



**Board Member Attendees:**

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

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**Agenda item:** Welcome New Members

Sarah Madison | Fiber, Needle Felting, Paper Cutting  
Linda Repasky | Calligraphy, Fiber Arts, Needle Felting  
Melinda Rigney | Oil, Pastel, Watercolor

We now have a total of 52 members in our Membership Directory.

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**Agenda item:** Board Approved Announcements

**Art Event**

Quabbin Art Association is partnering with Monson Arts Council 'Creativity 25 Festival of Art' scheduled Saturday, April 7. QAA Members signed up to volunteer at the event from 1-5pm.  
<https://www.monsonartscouncil.org>

**QAA ArtWeek April 28** – Susan Shea submitted a full marketing plan as requested by the Belchertown Cultural Council. We are going to receive flyers in return. The Town Hall approval is all set. Fifteen of our members are scheduled to participate. Event page on Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/339421069911956/>

**Art Museum Bus Trips**

Members voted to participate in art events. More information to follow on:

- 1) The Clark, 2) Mass MOCA, 3) Worcester Art Museum

**Future Monthly / Annual / Occasional Expenses**

Board approved proposal to establish a Website Business Hosting plan with dedicated resources and IP address which will increase search engine optimization, include an SSL secure site HTTPS and business email account [info@quabbinartassociation.com](mailto:info@quabbinartassociation.com)

## 2019 Meeting Demonstration

Members are interested in the idea of a 'Live Model/Still Life' sketch session instead of a meeting presenter at a future date.

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### Agenda item: Programs/Demonstrations

Tom Fuller is our scheduled April 19 Meeting Presenter

<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/pdfs/presenters/Tom-Fuller-April-Presenter.pdf>

Thank you to Alexandra Walters our March Meeting Presenter

<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/pdfs/presenters/Alexandra-Walters.pdf>

[View photo gallery on Facebook](#)

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### Agenda item: Social Media

Susan Shea is our Administrator; she helps to highlight our members with their artwork, ties into our PR with news and promotions and improves our marketing via Social Media. Quabbin Art Association members are welcomed to submit news of their publications, exhibitions, workshops and events to be posted. Please list the details of your activity or event and submit for review to

[info@quabbinartassociation.com](mailto:info@quabbinartassociation.com)

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### Agenda item: Plein Air

Quabbin Art Association members and non-members are invited to participate at Plein Air Paint-outs. Scroll through the pictures to see more from the events in our slideshow. Our next scheduled event is April 11 at 1pm, on Belchertown Town Common. Please contact Bev Phaneuf [dbphaneuf@aol.com](mailto:dbphaneuf@aol.com) to sign-up and receive event notifications via email.

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### Agenda item: Historian

Sandy Burke and Suzanne Dudley request members bring business cards and member announcements of events/exhibits/shows/workshops to our meetings for the yearbook.

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### Agenda item: Exhibits

Thank you everyone who participated in our recent exhibition at Woodstar Café. Our photography is on display through mid-April. Take down scheduled April 16 @ 6pm.

Auntie Elsie's Oatmeal Crisps is a new business in town. Owner Elsie Adoboe offered our members wall space to exhibit/sell artwork. The plan is to hang rotating work based on mediums. This is a smaller space for exhibiting and the board approved purchase of a hanging system. More information will be available at our April 19 meeting.

Chubby's Ice Cream & Grill is interested in our art within theme to match their venue. View Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/chubbysbelchertown/>

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### Agenda item: Volunteer/s

Seeking Exhibit Hanging Chair

Job Description

<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/pdfs/exhbit-hanging-chair-job-description.pdf>

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## Member Announcements

### 2018 Palmer Library Poetry Pageant

The annual Palmer Public Library Poetry Pageant will be held Wednesday, April 4 at 6:30 pm in the Library's Community Room, 1455 North Main Street, Palmer, MA. Now in its 14th year, the April Poetry Pageant celebrates National Poetry month, brings poetry to the forefront of our community, and funds the library's summer reading program.

In support of, and to acknowledge the efforts of TRACK (Three Rivers Arts, Community, Knowledge), a project designed to help revitalize downtown Three Rivers, the theme for this year's Pageant is 'Rivers'. In addition to making a \$25 donation to the library, readers are asked to choose a poem about rivers to read aloud. Interested in reading a poem, or sponsoring a student who would like to read? Please contact Chairperson Denise Fontaine-Pincince 413-244-3290, or at [dcfontaine@yahoo.com](mailto:dcfontaine@yahoo.com).

### 2018 Palmer Library Community Collaborative 'Rivers' Art Exhibit

Calling all artists! In support of, and to acknowledge the efforts of TRACK (Three Rivers Arts, Community, Knowledge), a project designed to help revitalize downtown Three Rivers, the Palmer Public Library will feature a community collaborative art exhibit around the theme of 'Rivers' throughout the month of April. Participating visual artists may submit one piece of (any medium) wall art. For more details and to register your artwork, contact Denise Fontaine-Pincince: 413-244-3290, or at [dcfontaine@yahoo.com](mailto:dcfontaine@yahoo.com). Pre-registration and a \$5 entry fee required. Art drop off will be Monday, April 2 at 1 pm; take down/pick up will be Monday, April 30 at 1 pm. An artist reception will be held on Wednesday, April 4 from 5-6:30 pm.

**Congratulations** to Lauren Amaral , Roger Duffy, Jackie Griswold, Alan Izatt, Bev Phaneuf, and Randi Shenkman on their artwork exhibits in the juried show "Creativity 25" at The Monson House of Art. See the List of Selected Artwork <https://www.monsonartscouncil.org/2018-art-exhibition-results>

**Amy Green Carter** announced her *Happy Accidents* book reading and author signing at Blue Umbrella Books in Westfield, on April 7 at 1pm and at the Happy oOps! Launch Event in Easthampton on April 21 at Mill 180 Park. View the Facebook event page <https://www.facebook.com/events/1790149654368492/> for more information.

**Sue Dion** will be among artists featured in the Amherst Plein Air Society (APAS) Second Annual Art Show. She will be exhibiting *Field of Dreams*, a painting in acrylic. The show will be held at the Northampton Cooperative Bank, Amherst Branch from March 3 through April 27, Monday through Friday 8:30–5:00 pm and Saturday, 9:00am–12 noon. The Northampton Cooperative Bank is on 253 Triangle Street, Amherst, MA.

**Alan Izatt** received a Merit Award for his watercolor piece *Summer Bloom* at "The Fine Art Friends Fourteenth Annual Art Exhibit".

**Andrea Newland** has two pieces in "The Song Remains The Same" Art Exhibit at the MassMutual Center and the art will be on display during public events or by appointment until April 12. Following the show's run at the center, the art will be brought to the Eastfield Mall as part of a viewing and auction of the artwork from 5 to 7 p.m.

**Denise Fontaine-Pincine** has a solo poetry and art show "Haiku Thank You" at the Iconica Social Club in Northampton, scheduled April 1 -30, 2018. Reception is Friday, April 6 at 7pm.

**Jilladele Pasteris** is exhibiting her "Create Your Happy" show at the Wilbraham Public Library, April 2–26, 2018 with a reception April 5 12–2pm.

**Nancy Roy** has a variety of creative classes available at Interactive School House listed on her website. For more information call Nancy at 413-896-5838 or register online at <http://www.interactiveschoolhouse.com>

Join **Susan Shea** as a participant at the Wells, Maine Art Retreat. This 3-night four-day retreat will allow one to explore several types of art along with having a great relaxing mini vacation. Contact Susan at [DingleArt@outlook.com](mailto:DingleArt@outlook.com) for additional information.

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