

Fall 2020

# RockmART News

## Cultural Arts Center & Theatre

Dear Friends of the Arts,

I hope you are doing well and making the best of this unusual year. We reopened to the public on June 15th with limited classes and workshops and held July Art and Pottery Camps this summer. Hopefully next summer we can have our full line up of camps and classes again. We had a reception for our Juried Art Show on August 1st and enjoyed the wonderful exhibit with such a variety of artwork. As we feel it is safe to proceed, more events will be added.

We are following the government's guidelines and ask that you follow these guidelines when visiting the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center.

- \*Please do not attend if you are sick, have a fever, chills, or shortness of breath
- \*Wash hands & use the hand sanitizer provided at our entrances
- \*Masks are strongly recommended
- \*Social distance 6' from one another

I am so excited for you to see the amazing artwork in our upcoming Fall exhibit: **Susan Gore Gardner: 40 Years of Art** at the Arts Center Gallery from August 13 – October 15, 2020 with Reception on Saturday, August 29, 2020 from 4-7 pm. Susan Gore Gardner lives with her husband on a small farm in Bremen. A lifelong love of drawing became her profession upon graduation from KSU and she embarked on a career as a wildlife artist. Fast forward to 1990 when the artist encountered the medium of pastels and began creating color-filled landscapes and still lifes. During a personally challenging chapter in her life, the artist found creative inspiration in music. A visual fascination with the musicians and their instruments bloomed and Susan found her life's work: capturing on paper the essence of the musicians, that moment they are 'in the groove', illuminated by the striking colors of stage lights. Her artwork can also be seen at the Mill Town Music Hall in Bremen as well as in museums and private collections.

Be working on your art entries for our upcoming **Angels Among Us** exhibit and **2021 Juried Art Show**. More information and applications are on our website and at the gallery.

Please join or renew your RCAC Membership and help fund the ARTS in our community. Your help is appreciated now more than ever.  
**Thank you!**

Best wishes, *Peggy Cline*



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### Upcoming Open Exhibits:

Be working on entries for the  
November/December 2020

### **Angels Among Us**

#### Art Exhibit

Email up to 3 .jpg  
entries in any medium to  
rcac@rockmart-ga.gov  
by *October 3rd*

January/February 2021

### **Juried Show 2021 Exhibit**

More information  
on our website

## Rockmart Cultural Arts Center

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Website: [www.rockmart-ga.gov/rcac](http://www.rockmart-ga.gov/rcac) Instagram: rockmart\_arts Facebook: rcac.ga

### Gallery & Gift Shop hours:

Tuesday 1-7pm, Wednesday 10-4, Thursday 10-4, Saturday 10-4

**The Rockmart Theatre** 116 E. Elm St., Rockmart, Georgia

Facebook: The-Rockmart-Theatre

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Rockmart  
Cultural Arts Center



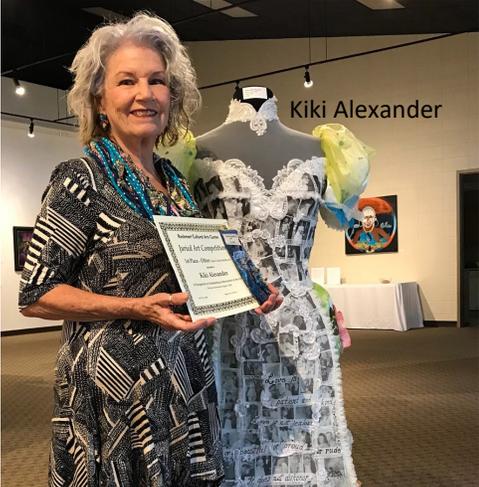
Susan Waters



Anita Kennerley



Peri Aplin



Kiki Alexander

# Juried Art Show 2020 Winners

Our 2020 Juried Art Show was held at the RCAC Gallery from June 4 to August 6 with a Reception on August 1, 2020 from 4-7 pm. This was an enjoyable exhibit with 39 different artists and quite a variety of mediums and styles of art. Our juror was UWGA Art professor, Scott Foxx, who had a challenging time picking winners. Thanks to all who participated and supported the Arts! Congratulations!

