MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT…  
*Caryl Rice*

*What a year 2020 has been!*

The Jekyll Island Arts Association is definitely coming back from the shut-down. Sales have been good in the gallery and the shop. Our first zoom classes this fall are underway. And, we hope to have the best Merry Artists Market ever.

Some of our dear winter friends are starting to return to Jekyll Island while others have said that they won’t make it back this year. Know that we will miss those of you who won’t be with us. We will think of you often and fondly remember good times. Please keep in touch. Stay connected with us. Send images of your art and we will post them on our Instagram account. We look forward to seeing you in 2021!

Sincerely wishing you a wonderful Thanksgiving,  
*Caryl Rice*

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We SALUTE our NEW Front Desk Volunteers who kept Goodyear Cottage Sales strong during October!

Kathleen Boyer
Velorice Bowen
Jennifer Broadus
Diana Herrin
George Netherton
Ellen Wyatt

Our JIAA Members who continue to serve at the Front Desk - THANK YOU for your faithful service! You've kept the doors open!!

Susan Bauer
Cathy Dillon
Nick Doms
Debbie Evans
Craig Farnsworth
Vicki Fountain

Dilys Jagger
Patricia Lentz
Craig Patterson
Caryl Rice
Elizabeth Walters

Together we are Stronger!

Visit us on Facebook at Jekyll Island Arts Association
MERRY ARTISTS SHOW - 2020

Merry Artists Market will open Friday, November 27th and run through Sunday, December 28th.

As with last year we have begun to schedule Demonstrators. Please contact Jackie Becker, the shop manager, if you have an interest in spending a few hours displaying your talent. Demonstrations will be in a tent outside of Goodyear, weather permitting, to provide for social distancing.

This year MA will feature a Secret Santa Shopping area for CHILDREN ONLY. Secret Santa will be in the kitchen and pantry area of Goodyear Cottage. Entry will be through the kitchen door. Items will be available for regular sale throughout the week and for Children only on Saturday and Sunday each week. Items for SS will be priced between $5 and $20. We need items appropriate for Children to purchase as gifts in this price range.

Registration of items is now open. All items you wish to enter in the sale must be registered by November 15th. Labels will be printed on Mondays and Thursdays each week. Labels will be placed into your file folder in the Goodyear kitchen. You may pick up your labels at any time. This year we encourage you to register early and pick up your labels early. There will be no scheduled Assisted Registration this year. If you need help please contact Jackie Becker, the Shop Manager, at brucejackieb@gmail.com and assistance will be provided.

All items for Merry Artists must be priced between $5 and $250.

There is no limit on the number of items you may register but the number and type of items displayed on any given day will be entirely at the discretion of the set-up and inventory teams. They will set the show, then monitor and restock the displayed inventory regularly. Size matters, especially with Wall Art. There will be a lot of artwork on-hand and it will be stored upstairs before going on display. Larger pieces will be harder to display in the Gallery and will be harder to move up and down the stairs safely. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR POTTERY WILL FOLLOW IN A SEPARATE EMAIL TO THE POTTERY GUILD.

Intake of items will be Wednesday, November 18, Thursday, November 19, Friday, November 20 and Saturday, November 21 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. Acceptance will be done at a tent outside of Goodyear. You will bring your LABELED items, leave them on the table. A team member will scan them in and a runner will take them to be stored. We are trying to eliminate having a lot of people inside Goodyear all at the same time and we are limiting disruption to regular operations of the Gallery. Please do not wait until the last minute.

Removal of items will begin Sunday, December 27 after 4 p.m. and Monday December 28th during the day. For removal we will have removal slips available. You will either remove your price labels and stick them on the form or you will fill out the form. ALL CHRISTMAS RELATED ITEMS MUST BE REMOVED. You are allowed to leave 10 items in the shop.

Over the next weeks we will be sending emails requesting volunteers for different aspects of this show. We expect a number of our Winter Residents will not be on the island this year so if you are here please volunteer. This is a short-term commitment. We have needs related to Decorating the Cottage, putting up tents, set up and tear down of the show, demonstrators, intake and acceptance of items including runners and Secret Santa shop monitors. If you have time available please consider volunteering.
FROM THE GOODYEAR SHOP
Jackie Becker, Store Manager

I want to extend a hearty THANK YOU to all the front desk volunteers who make the shop possible. We couldn’t do this without you.

Currently we have pieces in the shop from 137 artists. After the Covid shut down we got off to a slow start with sales but September this year exceeded last year and by October 15th we had already surpassed sales for October 2019.

Merry Artists planning is well underway. Demonstrators are lined up for each weekend. News4Jax is doing a Zoom interview with us and will be airing a segment on River City Live Thanksgiving week. If you can volunteer to help out during MA there will be many opportunities. To volunteer please go to the JIAA website (jekyllartists.com), click on Volunteer and follow the instructions provided.

