JEKYLL ISLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION

Goodyear Cottage, Historic District Jekyll Island, Georgia January 2023 Newsletter



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT... Carla Price

January is going to be a busy month. We bring in the new year with a gallery show featuring our Pottery Guild and island painter, Pat Sennett. That reception will be on January 8th. We are planning another January reception provided by Donna Summers who will be launching and signing her new book "Death on Jekyll Island". More details will follow.

We have a lot of work ahead of us this year. With that labor comes much pleasure in sharing our passion for the arts. We look to explore opportunities to educate and recognize our talented members. We hope to have more public demonstrations at Goodyear Cottage throughout the year. Last year we offered a book launch and signing which was well received. Thank you Pamela Mueller for introducing this idea to us back in September. If you are interested in doing a demonstration or book signing, let us know.

Winter classes have begun and offer many opportunities for artistic growth and development. Classes are also an opportunity to meet other members with common goals. Often, new friendships are born. I hope you will enrich your life by taking a class. *Continued on page 2...*

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Preparations for the upcoming JIAA Arts Festival are underway. The intent of our annual festival is to recognize and celebrate ALL of our member artists. This includes artists beginning their journey as well as those that are more skilled. Our focus is centered on the educational journey of our members. It is a measure of our classes and how JIAA is performing its mission of education. We hope to provide you with another successful Festival with a hometown feel. Like Merry Artists Market, a successful festival requires the efforts of many volunteers. We will again be calling on you to help us bring to you another great Festival.

Planning for our 2nd Volunteer Appreciation Celebration has begun. We plan to celebrate YOU on the eve of the Festival, March 9th. It will be a fun evening that will be coordinated with the Festival's Sneak Peek event. This event is hosted by your Board of Directors. It is our goal to serve and acknowledge you. All you have to do is bring your appetite and plan for an evening of fellowship.

And if you think the Merry Artists Market is over until next year, you are incorrect. Planning for the 2023 Merry Artist Market has already begun. The team meets the first week in January to discuss what we got right and in what areas we can improve. Planning the 2023 event begins at that meeting and continues throughout the year. If you would like to be part of this fabulous team, please let us know. We can find a position for you.

Please be aware that construction to repair the rear exterior wall of Goodyear Cottage will begin on January 9th. The wheelchair ramp will be inaccessible during those repairs which we anticipate to be approximately a week. We apologize for any inconvenience.

I look forward to sharing the new year with you!

FROM THE GOODYEAR LIBRARY Deb Patterson

On the second Tuesday of the month at 2:00 in the Goodyear library, you will find the writers' group. Members who put pencil to paper (or fingers to the keyboard) and let their creativity flow in the beauty of words.

We read our pieces aloud and receive encouragement and inspiration from the others around the table. Everyone has a story, a poem, a commentary to tell. Let your New Year's resolution be to tell your story. Come join us. We would love to meet you and hear your words.

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE

JIAA WINTER CLASSES Update January 2023

Hello to Everyone

Registration for Winter 2023 Classes is open and in full swing. Our Winter Classes begin the first week of January and run until the first week of April with a March break for the Arts Festival.

We continue to host your class favorites like pottery, weaving, painting, drawing, writing, basket making and discussion classes. This Winter we have some new classes and instructors in the areas of photography, song writing, writing family history and a variety of new fiber arts classes.

Come take a look and see what we have to offer! <u>Take a Class! Learn a new skill! And meet new friends!</u> **To register go online to jekyllartists.com** and remember, you have to be a member of the Jekyll Island Arts Association to register for classes.

We can't wait to see you!

Your JIAA Classes Team Pam Einboden, Ame Ivanov, Diana Prentice





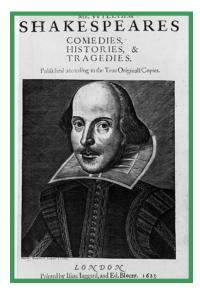












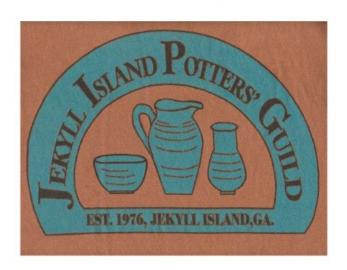
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Jekyll Island Arts Association Presents...

Island Magic Jekyll Island Painter's Retrospective

& Potters' Show of Clay





Jekyll Island Pottery Guild

January 1–31, 2023

Goodyear Cottage Art Gallery & Gift Shop
Located in the Jekyll Island Historic District, Jekyll Island,GA
Monday-Friday — 12-4 pm
Saturday & Sunday — 10 am to 4 pm
Local Artwork for Sale — Admission is free

OPENING RECEPTION - Sunday, January 8, 1-3 pm

MESSAGE TO MERRY ARTISTS Jackie Becker

We are at the close of another fantastic Merry Artists event. Thank you to all the "Elves" who made it possible. We couldn't do this without all of you! We hosted a very successful bake sale to benefit the Pottery Guild relocation fund raising over \$1200.00. This was our first year to sell T-shirts and they were well received and raised over \$500.00 for the JIAA. If you have any suggestions or comments you would like to share please email me at jekyllartsshop@gmail.com. Time to start the planning for next year.

RESULTS OF THE JIAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION Term January 2023 through December 2025

The following five candidates were elected:

Tricia Bowman, Debbie Evans and Mark See. Thank you Christie Kinsey and Jaye Parsons for agreeing to serve another term on the Board. Thank you Deb Patterson and Jerry Dagen for your service on the Board. Thank you for your continued commitment to JIAA.

