

JEKYLL ISLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION

Goodyear Cottage, Historic District

Jekyll Island, Georgia

September 2023 Newsletter



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Carla Price

Greetings and welcome Fall! It is time to harvest the many talents of our member artists and to prepare for our busy season ahead.

Fall is a time of sharing and learning. We encourage you to take advantage of the unique educational opportunities JIAA provides. If you would like to teach a class, please reach out to our classes team (Jekyllartsclasses@gmail.com). If you would like to demonstrate your skills or talents, please contact Debbie Evans (dce517@gmail.com). Classes and other events sponsored by JIAA are opportunities for personal growth and nourishment for the mind and soul. We encourage you to take time for yourself and enjoy learning something new.

The next **JIAA Member Orientation session** will be held in the kitchen at Goodyear Cottage on Saturday, September 30th at 10am. Our goal is to help our members become more familiar with our organization. We offer education and assistance with our website. We encourage you to bring your portable computer devices if you need assistance logging in or finding information on the website. We will also explain the process for entering your artwork for sale in the shop. Our annual Merry Artists Market will be here soon. Let us help you get ready for this exciting event.

Goodyear Cottage is open 7 days a week for our members and to the public. Yet, there is no office or employed staff. ***How is that possible? You make it possible!*** You don't have to live locally to fulfill key roles or to volunteer. Some of our volunteers live in other states and Canada. Many opportunities to volunteer will be presented to you during the next weeks and months. JIAA's continued success and future depends on the willingness of our members to contribute their time, talent and skills. ***Many thanks to our past, present and future volunteers!***

As always, reach out to me or any of our board members with any questions or concerns. I look forward to seeing you at Goodyear Cottage!

Carla

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GETTING FOR MERRY ARTISTS

Jackie Becker



Merry Artists (MA) is just around the corner. The MA Team had its first organizational meeting and we had a wonderful turnout. We have some exciting new artists set up to demonstrate and will have a bake sale.

You may begin entering items for labels at any time. The earlier the better so the team doesn't get overwhelmed with printing at the last minute.

We have weekend times available for demonstrations. If you would like to demonstrate your art or sign your books please contact Debbie Evans at dce517@gmail.com and she can help you get on the schedule.



Look for an email at the beginning of September with important dates and information about the event. And, as always, **we need volunteers to make this event a success.**

NOTE: Many have signed up to be Merry Artists demonstrators but we would love to have more! Please contact Debbie Evans at dce517@gmail.com if you are interested in demonstrating during Merry Artists weekends.

CALLING ALL SINGERS

Kate Hamer



Time flies and the Jekyll Singers will soon be meeting again to rehearse for our Holiday Concert.

The concert is Tuesday, December 12, 2023, at the Jekyll Island Convention Center at 7:00 pm. We will also have a smaller concert at Goodyear Cottage on Sunday, December 17th at 2:00 pm.

The Singers first rehearsal will be Monday, September 11, 2023, at the Methodist Church at 3:00 in the afternoon.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Lucy Loehle

The JIAA membership is now at 457 and we anticipate additional members as old friends return from the COVID hiatus; classes begin; and Merry Artists and the 2024 Arts Festival loom ever nearer.

Remember that participation in the Arts Festival juried competition **requires current membership three months prior to the event**, so you won't want to wait until the last minute to get on the "current" list.

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.

'A THANK YOU TO THE FRONT DESK VOLUNTEERS'

Jane Edwards

Thank you to all of the desk volunteers I have worked with since my election to the JIAA board. Your willingness to step in to help on sometimes short notice has been a true blessing to me. That being said, I have to share the not-so-secret news that Bruce and I are moving back to the Kansas City area to be closer to family. My last official day as the desk volunteer coordinator will be September 15th.

The hunt is on for a person, or team to take over the volunteer coordination duties. Yes, it can be challenging at times, but it is a vital part of the JIAA organization! If you would like to help with the desk coordination, please contact Carla or another board member with your interest. Thank you all again for your support!

Jane

THE IT REPORT

Bob Walters

The IT team continues to work on improving our technology infrastructure. As such, we just finalized our work to upgrade our internet connectivity. We will be switching to Comcast Business which should be completed within the next 90 days or so. This change will increase our internet speed and band width 10 fold which will go a long way to improve our connectivity especially during events like Merry Artists and the Festival.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

All the best...
Bob Walters

FROM THE GOODYEAR SHOP

Jackie Becker

The Goodyear Shop has a lot of new items and sales throughout the summer have been steady and on par with sales in 2022.

Please remember to keep an eye on your inventory and be sure to remove items after 6 months. It is helpful to have inventory turn-over on a regular basis to keep the displays interesting and new.