### Juried Show 2020 Winner List:

#### Painting:

- 1st Place Mike Strickland "Homeplace"
- 2nd Place Gary Baughman "Fine October Day"
- 3rd Place Wendy Herubin "Tropical Twisters"
- Honorable Mention Manami Lingerfelt "Umbrella City"

#### Drawing:

- 1st Place Kathleen Borchelt "Divine Fruit"
- 2nd Place Peggy Cline "Jekyll Island Club"

#### Photography:

- 1st Place Stella Spyrou "Light Designs"
- 2nd Place Darby Chism "Calibrations"
- 3rd Place Stella Spyrou "Duet"
- Honorable Mention Carsen Bottoms "Black Sand"

#### 3-D:

- 1st Place Lee Simpkins "Father Christmas"
- 2nd Place Anita Kennerley "Rona Rules"
- 3rd Place Peri Aplin "Bunny Box"
- Honorable Mention Paul Craighead "View of Rockmart"

#### Other:

- 1st Place Kiki Alexander "Eden to Ever After"
- 2nd Place Kathy Torres "Wolf"
- 3rd Place Ruth Simon McRae "Blocks"
- Honorable Mention Darby Chism "Siren's Song"

**BEST of Show:** Susan Waters  
"Valentine Shopper"

**People's Choice:** Lee Simpkins  
"Father Christmas"



Lee Simpkins



Kathy Borchelt



Wendy Herubin



Gary Baughman



Mike Strickland



## Art Camp 2020

We held a Magic of Arts camp at the Arts Center from July 13-17. We followed the new guidelines including smaller number of campers, masks, etc. The children were so happy to be in camp and made wonderful creations.

In 2019 we had 18 students in one room for camp. In 2020 we split the children in two rooms and only had 7 in each room so we could all social distance better. Margaret Bearden taught the 6-9 year old group and Peggy Cline taught the 9 1/2-12 year old group. Kelsey and Caroline Motes, and Kyle Garcia were our helpers in Art camp.

### *Some of the camper's comments:*

- I love this camp.
- I want to come back.
- It was amazing.
- I wish to go again.
- I really enjoyed everything we did.

### *Some of the parent's comments:*

- Great job!
- Loved it!
- Loved everything.
- Love your camps!
- She LOVED art camp!!
- She really enjoyed camp this week.





## Pottery Camp 2020

We held Pottery camp at the Arts Center from July 20-24. Paul Craighead taught the children all week and Peggy Cline taught them polymer clay on Friday. Kinsey Welchel was our helper. We had a great time making all kinds of fun projects.

*Some of the camper's comments:*  
 I love Mr. Paul.  
 I would love to come again.  
 I love this camp!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

*Some of the parent's comments:*  
 Thank you for offering this class for them.  
 Will probably do it again next year.  
 Very enjoyable for her.  
 Thank you!!



## Alcohol Ink Painting on Tiles

**Saturday, November 14, 10-12:30, \$25**

Using various techniques, learn the basics of working with vividly colored alcohol inks and enhance them with alcohol-based markers. Create several unique works of art on white ceramic tiles!

All materials included.



To sign up, contact **Margie Monde** at [margiemonde@gmail.com](mailto:margiemonde@gmail.com) or 770-881-0600.



# RCAC Art Studios

Check out the Art Studios on the top floor of the Arts Center. They opened in March 2020 and are located on the top floor of the Arts Center. The following artists have working studios at RCAC:

