

JEKYLL ISLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION

Goodyear Cottage, Historic District

Jekyll Island, Georgia

March 2024 Newsletter



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT...

Beverly Hopkins

Celebrating Spring

We are on countdown to the annual Arts Festival which begins March 8th. I hope your calendar is marked and that you have already volunteered to help. There are many opportunities before, during and after the festival.

March 7th you are invited to the Member Appreciation event in conjunction with the Sneak Peek of the juried art. The reception and Sneak Peek will be from 4pm – 6pm. Food and drinks will be in the big tent and the gallery will be open for you to view the art. The artwork on display is a celebration of all levels and many art forms. Some will be beginners who took classes this fall or winter. We are proud to display their work. All entries will be on display throughout the month of March. There will be a volunteer on hand if you wish to purchase an item. We will encourage you to leave any ribbon winning pieces through the festival weekend – they will be marked as sold.

If you are interested in volunteering to demonstrate your art during the festival, please reach out to Jackie Becker.

I look forward to seeing you during the preview and the festival.

Beverly

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JIAA 49th Arts Festival Volunteer Needs

Jackie Becker

**The JIAA Arts Festival is almost here.
Please go to the Sign Up Genius and volunteer to help.**

There are many slots available. We have some exciting music and demonstrations which will be a don't miss. If you are a Plein Air painter you are welcome to come and paint at any time during the Festival. We have needs for people to sit at tables in tents for membership/greeter, clearance sales, student art, Festival T-shirt sales and raffle. These are all positions which only require sitting and talking with folks. No cashier experience needed.

Festival is a great time to meet people and enjoy some wonderful spring weather.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

Lucy Loehle

Our current membership is now 554, certainly the highest membership we have enjoyed during the COVID and post-COVID periods.

Remember that the membership year ends on March 31; renewals may be paid at any time for the April 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025 membership year. The easiest way to renew is online at jekyllartists.com. Other methods are explained on the website.

If you need information or have difficulty with your membership account, call Lucy Loehle at (912)571-6748.

JIAA WINTER CLASSES

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Thanks to all class instructors and students for the successful completion of the 2024 Winter classes.

Don't forget to check the webpage and newsletter for information about future classes.

WATERCOLOR WORKGROUP*Diana Prentice*

Painting artists continue to meet at the third-floor studio at Goodyear Cottage on the first and third Thursdays from 1 to 3 pm.

Please note that we will be making other arrangements during March due to the Festival.

Despite the name, this casual gathering of JIAA members also welcomes painting artists using other media—such as ink, gouache, pastels, acrylics, etc.—and on any level of experience from beginner to expert and all in between.

Please bring your painting supplies and join us for a friendly two hours of sharing techniques.

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

HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY ONE AND ALL

FROM THE FRONT DESK*Bob Walters*

We continue to update and amend the Front Desk procedure manual. We ask that all front desk volunteers please review this manual when you have some downtime while working the front desk. Additionally we are aware that for some of us, handling the sandwich boards can be a challenge. We ask that all front desk volunteers if they are physically able to do so, put out and bring back in the sandwich boards located in the kitchen. On the weekends when we have two shifts, if the volunteer on the AM shift puts the sandwich boards out, please check with the volunteer that relieves you if he or she is able to bring them in. If not, please bring them in.

Also, we have started selling tickets for the Art Festival Raffle. All the information as well as the tickets are at the front desk. Please make sure that we get all the necessary personal information from the folks that purchase raffle tickets. If there are any questions or concerns, please let either Mike DeHaven or Bob Walters know.

Thanks!!

JEKYLL ISLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION
49TH ANNUAL ARTS FESTIVAL



MARCH 8 – 10, 2024
GOODYEAR COTTAGE • JEKYLL ISLAND HISTORIC DISTRICT
Friday, March 8, 12 - 5 • Saturday, March 9, 10 - 5 • Sunday, March 10, 10 - 4



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Bill White, Artist
Demonstration and Discussion at the
Jekyll Island Arts Festival, March 9, 3:30 to 5:00 PM



Owner and artist, Bill White spent 39 years as a Professor of Painting at Hollins University in Roanoke, VA. He has received grants from the Cabell, Mellon & Ford Foundations and in 2012 was honored with the Kendig Individual Artist award.

