



JEKYLL ISLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION

Goodyear Cottage, Historic District

Jekyll Island, Georgia

November 2023 Newsletter

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Carla Price



Hello November! It is time to deck the halls and prepare for the grand opening of our annual Merry Artists Market on Friday, November 24th. **Again, we are reserving grand opening hours of 8am-10am for our members and residents.** We hope you will be there to share in the celebration.

A special note of thanks to Michelle DeHaven! She has taken the role of Sales Desk Volunteer Coordinator. She will be leading the desk team and coordinating our online Sign Up Genius. Debbie Evans and Bob Walters have agreed to assist in the education of new volunteers. If you need a refresher course, they will help with that as well. Keeping the desk staffed is a huge undertaking. We encourage you to take an active role in helping at the desk or with the other needs of our organization.

A welcome to Barbara Polonicic, a new member of the JIAA Board Directors. She will complete Jane Edward's remaining term of one year. Barbara is a major player on many of our volunteer teams. We look forward to the new ideas and thoughts she will bring to the table. Congratulations, Barbara!

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Message from the President continued...

A heartfelt thanks to Jane Edwards for everything she has contributed as former Desk Coordinator and JIAA Board Member! Jane has been instrumental in developing procedures and practices which make working the desk a fun and rewarding experience. Jane will be moving north but plans to return as many of our snowbirds do.

We hope you will attend the Shrimp and Grits Festival on November 3rd and 4th. Bring your family and friends and remember to visit Goodyear Cottage. We are open with normal business hours. Please be aware that parking at Goodyear will be restricted during the Festival starting on Friday at 2pm and until roads reopen at 10:30pm on Saturday.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, *Happy Thanksgiving! We hope to celebrate the season with you at Goodyear Cottage!*

Carla

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Lucy Loehle, Membership Chair

Our current membership number is 478.

Just a few reminders:

- If you are a member of the pottery guild, weaving guild, the Jekyll Singers, the knitting group, or the writers group, you must also be a member of JIAA.
- If you want to take a class, you must first be a member of JIAA. Classes can fill up fast, and waiting until the last minute might result in missing the class you wanted.
- If you want to sell in The Shop, you must be a member of JIAA. The automated system we use to pay artists when their works sell will not work unless the database identifies you as a member.
- The JIAA Arts Festival is only a bit over 4 months away. In order to enter into the competition, you must have been a member for at least 3 months. This is a good time to be sure you won't be turned away from competing.

There are several ways to pay your dues. They are still just \$30 per year. The easiest and quickest way is online at our website, jekyllartists.org, using PayPal. You can also pay at the front desk at Goodyear Cottage, but it may take a week or more before you are entered into the database.

Problems? Give me a call at (912)571-6748.

Jekyll Island Arts Association Presents...

Fun With Fiber

An Eclectic Exhibition of Works in Fiber
by Jekyll Island's Finests Weavers, Quilters
& Fabric Artisans



November 1-20, 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, November 5, 1-3 pm

JEKYLL SINGERS NOTES*Kate Hamer*

**Christmas is coming
The Singers concert too!
Dec. 12th at 7:00 sharp
We hope to see all of you!**

Where: Jekyll Island Convention Center
Ballroom B

The Concert is **free and open to all.**

Donations are gladly accepted to help with concert costs .

**THE EVENTS TEAM***Jackie Becker*

The Events Team hosted Girl Scout Troop 665 from Rincon, GA on October 7th. The scouts had a tour of the Gallery with a discussion, led by JIAA member Barbara Poloncic, about pine needle basket making and the history of baskets in the Golden Isles after which they visited the Pottery Shop for some hands-on experience with clay and a discussion with Pottery Guild President Joann Munzar regarding careers in art.



After that they visited our weaving guild for some instruction on the floor looms and small individual looms with take home projects. Many thanks to Tricia Bowman, Stephanie Perger and Deana Davis for the time they spent teaching the Girl Scouts. Please reference the 'Weaving Guild' article for more information on this troop visit.

The JIAA provided a pizza lunch before the troop left to visit Tidelands Nature Center.

A report from the troop leader is that several of the scouts are asking for pottery wheels and looms for Christmas.

We have been contacted to provide a tour of Goodyear in February for a group from the National Trust for Historic Preservation and plans are underway for that visit.

FROM THE FRONT DESK

There are quite a number of new developments for all the volunteers that man the Front Desk. First and foremost, as most have heard, Mike DeHaven has taken over the responsibilities of Front Desk Coordinator. This can be a daunting task at times. Let's have all our members wish Mike the very best and please help out as much as we can.

