

Hi all,

Here are the minutes from last Thursday's meeting. I recommend you go through them, as there is information about upcoming events. Here are a few details for those of you who won't read them:

Art Walk, Saturday July 25

Set up at 10 AM, Art Walk begins at 12 PM and goes until 6 PM. We don't know where our space is yet, look for us on or near Cota street. Bring your art to display or sell.

If you would like to donate unframed artwork for a fundraiser, we would gladly take it too.

For more information, read the minutes

August meeting Thursday August 13, noon

Potluck picnic at Becky Schuyten's, followed by a short trip down the road to see Greg Bartol's new studio.

Let Becky know if you are coming, so she can make sure she has enough chairs. Or bring your own lawn chair.

250 SE Phillips Road, Shelton

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Peninsula Art Association

Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2026

Recorded by Diane Garner

Board Meeting 12:00 PM

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

Becky made a plan to welcome new members and find out a little about them. We added several new members and some returning members during our recent show.

We discussed the recent show and how we felt about it. There was lots of positive feedback.

For the **August 13th meeting**, there will be a potluck picnic at Becky's house, followed by a tour of Greg Bartol's new studio, which is nearby. Becky's address is 250 SE Phillips Road, Shelton.

Bonnie will contact the Civic Center to let them know we won't be using the room that day.

We discussed the upcoming Art Walk (July 25). We don't yet know where our spot will be, but we have 3 10x10' spaces reserved. Let us know if you would like to show pieces in our booth, so we can get an idea of how to arrange the space.

We will be selling jewelry as a fundraiser for the club. We're also planning to sell unframed artwork and/or prints. If you have something you'd like to donate to help the club, please bring it!

If you are selling your own artwork from our booth at Art Walk, please note that PAA is unable to make the transaction on your behalf. If you are not able to be present at Art Walk, please leave your contact information, so we can connect you with your potential buyer.

General meeting 1:00 PM

Becky welcomed new members and we learned a little more about them. Jennifer Langley Jlas and Patricia Butler Pearson are artistic sisters. The thing that drew them to PAA was to make friendships with other artists. They would like to learn ways to improve their art.

Socializing with other artists is important.

It's also important to gather and see what others are doing, and to get inspired by their work.

Sometimes artists need quiet time to just work, but it is important also to get out of the studio to connect with others.

Christine Smith does all kinds of art but prefers stained glass mosaics. Once she found this medium, she knew she'd found her niche.

Sue Barnard likes to do paper art, making cards and other pieces. She will be leading our group in making greeting cards using napkins at our October meeting.

Barbara Bridges is a sketch artist, a quilter and a sculptor.
Welcome new members!

Art Show Recap

- We counted 318 people attending the show, although that number is probably low because some patrons slipped in without being counted.
- People felt there was good energy with the show, with lots of positive comments and responses. They felt it was friendly. They appreciated it was art from our community.
- Everyone enjoyed the artist's reception, and felt like Dave's cello music added a touch of class.
- For next year, we would like to set our date as soon as we can, to have enough lead time to get the word out. We'd still like to schedule it during Art Walk, but for the last couple of years we have not been able to coordinate the dates with the Civic Center.
- Greg suggested we find out a way to get lighting on our panels, because good light can enhance the artwork. We will explore options and consider it for when the budget allows.
- We would like to continue the show on a Saturday, either to coincide with Art Walk or the Farmer's Market. The Civic Center costs \$100 an hour to be open on Saturdays, so far, we've been unable to afford the expense.
- We need to start early with publicity, to get in the Journal, the Fjord magazine and hopefully on radio, as well as on Facebook and other social media. Reddit was suggested also.
- It was suggested we put a big sandwich board on the intersection of First and Cota, to direct people to the show.
- We thought it might be nice to encourage artists to include an **artist's statement** with each piece they bring in. Knowing the inspiration and background of the artwork can enhance the viewer's experience.
- Each artist should submit an **artist's bio**, to put in our notebook. Curious patrons can learn more about you as an artist and how to find more of your artwork. Bios should include a few photos. Diane has templates if you're not sure what to put on your bio. Please submit your bios to Diane at garner@hctc.com, or you can have them printed up to give to me at a meeting. They should be standard size 8 ½ X 11".
- Some people would like to have a juried show, or a show that is half juried, half open call. Others felt juried shows are too stuffy, and they appreciated that our show this year emphasized the creativity of our community.
- Some people would like to see us have the show at a larger space. Erica of Maggie's Market has an event space we might like to consider.
- We owe a big thank you to Eric Onisko, of Tollie's restaurant for donating gift certificates as prizes.

