

# Images

A newsletter for the artists and writers of the Billings Arts Association to share our creativity and inspiration.

## DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT



Looking back over my time in leadership with the Billings Arts Association I am honored to have served you as Executive Director and feel that I am leaving an organization that has not only weathered the brunt of the pandemic but has engaged members in new activities and forged some new community

relationships. Through the Billings Cultural Partners, we have expanded locations for our onsite and plein air painting. Look over the schedule and join us. We are collaborating with grant writers and finding new partners for place-based community art making. These include DanWalt Gardens, St. Andrews Church (Pollinators Fair), Pompey's Pillar and more. Stay tuned for announcements of future exciting projects. Many of these events allow the public to talk with our artists while they create and to try out the materials themselves. These activities support our BAA mission statement of "... encourage(ing) participation in, and appreciation of the visual arts and supports arts education with material grants at every level."

We welcome a revitalized relationship with the Yellowstone Art Museum and their new leadership staff (our group was instrumental in early fundraising efforts and establishing a center from what was a county jail set for demolition). I am excited that we will hold several ArtShops there during the remainder of 2022 and provide artist demonstrations for some of their events.

We are grateful for the continued partnership with Crooked Line Studio and their great staff. Many of our members have found a community atmosphere during the Open Studio times (Monday evening or Friday morning) and others have found a place to share their creative flow through teaching classes.

I believe that our members are the greatest strength of the Billings Arts Association. Embrace the opportunities provided and suggest new ones that **you** want to help make happen! Thanks for your trust in me these past three years and plan to engage in the passions and ideas of your new BAA leadership team.  
*Elizabeth*

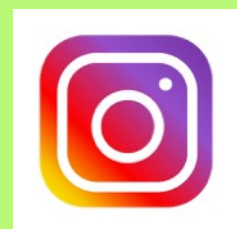


**Billings Arts  
Association  
MAY  
2022**

## MISSION STATEMENT and MEMBER BENEFITS

Billings Arts Association is a regional 501(c)3 organization which encourages participation and appreciation of the visual arts and supports art education with art material grants.

Member benefits include art exhibits, membership meetings, networking, workshops, demos, volunteer opportunities, BAA newsletter "Images" and BAA website.



## BAA ANNUAL MEETING AND PICNIC



VETERANS' PARK  
SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 2022  
NOON



**JOIN CAMARADERIE WITH FELLOW ARTISTS!!**

**LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED BY BAA!!!**

**Door Prizes!!!**

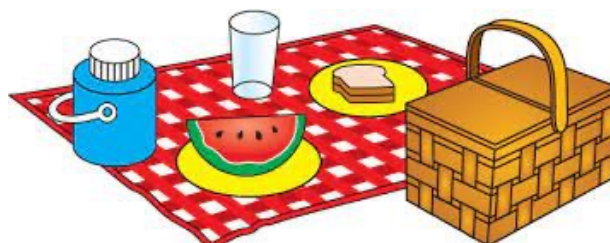
BAA will have its annual meeting and be voting for officers on Saturday, June 18, at Veterans' Park at noon.

BAA will be catering our annual meeting from Chalet Market with box lunches. BAA will provide box lunches and water. Otherwise, please bring your own drinks.

Please RSVP and order your lunch by text to Ev Bergeron (406)208-0411 or by email at [evbergeron@gmail.com](mailto:evbergeron@gmail.com).

### LUNCH CHOICES

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Large Salad** - Includes lettuce, cheese, tomato, cucumber, sweet bell peppers, onions, and sprouts.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Roast Beef & Monterey Jack Cheese 8-Inch Submarine** - Thinly sliced roast beef and Monterey Jack Cheese.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Turkey Club 8-Inch Submarine** — Thin sliced turkey, bacon, cheddar cheese, and tomato.



## BAA NEWS

### URBAN SKETCHING

Want to just hang out and sip coffee while you sketch downtown?