**James Hill** teaches drawing and painting, and does framing and art restoration in his studio.

**Mike Strickland** is a retired engineer; now painter, and enjoys portraits and landscapes.

**Lee Simpkins** is a wood carver and creates custom sculptures, signs and more.

**Elizabeth Mobley** is our new studio artist starting this August and makes fused glass artworks and teaches too.

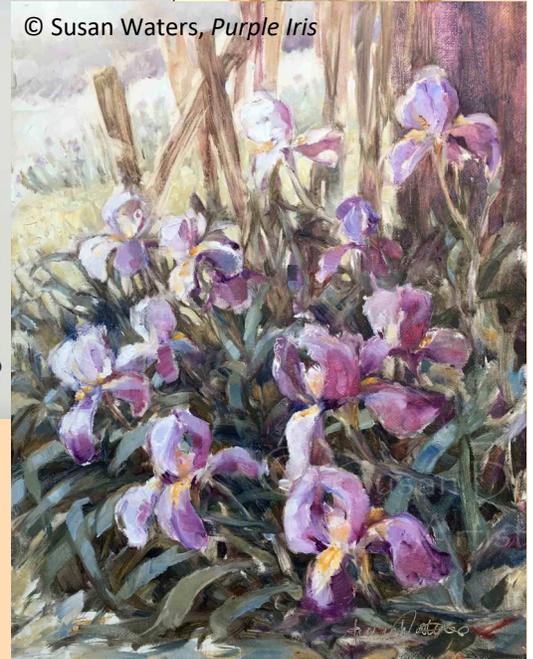


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© Kristain Branham, Flowers

© Susan Waters, Purple Iris



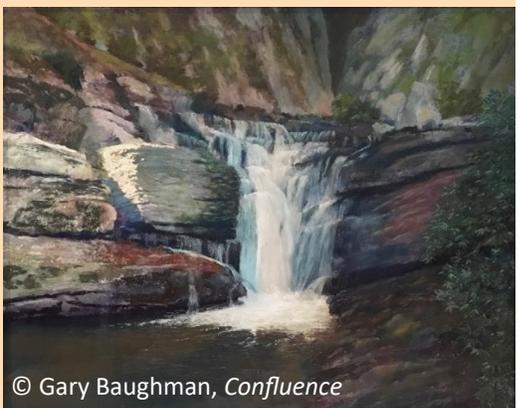
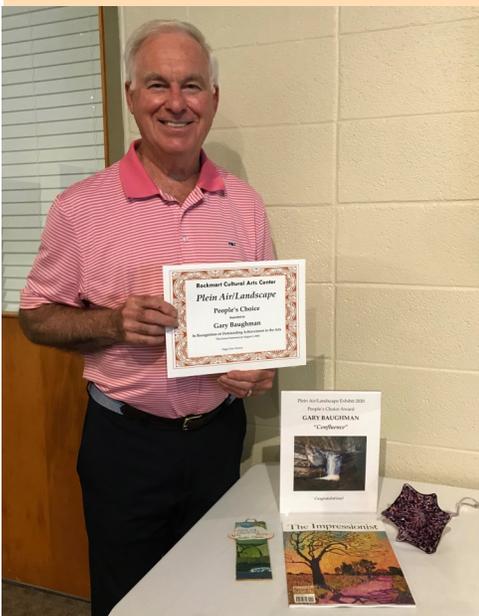
## Online Quarantine Art Exhibit

The Arts Center and Theatre were closed to the public from March 15-June 14. During this time, we had an online art exhibit on our Facebook page with a variety of our artists sending in artwork they created during the Covid-19 shutdown. Many are still cloistered at home as the numbers rise with the pandemic. The visual, performing and literary arts have given us meaning and a way to express our feelings during this time.

## Online

## Plein Air/Landscape Art Exhibit

Many artists entered our online Plein Air/Landscape art exhibit in April and May 2020. Gary Baughman won the People's Choice Award in this online exhibit on our Facebook page with his painting, "Confluence." He received his awards at the Juried Art Reception. *Congratulations!*



© Gary Baughman, Confluence

# Rockmart Cultural Arts Center - Fall 2020 Art Classes & Workshops



## Children's Art Classes

*Drawing, Painting & More: Age 7-12*  
**Mondays 5-6:30 pm - starts back August 17th**  
Mixed Media Art classes integrating Social Studies with a variety of art projects. Includes all supplies. To sign up, contact **Margaret Bearden at 770-500-4207.**



## Beginning Drawing & Painting

**Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday**  
10-11:30, 2-3:30 and 5-6:30 pm,  
\$15 per 1 ½ hr. class, includes supplies (oils or acrylics) Learn the basics of drawing such as shading, perspective, and painting with oil or acrylics. To sign up, contact **James Hill at 770-355-1535.**



## Paint Parties

2 hour parties with your choice of project.  
\$15 - \$20 per person depending on size of canvas (8x10 or 11x14 canvas, acrylic paint, etc.)  
Children or Adults  
(7 & under need adult supervision)  
Minimum 8; Maximum 10 students  
Includes all art supplies and step by step instruction. Call or text **Merari Morales** for more information and to sign up at **706-591-9028**



## Fall Fused Glass Workshops

**September 19**

**Doodling on Glass - \$35**

**November 7**

**Fused Glass Pockets - \$40**

No glass experience is required.