Happy Thanksgiving

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE
Lucy Loehle, Membership Chair

Our database is currently showing 358 members.

With the Covid Crisis, stopping by to pay dues has been a challenge for those who want to renew or sign up in person. On-line payment is the quickest way to keep memberships current, but mailing in will still work. Remember that a current paid membership is needed to sign up for classes, sell in the shop, or enter items at the Festival.

A copy of the JIAA Membership form has been included, for your use, the end of this newsletter.

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How One Potter Found Inspiration During COVID19
Beverly Hopkins, President, Pottery Guild

Potters have taken many different paths during the COVID19 lockdown and as the pandemic has continued. One thing that happened this summer was a book making its rounds through the guild. The book is “Carolina Clay the Life and Legend of the Slave Potter Dave” by Leonard Todd. This is one of many books in the collection in the shop. The book follows the life of Dave Drake, a slave potter in South Carolina before, during and after the Civil War. Most of his work was in the form of large jugs used to store food items. He was known for adding a saying and his signature to many of the pots. Since teaching a slave to read and write was not permitted, Dave’s inscriptions were unusual to say the least. I read the book and thought it a compelling story of someone who found a way to survive slavery with an unusual talent as an artist. His pots can be found in several museums in the south, including the Atlanta History Center and the Jepson Center of the Telfair Museum in Savannah. I highly recommend this book to anyone who wants a little different view of an art form.

In the book are described “face jugs” made by Dave during his lifetime. After reading the book about Dave, Jekyll potter Lou Lodico decided to try his hand at making face jugs, turning his into mugs. He carefully crafted eyes, noses, teeth and ears on his mugs. The guild members who were around this summer enjoyed seeing the mugs as they came in for their two firings. I was cautious handling them to load in the kiln fearing I might break off an ear. Lou did a fabulous job and the detail is impressive. Oh, and if you didn’t know, Lou is a retired dentist so the teeth are particularly notable. I hope everyone gets to see one of Lou’s mugs in person. Look around the Goodyear shop and you might just find a Dave inspired face looking back at you. Thank you Lou Lodico!
Hello Everyone...to date we have only received four Poster/T-Shirt submissions. The
deadline was extended to 10/30/2020 in the hope of receiving more.

ALL ARTISTS - please send in your submissions.

Also, we are currently looking at the Festival Dates and evaluating if any changes are
needed. Preparations and plans must begin soon...we will keep you posted.
Jekyll Island Arts Association
Winter Classes 2021

EXCITING NEWS: due to the Covid Crisis, some JIAA instructors have chosen to use ZOOM to teach their classes. When viewing the Class Catalogue please reference the class titles to identify whether or not it will be conducted via ZOOM.

Class registration will open:

November 10 - Sneak Peak
November 15 - Registration Opens at 9:00 AM
Online registration will also begin at 9:00 AM and it is easy on the JIAA website at jekyllartists.com. Remember that your membership dues must be up-to-date in order to register. If mailing in your registration please send to:

Jekyll Island Arts Association
Attn: Classes PO
Box 13201
Jekyll IS, GA 31527
JEKYLL ISLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION, INC. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP

Recent changes to our by-laws eliminate family/household memberships. Only individual memberships are offered. The annual membership fee is $30. The membership year runs from April through March. New memberships and renewals, including payment of dues via PayPal, may be accomplished online via our website at www.jekyllartists.com, or by completing the Membership Form below and mailing or dropping off at Goodyear Cottage with dues payment.

The contact information you provide will be published in our printed directory and will be accessible online to members only, unless you decline publication by checking the statement at the bottom of the membership form.

Enclose $30.00 for a membership in the Association. (Sorry, but we are unable to accept checks drawn on a Canadian bank.)

Mail to: Jekyll Island Arts Association Make checks payable to: JIAA
Attn: Membership Please Note on Check: Dues
PO Box 13201
Jekyll Island, GA 31527

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JEKYLL ISLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION, INC. ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP
______ New Member ______ Renewal (_____________) Member #, if known

Mrs./Mr./Ms./ ___________________________________________________________________________
Circle One Last Name First Name

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Street Address, Apt No. or P. O. Box No.

(______)__________ -
City State ZIP Phone No.
E-Mail Address________________________ Dates regularly at this Address_____________________

AWAY FROM JEKYLL AREA ADDRESS
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City State ZIP Phone No.
E-Mail Address________________________ Dates regularly at this Address_____________________

If you are an artist, in what medium(s) do you work: _______________________________________

____ Check here to decline including your contact information in our online database accessible to members only