MEMBER NEWS



Peninsula Art Association November 2025

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Check out our Facebook page Shelton Peninsula Art Association

Updates from PAA

I have attached the minutes from our November meeting. Thanks to all who attended, it was a great turnout.

We covered a lot in the last meeting, I hope to condense it for this newsletter.

Becky has requested that all of us greet new members and make them feel welcome.

Looking ahead:

Annual dues of \$25 are due in January. Bonnie will have membership applications at the December and January meetings. We request that all members, even returning members, fill out a form. That helps us to keep the membership roster up to date.

Our annual YMCA event is coming up Saturday February 7 from 1:00-3:00pm. If you haven't participated before, it is a fun afternoon of sharing art-making with kids and families. Please consider volunteering. More to come on this event.

The Shelton Creative District is planning an art stroll in Downtown businesses in February. They will be seeking artists to commit to showing their work. Please think about participating and supporting the community that supports us.

November Meeting Topic:

At our last meeting, Greg and Louise Bartol shared a couple of fascinating videos of artists. Here are the links if you'd like to see them:

Kristy Mitchell https://youtu.be/GzpldxTM-ac?si=qVJdXfR-dc-icuHt

Reuben Margolin



Reuben Margolin - Kinetic Wave Sculptures voutu.be

Member Art Shows:

Big congratulations to Jim Dunithan for having a spectacular one-man show at the Civic Center. It was great to see so many of you there supporting him. Good job Jim!

Speaking of shows, Delores Brown and Sharon Brocha are participating in a show at Museum Contempo in Taylor Towne. There's an open house on December 6 from 1:00-3:00pm.

Andrea at the museum has offered to share 20% of her profits from the show to PAA to fund our YMCA event. Thank you Andrea!

Please let Sharon or Delores know if you plan to come so they can plan refreshments .

Fund Raising:

Thanks to Sharon Brocha for bringing in \$30 in donations from the Lake Limerick art group, to help fund our YMCA event. And a big thanks to all of you for throwing in a few bucks at meetings. At our November meeting we netted \$141 in donations. All these donations add up to help keep us solvent. Thanks!

Art Supplies for Schools:

You have also been generous with art supply donations for schools. I have delivered trunkloads of supplies to art teachers at Olympic Middle School, Oakland Bay Jr. High and Bordeaux Elementary. There are plenty more local schools that could use our help, keep the donations coming!

Elections:

We held elections, and the entire slate of nominees were elected to the board.

President: Becky Schuyten Vice President: Kathy Jacobson

Secretary: Diane Garner Treasurer: Bonnie Jubb

Board members: Elinor Lindquist, Jim Dunithan, Sue Saathoff, Stefanie Herman and Dave

Pierik.

Future meetings:

Our next meeting is our annual Christmas Party. This will be on our regular meeting date, December 11th at the Civic Center, from noon to 3:00. Bring finger food refreshments to share. The Civic Center requests we don't bring frosted cupcakes or anything else sticky, drippy or gooey that might stain the carpet.

If you want to be part of the gift exchange, bring a wrapped, hand-crafted gift to share.

Meetings are now year-round, at the Shelton Civic Center on the second Thursday of the month, from 1:00-3:00pm. Board meetings will occur at noon, before the general meeting. Thank you to the Civic Center for accommodating us.

Phishing Warning:

Please keep your eyes open and do not respond to any emails looking like PAA or its members asking for gift cards, cash or personal information. Be safe!



December 11th 12PM – 3 PM Annual Christmas Party Civic Center

February 7 from 1:00-3:00pm YMCA event **YMCA**

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 amethystrabbitcreations@gmail.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!

Website: www.sheltonarts.com Facebook: Shelton Peninsula Art Association

2026 Peninsula Art Association Officers and Directors

Becky Schuyten President Kathy Jacobson Vice President Diane Garner Bonnie Jubb Treasurer Secretary Elinor Lindquist Director Jim Dunithan Director Sue Saathoff Director Stefanie Herman Director Dave Pierik Director

Board of Directors shall consist of not more than 5 elected Directors and the elected Officers. Elected Officers consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for business requirements and policies. Please contact Diane Garner, if interested in serving and for more information.

Meeting Minutes

November 13, 2025

Recorded by Diane Garner

Board meeting 12:15 Present: Elinor Lindquist, Bonnie Jubb, Jim Dunithan, Louise Bartol, Greg Bartol, Diane Garner, Dave Pierik, Stefanie Herman, Becky Schuyten and Kathy Jacobson. This board includes members from the interim board, as well as nominees for the new board.

Becky would like board members to act as **greeters** to new members, so they don't feel lost at their first meeting. She also wants to make sure that folks can still be members even if the membership fee is a problem. We will find a way to make sure their dues are covered if they are unable to pay.

