



Guild News

From the North Augusta Artists Guild

February 2022



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A President's Perspective by Andy Hunter

Our 20th year is off to a great start! Our first monthly meeting of 2022 was great! The program was great! (Thanks Angelika for that!). The refreshments were great...and the "atmosphere" was great! We had some new faces among us as well, which was..well...GREAT! Do you know what else is great? Well, I'll tell you! The covid omicron surge seems to be past its peak! That's great news! Hmm...let's see how many "greats" I can work into this newsletter!

Artists of Color Exhibit. Another wonderful event this past month was the reception for the Artists of Color exhibit at the Arts and Heritage Center, which was held on January 20th. Even though the weather was less than perfect, the event was well attended. The exhibit (which runs through February 11th) features our own guild members, Henry Drakeford, Stacy O'Sullivan, and Rodney Thomas. If you haven't been by yet, you still have time to see this excellent collection.

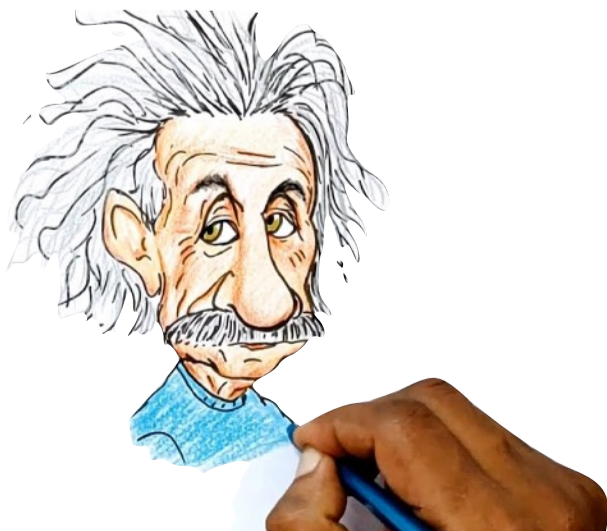
Business News. We did vote in our January meeting to re-instate the Fall into Art Chair as a member of the board. This will insure clear communication between the board and those working on the FIA show. We also continue to look for someone to coordinate our Facebook page, so if you would be interested in helping maintain this valuable asset, just let me know.

Opportunities to Show. The Sisters of St. Helena would like for the guild to once again display artwork in their beautiful building. Kay will bring a report on this in Tuesday's meeting. It's also looking like we may have an opportunity to show our work at the Kroc Center in Augusta; more details about that will be coming soon, too! Also, looking way ahead, our **Fall into Art Show/Sale is scheduled for October 13th through November 9th.**

Our 20th Anniversary! If you have any photos from "the early years" (2002 - 2010) or any other "memorable" photos from your guild experience, and if you don't mind sharing them, please contact me at andyhunternaag@gmail.com or 803.383.4010 (mobile).

DON'T MISS TUESDAY'S MEETING! Details are on the next page!

Andy



"Art is standing with one hand extended into the universe and one hand extended into the world, and letting ourselves be a conduit for passing energy."

Albert Einstein

About Our February Presenter, Joseph Kameen

Tues. Feb 1st at 6:30 pm
NA Community Center



Joseph Kameen is an artist and educator currently living in South Carolina, where he serves as an Assistant Professor of Art at the University of South Carolina Aiken. He received his BFA in painting and sculpture from Boston University, and his MFA in painting from Indiana University Bloomington. Kameen has exhibited his work nationally and internationally at venues such as The Painting Center and Site: Brooklyn in New York, and Torstraße 111 in Berlin. Kameen's work has been featured in a variety of publications, including *PIKCHUR Magazine*, *Emboss Magazine*, and *Friend of the Artist*.

IN HIS OWN WORDS... "My work focuses on the mental and emotional systems we devise in order to understand problems that have no logical purpose or reason: major life events, philosophical crises, or personal tragedies. In particular I am interested in the ways that, though these are internal struggles, our physical surroundings become an important part of the process. My paintings depict spaces, drawn from memory, that have become sites for a type of tactile understanding of these ideas. The subjects, both figures and objects, are in the process of coming to terms with their surroundings. They are immersed in light and space, but do not acknowledge it. Distance, emptiness, and temporality are common themes, but always paired with lightness, freedom, or humor. I seek to make paintings that describe my understanding of this experience while using the physical act of painting as part of my own process of coming to terms with these questions."



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

MONTHLY MEETING PROGRAMS FOR 2022

February 1	Joseph Kameen, Painter/Sculptor/Assoc. Professor at USC-A
March 1	Cindra McCoy, Artist and Owner of the Art Nook in Aiken
April 5	Ike Carpenter, Woodcarving
May 3	Show and Tell
June 7	Brenda Bancroft, Photography
July 5	Potluck Dinner
August 2	Clay Artists of the Southeast
September 6	Terry Smith, Oil Painting, Still Life & Perspective
October 4	Kay Lovingood, Gourd Art
November 1	Mel Lambert, Owner, The Beveled Edge Art and Frame Shop
December 6	Christmas Party

ARTISTS OF COLOR EXHIBIT RUNS THROUGH FEB. 11TH AT THE ARTS AND HERITAGE CENTER....



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Facebook Page:

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Website:

<https://northaugustaartistsguild.com>

