



February 2020

Hi BACS members! Here's the latest BACS news, including lots of ideas for getting out this winter and setting your creativity free. Remember: You can keep up with current BACS news by visiting our website, [www.bacsma.org](http://www.bacsma.org) For more info on the website, see the page 4 of this newsletter.

### Modern Calligraphy Workshop on February 18

Join us at First Church, Congregational, on Tuesday, February 18, 12:30-3:00 PM, for an introductory modern calligraphy workshop with **Jennifer Wayne**. Jennifer is a reading specialist by day and a hand-lettering aficionado by night.

In this workshop she will lead students in completing one or two projects. They will learn:

- How to do faux calligraphy with any type of writing tool
- How to hold a brush pen to get contrasting thick/thin lines
- Differences among brush pens
- Practice drills



- Letter formation
- Connecting letters into words and phrases

Take-home supplies will be provided for \$15.00. They include a Resource Guide and Alphabet Exemplars, pencil, eraser, small brush pen, large brush pen dual tip, practice notebook, and extra guideline paper.

This program is free for BACS members. Nonmembers pay an attendance fee of \$10. Everyone pays the supplies fee. Space is limited to 15, and the session is currently full, so sign up here (and soon!) to be on the waiting list: [crafts@bacsma.org](mailto:crafts@bacsma.org)

This workshop (along with the workshop and the demos described



below) is funded in part by a grant from the Bedford Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

### Other Upcoming Workshop & Demos

Mark your calendar for a great workshop plus two artist demos that are on tap:

- Tuesday, March 17, noon–4:30 PM: Batik Workshop with **Laura Wallace**



*Laura at work*

- Tuesday, April 21, 6:30 PM: Acrylic Painting Demo with **Kathy DeFlice-Secor**

- Tuesday, May 19, 6:30 PM: Colored Pencil Drawing Demo with **Kathy Clericuzio**



*Colored pencil drawing by Kathy Clericuzio*

### BACS Spring Luncheon

Spring is coming! You'll want to save the date for our annual spring luncheon, which is tentatively set for Monday, May 18. If you have suggestions for a restaurant or other location that would serve as a great venue, please let **Maureen Reyling** know at [mrey5537@aol.com](mailto:mrey5537@aol.com)

### Wednesday Crafting Update

Join BACS members for crafting on Wednesday afternoons, 2:00–4:00 PM, at the Bedford COA. Come to participate or just to chat and relax. The schedule for upcoming weeks is:

- February 12: Cardz for Kidz project [cardzforkidz.org](http://cardzforkidz.org)
- February 19: Repainting wooden canes
- February 26: Essential oil air freshener

For questions, e-mail **Jane Franklin** at [crafts@bacsm.org](mailto:crafts@bacsm.org)

### Bedford Day Crafting Brainstorm

**Susan Schwartz** will be leading an informal brainstorming session aimed at generating fresh ideas for the Bedford Day crafts table. Participants will share their ideas about which projects our crafters might concentrate on for Bedford Day sales. Contact Susan if you'd like to get together with her and others for what's sure to be a fun and freewheeling discussion: [susanberesschwartz@gmail.com](mailto:susanberesschwartz@gmail.com)

### BACS Members' Art Show at Bedford Free Public Library

Coming next month is the BACS Members' Show at the Bedford Public Library on 7 Mudge Way. BACS artists and crafters may submit up to two pieces of 2-D or 3-D original work. There is no fee for submissions.

The drop-off dates are Monday, March 9, 7:00–8:00 PM, and Tuesday, March 10, 1:00–2:00 PM. Judging will take place in the afternoon of the 10<sup>th</sup>. Pieces not accepted for the show may be picked up in the evening of the 10<sup>th</sup>.

The drop-off location is the large meeting room on ground level. Members can have others drop off and/or pick up for them.

A reception will be held on Sunday, March 15, 4:00–5:00 PM. The show itself will run until May 13. We thank **Judi Babcock** and **Jean Hammond** for their efforts in making this show possible.

## Current Member Exhibits

**Anita Feld, Taline Saatjian, Doris Smith, and Laura Wallace** have work hanging in the window gallery of the vacant store near Emerson Dental in the Bedford Marketplace. The display will run until early March, at which time the space will be available to other artists. Contact **Laura Wallace** at [laura.b.wallace@gmail.com](mailto:laura.b.wallace@gmail.com) if you would like to show your 2-D work in this temporary location. *Note:* You must provide your own easel.