Dave Pierik suggested we raise dues from \$25 annually to \$35. The consensus was that we don't want the cost to be a deterrent, so we will leave it at \$25 for now.

Meetings will now be year-round, on the second Thursday of the month, at the Shelton Civic center from 1:00-3:00pm. Board meetings will be held before general meetings at noon of the same day. We are grateful to the Shelton Civic Center for giving us the room rate of \$45 per month.

Our **phone tree** is up and running. Most volunteers were able to reach their groups and we agreed that the system mostly works well.

Member Jim Dunithan is having a one-man show at the Civic Center on Saturday November 15 from 12:00-5:00pm. Be sure to stop by and support Jim.

Our **Christmas party** will be during our regular meeting date, on December 11. Festivities start at noon. Please bring finger food to share. Keep in mind the Civic Center is protective of their carpeting, so please don't bring gooey, sticky, messy, drippy items, or cupcakes with frosting. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, bring a small, wrapped hand-crafted item to exchange.

Andrea at Museum Contempo has offered to share 20% of her profits from her current show to help fund our annual YMCA event. Be sure to stop by her open house on December 6 from 1:00-3:00 pm and support our artists Sharon Brocha and Delores Brown. Sharon would like to have a ballpark idea of who is planning to come, so they can plan refreshments. Let Sharon or Delores know if you can make it.

It was suggested that we create a **master calendar** of events so we can plan the whole year in advance.

Our YMCA event is tentatively planned for February 7, from 1:00-3:00 pm. We are looking for people who are willing to teach students different art mediums. This is a fun event we have done the past couple of years, and it is well received by the YMCA. Please consider spending a winter afternoon sharing your

skills with kids. We will be looking for volunteers during our December meeting.

The Shelton Creative District is considering an Art Stroll in February. Amy Cooper will be looking for artists who are willing to show their work in a local business for the event. We will take signups at our

December meeting.

General meeting 1:00 pm.

Welcome to new member Linette Hensley who comes to us from Harstine Island.

Welcome back to Gail Straus, who has returned to our membership.

Please see above notes for details about upcoming events.

Annual Dues are due in January. All members, even returning members, are requested to fill out a membership form. This helps us to confirm your payment and to keep our membership rosters updated.

Bonnie Jubb will have membership applications at the December and January meetings.

Elections

Membership approved the list of nominees for leadership positions.

Our new board is:

President: Becky Schuyten

Vice President: Kathy Jacobson

Secretary: Diane Garner

Treasurer: Bonnie Jubb

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Board members: Elinor Lindquist, Jim Dunithan, Sue Saathoff, Stefanie Herman and Dave Pierik.

Program: Greg and Louise Bartol shared with us two inspiring videos of artists and their unique mediums for self-expression.

Treasurer's report:

Cash: \$2064.05

Prepaid expenses: \$891.11

Liability: \$71.81

Equity: \$3026.97

We continue to pass the hat for donations at every meeting. We do this in lieu of fundraisers, and the money is used for expenses that our dues don't cover. We appreciate your generosity. Donations for our November meeting were \$141.00

Sharon Brocha brought in \$30 in donations from the Lake Limerick artist group to help cover costs for the YMCA event.

Art supplies for schools So far, we have been able to deliver big boxes of supplies to Oakland Bay Junior High, Olympic Middle School and Bordeaux Elementary. Thank you for cleaning out your studios and sharing supplies with the folks who really need it. The art teachers have been appreciative of your generosity. This is a great way for PAA to give back to the community. Keep them coming!

Shelton Parks and Rec is planning their 2026 calendar and would love to add some art classes to its offerings. If you have an idea for a class you would like to teach, please see Jordanne Krumpols at the Civic Center. She is eager to get more class offerings, and you will be well reimbursed for your time. Member Glenhelen Smither has done this and might be able answer questions for you.

Show and Tell

Nick Altieri brought in several pieces of his abstract art. He explained how he is interested in different textures in his work.

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Stefanie Herman shared three of her whimsical watercolors.

Sherry Coupe shared a watercolor of a waterfall.

Annie Jones brought in a pastel painting of herself clam digging in the wind.

Dave Pierik shared another of his creations from his Happy Tree Village. Today he brought "The Mayor's House". You can see the rest of his village in the window of the Journal office on Cota Street.

Pat Denney brought in a tile painted with fish in multiple mediums.

Diane Garner shared three attempts at painting a watercolor scene of the Wenatchee river, and asked for advice before she goes for her fourth try.

Glenhelen Smither brought buttons she has made featuring some of the themes she has used in her happy artwork.

Doug Meade shared an sculpture in progress of an octopus made of a purple stone from India.