Our thanks to Margaret Else for chairing the Nominating Committee, and to Jeannine Schoeman for running the election voting so smoothly.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS Lucy Loehle

The JIAA membership is now at 451 as classes and the planned 2023 Arts Festival have encouraged both returning and new members. Remember that participation in the Festival juried competition requires current membership, so the deadline is fast approaching.

The easiest and quickest way to renew or join is through the JIAA website, but you can also accomplish this through mail or at the desk at Goodyear Cottage.

If you have questions, please contact me at (912)571-6748.

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JEKYLL SINGERS Kate Hamer



The Jekyll Singers performed twice this Holiday Season with very enthusiastic audiences! The first mini concert was held on Sunday, Dec. 11th at 2pm at Goodyear Cottage. We had shoppers browsing, and audience sitting and standing anywhere they could. The audience participation was especially popular!

The Singers once again, after a three year Covid hiatus, graced the stage at the Jekyll Island Convention Center on Tuesday, December 13th. There were over 200 in the audience who if their applause is a measure, enjoyed all aspects of the evening. There was a selection of holiday songs to begin the program, Including the Twelve Days of Christmas ala Jekyll. The second half of the program was a stunning Cantata called The Promise of a King, with narration provided by Linda Arthur.



REPORT FROM THE WEAVING GUILD

Tricia Bowman

The Weaving Guild is offering three classes. There will be a beginning Rigid Heddle Class, a Beginning Floor Weaving Class, and a Next Steps Class for continuing floor loom students.

Guild Members have been demonstrating in the weaving room on the weekends during Merry Artists. We have met so many interesting people, and have even found that three people who sat down and tried weaving want to take the Rigid Heddle class in January!



REPORT FROM THE GOODYEAR SHOP

Jackie Becker

The shop inventory will be cleared to zero items on hand in our computer system on December 31st. Any items you wish to enter into the shop for January will have to be entered into the system and have new inventory item numbers assigned. The Gallery and Shop teams, with volunteers, will work December 30 and 31 to close Merry Artists and set up the shop and a new Gallery Show for January. Your help is needed. Please pick up your items between December 29th at 3 p.m. and December 31st at noon. We have limited space to store items left behind. ALL CHRISTMAS RELATED ITEMS MUST BE REMOVED EXCEPT ORNAMENTS YOU WISH TO REMAIN IN THE SHOP. You may enter 10 new items and 10 ornaments. We have a very tight turn around to make this happen and your cooperation is critical. If you find yourself with some free time those days helping hands are always appreciated.

FRONT DESK VOLUNTEER NEWS

Jane Edwards

Happy New Year to all of our front desk volunteers! The gallery and shop have had a great year and all of you have contributed to its success. Many thanks to all of you! I will continue to be available for training for volunteers interested in becoming cashiers, or infrequent cashiers that would like a refresher course, starting late January or early February. Please contact me at jmaase@gmail.com if you would like to schedule training. And finally, congratulations to Bob Walters, our most recent winner of the quarterly drawing! The next drawing will be held the first week in March.

Jane

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IT TAKES A VILLAGE Beverly Hopkins

We've all heard that phrase, "it takes a village". Well, when you are trying to help a pottery studio get out of the basement, that phrase is true. On Jekyll there is not a readily available space to just pack up and move. The only real option is to work with the Jekyll Island Authority to identify a place to build something. That process is currently underway. It will take time, people, and money to make it a reality.

The proposed building will be an Arts Association building and the plan includes classroom space. The concept drawing will be available soon. At some point there will be an organized fundraising process to finance this effort.

To show our commitment, the Pottery Guild created a fund within the guild treasury earmarked for a new building. We voted as a guild to move guild funds originally designated for other purposes into the relocation fund. The Arts Association supported us in having a 3-day bake sale as part of Merry Artist Market. **That effort took volunteers to bake, volunteers to price and arrange all the yummy items and volunteers to staff the table during the day.** I saw names and faces that were from all art areas so that was the village at work. The funds raised were a pleasant surprise and that money will be added to the relocation fund.

Thank you very much to everyone who worked to make the bake sale a success and thank you to everyone who is supporting the relocation effort. This is just the beginning, and the potters look forward to seeing this become a success!



JEKYLL ISLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP

--Only individual memberships are offered with an annual fee of \$30. The membership year runs from April through March. JIAA is a volunteer-run organization, and all members are expected to contribute to the organization through volunteer work.

- -- There are several ways to initiate a membership or to renew an existing one:
 - Online via our website at <u>www.jekyllartists.com</u> with payment through PayPal or major credit card.
 This is the quickest method to establish current membership and qualify immediately for classes and gift shop or festival shop entry.
 - By completing the form below and paying with cash, check or credit card at the front desk at Goodyear Cottage.
 - By completing the form below and mailing with a check to Jekyll Island Arts Association, P.O. Box 13201, Jekyll Island GA 31527.
- --Checks should be made payable to **JIAA**; please note on check: **Dues**. We are unable to accept checks drawn on Canadian banks.

--Note that contact information from the membership database may not be used for personal or professional solicitation. JEKYLL ISLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP Renewal (If no changes to information, only full name required.) **New Member** Last Name First Name **LOCAL ADDRESS** Street Address, Apt. No. or P. O. Box No. City Required: Email address If you are an artist, in what medium(s) do you work? **NON-LOCAL ADDRESS (if applicable)** Street Address, Apt. No. or P. O. Box No. City

Dates Regularly at this address