Saturdays 10 - 12:30

All materials, tools and firing included.

To sign up, call **Elizabeth Mobley** at **770-851-4431**



# Needle Felting Workshops

August 22 - *Bird & Nest* - 10 - 12:30, \$35

September 26 - *Pumpkin Felting* - 10 - 12:30, \$35

November 21 - *St. Nick Ornament* - 10 - 12:30, \$35

Join fiber artist, Hillari Knight, in creating your own needle felted bird in a nest, needle felted pumpkin, and your own felted St. Nick ornament with dyed wool in these fun Saturday workshops. Pick one workshop or do all three. All supplies are included in the price.

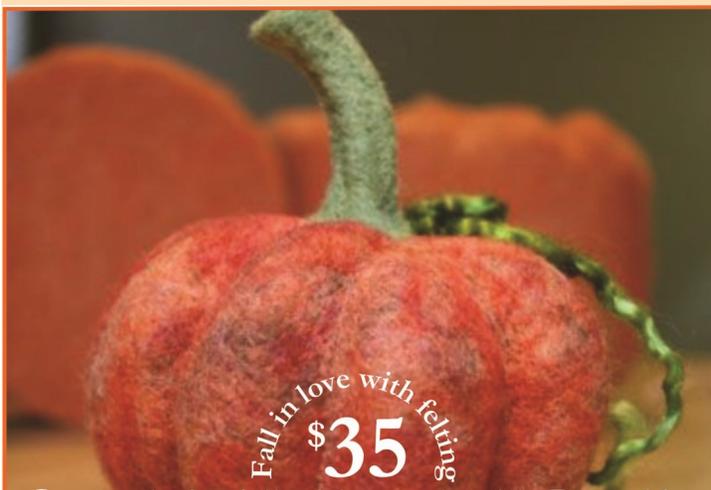
Contact **Hillari Knight** at 770-862-2248 or KnightCreativeArt@gmail.com to sign up.



Come Felt with me!  
\$35

Choose one of the 4 designs

Needle felt one of the 4 designs along with a nest with fiber artist Hillari Knight. For \$35 you will create 1 bird and 1 nest. All supplies are included.  
August 22 • 10:00 am to 12:30 pm • Rockmart Cultural Arts Center, Rockmart, GA  
Contact Hillari Knight (770) 862-2248 or KnightCreativeAr@gmail.com



Fall in love with felting  
\$35

Get ready for fall with an adorable Pumpkin

Join fiber artist, Hillari Knight, in creating your own needle felted pumpkin. For \$35 you will create 1 bird and 1 nest. All supplies are included.  
September 26th • 10:00 am to 12:30 pm • Rockmart Cultural Arts Center, Rockmart, GA  
Contact Hillari Knight (770) 862-2248 or KnightCreativeAr@gmail.com



Christmas never felt  
\$35  
So Joyful!

Create Christmas joy by felting your own St. Nick ornament. On November 21st, join fiber artist, Hillari Knight, for fun and felting Santa ornaments! All supplies included.  
November 21st • 10:00 am to 12:30 pm • Rockmart Cultural Arts Center, Rockmart, GA  
Contact Hillari Knight (770) 862-2248 or KnightCreativeAr@gmail.com



## Whittling/Walking Stick Class

October 6, 13, and 20 -

3 class session on **Tuesday** nights

6-8 pm, \$45 for 3 classes, Age 10 – Adult

Includes all supplies, except you need to bring your own locking blade pocket knife.

Safety instructions will be covered on the first class.

To sign up, contact **Alvin Mallicoat** at 770-401-6362 or msjay2009@hotmail.com .

**MORE Classes and Workshops to start back in 2021:**  
Rockmart Community Chorus, Yoga,  
Polymer Clay Workshops and more.

# RCAC Pottery Classes

## Open Studio Classes

Tuesday Evenings - 6:30 - 8:30 pm - \$18 per class  
Wednesday Mornings - 10:00 to 11:30 am - \$15 per class  
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Thursday Mornings - 10:00 to 11:30 am - \$15 per class



Explore the potentials of clay and learn pinch, coil and slab techniques to make bowls, platters, sculptures, etc. Paul Craighead's open studio pottery classes continue year-round. He works with students individually and in groups to create pottery items. Earthenware as well as stoneware items can be created on the wheel or by hand-building.