Secondly, we have a new Front Desk Procedure Manual which is located behind the desk above the bubble wrap. The procedures have been streamlined and simplified which includes a manual index to make it a significantly better reference guide.

In addition, we have also eliminated Front Desk volunteers accepting class registrations. These can only be done online. In those rare cases where someone refuses to register online, the desk volunteers will provide that person with Ame Ivanov's (Class Coordinator) telephone number.

Finally, though we strongly encourage everyone to renew their membership or apply for new membership online, the Front Desk will continue to accept paper applications. However it is critical that everyone understands that there is a delay of a week or more before those manual applications are processed. That being said, if someone is anxious to register for a class, they cannot do so until their member number is either revalidated or a new member number issued.

Also if anyone has questions or suggests related to the Front Desk, please let us know at gydeskquestions@jekyllartists.com.

A THANK YOU TO THE FRONT DESK VOLUNTEERS

I want to say thank you to all the JIAA Volunteers, particularly the desk cashiers and wrappers. It has been a pleasure working with you as you welcome and assist our Goodyear shoppers.

I am thrilled to share the news that Mike (Michelle) DeHaven will be the new Goodyear Desk Volunteer Coordinator. She will be handling the SignUp Genius scheduling and volunteer recruitment. Please welcome Mike and offer her the support you have always shared with me.

Till we meet again....
Jane Edwards

WEAVING GUILD

Patricia Bowman

A scout troop visited Goodyear and the Weaving Guild was lucky enough to demonstrate with weaving, let them weave on our Rigid Heddle loom and our floor loom. One of our weavers, Deana Davis made cardboard looms for each of the scouts, and they wove on those while they were waiting their turn to weave (see photos below).

The scouts were working on an Art badge and were able to satisfy many of the requirements at Goodyear that day. The scout leader even took a cardboard loom and reported later that she finished weaving the whole thing that night!

Both our Beginning Weaving Class and our Next Steps Class are about half way through. Our Rigid Heddle Class begins this week.

Come by the weaving room sometime and see the beautiful weaving from both the classes and guild members weaving on their own!



JIAA Winter Classes 2024

Sneak Peak is November 27, 2023

Registration

**Begins December 4,
2023 at 8 am**



**Registration is on
line only. The desk
will no longer accept
payment for classes.
Call Ame Ivanov for
assistance in register-
ing and paying on-line
615-775-7647.**

You must be a member of JIAA to register for a class.

FROM THE TECH TEAM*Bob Walters*

The Tech Team continues to work on improvements to our digital infrastructure. As previously published, we will be upgrading our internet service. Comcast is in the process of installing the new service which should be finished by November 1st. This will significantly increase our speed and bandwidth tenfold providing for a much more stable platform...just in time for Merry Artists.

We are also in the final stages of putting together a master document with all user names and passwords for websites and/or online accounts that are used for JIAA related business and activities. This will then provide us access to these online accounts in the event the owner of the account is incapacitated.

Finally if you have any questions and/or suggestions regarding technology, please contact Craig Patterson or Bob Walters

JIAA 2024 ARTS FESTIVAL*Jackie Becker*

The 49th Annual Spring Arts Festival will be March 8, 9, and 10. We are still in need of entries for this year's poster. Deadline to enter is January 1.

**ARTrageous FUNDRAISER***Christie Kinsey*

“With October recognized as Breast Cancer Awareness month, you may remember that our own Bonnie Newell created an entry last year in the ARTrageous Bras Fundraiser entitled Ribbon of Hope Garden now displayed at Goodyear Cottage. This year, I would like to encourage everyone to vote for Lindsey Adkison's entry #14 Black, White and Read All Over. Lindsey is the Lifestyle Editor of the Brunswick News and the Editor of the Golden Isles Magazine. She fully supports JIAA through articles and photos of our events and shows and often attends our Gallery show receptions.

Each vote is \$1 and can be made online at wearethefoundation.org. Proceeds benefit the SE GA Health System's Cancer Care programs. You may vote as often as you like!

Let's show Lindsey our gratitude and enable her to be in the coveted top 10 auction at the Ritz Theater on November 3rd at 6 p.m. Thank you!”

THE GOODYEAR SHOP

Jackie Becker

The shop fall display has been well received and visitors have given a lot of compliments on our Pink display. Any suggestions for similar seasonal displays are welcome. Sales have picked up with the return of our winter guests.

