



Quabbin Art Association

General Meeting Minutes

September 19, 2019

<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

Larry Beaudoin | Pen/Ink, Pencil, Watercolor
Anna Burns | Acrylic
Martin H. Kent | Charcoal, Jewelry, Photography, Sculpture
Mary Pols | Acrylic, Multimedia, Oil, Pastel

We are at the beginning of our fourth year and membership renewal time is upon us. Membership is open to artists and art supporters.

View Membership information online at <https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/membersjoin.html>

Agenda item: Board Approved Announcements

Agreed we would again be represented at the Belchertown Fair with an information table, Sept 20-22.

Agreed to reception dates and details for fall 2019 see website for more information
<https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/exhibits.html>

Voted 'No' to the November and April Open Studios & Sales

Approved MAC Festival of Arts for Saturday, April 4, 2020

Approved Community 'Art Meets Poetry' contest (more information to follow)

Here is information from last year's event:

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

Each artist selected a winning poem, and winning poets were notified and awarded their prize artwork at Belchertown High School's Coffee House event.

Voted to hold 202-2021 officer election in May 2020 instead of June 2020

Denise Fontaine-Pincince, President, announced that she is not planning to seek re-election. Please talk to her if you are interested in learning more about filling her role.

Agenda item: Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report: Deborah Sacon reported \$2,194.91 in our account

Shows/Exhibits & Exhibit Hanging: Our Plein Air Exhibit at Palmer Library is on through September 30. Thank you Tina Addison, Sarah Madison, Donna Cote and Chris Smith for helping to hang the exhibit. Bev Phaneuf is our Plein Air Coordinator and she did an amazing job encouraging our painters to produce spectacular artwork for the exhibit! Please remember to pick up your artwork on Monday, September 30 at 1:00 pm when the exhibit ends. If you cannot be there to take down your artwork, please contact a member who can help transport your exhibit item(s).

Solo Exhibits

Auntie Elsie's Oatmeal Crisps in Belchertown is the location for monthly solo exhibits. Thank you Mary Gelezunas for serving as committee chair of the exhibit space. Our next exhibit set for October will feature the lovely watercolor artwork of Tina Addison.

Agenda item: Hospitality

Thank you to those members who brought snacks and refreshments to enjoy at our September 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 I-P October

Agenda item: Programs/Demonstrations

Denise announced our September Meeting Artist Presenter is Meg Bandarra
https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/pdfs/presenters/Meg_Bandarra.pdf

Our October Meeting Guest Artist is Steve Walbridge
https://www.quabbinartassociation.com/pdfs/presenters/Steve_Walbridge.pdf

Agenda item: Membership

Sandra Burke announced we had 74 members at the end of our third year in June 2019. Four new members joined at our September 2019 meeting.

Annual membership dues of \$25 are now due and payable to Quabbin Art Association. Paid membership is required for entering all art shows & exhibits.

Membership checks should be made payable to Quabbin Art Association and mailed to P.O. Box 216, Belchertown, MA 01007. [Print the Membership Application Form \(PDF\)](#) for membership renewal or to become a new member.

Agenda item: Plein Air

Quabbin Art Association members and non-members are invited to participate at Plein Air Paint. Our schedule is the second and fourth Wednesday of the month. Please contact Bev Phaneuf dbphaneuf@aol.com to sign-up for event notifications via email.

Agenda item: Website

Quabbin Art Association Membership includes an online artist portfolio page with credentials, statements, contact information, and links. Members may bring their artwork to be photographed by Donna Cote to

include on our member gallery website. Contact Donna Cote dmcote@comcast.net if you have questions, or review the instructions posted on our website to help you [photograph your artwork](#).

Agenda item: Historian

Thank you Suzanne Dudley and Sandy Burke for your hard work on our Yearbook(s).

Agenda item: Member Announcements

Tina Addison's watercolor artwork will be on exhibit at Auntie Elsie's Oatmeal Crisps in October.

Kara Bigda is offering workshops designed to take you from a beginner to a more advanced painter. For more information visit her website <https://www.karakbigda.com/workshops.html>

Roger Duffy's artwork *Psalm 50:10* won second place in Graphic Art at Blandford Fair Art Show.

Alan Izatt's artwork *Desert Dancers* won second place in Acrylics, and *Shabby Sheep Farm* won third place in Watercolor at the Blandford Fair. Alan is exhibiting four pieces at the Wilbraham Library, October exhibit.

Susan Tilton Pecora is exhibiting her new works completed on Monhegan Island on sale together with work by Kimberly Skillin Traina at Newcastle Realty, Damariscotta Maine.

Nancy Roy's Interactive School House offers art lessons and creative workshops. Experienced teachers whose artwork is featured in the Bohemian Soup Art Gallery teach modern and traditional art techniques.

Deborah Sacon is pleased to announce her first solo exhibition "Color and Light: Plein Air Meditations" opening October 3 and on view through December 29, 2019. The exhibit is at the Atwood Gallery, of Cooley Dickenson Hospital, located at 22 Atwood Drive, in Northampton. Hours are 8:00am–4:30 pm, Monday–Friday.

Alexandra Walters will join the Artists at Indian Orchard Mills as they open their studios to the public during their two-day event scheduled November 9 & 10. View show schedules, directions and gallery hours <http://www.indianorchardmills.com/showschedules.htm> on their website.

Artists are invited to join Rochelle (Shelly) Shicoff for the *Seasons of Growth* mural painting project on Saturday, October 12. Volunteers will begin drawing and painting the mural on the bike path in Northampton. Shelly will have all of the needed supplies. She will be at the site on Saturday earlier for the installation of the panels, and begin working with volunteers at 12:30 pm until about 5:00 pm. You can work for all, or part of the day. Please contact Shelly shellymaypainter@gmail.com for more information and to let her know if you are coming to help paint!

Congratulations to our artists who are included in the first inaugural Northeast Fine Arts Exhibition (<https://www.workshop13.org/store/northeast-fine-arts-exhibition/>). If you're in the area of Ware, be sure to stop by for the reception scheduled Saturday, September 28, 1:00 pm–5:00 pm, Reception & Awards at 3:00 pm.

Announcement Submissions

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