RCAC's Pottery studio has 4 wheels, slab roller, huge variety of glazes, extruder, electric kiln and a gas-fired stoneware/Raku kiln at Paul's studio.

To sign up for pottery classes, contact **Paul Craighead** at 770-843-5302 or [rivoletti@netzero.net](mailto:rivoletti@netzero.net)

**RCAC Prices include ALL clay, glazes, firing and instruction**



## RAKU Party

For current and former students at Paul's Home Studio  
**Saturday, September 5th or 19th**  
**11 am - 4pm**  
Pick one day only - Spread out this year so we can social distance better.  
Potluck lunch - bring a hot or cold dish, snack, drink to share.  
Pottery items made and glazed during class will be fired.  
There will also be one pottery

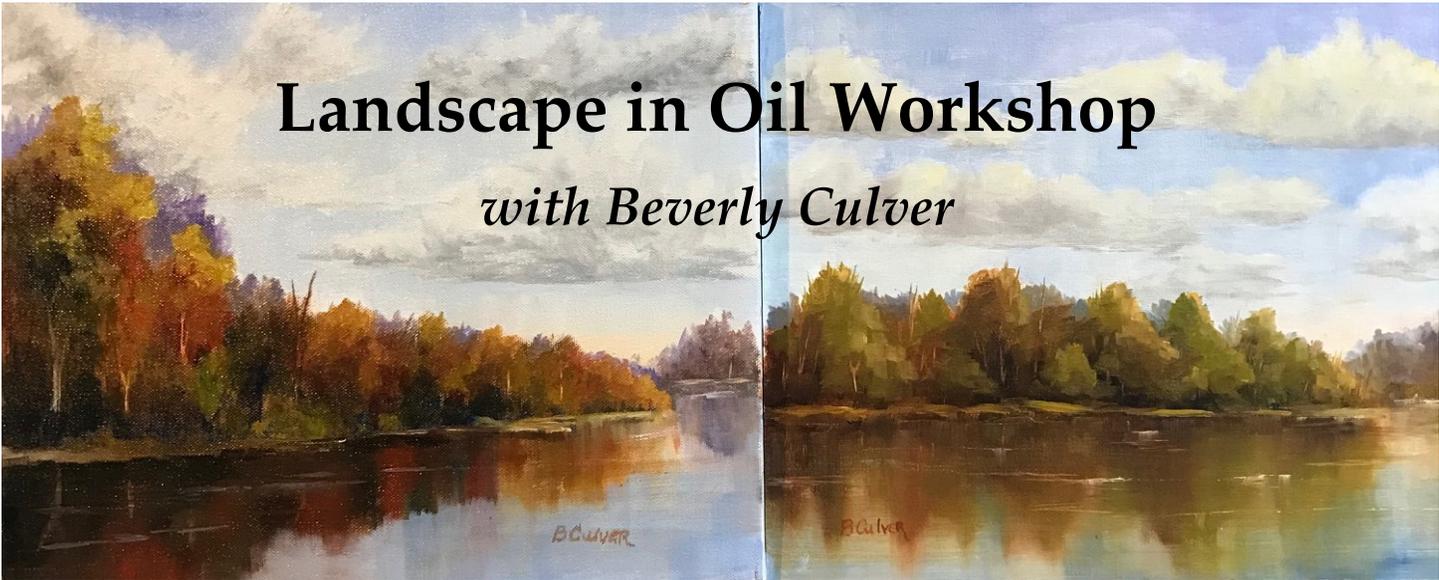
bowl per person made by Paul for students to glaze and fire.  
Contact Paul if you plan to attend. Sign up soon - Limited spots!



*Have fun making bowls, platters, mugs, sculptures and more!*



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(Park behind Arts Center for Pottery Classes)  
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[www.facebook.com/rcac.ga](http://www.facebook.com/rcac.ga)



# Landscape in Oil Workshop

*with Beverly Culver*

Want to learn more about oils and come home with a beautiful landscape featuring trees, water and clouds of the Coosa River in Rome, GA, then sign up for this fun workshop taught by local artist, Beverly Culver.