**Maria Green and Laura Wallace** have work on view in Grace Chapel's current show, "In Focus," which runs until February 23. The chapel is at 59 Worthen Road, Lexington. For further info: [www.grace.org/artgallery](http://www.grace.org/artgallery)

## Art and Crafts About Town

Here's a selection of local shows to visit.

**Bedford Free Public Library, 7 Mudge Way, Bedford**

The current library show, "On Growing Up," features photographic works by **Suzanne Révy** and **Tira Khan**. The storytelling and documentary skills of the photographers draw a picture of the world of their teenage



girls and boys. Details at [www.bedfordlibrary.net/events/art-exhibits](http://www.bedfordlibrary.net/events/art-exhibits)

**Cary Library, 1874 Mass. Avenue, Lexington**

Do you know that Lexington's Cary Library runs art exhibits that change monthly? If you are around Lexington Center with some free time to explore, you may want to drop in and take a look. This month's exhibits:

- "Obstructed View," photos by Jodi Colella
- "Light in the Landscape," paintings by Katalin Spang
- "Visiting Cuba," photos by Linda Wolk

**Concord Art, 37 Lexington Road, Concord**

Members' Juried Show 2 will be on view at Concord Art from February 20 to March 20. The gallery will display pieces by member artists working in various media, including collage, printmaking, crafts, mixed media, and photography. For further information, go to [www.concordart.org](http://www.concordart.org)

**Lexington Arts and Crafts Society, 130 Waltham Street, Lexington**

Through February 16, LexArt is running "Out on a Limb," an exhibit by the organization's woodworkers' guild. The show explores the nature of wood and the rich possibilities for using it in art. For details: [www.lacsma.org](http://www.lacsma.org)

***Loading Dock Gallery, Western Avenue Studios, 122 Western Avenue, Lowell***

In the spirit of Valentine's Day, this month's Loading Dock Gallery show celebrates the theme "I Heart." Participating artists reveal what's in their hearts with works that demonstrate their passion for the arts.



From the LDG website: "Come join us and marvel at the unique mediums employed to express ourselves, and let the heart inspire you and take your heart." The show runs through February 29. For details: [www.theloadingdockgallery.com](http://www.theloadingdockgallery.com)

### New Members

Welcome to two new BACS members:

- **Susan Ross:** [suemaotr@gmail.com](mailto:suemaotr@gmail.com)
- **Cindy Well:** [cinderella7@gmail.com](mailto:cinderella7@gmail.com)

### Good Cheer

Get-well wishes were sent to **Patricia MacQueen** and **Jeanne Reidy**.

### Next Artist Support Group Meeting

The next artist support group meeting will take place on Monday, March 2, 10:00 AM–noon, at the home of **Sylvia Mallory**. If you plan to attend, please send an RSVP to

Sylvia at [slmal@hotmail.com](mailto:slmal@hotmail.com) or to **Judi Babcock** at [judibabcock@gmail.com](mailto:judibabcock@gmail.com)

### BACS Website Gallery:

[bacsma.org/gallery](http://bacsma.org/gallery)

Our website's Gallery Page showcases members' artwork and crafts. Contact **Laura Wallace** if you'd like to display your work: [laura.b.wallace@gmail.com](mailto:laura.b.wallace@gmail.com)

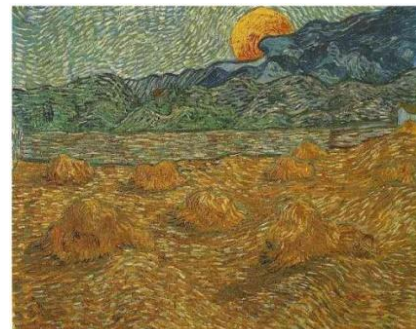
### Member Page:

[bacsma.org/member-page](http://bacsma.org/member-page)

Our website's Member Page is the place for art show entry forms, expense reimbursement forms, and more. Recently added resources are Areas of Art and Craft Interest, and Areas of Volunteering Interest. Go to [bacsma.org/member-page](http://bacsma.org/member-page) and use the password "Bedford" to access the info.

### A Thought for February

I am seeking. I am striving. I am in it with all my heart. – **Vincent Van Gogh**



*Vincent Van Gogh, Evening Landscape with Rising Moon, oil on canvas, 1889*