MERRY ARTISTS 2023

Debbie Evans and Jackie Becker

Merry artists are working hard for our upcoming festivities! Our calendar of demonstrations, to date, is on the bulletin board in the Goodyear kitchen. Check your schedule or sign up on the adjacent sheet.

If you would like to sign up and need available times please email Debbie Evans at ***dce517@gmail.com***

Merry Artists intake begins November 17th. Please be sure to review the guidelines on the website.

The Sign-Up genius is up and ready for positions to be filled. If you haven't signed up, please take a moment to look over the job descriptions on our website. There is something for everyone.

Merry Artists Market opens Friday, November 25th at 8 am for Members, Residents and their guests and at 10 a.m. to the public. Please stop by to see the fabulous array of affordable, handmade items.

It is going to be a great time for shopping all of the beautiful and unique art being made!

THE WATERCOLOR WORKGROUP

Diana Prentice

The Watercolor Workgroup is a casual gathering of JIAA members who just like to play with the broad range of watercolor techniques and styles. We welcome anyone on any level of experience—from beginner to expert and all in between.

We meet twice a month on the **first and third Thursdays from 1 to 3 pm.** Our usual location is in the Needlecraft Room on the second floor of Goodyear Cottage. However when that room is needed for scheduled classes, we can gather on the third floor.

Bring your art supplies and join us.

For more info contact Diana Prentice (dianaprentice@icloud.com).

REPORT ON FALL 2023 CLASSES

Ame Ivanov

There were 10 classes offered this fall. There were a total of 30 students enrolled, somewhat higher than last year.

As of October 20, 9 classes are in the catalog for the winter period, both multi-day classes and workshops with more expected.

Registration and payment will be entirely on line this year.





Registration and Intake Instructions for Merry Artists 2023 November 17–20

Welcome to Merry Artists 2023. We hope to make this another fun and successful event for the Jekyll Island Arts Association. The following instructions are to help our artists and intake teams.

You may register items at any time. *Deadline for entry is Wednesday November 15th.* Labels will print as usual on Monday's and Thursday's. Occasionally an additional printing will take place if a shop team member is at Goodyear. You can look online to see if your labels have printed.

BE SURE TO BRING YOUR CALENDAR WITH YOU WHEN YOU DROP OFF ITEMS SO YOU MAY SIGN UP FOR A VOLUNTEER POSITION IF YOU HAVEN'T DONE SO AHEAD OF TIME.

This year the price limit is \$500.00

Intake will take place in the Goodyear Kitchen, November 17, 18 from 9–11 and 1–3 and November 19 from 1–3 unless otherwise noted.

There will be different dates and requirements for different media. Please read the following instructions.

Jewelry Intake

Jewelry intake will take place over three days. November 17, 18, 19. Jewelry **should** be on displays. There are a limited number of display pieces which will be available in the Goodyear kitchen, first come first served.

Please label your display pieces with name and contact information. You will be responsible for picking up display pieces at the end of Merry Artists.

Earrings must be on cards or in boxes and have backs on them including ear wires. Plastic backs are available on Amazon. Please try to indicate what kind of metal ear hooks are

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made of. We have paper punches to make cards on the shop desk. **No jewelry in baggies will be accepted.** If you must bring items in baggies be prepared to unbag and display your pieces. The setup team does not have the time or manpower to unpack items, locate displays and properly display them and there is no time for untangling necklaces which are delivered in a Ziploc bag.

Wall Art Intake

ALL WALL ART PRICED OVER \$500 MUST BE REMOVED FROM GOODYEAR BY 5 p.m. Sunday November 19th. Wall Art size limits apply. 120 inches perimeter measurement. One person must be able to handle the piece alone. Wire hangers only. No sawtooth hangers.

You may bring in 5 pieces initially. **Drop off will be November 18 , 9-11 and 1-3 and November 19 1-3.** Hanging of Wall Art will take place November 20 after 5 p.m. and November 21 from 9 a.m. to noon. Display of wall art is at the sole discretion of the set-up team.

Ornaments

Ornaments will be displayed on grids. As with Jewelry, our intake and display teams do not have time to unpack individual ornaments packaged in baggies. These items do not display well in a basket. Shoppers tend to overlook them.

Fiber Arts

Please use a paper tag with the price tag attached to your item with a safety pin to make sure the price doesn't get separated from the item. Hang tags and safety pins are available on the desk in the Goodyear kitchen. If you need display items such as mannequins please check with Goodyear ahead of time.

All other media

General Intake will be November 17, 18 9-11 and 1-3 and November 19 1-3.