**DATE: Saturday, September 26, 2020**

**TIME: 10:00 am - 1:00 pm**

**PRICE: \$20 or \$25** if we furnish supplies

## To Sign Up:

Call or text Beverly at 770-289-1837  
or call RCAC at 770-684-2707

## Supply List:

- Alizarin Crimson\*
- Cadmium Red\*
- Cadmium Yellow\*
- Ultramarine Blue\*
- Titanium White\*
- Optional colors:*
- Lemon Yellow
- Transparent Red Oxide or Burnt Sienna
- Preferably artist grade paints or
- Winton student grade oils
- Gamsol
- Mask
- Palette and palette knife
- Assorted brushes, bristles and synthetics
- 11x 14 canvas
- Paper towels
- An enthusiastic attitude!

## Beverly Culver's Short Bio:

After being told at an early age that I had little or no artistic talent, it was years before I had the courage to pick up a brush. Only after my late brother-in-law challenged me to take a one day workshop featuring the William Alexander method (Bob Ross' mentor), did I begin painting. Years later, I decided to take my painting to another level and began studying with local artists Ann Cockerill and Gary Baughman. Workshops from several well known landscape artists such as Cindy Baron, Chris Groves, Kathy Odom and Amanda Lovett (to name a few) have opened my eyes to new ideas and given me the courage to expand my knowledge of painting. As with most artists, I'm always learning and experimenting with my paintings.



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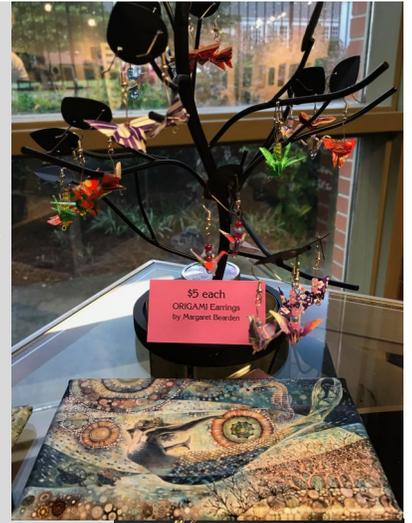
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## Support LOCAL Artists & Businesses

RCAC's year round Gift Shop has many special handmade items in a variety of price ranges made by artists in our NW Georgia community. Please support your LOCAL artists and businesses during this time.



We have paintings, prints, photographs, notecards, pottery, jewelry, wood turned bowls and pens, gourd baskets, crocheted toys, ornaments, wine bottle stoppers, fused glass plates, bird houses and more!



## 2021 RCAC Art Exhibits

January – mid March

*Juried Art Exhibit* - Artist's Choice – **Open to all**

Mid-March – April – *RHS Art Exhibit & RHS Gala*

May – June – *In Bloom Flower Exhibit* – **Open to all**

July – August – *Wood Carver/Wood Turner Exhibit* Invitational

Sept – October – *Scott Foxx Solo Exhibit*

November – December

*Susan Waters' O Holy Night Exhibit* - Back by popular demand

Call, stop by the gallery or check our website Call to Artist page for details on entering shows, deadlines, etc.

## Discover the ART in RockmART!



### RCAC 2020

- Peggy Cline - Director
- RCAC Advisory Board
- Jeff Ellis - City Manager
- Bruce Bell – City Liaison
- Cathy Matthews – Business Liaison
- James Hill - Visual Arts
- Margaret Jacobs – Performing Arts
- Margaret Bearden – Education
- Debbie Ross – Literary Arts

## Support the ARTS in RockmART!

**MANY Thanks to everyone on our Board and to all our Members, Volunteers and Friends!**

# Rockmart Cultural Art Center 2020



## Upcoming Art Exhibits Calendar



**“Susan Gore Gardner: 40 Years of Art” August 13 – October 15, 2020**  
**Reception: Saturday, August 29, 2020 4-7 pm**



**RCAC Fall 2020  
Hall Art Exhibit  
“Linda Lanham:  
The Ocean Lady”**



**Oct. 22 – Dec. 24, 2020  
“Angels Among Us”  
Art Exhibit  
Reception: Sat., Nov. 14, 2020  
4-7 pm**  
Variety of mediums accepted  
Open to all artists  
(Artwork of angels or  
angels in our community)  
Artists email up to 3 .jpg image  
submissions by **October 3, 2020**  
to [rcac@rockmart-ga.gov](mailto:rcac@rockmart-ga.gov)

