma.org. The password you'll need is "Bedford."

To continue receiving the newsletter and having your name published in the yearbook, **please renew by May 31.**

Spring Luncheon

Monday, May 21, is the tentative day for our annual luncheon. Save the date! Details will follow in an upcoming announcement.



New Member

We warmly welcome **Jean Hammond** to BACS. Jean can be reached at jhmmnd@gmail.com.

Weekly Crafting, Wednesdays, 2–4

Join us on Wednesdays at the COA for our weekly crafting adventures, 2:00–4:00 p.m., and share in the fun! Develop a new skill and enjoy the camaraderie.



Coming up:

- April 11: Polymer clay crafting
- April 18: Bead stringing
- April 25: BYO project

For upcoming crafting sessions, we're looking for old and new beads—costume, vintage, artisan, etc. Please check your craft stash, bureau drawers, and jewelry box for abandoned and unloved gems! The beads



can be either strung or loose. **Jane Franklin** will happily pick them up from your home. You

can email Jane at crafts@bacsma.org.

Members' Work on Display

Congratulations to the following BACS artists whose work is being shown in a range of local spots.

The gallery at **First Parish Church**, 75 The Great Road, Bedford, is hosting an exhibit of paintings by **Lee Sadeghpour**. Lee's diverse subject matter includes seascapes, landscapes, florals, portraits, and more. The show runs through April 27. Enter the church at the Elm Street side and proceed to the second floor. Please check in with Reception.

*Art by **Lee Sadeghpour** >*



Artwork by **Florence**

Como is currently on display at the **Short Stop Café**, 54 Loomis Street. An exhibit by **Doris Smith** is next up at the café.

Members **Florence Como**, **Maria Green**, **Sylvia Mallory**, **Kati Oates**, **Victoria Roark**, **Ellen Royalty**, **Doris Smith**, and **Laura Wallace** have work in the "Going Green" show at **Grace Chapel**, 59 Worthen Road, Lexington. The exhibit runs through April 29. It may be viewed Thursdays 2:00–5:00 p.m., Sundays during services, and whenever the building is open.

***Kati Oates** and her work Maine with Pearls from "Going Green"*



Anita Feld, **Maria Green**, and **Doris Smith** will have their work on view at the upcoming printmaking show "Impressions" at **Gallery Blink**, 1963 Mass. Avenue, Lexington. The exhibition will open April 13 and continue through May 6.

Upcoming Exhibit Opportunities

Great Road Gallery and Framing in Bedford will host another BACS art exhibit from mid-July through Labor Day. **Judi Babcock** is coordinating the procedure for submitting the art. Please keep an eye out for details from Judi.



Also: The exhibits committee at **Gleason Public Library** in Carlisle is potentially interested in

running a BACS show next year. By May 1 of this year, the committee will want to know how many BACS artists and crafters wish to participate. The committee members will need to see photos of a couple of pieces of work from each interested person. There are display cases for crafts such as jewelry, cards, tiles, and so forth. There is also a great deal of wall space for hanging art. Artists have the option to sell their work. If you're interested in participating, let **Judi Babcock** know at judibabcock@gmail.com or 781-275-1183 before May 1.

A **Summer Walkabout** will be held in Bedford on July 12 and may be an avenue for us to display a sampling of BACS crafts for sale. Details will follow in an upcoming newsletter.

Artist Support Group

Judi Babcock reports that the first meeting of the newly created artist support group will take place on Monday, April 23, at 10:00 a.m. If you think you might benefit from this resource, there is still room to join. Judi stresses that it's o.k. to come occasionally or just to try it out. She is not expecting a commitment to the group from everyone who comes. Contact Judi at judibabcock@gmail.com or 781-275-1183.

Bedford All-School K–12 Art Show

This year's All-School K–12 Art Show will be held on May 4–6. The event is sponsored by the Bedford Public Schools. Watch for details in the *Bedford Citizen* and the *Bedford Minuteman* as the date gets closer. Support local students and visit the show!



Web Gallery: bacsma.org/gallery/

Our website's Gallery Page showcases examples of members' artwork and crafts.



Contact **Laura Wallace** if you'd like to display your work. If you've had certain pieces there for a while, it might be time to freshen them!

Stained Glass by **Barb Purchia**