



MEMBER NEWS

Peninsula Art Association May 2026

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Updates from PAA

Dear PAA members,

Attached are the minutes from our May meeting.

Please read through them because there is a lot of information you need to know. We had a great time at Graffiti Arts Center, thank you Nicole for hosting us. A big thank-you to Stefanie Herman for taking notes.

Here are some important highlights:

- Our next meeting is June 11 at the Civic Center. Dave Pierik will be doing a hands-on demonstration of his Crafty Time with Dave projects.
- Art show June 22-26. Look at the minutes for information about docents. Please consider spending a few hours to babysit the show. Thursday June 18 from 11:00 am-1:00 PM we will be taking in art. Make sure it is ready to hang. Please note that this date has changed because the Civic center is closed on Friday for the Juneteenth federal holiday.
- The mayor, Sharon Shirmann, will be making her choice for the Mayor's choice award Thursday afternoon.
- Monday June 22 - be sure to show up at the Civic Center at 8:30am to help hang the show.
- Wednesday June 24 - Artist reception from 4:30-6:30.
- Friday June 26 - pick up artwork from 1:00-4:00, stick around to help break down the show.
- See my previous email about an opportunity for PAA to show art at the McReavy house in Union. Please respond asap. We have four people interested so far, we'd like a few more before we proceed.

Peninsula Art Association
Meeting minutes
May 14, 2026

Recorded by Stefanie Herman and Diane Garner

Board meeting 12:00 PM. Members present: Diane Garner, Kathy Jacobson, Stefanie Herman, Dave Pierik, Elinor Lindquist, Jim Dunithan. Absent: Becky Schuyten, Sue Saathoff and Bonnie Jubb.

- Annual Art show details – Take in art on Thursday June 18, 11:00 am-1:00 pm.
- The mayor, Sharon Shirmann, will come make the mayor’s choice award on Thursday afternoon at 4:00 PM. Diane, Jim and Elinor will meet her there.
- All hands on deck Monday morning at 8:30 AM to help hang the show.
- Kathy has made a list of docents for the show. We could always use more. Contact Kathy if you can join us in a shift.

Docent Volunteers Annual Show 6/22-6/26

Responsibilities include having visitors sign guest book, acting as a guide, answering questions public might have, encouraging attendees to vote for People's Choice Award and most importantly, making sure the art is protected and not touched.

Monday 6/22...Jeff and Carmella Meyers 360-426-4322. 9am-5:15pm

Pam Kennedy 360-791-0942. 11am-1pm

Tuesday 6/23...Elinor Lindquist 360-427-7209. 9am-11am

Jeff and Carmella Meyers 360-426-4322. 11am-2pm

Diane Garner 360-250-2094. 2pm-4pm

Greg and Louise Bartol 206-595-2102. 4pm-5:15

Wednesday 6/24 Stefanie Herman 678-378-2158. 9am-11am

Jeff and Carmella Meyers 360-426-4322. 11am-2pm

Jim Dunithan 360-250-2859. 2pm-4pm

RECEPTION starts at 4:30 till 6:30pm

Thursday 6/25. Sharon Brocha 360-490-2011. 9am-11am

Jeff and Carmella Meyers 360-426-4322 11am-3pm

Diane Garner 360-250-2094. 3pm-5:15

Friday 6/26. Pat Denny 360-994-0677. 9am-11am

Kathy Jacobson 503-539-2274. 11am- 1pm

Dave Pierik 360-490-4695. 1pm-3pm

ARTIST SHOULD PLAN ON PICKING UP ART FRIDAY AFTERNOON, NO LATER THAN 4:30.

Any problems.....contact Kathy Jacobson. 503-539-227

Artist Reception Wednesday June 24 4:30-6:00pm. Kathy is picking up refreshments. Dave has volunteered to play his cello during the reception to class it up.

Future programs

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!

- June 11 – Dave will do a Crafty Time with Dave activity.
- July 9th – Plein Aire activity – more to come on this. We would have our regular meeting, then go to a location to draw or paint in the open air. Stefanie suggested we go to the clock tower area of Railroad Ave, so we can draw/paint street scenes or Tolly the locomotive. Other locations were also discussed.
- August 13 Becky would like to do a slide show featuring our artists. More to come on this.

Dave suggested we investigate using the meeting room at the senior center instead of the Civic Center for our monthly meetings. The Civic Center charges us \$50 per meeting, the senior center charges \$1 per person. Given that we have fewer than 50 folks attending each meeting, it could be a cost savings for us. A bonus is that members can enjoy a low-cost lunch at the center before the meeting. I hear the food is excellent.

More discussion is needed before we make any changes.

Artist Bios – Diane has a binder with some bios of our artists. The point is to have the binder available to patrons at the show. When a patron wants to know about the artists the binder is available to give them more information. If you have not yet created a bio, please do so. It should include things that are important to you about your art, a photo or two and any contact information. Send bios to Diane and I will include them in the binder.

Also, if you have a business card, be sure to leave some at the welcome table.

YMCA Art Day. We have had declining attendance at our last event. Those that do come are always happy with what we do, but if we want to continue doing it, we need to attract more attention. Kathy has suggested that one or two of us come to the Y's monthly events leading up to our event. We would set up a demo table and do a small demonstration to get folks excited about our event. More discussion to come.