Please remember to pick up your items if you are notified of the shop team pulling old items. Storage is extremely limited and any items not picked up will be considered abandoned and sold to benefit the Arts Association.



EVENTS TEAM REPORT

Jackie Becker



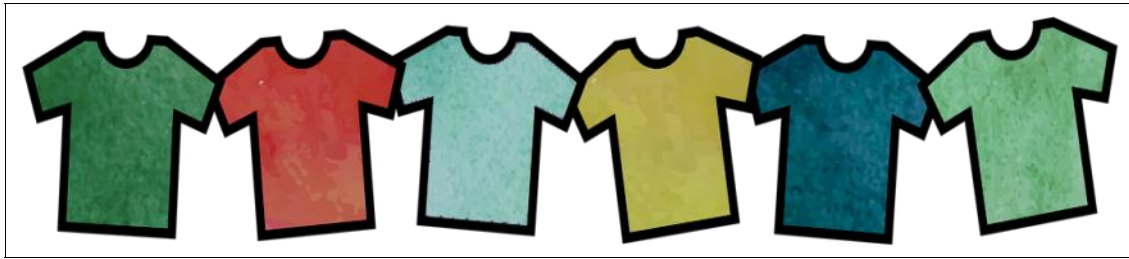
The Events Team held their first mid-month Artists Spotlight featuring Elizabeth duBignon and her Puppets.



We are working with the Jekyll Island Club Resort to advertise our events to their guests and employees.

Weekend traffic on the causeway during the summer, especially weekends, was extremely busy with the majority of visitors going to the beach. This prompted the Events Team to postpone these mid-month events until October. If you would like to share your art or sign your books please contact the Events Team at Goodyeareventsteam@gmail.com. It's a great way to meet people and helps bring more foot traffic to Goodyear.

T-SHIRT ART CONTESTS



MERRY ARTISTS AND JIAA ARTS FESTIVAL SUBMISSIONS!!!

Deadlines

Merry Artists: September 1, 2023

Arts Festival: January 15, 2024

THE CONTEST

The JIAA Events Team invites you to summon your creative spirit to produce TWO graphic designs. One is for marketing the 2023 Merry Artists Market and the second for the 2024 Spring Arts Festival. You may enter a design for one or both events. Separate designs for both events are requested.

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Bold, distinct and clear graphic design
- Bright colors
- Six color maximum
- Merry Artists theme: “Christmas on Jekyll Island”
- Festival theme: “Art in the Golden Isles”
- 16” x 20”
- Vertical format

The design must be suitable for reproduction on posters, T-shirts, hoodies, and other promotional items to be sold during Merry Artists or the Festival.

Please note:

Bold, distinct graphic designs do better on fabric than small sketchy designs.

Photographs, drawings and paintings will be accepted. Photographs may be of Pottery or Fabric Arts. Other creative art that the artist feels can express the theme and advertise the events may be submitted as a photograph.

2024 Arts Festival Poster Contest: *A Chance to Win \$500*

The JIAA Events Team invites you to summon your creative spirit to produce a **graphic** design for the 2024 Spring Arts Festival.

Selection criteria:

- Bold, distinct and clear graphic design
- Bright colors
- Six color maximum
- Festival theme: **ART**. To be printed on 16" x 20" shirts.
- Vertical format

The design must be suitable for reproduction on posters, T-shirts, hoodies, and other promotional items to be sold before and during the festival.

Please note: Bold, distinct **graphic** designs do better on fabric than small sketchy designs. Photographs, drawings, and paintings will be accepted. Other creative art that the artist feels can express the theme and advertise the event may be submitted as a photograph.

Other requirements:

- All artists must be members in good standing of the JIAA.
- All entries must be new original work of the submitting artist.
- No wording or dates. They will be added after the design selection is made.

Entry process:

Deadline for submitting:
January 15, 2024

Email a photo of your entry to: jekyllartists@gmail.com

Selection process:

The Events committee will review and select the WINNER.

Prizes:

Winning entries:

\$250 for Spring Arts Festival

The JIAA will retain all rights to the original design without any further compensation to the artist. The winning original artwork will be retained by the JIAA and will not be returned to the artist.

For further information, send questions to: jekyllartists@gmail.com

WATERCOLOR WORKGROUP UPDATE

Diana Prentice

The scheduled days for JIAA's Watercolor Workgroup has changed. We now meet twice monthly, on every **1st and 3rd Thursday from 1-3 pm**, in the Goodyear's Needlecraft Room on the second floor.

Bring your art supplies and share in the camaraderie of others who are interested in the broad range of watercolor styles and techniques. Our group welcomes anyone on any level of expertise—from beginner to expert and everyone in between.

