



MEMBER NEWS

Peninsula Art Association April 2026

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Updates from PAA

Attached are the minutes from our April meeting. I encourage you to read the whole thing. Here are the bullet points:

Annual Art Show June 22-26. Bring artwork to the Civic Center on Friday June 19 from 10:00-1:00. We expect everyone to sign up for an hour or two to come hang out and meet the public. **New:** We will have a reception for the artists and open to the public on Wednesday June 24 from 4:30-6:00. Friday hours are 9:00-3:00 plan to pick up your artwork then and stay to help break down the show. Please contact Kathy Jacobson to sign up for a couple of hours to docent at the exhibit.

- Volunteers needed for coverage: Monday 6/22. 11am-1pm 1 person
- Tuesday 6/23 2pm-4pm 1 person
- Weds 6/24 9am-11am 1 person
- Weds 6/24 2pm-4pm 2 people
- Weds 6/24 4pm on.....all members invited for reception
- Thursday 6/25 3-5:15pm 1 person
- Thurs 6/25 4-4:30pm 1 person
- Friday 6/26 9-11am 2 people
- Friday 6/26 11-1pm 2 people

Please put name, phone number, email address

Please text Kathy Jacobson 1-503-539-2274 or email KJ50100@comcast.net

May meeting Thursday May 14 at Graffiti Art Center. 215 W Railroad Ave, Shelton. There will be a board meeting at noon, followed by a general meeting. We have a make-and-take project planned, making your own rubber stamp, for after the meeting. If you'd like to learn how to make a personalized stamp for yourself there is a \$35 fee. Please RSVP to me by May 1 at garner@hctc.com or text me at 260-250-2094. Graffiti would like a head count so they can have materials ready. Thanks!

Announcements: Graffiti arts has a large embroidery stand they would like to find a home for. If you do embroidery, check in with her. She also is excited to announce that they now have pottery wheels at the center. If you have ever been interested in doing wheel work, check in at Graffiti and they can set you up.

Please let me know if you have other announcements you would like to share with the group. I can put them in the newsletter or we can share them on our Facebook page or website.

April Show & Tell

Pat Denney brought three pieces, one of a cow drawn using the stopper from an ink bottle as her 'pen'. She also brought a print of blackberries she submitted to the Ars Poetica project. The Ars Poetica artwork can be viewed at the Flywheel Gallery in Hoodspout through April. The third piece was a loose watercolor of flowers she used to illustrate the difference between loose and tight watercolor.

Sharon Brocha shared three watercolor paintings, two of irises and one of brilliant flowers.

Kathy Jacobson is getting back into fused glass and she brought a charming bird piece she created.

Carmella Meyers shared a mixed media piece in progress she made using egg cartons, aluminum foil and alcohol inks.

Diane Garner brought several pieces begun from make-and-take demonstrations at PAA meetings, including paper bead jewelry, alcohol ink pendants, a scratchboard doodle, a felted landscape, and a silk scarf decorated with alcohol pens.

Pam Kennedy brought in a photo on canvas. She has shared this photo before, but this time it is printed on canvas and framed. The frame truly does the photo justice.

The ever-prolific Jim Dunithan brought two of his more recent paintings, one of an abstract street scene, including his two cats, who appear often in his work. The other was an evocative acrylic pour in black, gray and yellow.

Our guest (and hopefully new member) Leanne Milligan brought in a beautiful watercolor of a rusty vintage truck.

Doug Meade lugged in a 28lb. piece of soapstone he carved into an owl sculpture.

Future meetings:

We are always looking for interesting programs for our meetings. If you are willing to share your talents, or you know someone the group would enjoy hearing from, just let one of us know!

Monthly PAA meeting May 14, 2026 1PM -3 PM
Graffiti Art Center. 215 W Railroad Ave, Shelton

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Upcoming Events:

Annual PAA Art Show June 22-26, 2026 Monday through Friday, at the Civic Center.
We will be taking in artwork on Friday the 19th

Shelton Arts Walk July 25, 2026

Peninsula Art Association

Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2026

Recorded by Diane Garner

Board meeting 12:15PM

Board members present: Becky Schuyten, Kathy Jacobson, Stefanie Herman, Dave Pierik, Jim Dunithan, Elinor Lindquist, Diane Garner. Absent: Sue Saathoff and Bonnie Jubb

Annual Art show

Art Show Dates June 22-26 at the Civic Center.