## Upcoming Performances at The Rockmart Theatre

**October - RHS Play - TBA**

**October 24 - GA Cancer Support Concert - 7pm**  
*with Rex Garner and Julie Bell*

**December - RHS Christmas Concert - TBA**

**January Elvis Lives On - 7pm**  
*with Bill Brooks and Friends*

**Check Facebook and Marquee for updates**

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### Gallery & Gift Shop hours:

Tuesday 1-7pm, Wednesday 10-4, Thursday 10-4, Saturday 10-4  
(closed Sunday, Monday and Friday)

# THANK You to our RockmArt Patrons

*January - July 2020*

## Executive

City of Rockmart      Georgia Council for the Arts

## Friend

Jeff Ellis      Sherman and Debbie Ross

## Angel

Beverly Albea	Peggy and Ron Cline	Carol and Steve Crook
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Hunter Albea	Peri Aplin	Elda Arias	Mary Lou Bailey-Funk	Cindy Barrow
Gary Baughman	Carol Bolgrin	Kathy Borchelt	Carsen Bottoms	Darby Chism
Judy Cooper	Paul Craighead	Beverly Culver	Jimmy Dinger	Wendy Herubin
Heidi Hunt	Cathy Holzclaw	Diane Kostelnik	Donna Leonard	Manami Lingerfelt
Ruth Simon McRae	Laurenthia Mesh	Rhonda Milhalik	Merari Morales	Karla Ramos
Laura Robinson	Joey Seale	Lee Simpkins	Mike Strickland	Don Tate
Carol Violanda	Debra Wade-Eulau	Patty Ward	George Anna Watson	Susan Waters

Please mail or drop off your membership to be included in our next newsletter.



# Volunteers & Donations



The following time and talents were donated during between April - July 2020 for Arts Programming as well as donations to the Rockmart Cultural Arts Center and The Rockmart Theatre.

- Mitsubishi LCD Projector donated by Anita Kennerley
  - Research on projector and testing it etc. by Mike Strickland
  - Artograph stand donated by Gary Baughman
  - Wooden table donated by Peggy Cline
  - Bottle tops donated by Rosi Scheel and Jane Biggars
  - Juried Art Exhibit hung at gallery by James Hill, Paul Craighead, Patty and Steve Ward, and Lee Simpkins
  - Help setting up and cleaning at Juried Art Show Reception by Cathy Matthews, Patty and Steve Ward, Elizabeth Mobley, Paul Craighead and James Hill
  - Watching Gallery by James Hill, Lee Simpkins, Cathy Matthews, Patty Ward and Mike Strickland
  - Cleaning Arts Center by Stephanie Day and Kyle Garcia
  - Art supplies, polymer clay, paper, paint, etc. by Peggy Cline and Margaret Bearden
  - Art camp help by Kelsey Motes, Caroline Motes, Kyle Garcia and Kinsey Welchel
  - Artwork donated for our People's Choice awards by Kristain Branham and Margie Monde
  - Juried Show ribbons and name tags made by Kiki Alexander
  - Food, flowers and balloons for reception donated by Peggy Cline
  - Art magazines donated by Erin Hanson
  - Art supplies, paper, frames, paint, photos, easels etc. from Ann Wilson's family
  - Clean up work at the Theatre by Margaret Jacobs and Rex Garner
- Thank you for your donations and support!***

## RCAC Membership 2020

Your Membership helps fund our Programs, Events, Theatre, Gallery, Receptions, Chorus, Classes, Camps and Scholarship. ***Thank you!***  
**Help keep the ARTS Alive in RockmART!**

<b>Patron</b>	<b>Angel</b>	<b>Corporate</b>
\$25 - Senior/Student	\$100 - \$249	\$250 - \$499 - Friend
\$30 - Individual		\$500 - \$999 - Leader
\$50 - Family		\$1,000 + - Executive



**We appreciate  
your continued support  
of the ARTS  
in RockmART!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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New Member     Renewal    Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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