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ARTScene

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the election of our new President, Melody Davis. Melody takes over this position effective immediately following the resignation of Bess Cuipak. Unfortunately, this transition is occurring at a time of serious financial difficulty for BRAC.

We very much appreciate your membership, help and tax-deductible donations. Please encourage your friends to join or re-join BRAC. We are the only non-profit Art Center in Oconee County offering wonderful shows in our Gallery and an extensive list of classes in our studios.

Please view our new website for a complete list of activities at: www.blueridgeartscenter.com

“RECESSION PROOF”

The 21st OPEN JURIED EXHIBIT

January 20th, – March 1, 2012:

The Blue Ridge Arts Council invites all 2D and 3D artists residing in the region to enter the 2012 Juried Show. This is our most prestigious exhibit of the year and is open to all artists. There is no limit of age, sex or qualification, with or without experience of public or private exhibition. Works that are juried into the show will be on exhibit in the BRAC gallery.

Works that are not included in the juried show may be on display in the “Salon” exhibit hosted by the Seneca Woman’s Club at the Historic Ballenger House, 212 East South Third Street, Seneca, SC. This sister exhibit will open and run simultaneously with the juried show.

Mr. Brian Lang, Curator of Decorative Arts at the Columbia Museum of Art in Columbia, SC. will serve as our juror. Awards will include Best of Show; 1st Place 2-D and 1st Place 3-D, along with merit awards and one-person art exhibits at partnering locations.

Opening receptions will be held at both locations on Friday, January 20, 5:30-8:30 p.m. during the Seneca Downtown Go ‘Round.

Call for Entries is available on our web site at www.blueridgeartscenter.com or can be picked up at the office.

January 12– February 10, 2012

Pickens & Oconee Student Show at Duke’s World of Energy. In partnership with the School District of Oconee County, School District of Pickens County and Duke Energy we are proud to present the annual exhibit of artwork produced by both students and teachers in grades K-12. The exhibit will be displayed at the World of Energy during normal operating hours. Beverages and cookies will be provided during the opening reception which will be held on Thursday, January 12, 5:30-8:30pm.

TRANSITIONS Continued Exhibition

2011 ANNUAL MEMBERS SHOW 2011 - through January 5, 2012:

The Blue Ridge Arts Council is proud to showcase the impressive talent of 49 member artists in our annual members show. The show includes 2-D and 3-D works of arts such as paintings, drawings, collage, photography, print-making, ceramics, sculpture, jewelry, and fine craft.

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Announcing the 2012 Benefit for BRAC



February 18th, 2012

a wine tasting,
silent auction
& benefit for

the
Blue Ridge Arts Center

Look for more information on the website and in the Daily Journal

“Give the Gift for Art”

The Perfect Gift

BRAC is offering gift certificates for memberships and classes at deep discounted rates of 25% off the normal prices. Certificates are available to both members and non-members.

Education Events Calendar

Adult Classes

Drawing Classes - Returning in January.

Thursdays 4-5:30pm; Instructor: Fred Edgerton; Cost: \$50.

Figure Drawing - Basic gesture drawing with a study of anatomy, perspective, movement and posture. Mondays: January 9, 16, 23, 30th and February 6 & 13th. Time: 6-7:30 pm Instructor: Melody Davis Cost: \$50.

Ceramic Classes are here in January 2012!!!!

Beginning on Wednesdays: January 11, 18, 25, and February 1. Time: 12-2pm (4 weeks). Instructor: Cynthia Jones Cost \$70 (includes clay & glazes).

Ceramic Open Studio (no instructor) Saturday, January 14, 21, & 28. Each session \$8.



Children’s Classes

Kinder Class - Ages 4 to 6: Tuesdays; January 10, 17, 24, & 31. Time: 4-5pm. Instructor: Lisa Kiser. Cost \$40. Many new lessons in all art principles.

Wednesday Drawing with Children - Ages 8 to 10: January 4, 11, 18, & 25. Time 4-5pm. Instructor: Lisa Kiser. Cost \$40.

Teen Ceramic Class - Begins Tuesday, January 10, 4 sessions for \$45. Time: 4 - 5pm. Dates: January 10, 17, 24, & 31. Open studio option is available for this class with advance registration. Additional cost is \$8.

Workshops for All ages

Painting with Pastel - January 21, 10am - 4pm. Bring a bag lunch. Cost: \$75. Call office for supply list. Instructor: Cynthia Jones.

Wet Felting with Karen Shobe - January 14, 12-3pm. Cost \$50, supplies included.

Sumi Brush Painting - January 27 & 28; Time: 2-4pm. Instructor: Julie Casil. Cost: \$40, Supplies included.

Making Color Work for You Workshop - Two-Day Workshop for Adults With Jane Todd Butcher. Date: Friday & Saturday, February 3 & 4. Time: 10am-2pm. Cost: \$85. Introductory workshop. Supply list is available. Students should bring a bag lunch.

Information and registration on all our new and exciting activity can be obtained by phoning the office at 864-882-2722 or emailing: office@blueridgeartscenter.com or edu@blueridgeartscenter.com