Rachael Long,  
above,

John Kennedy, above  
right

Joel Bowers,  
sketching



Urban Sketchers Billings  
April 24 at 9:01 AM · 10

Wednesday 4/27/22 Meet up at 23th and Montana Ave across the street from the Carlin Hotel  
With Joel Bowers, Lisa Carrizosa, Jerry To Bergeron, Rachael Larson Long.  
Montana Avenue is just a great street to sit and sketch, with so many fantastic old buildings. Can't think of a better way to spend a few hours in the afternoon: good weather, good scenery, and wonderful people to enjoy it with!



### Mother's Day Exhibit

**DanWalt Gardens**  
720 Washington St.  
Billings, MT 59101

BAA will be participating in DanWalt Gardens' Opening Day on May 8, 2022, from 10 am to 3 pm (Sunday, Mother's Day).

We have 15 BAA members signed up to demonstrate and sell their art.

DanWalt Gardens furnishes free cheesecake so come on down to support fellow artists and have some cheesecake.

**The gardens will be beautiful.**



You can find more information about Urban Sketching and see some examples on Facebook at @UrbanSketchersBillings. John Kennedy is managing their Facebook page and you can message John on Facebook or call him at 406 366-9444.

John will also be teaching two Urban Sketching classes at Crooked Line Studio.



## GOLDEN LECTURE AND DEMO



**Tuesday, June 28th**  
*from 5:30-7:30pm*

**FREE**

**GOLDEN**  
ARTIST COLORS®

# Lecture/Demo

*with Golden Working Artist  
Nancy Seiler*

**Come learn all about GOLDEN products!**  
 This lecture packs a ton of information about GOLDEN paints, Gels, Mediums and Grounds.

**Topics in this Lecture include:**

- \*Pigment Information for clean color mixing
- \*GOLDEN paint products such as: Fluids, Heavy Body, OPEN, High Flow, and BRAND NEW-SoFlat Acrylics
- \*GOLDEN Interference and Iridescent Paints
- \*GOLDEN Gels & Mediums
- \*GOLDEN Grounds
- \*Overview of Williamsburg Handmade Oils

**LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE!**  
**SIGN UP TO RESERVE**  
**YOUR SPOT!**



Sign up with Crooked Line Studio at 406-927-8041. The Lecture and Demo will be held at Crooked Line Studio, 1206 24th Street West, Billings, Montana.

# ARTSHOP



ArtShop is an artist's coffee break held on the third Saturday of every month. Please bring your artwork or just come to be inspired. We will be meeting at McCormick Cafe, 2419 Montana Avenue, Billings, MT, in the back room. Coffee is provided in the room for a donation and you can order breakfast at the front counter. See the calendar for upcoming dates and locations.

## ARTSHOP DATES/HOSTS

May 21	Cynthia Kessler
July 16	Marion Hedge
August 20	Ev Bergeron
October 15	Sandy Raymond
November 19	Noel Hawke



Ev Bergeron demonstrates a pastel painting.



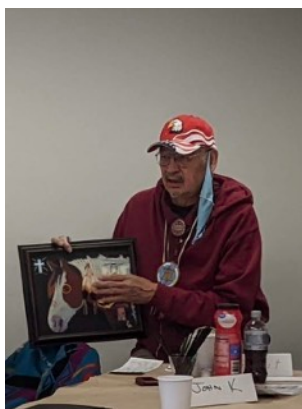
Joey Kiernan shows her finished pastel demo we all worked on.



Paula Walters and Jens Selvig



Carolyn Kennedy talked about her unique technique.



Rabbit Knows Gun

## Carbon County Arts Guild & Depot Gallery

### PO Box 585 | Red Lodge, MT | 59068

The annual ***Rocky Mountain Regional Juried Exhibition (RMRJE)*** is organized by the Carbon County Arts Guild & Depot Gallery. This year, the exhibition will be on **view May 6-June 23, 2022** which is longer so more people can view the spectacular work that gets juried into the show. The reception will be held during Red Lodge Art Walk on Saturday, May 14, 2022.



