

#### A President's Perspective by Andy Hunter

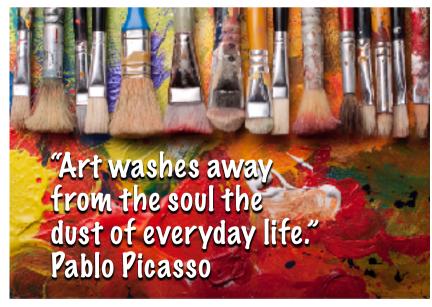
**Art That Encourages**. When I was a pastor, I remember the church giving me a beautiful framed picture of the sanctuary drawn by a church member, who was an art teacher. That meant a lot to me, and it still does, reminding me of a thousand different memories of my time at the church. It is even more special in that it was drawn by a good friend. Art has the power to encourage and remind. I can't tell you how many times I've given people a photo or photo book to encourage them through some kind of difficult time. I know you have stories of how your art has encouraged people, too. Art has the power to do that.

I've been reading articles about artists in Ukraine who are using their art to express their heartache, and grief, but also to encourage fellow Ukrainians as the war continues. One article reminded me that art cannot prevent war or protect civilians from bombs and bullets, but that it can make the crimes of war known among the world, while also raising the public's spirits and hopes during such treacherous times. As we all hope and pray for a quick end to this humanitarian tragedy, may we also remember that our art has the power to inform and encourage those around us. I just wanted to share yet another reason never to take the gift of your artistic talent for granted!

on April 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm! Our guest will be lke Carpenter, expert woodworker from Trenton.

Details are on the next page!

Artfully Yours, Andy



#### **Facebook Page:**

https://www.facebook.com/North-Augusta-Artists-Guild-335303145822 Website:

https://northaugustaartistsguild.com

## About Our April Presenter... Ike Carpenter

Ike Carpenter is an American woodworker from Trenton, SC, who won the 1995 South Carolina Folk Heritage Award for his third-generation legacy of woodworking in traditional and modern genres. In 2004, the significance of Ike's family's woodworking legacy was celebrated by the University of South Carolina's McKissick Museum in Columbia, SC, with an exhibit called "Considerable Grace", showcasing five generations of Carpenter family woodcarvings.

Carpenter's woodcarvings include spoons, bowls, walking sticks and "whatnot" items that are functional as well as decorative. He is best known for his traditional "ball and chain" or "ball and cage" pieces, intricately carved entirely out of a single piece of wood that has not been sawed, glued or pieced together, designed to show off the carver's skill.

In addition to learning about woodcarving from his family growing up, Carpenter apprenticed for eight years with a master cabinetmaker to learn the art of traditional furniture-making, shaping felled trees into finely-crafted furniture using only primitive hand tools, such as the axe, adze, and shaving horse. He actively shares his woodworking knowledge and skills in local public schools, and has given presentations at Drayton Hall, at the McCormick Heritage Festival, and at historical event reenactments. He is also involved in the South Carolina Art Commission's Master Craftsman Traditional Arts Apprentice Program which allows a master craftsman to pass his tradition on to an apprentice.

### Tues. April 5th at 6:30 pm NA Community Center









## REMAINING MONTHLY MEETING PROGRAMS FOR 2022

All monthly meetings
will begin on the first Tuesday
of every month
at 6:30 pm at the NA
Community Center
unless otherwise noted!

May 3
June 7
July 5
August 2
September 6
October 4
November 1

Show and Tell
Brenda Bancroft, Photography
20th Anniversary Potluck Dinner
Clay Artists of the Southeast
Terry Smith, Oil Painting
Kay Lovingood, Gourd Art
Mel Lambert, Owner,
The Beveled Edge Frame Shop

December 6 Christmas Party

#### **UPCOMING EXHIBITS!**

Eyes Wide Open Photography Exhibit

April 14th - May 13, 2022 Reception - April 21st 5:00 to 8:00 pm North Augusta Arts and Heritage Center





## North Augusta Artists Guild Exhibit At the Kroc Center!

May 26th - June 29th
Two pieces — 2D — must hang on the wall
Family friendly art only - No entry fee

Sales allowed with the Kroc Center keeping 30%

## May 3rd Monthly Meeting SHOW AND TELL

This is our annual meeting to see each other's work. Bring a piece of your art that means something to you and tell us why.

No, you don't HAVE to bring something to come, but it is a great time for us to get to know each other better. It is also an excellent time for some of our newer members to find out who we are, and vice versa!



For those who participated in the latest exhibit at the Convent of the Order of the Sisters of St. Helena...

Pick-up days for your art are April 26 and 27th



# The Arts & Heritage Center invites you to participate in its first annual ART FIRE SALE



Members-only event: Wednesday, May 18, 5 - 8 pm Public Sale: Thursday, May 19, 5 - 8 pm

This fundraising exhibition and sale will support the Arts & Heritage Center and our programming. It's an opportunity for you, our local artists, to have fun and display your work to new audiences eager to buy original, affordable art.

There is no cost to submit, but there will be a 50% commission for all sales during the two-day event.

All pieces must be priced \$99 or less.

Work must be original and can be from any time frame, old or new.

Work must be framed and wired, matted or shrink wrapped. Bins will be provided for pieces that cannot be hung in the gallery.

For every five or more pieces of artwork submitted, at least one must be donated to the Arts & Heritage Center. (e.g.: 6+ pieces, 2 donations)

Each artist must submit an inventory of pieces entered with artist's name, title of work, medium and price (or donation).

All artwork must be available for purchase during the members-only event Wednesday, May 18 and the public event Thursday, May 19.

Pick-up date will be Monday, May 23, from 10 am to 4 pm. **PLEASE NOTE:** Any work left after that date will be considered a donation to the Arts & Heritage Center.

Drop off: Friday, May 13, Monday & Tuesday, May 16-17, 10 - 4 pm

Address your questions to Mary Anne Bigger, Executive Director, at 803 441 4380 or director@artsandheritagecenter.com