Treasurers Report June 30,2026

Jun Income 1,177.59

June Expenses 422.50
June Net Income 755.09
YTD Net Income 971.78

Cash 3,837.88
Prepaid Expenses 741.01
Membership Assistance 80.00

During the art show, we were delighted to collect \$256 in donations through the sale of our jewelry, kid's art packets and other donations.

Art Walk, Saturday July 25

Set up at 10 AM, Art Walk begins at 12 PM and goes until 6 PM.

Demos:

Diane Garner - Paper beads 12 PM

Jennifer Langley Jlas - Acrylic 1 PM

Patricia Butler Pearson - Oil 2 PM

Becky Schuyten - Mosaic 3 PM

Delores Brown - Felting 4 PM

The demo table will be at 3rd and Cota, next to the information booth.

Lending:

Bonnie Jubb - Canopy, weights, 2 banquet & 3 card tables, table easels,
Jewelry displays

Stefanie Herman - 1 banquet table

Jim Dunitan - 1 banquet table

Pam Kennedy - Canopy, weights

Sharon Brocha - Print stand

Dave Pierik - Canopy

Anyone who would like to donate art to be sold can bring it or give it to someone that will be doing set up.

Anyone who would like to display their art in our canopies may, quantity of pieces permitted will depend on space availability. Art pieces should be delivered at 10:00 AM.

Announcements

- Delores Brown and Sharon Brocha will both be showing in the "Transcendence" show at Museum Contempo, 68 SE Lynch Road, Shelton. The opening is

October 24, from 1:00-4:00PM. The show runs until December. Call for reservations, 360-229-2564.

- 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.
- Sharon Brocha is working with a group of our artists who are interested in showing artwork at the McCreavy House in Union. Contact Sharon if you would like to participate. 360-426-3598.

Our next meeting

Is a Potluck picnic at Becky Schuyten's house 250 SE Phillips Road, Shelton. It starts at noon. The picnic will be followed by a tour of Greg Bartol's new studio, which is near Becky's.

In December we will be having a Christmas Party at Christmas Village community club.

We are always looking for programs for our meetings. They can be hands-on demos, guest speakers, videos or slide shows. Please let us know if you have any ideas.

Show and Tell

- Jim Dunithan brought two of his eye-catching paintings, one called 'Red Sunset', of a beach with two figures on it. The other is titled 'Waiting for a Train' which included an acrylic pour with a train and a woman.
- Kathy Jacobson shared some glass pieces she made for Carmella Meyers to include in one of her artworks (I love that our artists are collaborating!)
- Pat Denney brought in a piece of copper roof flashing that she carved with her plasma cutter.
- Diane Garner shared a beautiful jewelry display cabinet a friend created for her. She also brought a watercolor painting of Thunderheads over the Olympic Mountains.
- Annie Jones got out her ancient oil paints and painted a glorious still life of a teapot.
- Greg Bartol shared a painting by Don Buck, called "Painting the Kitchen' which included a couple of tiny house painters on a kitchen counter (you really should see it to understand)
- Delores Brown brought a colored pencil drawing of a large tree outside the McCreavy house.

- Stefanie Herman has been busy! She brought several block prints she made using the techniques we learned from Molly Wheat Baker at our meeting at Grafitti. She has also been having fun with water soluble graphite, making an impressive drawing of an elephant. She's also been doing whales and other creatures using watercolor pencils.
- Becky Schuyten brought in an ink drawing of zebras.
- Larry Harbaugh shared two amazing bird carvings, one of a California quail and one of a duck. Each piece brought its own challenges – the quail required some intricate brushwork to get the feathers painted on just right. The duck was made in several pieces, so attaching them all was a challenge.
- Carmella Meyers brought in an applique fiber art quilt by Jason Cromwell.
- Pamela Roebuck brought a tiny cypress knee carving. She likes to work on smaller pieces in between her large carvings.