



Quabbin Art Association

General Meeting Minutes

December 20, 2018

<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com>

Board Member Attendees

Denise Fontaine-Pincince, President
Susan Shea, Vice President (absent)
Deborah Sacon, Treasurer
Donna Cote, Secretary
Sandra Burke, Board Member
Bev Phaneuf, Board Member

Agenda item: Welcome New Members

Rosemary E. Chaban | Watercolor
Frederick Gao | Oil, Pen/ink
Anne W. Kimani | Acrylic
Noah Mashiak | Acrylic, Oil, Pastel
David Sam | Charcoal, Collage, Watercolor
Fran Sypek | Photography

We had 31 people attend our December meeting.

Agenda item: Board Approved Announcements

No December Board Meeting/No new Board announcements

Agenda item: Special Events

Follow-up QAA Open Studio & Sale

In the absence of Susan Shea, Chris Smith was asked to provide an update of the event.

Chris reported that due to inclement weather, foot traffic was much lower than anticipated and resulted in fewer sales for some of the ten members who exhibited.

It was also noted that the BCC Winter Lights Night '18, which was held on the Common in early December, included a juried craft fair. With community advertising for the event, it was considerably busier. Both Chris and another QAA member who participated suggested that we might want to coordinate a future QAA Open Studio with the BCC event, if the Town Hall was available.

In summary, the QAA Open Studio provided participating members with an opportunity to gain an understanding of ways to market their art and to sell at various product/price levels.

Coming in March/QAA bus trip (to be announced at the January meeting by Deborah Sacon).

Agenda item: Treasurer's Report

Deborah Sacon reported \$2,593 balance in our account.

Agenda item: Shows/Exhibits)

Congratulations to Darlene Bergeron Burns, Audrey Safford, and Tina Addison on your artwork sales at Amherst Town Hall.

Palmer Public Library

Thank you Dennis & Sandy Burke for hosting our reception on December 5. QAA exhibitors agreed at the meeting to leave artwork up until the end of January, as Palmer has the exhibit space for us. If you need to trade out pieces please contact Denise (413-244-3290)

Art Takedown | REVISED DATE January 31 @ 1pm

Cooley Dickinson Health Care

January—February 2019

Members Art Hang | January 3 at 10 am

Reception | January 10 from 6–7:30 pm

Members Art Take Down | February 28 at 10 am

The food services department at the hospital will provide refreshments for our reception. Randi Shenkman will be the committee member in charge of the reception event.

Aunt Elsie's Oatmeal Crisps

Exhibits have been filled from September – June. Each month we will feature a solo member exhibit. Signups took place at the September meeting and all the openings have been filled. First Tuesday 6 pm hang and take down.

Reminder! You must be a paid member to participate in QAA exhibits

Thank you Sue Shellenberger for your help serving as exhibit coordinator.

Agenda item: Exhibit Hanging

Exhibit Hanging: Denise Fontaine-Pincince (Looking for a volunteer to co-chair)

Asking for a co-chair and one more volunteer to hang our exhibits.

If you are interested please contact Denise (413-244-3290)

Agenda item: Hospitality

Thank you to those members who brought snacks and refreshments to enjoy at our December meeting. We are asking members to bring a food or beverage item to our next meeting based on the alphabetical listing of their names.

Last Names **A-H** January
 I-P February
 Q-Z March
 A-H April
 I-P May

Agenda item: Publicity

Susan Shea was absent from the meeting. Next update scheduled for January meeting.

Agenda item: Programs/Demonstrations

Denise announced our January Guest Speaker is Donna Estabrooks

<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/pdfs/presenters/Donna-Estabrooks-January2019.pdf>

Agenda item: December Guest Speaker was Robert Floyd, photographer

<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/pdfs/presenters/Robert-Floyd-November2018.pdf>

Agenda item: Membership

Our QAA Membership now totals 65 members. Fifteen new members joined us so far this year!

Agenda item: Historian

Thank you Suzanne Dudley and Sandy Burke for your hard work on our Yearbook(s). You may see the books at our monthly meetings.

Agenda item: Member Announcements

Congratulations to Darlene Bergeron Burns, Audrey Safford, and Tina Addison on your artwork sales at Amherst Town Hall.

Patricia Bonnett is scheduled to exhibit her artwork at [Aunt Elsie's Oatmeal Crisps](#) from January 8—31.

Mary Gelezunas is hosting an Open Art Studio at the [Unitarian Universalist Parish of Monson](#) every Tuesday, noon to 4 pm starting January 8, with other hours available by appointment. Bring your own materials and projects to this historic 1888 building. For more information, please call Mary (413) 265-9952.

Nancy Roy has a variety of creative classes available at [Interactive School House](#). Call Nancy at 413-896-5838 or visit her website to register online. Bohemian Soup Gallery open every other Saturday & Sunday.

Congratulations to Maureen Solomon on her jewelry sales at Juliet Rose Pottery December event.

Barbara Rohr Sullivan is exhibiting at [The Northampton Senior Center](#). There will be a Meet the Artist Reception with refreshments on Tuesday, January 8 from 1:30–3:30 pm. The exhibit runs through the month of January.

Several of our members are exhibiting at [Hope & Feathers](#), December 5, 2018 - January 12, 2019. Arts Night Plus Reception scheduled on Thursday, January 3, 5-8 pm.

Members are invited to bring brochures, flyers, postcards and other announcements regarding their exhibits and workshops to display on our Members Table at our general meetings for publication. Or members may submit news of their publications, exhibitions, workshops and events to be featured on the website, newsletter and social media. Please list the details of your activity or event and submit it for review to info@quabbinartassociation.com