Art drop-off is Friday, June 19 from 10:00am-1:00pm.

This is a non-juried show. Non-members who wish to submit artwork to show can bring up to 3 pieces. The charge for non-members is \$10 per piece, or they may join the association for an annual fee of \$25.

Kathy is helping Bonnie with registration forms.

We plan to have a public reception on Wednesday June 24 from 4:30-600.

Friday hours are 9:00 AM-3:00pm. Artists should plan to pick up their artwork Friday afternoon.

Our mayor, Sharon Shirman, will be unable to attend the show or reception, but will be viewing the artwork and making her Mayor's choice on Friday, June 19.

A press release to Tracing the Fjord magazine is due by May 5.

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Becky is working on signage for the show.

We discussed refreshments for the Thursday reception.

We also discussed prizes for the People's choice and Mayor's choice awards. Kathy may be able to make some fused glass pieces for prizes, Becky suggested gift cards to Graffiti art.

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General meeting 1:00 PM

Welcome to guests and potential new members Leanne Milligan, Carol Smetzler and Rob Coleman. Thanks for joining us!

See above for information about our upcoming annual show.

Rising Stars – Nick Altieri will contact the Youth Connection to see if any of their teen artists would like to participate. The offer is free to the kids, with an option for a free annual membership to PAA.

Getting to know you – where members get to share a little about themselves and their background.

Doug Meade was inspired by scrimshaw and stone carving while living and working as a carpenter in Alaska.

Janette Stiles wanted to be an artist since she was ten years old. She went to Burnley art school in Seattle. After that she worked in graphic design for newspapers. She then went on to work for her dad in the wholesale lighting business. Since leaving that job, Jeanette has compiled an impressive resume of awards and recognition for her art.

Carmella Meyers worked many years as a meat wrapper for Safeway. She moved on from that profession to being a massage therapist. Following that, she took many different art classes and has developed her own unique style to painting, collage and other media.

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I hope I didn't forget anybody!

Guest Speaker Julie Ratner.

Our inspiring guest speaker was Julie Ratner. Julie's passion is protecting our old-growth forests. Despite some technical difficulties, Julie was able to share with us her passion for listening to the sounds trees and plants make. She has a tool she uses that translates the electrical signals in trees and other flora into musical tones. She hopes that by teaching us to experience the forest in a new way she can help save and protect old growth forests. <https://www.walkaboutwithjulie.com>

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Congratulations! You have read all the way to the end! See me at the next meeting and say the password COLOR WHEEL for a treat.

GETTING YOUR ART IN THE PUBLIC'S EYE

- A great place to find art shows, etc. is the Call for Entry website at callforentry.org. Their mission is to “make art opportunities available to all by offering arts organizations an affordable submission platform and artists an easy way apply.”
- The Shelton Arts Commission encourages you to submit an application to have your work displayed at the Civic Center Rotating Gallery. Applications are available online at Shelton Parks & Recreation. The gallery is not just for wall art, there is a case upstairs for sculpture, jewelry, etc. Several of our members have been chosen to display in the past. Are you next to inspire and encourage budding artists? Be sure and take a moment to enjoy the talent and creativity of the artists when you are at the Civic Center. Don't forget to check upstairs!

Send your photos to Bonnie at Sheltonartstreasurer@outlook.com

We'd love to see what you've been doing! And so would your friends! So, share the website and Facebook page with them!

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Facebook: Shelton Peninsula Art Association

2025 Peninsula Art Association Officers and Directors

Becky Schuyten	President	Kathy Jacobson	Vice President
Diane Garner	Secretary	Bonnie Jubb	Treasurer
James Dunithan	Director	Stephanie Herman	Director
David Pierik	Director	Elinor Lindquist	Director
Sue Saachoff	Director		

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