Barbara Garrett  
*Rockin Rock Creek, Pastel*



Ev Bergeron  
*Winter in Montana, Pastel*

## BAA Plein Air 2022

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays. Come from 9 a.m. to noonish...whatever works in your schedule. No “rain” dates. As always, dress for the weather and terrain conditions. Please print out this schedule as we will not send weekly emails.

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|---------|---|
| May 19  | Zimmerman Park (3314 MT-3) (atop the Rims)                  |
| June 7  | Ev Bergeron's Garden (2729 E. Bridger Dr)                   |
| June 16 | Moss Mansion (914 Division St.)                             |
| July 5  | Riverfront Park (8001 South Billings Blvd) save a           |
| July 21 | Sugar Beet Factory (3020 State Ave)                         |
| Aug 2   | Couslon Park (Charlene St – past the water treatment plant) |
| Aug 18  | Zoo Montana (2100 Shiloh Rd) (entrance fee)                 |
| Sept 6  | Montana Audubon Center (7026 S Billings Blvd)               |

## NOTES FROM ELIZABETH WADDINGTON



**MONTANA ARTS COUNCIL**

*An Agency of State Government*

"State of the Arts" is a service of the Montana Arts Council designed to provide timely information about the arts in Montana to artists and organizations.

### MAP APPLICATIONS FOR 2022-2023

Are you interested in upping your skills to make your art your business? Applications are being taken for the [Montana Artpreneurs Program](#) (MAP). The year long experience gives you over 40 hours of college-level instruction, review of business tools and principles, validation as an Artists, and mentoring by folks who have been through the program. <https://bit.ly/3BFWVMv>

Find out what is happening in Montana arts by reading online or signing up for a paper delivery of the "State of the Arts". <https://art.mt.gov/soa>



### SUMMERFAIR VOLUNTEER DEMONSTRATIONS

BAA will again have a demonstration area during Summerfair. I have been assured we will be on level ground and under a tent.

Saturday, June 25th

10 - 1pm and 1pm - 4pm

Contact Elizabeth (text 406-208-3146) or email

[waddingtone@gmail.com](mailto:waddingtone@gmail.com)

If you would like to directly volunteer for the museum fundraiser by helping, sign up here:

<https://yellowstoneartmuseum.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=61115>



**Sandstone Gallery**  
**2913 2nd Avenue N. 59101**  
**256-5837**

The BAA has space at Sandstone Art Gallery where members can sign up to exhibit for a two-month period in 2022 for a cost of \$50. If you have not exhibited at Sandstone or it has been at least two years since you have exhibited, call Laurel Hanson at 406-672-3964 or email her at [laurelhanson@yahoo.com](mailto:laurelhanson@yahoo.com). Laurel will send you the information you will need.

**April-May**

Susan Lyons  
 Geraldine Dunham

**June-July**

Ev Bergeron  
 Linda Franson

**August-September**

Patricia Mutch  
 Jean Posusta

**October-November**

Deb Lund  
 Lisa Carnicom

If you are not able to exhibit at the Sandstone Gallery when you signed up, please let Laurel Hanson know so we can fill your space with artists on the waiting list. Thank you for your cooperation.



1206 24th St. West  
 Billings Montana  
 406 927-8041

**A Community of Artists:**

If you'd like to work with other artists, Crooked Line Studio has two opportunities for you to "meet up" with artists: Monday from 5:30 - 8 pm and Friday mornings from 10 am to noon. The cost is \$8.00.

A group of BAA members have been meeting on Friday mornings. Bring your own art supplies and projects.

Crooked Line also has many classes this spring taught by BAA members: Elizabeth Waddington, Noel Hawke, Joey Kiernan, Dan Granger, Dick Moulden and Rachel Long. Sign up online at Crooked Line Studio's website.

**Dues for 2022-23 were due in April.**

Mail checks to BAA, P.O. Box 81273, Billings, MT 59108 or pay online at our website.