Bill is a member of the Midwest Paint Group, and has been a guest artist with the Zeuxis Gallery. He has had residencies at the Cite International des Art, Paris, France and the Vermont Studio Center.

In 2017 Bill and his wife Linda moved to Caledonia, NY to be near family and enjoy their retirement years by opening The Village Gallery. In addition to the gallery, Bill will offer classes and lectures throughout the year.

REPORT FROM THE WEAVING GUILD

Trish Bowman

The weaving guild's Beginning Floor and Overshot 2.0 classes are winding down. Our Rigid Heddle Class finished up previously. Look for some great pieces in the Arts Festival this year.

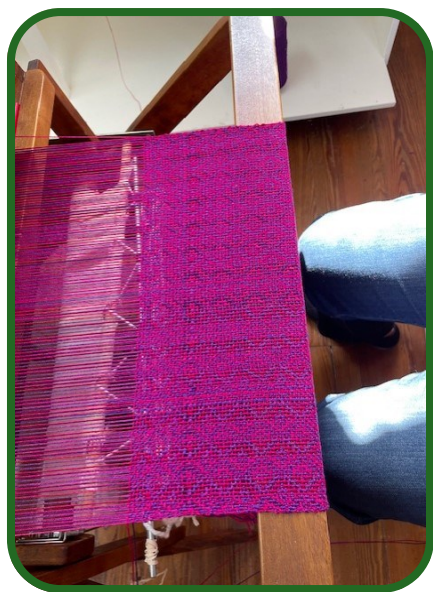
After the festival our weaving guild will meet on Monday mornings and Wednesday afternoons to weave. We are hoping that our new students will join us, and we can all learn together. When we weave together we inspire each other.

The indigo seeds have been started in the Jekyll Island greenhouse. We are hoping for a great crop this year and plan to dye using the ice dye method when the indigo is ready. This will not give us the deep blue that everyone associates with indigo, but will produce a beautiful blue green color.

One of our goals this year is to create an indigo vat, which is a delicate process, and dye some yarn, and cloth.

We are hoping for a good cotton crop this year. Another one of our goals is to learn to spin our Sea Island Cotton into yarn. We've had one workshop provided by the Fiber Guild of the Savannahs. We need more practice, so we plan to have another workshop in spinning cotton this year.

Come see what is on the looms in the weaving room. There are 5 different advanced patterns on looms: **Krokbragd, Deflected Double Weave, Weft Shibori, Swedish Lace and Overshot.**



FROM THE JEKYLL SINGERS*Kate Hamer***Save the date!****The Singers present****“Places We Sing”****DATE:** Tuesday, March 19th**TIME:** 7:00 pm**WHERE:** Jekyll Convention Center
Ballroom B**Admission is free****Good will Donations are gladly accepted
to help with concert costs!****IMPROVING THE LANDSCAPE
AROUND GOODYEAR COTTAGE***Christie Kinsey*

As a member of the Garden Club of Jekyll Island, I recently met with Cliff Gawhron about improving the landscape around Goodyear Cottage. Cliff drew up a concise plan on either side of the entry steps. In late March or early April, the Garden Club members will work alongside Cliff's team to implement his plan. He is also considering improvements to the front lawn and plantings across the front of the Cottage.

49th Annual Arts Festival!

Friday 8th March ~ Noon - 5:00 pm
Saturday 9th March ~10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday 10th March ~ 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Entry to the festival is FREE and open to the public. Come join the Arts Association for a great time at Goodyear Cottage. Juried art will remain on display through March 30.

There is Something for Everyone:

- A Juried Art Show in the Gallery. Juried items may be purchased.**
- Festival and Pottery Sales Shops with thousands of artist items.**
- Artist demonstrations with explanations of "How To".**
- Interactive "Do it Yourself" adult and Youth Art opportunities.**
- Glaze your own Raku pottery item.**
- Good Food, Bake Sales.**
- Car Show Returns**
 - Raffle**
 - Music**

--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.

- Online via our website at www.jekyllartists.com 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.

--Note that contact information from the membership database may not be used for personal or professional solicitation.

 New Member **Renewal** (If no changes to information, only full name required.)

LOCAL ADDRESS

If you are an artist, in what medium(s) do you work? _____

Dates Regularly at this address