For more information, please contact Diana Prentice (dianaprentice@icloud.com)

CLASSES TEAM

A New Scheduling Plan

Ame Ivanov

Because there were few students and many cancelled classes in the Fall period last year, we have decided to eliminate the 'sneak peek' for the fall classes. We will still schedule classes during the fall, or at any time during the year that space is available. Advertising will be done by email and newsletter. Sign-ups will continue to be electronic. Payments cannot be made at the desk. The desk will take a check and leave it for the classes team if the student cannot or will not pay on-line.

As of August 13, two classes for the fall are already on the calendar. One is full. We are working out details of a couple more classes before they are put on the schedule. The plan is to post the classes as they are received, once they are finalized and all necessary forms received.

After a few trial runs, sending the new Instructor Agreement and the W-9 via DocuSign is in place and working well. This speeds up the process and makes it less burdensome for the Instructors. We have a free, one user, DocuSign account through TechSoup.



REPORT FROM THE WEAVING GUILD

Tricia Bowman

The cotton and Indigo that has been planted by Jim McKenna and Al Tate in the garden behind the Horton House this year are doing well, except that the raccoons have figured out after 2 years that seeds are inside the cotton balls. So they have been climbing the fence and decimating some of the plants trying to get to the seeds.

All of the seeds from the cotton crop last year have been removed from last year's crop of cotton by the guild members, and it is waiting to be taken to the John C. Campbell Folk School in August where one of our members will learn how to spin it.

Three members of the Arts Association went to a workshop in Savannah at Oatland where the Fiber Guild of Savannahs has a dye garden. They harvested Indigo leaves, soaked them in ice and water, put them in the blender, and put cotton, wool, organic silk and mulberry silk fabric squares in it. After rinsing the indigo leaves off they saw that the color left was a light green/blue, different hues depending on the fabric. This is a method that can be used with the indigo from our garden. Although you don't get the beautiful dark blue color that you get when you create an indigo vat, it is pretty and much easier and faster to do.

In October two of our guild members are participating in an Indigo dyeing workshop at Glynn Visual Arts. This will help us understand more about the creation of an Indigo vat, and the result will be the dark blue color that you think of when you think of Indigo.

The Weaving Guild is gearing up for a busy fall. In September the board of the Fiber Guild of the Savannahs is coming to Jekyll for a working retreat. They are offering our guild a spinning workshop on the Saturday afternoon of their weekend here. There is a lot of interest in this workshop, and we are excited to learn more.

During the summer members of our guild presented a lunch and learn about weaving at Glynn Visual Arts as part of their effort to learn what interests their members have in different art forms. Two of these in weaving were offered during the summer, and they are hoping to generate interest in weaving among their members.

You may notice a theme here: collaboration between neighboring guilds. We can do more together than we can separately. We appreciate their willingness to work together with us.

We are offering three classes before Thanksgiving:

Beginning Weaving on a Floor Loom

Next Steps in Weaving: Overshot

Beginning Rigid Heddle Loom

We already have a roster for these classes and are excited to share what we know with those who are eager to learn.



NEXT STEPS IN WEAVING: OVERSHOT FALL 2023

REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Class Dates: 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/16, 10/23

MONDAY: 9:30-1:00

CLASS COST: \$120

SUPPLIES COST: \$20

INSTRUCTOR: Kate Hamer

DESCRIPTION

Overshot is a beautiful weave structure with thousands of pattern possibilities. It is woven with two shuttles, one a thin thread that is the same as your warp and the other is a thicker pattern thread. The thin thread or Tabby thread weaves plain weave beneath your Pattern thread making this a very sturdy weave structure suitable for table linens, pillows, shawls and fabric.

PREREQUISITES

You must be able to wind a warp and thread the loom with minimal guidance.

NOTES

Our project will be to make a table runner using the Overshot pattern of your choice. Supply cost is waived if you provide your own yarns.

LOCATION

2nd Floor Loom Room B, Goodyear Cottage



REPORT FROM THE POTTERY GUILD

Joanne Munzar

Hello Hot Weather Survivors!!!

Yes it's been really hot on our island but the pottery studio is beautifully cool and very clean and dry . No more fans blowing dust. It a wonderful place to spend a few hours.

No more news about our move but the relocation fund is growing . There are always pots for sale in the shop .

We have a summer member, Jordan Steele, Bonnie and I are mentoring her in all aspects of the studio. Bev is our summer kiln manager. Tom Muse is repairing a couple of the kilns . The potters that hand build are meeting most weeks.

It's time to think about fall and winter classes. If you would like to teach please contact me.

Joanne



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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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New Member **Renewal** () Member #, if known

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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