\$25 single/ \$30 household/ \$20 student

*Creative people are curious,  
 flexible, and independent with a  
 tremendous spirit and a love of  
 play.*

**Henri Matisse**



## **BAA Board Minutes**

April 21, 2022

The meeting was held at the home of Elizabeth Waddington. As executive director, she called the meeting to order just after 3:00. Also attending were John Kennedy, Ev Bergeron-- Assistant Director, Sandy Raymond—Treasurer, and Susan Lyons—Secretary. John is slated to be the Executive Director for 2022-2023.

The minutes were approved as read. Sandy gave the treasurer's report and it was approved. She will file a report with the Secretary of State.

The group discussed whether or not the revised bylaws should be filed with the state, and it was agreed that they should be. The BAA also needs to pay the 20.00 fee to the secretary of state to renew the business license.

Sandy reported that to date, 77 members have paid their dues. She has two P.O. box keys and will give one to the incoming secretary, Patti Gordon.

Elizabeth suggested that we print a postcard of BAA's upcoming events, since we have a full schedule this year. It was agreed that we do so and put artwork of the officers on one side.

The slate of officers for 2022-2023 is as follows:

Executive Director: John Kennedy

Assistant Director: Elizabeth Waddington

Secretary: Patti Gordon

Treasurer: Sandy Raymond

The officers will be installed at the June meeting/picnic. Additional positions include the following:

Images Grants: Karen McBride

Public Relations/Social Media: Joey Kiernan

Artshop: Lisa Carnicom

Images newsletter: Ev Bergeron

Webpage: Jeanne Broveak

Sandstone Liaison: Laurel Hanson

The picnic will be held June 18 at Veteran's park, time TBD. Chalet Market will do the catering. The board decided to pay for the meals (3 choices) and attendees will bring their own beverages. Board members will provide a gift or two each for prize drawings. Sign up information will be in the May newsletter.

Submissions to the May Newsletter must be to Ev by May 1.

Elizabeth met with Jessica Ruhle, new Executive Director at Yellowstone Art Museum, to discuss whether or not the BAA would like to hold monthly ArtShops at the YAM. There are some stipulations, such as a start time of 10:15, and also a few months when the space there would not be available to us. We decided to agree tentatively to have a few meetings there to see how it goes. Elizabeth said that it would be good to strengthen our ties to YAM so she will work on a tentative agreement with staff there. There will be no financial outlay to hold ArtShops at that venue.

The board discussed various learning opportunities at ArtShop including ideas such as photographing your artwork for online submissions, isolation coating, and watercolor paper wrap.

After discussion, the board decided to continue the gentle used Art Materials Swap on an annual basis and allow for craft and mixed media materials.

Grant with Healthy by Design & the City of Billings. More information about the project will be available in June.

Fourteen artists have signed up for the event at DanWalt Gardens on May 8, and 4 for the pollinator event at the St. Andrews Gardens on June 25.

Elizabeth will send out forms for artist opportunities such as the Sweet Pea Festival, Summer Fair, and the MAPS program.

A Golden representative, Nancy Seiler, will put on a demonstration at Crooked Line Studio on June 28, 5:30-7:30. There is no charge but the limit is 35 people. Registration will be through Crooked Line Studio.

The next meeting will be July 21, location TBD.

*Susan Lyons, Secretary*

## In Memory

Two BAA members have passed away:  
Jo Firm (1928-2022) and Rita Feller (1932-2022).

## Pollinator Fair



BAA members will be at the Pollinator Fair (St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, 180 24th St W) June 25, from 10 AM to 3 PM. Stop by to see the BAA artists who are showing their work, demonstrating and helping kids make art.



BAA received an Images Grant Application from Jeannie Paquette and Pullman Nitta who teach Intermediate Life Skills and Primary Life Skills in the special education program at Central Heights Elementary. BAA granted the class \$250 to purchase art supplies and they were very grateful for our donation. Thank you to all BAA members.



Your donation has opened up many more opportunities for our class to do art. Thank you! It is greatly appreciated!