General meeting 1:00pm

Our meeting was held at **Graffiti Arts Center**

Nicole, the owner explained to us what she does there. She has classes in multiple art forms, including acrylic painting, wood, pottery, and ceramics. She works with beginning and experienced artists. Guest instructors are welcome. Check the website for more information. <https://graffitiartcenter.com> She has many art supplies available for sale and will take requests for supplies she doesn't have.

She also works with a teen art club and Youth Connection, as well as a sober art group that meets monthly.

Nicole often has donated items she would like to give away, including oil paints, an embroidery loom and thousands of knitting needles.

Speaking of Youth Connection, they are always looking for donations. Their needs vary, but they often could use clothing and meals. In the future they will be looking for household items when they open their dormitory apartments.

Nicole is also always looking to organize activities in the alley behind the store. She is putting up murals and would like to include alley activities during Arts Walk.

Art show information:

Kathy and Diane are working to create fused glass and alcohol ink pendants for sale at the art show and Arts Walk, to fundraise for the group.

Sharon Brocha talked to us about having our artwork ready to hang. That means a piano wire backing attached with eye screws. The alligator-style picture hangers will not work with our display boards.

We all need to arrive at 8:30 Monday morning June 22 with our sleeves rolled up ready to put up the show.

Dates to remember:

- Thursday June 18 – bring in art from 11:00-1:00. Members can bring up to three pieces. Non-members can display up to three pieces for \$10 each or joining the club for \$25.
- Monday June 22 8:30 am, come help hang the show
- M-F June 22-26 art show – check the docent list and let Kathy know if you can help out.
- Wednesday June 24 – artists reception, open to the public. 4:30 – 6:30PM
- Friday June 26 – pick up art between 1:00 and 4:00 PM. Stick around to help take down the show.
- Shelton Arts Walk July 25, 2026

Other news:

- We had a nice thank-you card from a family who came to our February YMCA event.
- We now have 31 paid members, with two joining today.
- Diane is encouraging us all to create artist bios to include in our binder (see above).

Treasurer's report

We currently have a balance of \$2932.00. See below for a more detailed version of our finances. Our primary income is from membership dues. We need to find ways to raise more funds to help keep us in the black.

Treasurer's information:

Income	YTD	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Membership Dues	690.00	565.00	-	25.00	75.00
Donated PAA Art Sales	-	-	-	-	-
Donations	551.00	297.00	68.00	100.00	86.00
Interest earned	0.61	0.11	0.13	0.11	0.13
Total Income	1,241.61	862.11	68.13	125.11	161.13
Expenses					
Room Rental	180.00	45.00	45.00	45.00	45.00
Website	107.88	26.97	26.97	26.97	26.97
Credit Card Fees	4.00	2.06	-	-	1.94
Postage	60.52	15.13	15.13	15.13	15.13
Office Supplies	-	-	-	-	-
Meeting Activities Supplies	-	-	-	-	-

Event Activities Supplies	627.42	627.42	-	-	-
Education	100.00	-	-	-	100.00
Taxes & Licenses	20.00	-	-	-	20.00
Advertisement	-	-	-	-	-
Legal or Professional Services	-	-	-	-	-
Cash (Over)/Short	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	1,099.82	716.58	87.10	87.10	209.04
Net Income (Loss)	141.79	145.53	(18.97)	38.01	(47.91)

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
ASSETS				
Undeposited Receipts into Bank				
Square	-	-	-	-
Paypal	48.06	48.06	0.00	0.00
Cash & Checks	-	-	-	-
Total Undeposited Receipts	48.06	48.06	-	-
Savings Account	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Checking Account	2,874.87	2,943.00	3,068.11	3,107.30
TOTAL CASH	2,923.93	2,992.06	3,069.11	3,108.30
Prepaid Expenses				
Civic Center Rent	495.00	450.00	405.00	360.00
Post Office Box Rental	176.87	161.74	146.61	131.48
Website Subscription & Domain	134.90	107.93	80.96	53.99
TOTAL PREPAID EXPENSES	806.77	719.67	632.57	545.47
TOTAL ASSETS	3,730.70	3,711.73	3,701.68	3,653.77
LIABILITY				
Prepaid Dues	-	-	-	-
Dedicated Donations	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00
TOTAL LIABILITY	55.00	55.00	55.00	55.00

EQUITY 3,785.70 3,766.73 3,756.68 3,708.77

Checking Account balance of 5/11/26 \$2,932.43, I wrote the \$200 check for the Art Show reception today.

Upcoming expenses:

- VanderWeggin & Assoc/Tax preparation approx \$250 (they are working on them now, I hope they will have them finished this month)
- June GoDaddy website renewal coming up is \$324.79.

Announcements

- Jim Dunithan is having a one-man show at the Civic Center August 1st from 12:30-5:00. Come see the amazing variety of all Jim does.
- Kathy is encouraging us to set up 'teaser' demos at YMCA events in the months leading up to our family art day to help drum up interest.
- Pat Denney told us that Habitat for Humanity has good latex paint for \$16 a gallon. Go check out the Habitat store to see what they have.
- There is a picture framing business for sale. There are all kinds of equipment available. Call Paulette at 360-970-3268.

May Show & Tell

Profuse apologies to all who brought artwork to share. I dropped the ball and didn't get any pictures of it. It was all beautiful and amazing, keep up the good work, artists!

Hooray, you made it to the end of the email. Thanks for sticking around.

See you in June!

Diane

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 SheltonPAAtreasurer@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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2026 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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