



Quabbin Art Association

General Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2018

<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com>

### Board Member Attendees

Denise Fontaine-Pincince, 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

Kris Grabowski | Photography  
Nina Place | Acrylic, Oil, Pencil

We had 42 people attend our January meeting

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### Agenda item: Board Approved Announcements

**Exhibit Tags** - plan approved to request our members print their artwork exhibit information on cardstock.

**Elections** - Board voted to move to a 3-year cycle. Bev Phaneuf announced that June 2017 was our first official election. Year 3 will be in 2020. At that time those up for re-election will be President, 1 Board Member and Treasurer.

**Brochure update/review** new plan to ask our members to submit design proposals. Need to establish a submission period with guidelines. Chosen design/member gets 1-year free membership.

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### Agenda item: Special Events

#### Art Meets Poetry

April 1–30, 2019

Quabbin Art Association is celebrating National Poetry Month & ArtWeek 2019 with a contest. Six pieces of fine art, donated by member artists of the Quabbin Art Association, will be on display throughout the month of April at the Clapp Memorial Library. Poets and writers are invited to view the artwork and compose a poem in response to a selected piece of art.

#### Festival of Art

April 13, 1–4:00 pm (artwork drop off by 12 pm)

We will be setting up for the Monson Arts Council "Festival of Art" one-day exhibit. If you wish to help represent the Quabbin Art Association and/or exhibit your artwork in this event please call Susan Shea at 413-210-8881. The event is open to the public from 1-4 pm in Memorial Hall of the Monson Town Hall, 198 Main Street, Monson, MA.

#### ArtWeek Open Studio & Sale

April 27, 10:00 am–4:00 pm

ArtWeek features creative experiences that are interactive or offer behind-the-scenes access to artists on the creative process. The event is intended to promote and educate the arts within the community. QAA

members are invited to set up in an open studio at the Belchertown Town Hall Auditorium. Please call Susan Shea at 413-210-8881 if you would like to reserve your free table space. We are looking for members to assist in the planning and to help with setup and breakdown of this event.

### **Plein Air**

Quabbin Art Association members and non-members are invited to participate at Plein Air Paint-outs. Our schedule is April 10 and April 24 at 1 pm on the Belchertown Town Common. Please contact Bev Phaneuf [dbphaneuf@aol.com](mailto:dbphaneuf@aol.com) to sign-up and receive event notifications via email. Bev announced the September 2019 show scheduled at Palmer Library for Plein Air Artwork. Artists are encouraged to think of how you paint to be included.

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### **Agenda item: Treasurer's Report**

Deborah Sacon reported \$2,601.90 in our account.

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### **Agenda item: Shows/Exhibits**

#### **Baystate Arts Alive Gallery Exhibit**

Dates: March 12–May 9, 2019

Location: Baystate Health, 759 Chestnut Street, Springfield, MA

No reception scheduled

Members Art Take Down: Thursday, May 9, 10:00 am

#### **Hitchcock Center for the Environment Exhibit**

Dates: March 27–June 30, 2019

Location: 845 West Street, Amherst, MA

Reception: Saturday, April 13, 11 am–1 pm

We are asking for a volunteer to host our artist reception for this exhibit, as part of Amherst Arts Night Plus, on Thursday, April 4 from 5–8 pm. Arts Night Plus is held the first Thursday of each month offering artist receptions, refreshments, and entertainment throughout the Amherst downtown area.

Members Art Take Down: June 28, 10:00 am

#### **Greenfield Savings Bank Exhibit**

Dates: April 1–May 30, 2019

Location: 108 North Pleasant Street, Amherst, MA

Reception: Thursday, April 4, 5:00-8:00 pm Amherst Arts Night Plus

Members Art Take Down: Monday, April 29, 10:00 am

AND

Hang again! NEW WORK: Wednesday, May 1, 10:30 am

Reception: Thursday, May 2, 5:00-8:00 pm Amherst Arts Night Plus

Members Art Take Down: Friday, May 31, 10:00 am

Visit our Website Exhibits Page for more schedules <https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/exhibits.html>

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

Thank you Sue Shellenberger for your help serving as Exhibit Coordinator. Thank you Tina Addison and Sarah Madison for serving as Exhibit Hanging Committee Volunteers.

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**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** April  
                      **I-P** May

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**Agenda item:** Programs/Demonstrations

Denise announced our February Guest Speaker is Juliet Bacchas

<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/pdfs/presenters/juliet-bacchas-march2019.pdf>

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**Agenda item:** January Guest Speaker was Christine Kenneally

<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/pdfs/presenters/Christine-Kennally-February2019.pdf>

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**Agenda item:** Member Announcements

Congratulations to Kara Bigda, Roger Duffy, Jackie Griswold, Bev Phaneuf, Randi Shenkman, Rochelle Shicoff and Maureen Solomon on their artwork exhibits in the juried show "The Magic of Art" at Monson House of Art through April 28. See the List of Selected Artwork.

Kara Bigda will be showing her artwork at ArtWorks Gallery on Main Street in Ware, MA during the month of April. In addition, she has some paintings in the Francesca Anderson Gallery in Lexington, MA for her "Birds, Gardens and Flowers" show in May.

Anne Cohen sold her painting The Park in Winter at our recent Cooley Dickinson art exhibit.

Carrie Gould is exhibiting her artwork at Auntie Elsie's Oatmeal Crisps through the month of April.

Alan Izatt received a First Place Award for his Pen & Ink piece The Good Old Buoys From Rockport at The Chicopee Public Library Art Show.

Bee Leake is exhibiting her artwork in "The Art of Words" at Bread Euphoria Bakery and Cafe in Haydenville through April 30. In addition, Bee will also be a vendor at Pioneer Valley Zine Fest at Flywheel Arts Collective on Saturday April 13 from 11-4 pm. They will be selling zines (self-published booklets with their art and writing), prints, and screen printed patches.

Nancy Roy announced the Palmer Artisan Festival is scheduled May 4, from 11am-4pm. The Art Gallery and Pop-Up Shop at Interactive School House will be open during the event.

Rochelle Shicoff will have her painting Sundown Is This Hour from the series "The Stories Inside: Palestinian Woman Challenging Israeli Soldiers" in the Syracuse Cultural Workers 2020 Women Artists Datebook.

Barbara Sullivan will be giving an Alcohol Ink Art workshop as part of ArtWeek on April 30 at the Clapp Memorial Library. The library will be funding the event which will be limited to 12 participants.

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