Thank you so much for your generous donation so our classes can do even more art!! We had so much fun picking out the additional supplies, and brainstorming all the different art projects.  
Thanks again!  
Jeannie Paquette  
and Pullman Nitta

*Applications for grants are on our website if you know of a teacher looking for support for art materials.*

## McCORMICK'S CAFE EXHIBIT IN AUGUST, 2022

BAA will be sponsoring a show and exhibit at McCormick's during the month of August, 2022. Each artist may submit two pieces. There will be no commission charged by McCormick's. Please bring your art to McCormick's between 1:30-2:30 PM on August 3.

## 2022 BAA CALENDAR

## MAY

May 8                      10 AM-3PM                      Art Sale and Exhibit  
 DanWalt Gardens  
 720 Washington St.  
 Billings, MT 59101

May 21                      9:30 AM                      ArtShop  
 McCormick's Cafe  
 2419 Montana Avenue  
 Billings, MT

## JUNE

June 18                      Noon                      Annual Meeting and Picnic  
 Veteran's Park

June 25                      10 AM-3PM                      Pollinator Exhibit  
 St. Andrew's Community Garden

10 AM-4PM                      Summerfair  
 MSU-B

June 28                      5:30-7:30 PM                      Golden Lecture and Demo  
 Crooked Line Studio

## JULY

July 16                      10 AM                      ArtShop  
**NEW LOCATION**  
 Yellowstone Art Museum, Murdock Room  
 401 N 27th St, Billings, Mt

## AUGUST

August 3                      1:30-2:30 PM                      **DROP OFF ARTWORK**  
 BAA Art Sale and Exhibit  
 McCormick's Cafe  
 2419 Montana Avenue  
 Billings, MT

August 20                      10 AM                      ArtShop  
**NEW LOCATION**  
 Yellowstone Art Museum, Murdock Room  
 401 N 27th St, Billings, Mt

## SEPTEMBER

Sept. 16                      Noon to 2 PM                      Drop off Artwork for Gainan's Art Sale

Sept. 17-19                      10 AM-4PM                      Gainan's Art Sale  
 Billings Heights



## MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please enroll me as a member of the  
BILLINGS ARTS ASSOCIATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_

WEBSITE or FACEBOOK PAGE \_\_\_\_\_

Dues: Individual \$25 - Family \$30 - Student \$20 per year.  
Make your checks payable to Billings Arts Association and  
send with this application to the BAA Treasurer:

Billings Arts Association  
P. O. Box 81273  
Billings, Montana 59108  
259-4395

## ANNUAL DUES

Annual dues are now due April 30 of each year.  
Please pay online at BAA's website or send your  
dues by April 30 to:

BAA Treasurer,  
P. O. Box 81273,  
Billings, MT 59108.

Dues: Individual \$25 - Family \$30 - Student \$20  
per year.

\*\*If your email changes PLEASE let Treasurer know  
your NEW one to keep the list up to date.

## BAA WEBSITE

Visit BAA website to find BAA Artists,  
BAA information, and past and current  
newsletters. Contact Jeanne Broveak at  
652-7573 or [fineart@sunrisearts-  
studio.com](mailto:fineart@sunrisearts-studio.com) to add information and to  
keep artists' sites up to date.

## MEMBER BENEFIT

**Current members can have their websites listed  
on the BAA website.**

Please email your current website  
address and information to  
[fineart@sunrisearts-studio.com](mailto:fineart@sunrisearts-studio.com).

## BAA Board of Directors and Chairs

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Web Page Chair	Jeanne Broveak	652-7573	<a href="mailto:fineart@sunrisearts-studio.com">fineart@sunrisearts-studio.com</a>
Sandstone Chair	Laurel Hanson	256-9181	<a href="mailto:laurelhanson@yahoo.com">laurelhanson@yahoo.com</a>

Executive Board meets quarterly on the 3rd Thursday of the month

**January 20, April 21, July 21, October 20, 2022**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO BOARD MEETINGS.**