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JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER

From its beginnings in June 2008, the Harbor Art Guild has worked toward its Vision and Mission by joining together and supporting artists in Grays Harbor County, creating public artwork such as the Pollinator's Pocket Park in Aberdeen, placing art in local venues, organizing and staging the annual Rain Glow Festival in Aberdeen, raising scholarship monies for students through its Adoor Project, and much more.

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Harbor Art Guild (HAG) meets on the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Attendance is in person at the Aberdeen Art Center, 200 W. Market, Aberdeen, or via Zoom.

Next Member Meeting is August 21, 2023

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ABERDEEN RAIN GLOW happens on July 22 from 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m. It promises to be a delight!

Membership: Annual Dues are \$20. Contact any of the HAG officers to request a membership form.

Deadline for publication in newsletter is the third Monday of each month (the day of our monthly meeting). Submit information for inclusion in the newsletter to Jan Swan at janswanart@gmail.com. Artwork must be in jpeg format. Anything arriving after the deadline will be saved for the next issue, if appropriate.

MEMBER NEWS:

Members **Sue Lowatchie, Kristie Beitzel, and Pam Heward** went to the Roadhouse Nursery in Copalis on June 21 for some plein air adventures. Beautiful setting with an added bonus of chickens!



Members **Douglas Orr, Kristie Beitzel, Laveta Bowen, and Jan Swan** kept things from blowing away from the HAG booth at the Aberdeen Sunday Market on June 25. HAG will have a booth at the Market again on July 30.



Member **Rick Woods** displayed his amazing plein air talent at the Aberdeen Sunday Market. A lot of people stopped by to watch him paint. Such a good way to promote HAG and plein air art in our community.



Thank you Rick and thank you Kristie for the great photo.

Another accomplishment of our member **Rick Woods** is that he had his artwork selected for the August 19-20, 2023 Westport Art Festival. Rick will have a booth at the event too. Congrats to Rick!



Can you believe it? Member **Rick Woods** also had his painting chosen for the 8th Annual Exhibition of Little Gems by the Plein Air Washington Artists. The exhibit is from August 4-26, 2023, in Anacortes. Rick, you really are stealing the show this month!



Members **Donn Angel, Karri Wood, Jan Swan, Sue Lowatchie, Laveta Bowen, Cassie Andre,** and, of course **Douglas Orr** attended the Aberdeen Founders Day Parade on July 8 to promote Doug's run for Mayor of Aberdeen. Here we are all saying "Vote for Orr."



Member **Carole Cohen** had a booth of her bright and colorful paintings at the Aberdeen Sunday Market on July 2. Member **Tracey Hartje** stopped by with her cute doggie to say hello.



OPPORTUNITIES:

Members **Marshelle Backes** and **Tammy D'Andrea** are offering a free painting class from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on August 4 during First Friday Artwork at the Aberdeen Art Center. The class is called *Neurographic, Healing Art* and is for everyone, but is especially helpful and therapeutic for transforming trauma to healing. Registration opens July 21st. To register, go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-friday-art-walk-painting-class-refundable-deposit-to-register-tickets-674002949967>



The **Shelton Civic Center Rotating Art Gallery** has a call for art for two- or three-dimensional media. Exhibits are scheduled for 12-week periods. It is free to apply. For more information go to https://cms8.revize.com/revize/sheltonwa/parks_recreation/Rotating%20Art%20Gallery/Art%20Gallery%20Application%20072823.pdf. The deadline is: **July 28, 2023**.

An artist-in-residence is being offered by **Willapa Bay AiR** for 2024. The residency has been designed to combine solitude with daily community to foster creativity. These are month-long, self-directed residences from April 1 – October 28 for emerging and established artists of all media. For more information go to: <https://www.willapabayair.org>. Submission fee is \$30. Deadline is **August 31, 2023**.

A new gallery called **Studio 58** has opened in the former Sandphifer Gallery in Pacific Beach. Sadly, the Phifers have relocated to a more convenient location out of state. Good news is that another gallery took over their beautiful gallery space.

EDITOR'S NOTE BY JAN SWAN:

I was recently reading about the history of mural art and its relationship to political activism. One mural artist in Mexico, Enrique Chiu, worked with almost 4,000 volunteers to paint messages of peace and beauty on the Mexican side of the US border wall. This was done in response to the former US president's nasty pledge to build a "big, beautiful wall" between the two countries. In that dark period of our recent history, about 400 miles of wall were built along the 1,954 miles of border. One side of that wall represents the best of human endeavors, art, while the other side represents the worst of humanity, hate. I choose art.



Portion of Mexico side of the wall



Aberdeen Mural "The Immigrants" by Jenny Fisher

FEATURED ARTIST: KARRI WOOD



Karri Wood is an accomplished flower arranger and hospitality container designer. She also works in acrylic creating jewelry, boxes, and other decorative items.

Karri loves cooking and makes handcrafted caramel corn and gourmet nuts.

Now living in Hoquiam, Karri is originally from Napavine, Washington. She worked for many years in the medical field and has lately discovered her artistic side.

Karri is also a proud grandmother of Aurora Wood, whom she dotes on at every opportunity.

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