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SPRING Show • Sale & Silent Auction

Vancouver United
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Vancouver, WA 98665

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Art Pickup Sat. 5-6pm

May
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SWA General Meeting
and Demo

Stand by for further details

From Our President

Rick Jones, President

April is the fourth month of year, and a month many consider one of the best months of the year. It's very transitional, and never boring. Its spring, and fools and taxes aside April really is a gateway month. We are blessed in the Northwest to have some of the loveliest springs, with the knowledge that summer is just around the corner.



We are also in the middle of our annual Spring Show, held this year at the United Church of Christ. Due to the size of our shows, a large venue is always preferred, but there are few such venues locally. Over the past two years, we have been fortunate to work with The Cave Gallery on hosting our shows, but there are limitations as to the number of entries that can be highlighted in any one gallery, as wall and floor space is limited. By holding our shows in a venue that can accommodate 150-200 pieces of art, we are presenting all of the artwork submitted by our members, and not limiting the presentation to the juried entries. We have also dropped the virtual presentation due to costs, and time constraints, but may revisit that feature down the road. There is always room for volunteers so if you are interested get in touch and we'll find a spot for your talents.

SWA is also very pleased to welcome twelve new members since March: Marie Wise, Connie Schuh, Spring James, Jessica Peters, Deborah Nagano, Richard Britschgi, Tamara Dinius, Nancy Higgins, Justis Curtis, Terri Van Matre, Mary Lynn Gough, Jennie Keller, and Margaret Phelan.

While on the subject of galleries, Pam Richie-Curtis (Member at Large, SWA Board) is the owner of Belle Flower Farms, and has provided floral arrangements for not only our shows, but to local galleries. As a result, The Cave Gallery came up with 'Verdant', an exhibit inspired by the monthly bouquets delivered to the gallery by Belle Flower Farms. It's a clever and interesting exhibit. For more information please check out the 'Speaking Of' column nearby. The show runs through April 30th.

If you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please email info@swavancouver.com Put in the subject line, what it is referring to and it will be forwarded to the right person. We look forward to hearing from you.

Society of Washington ARTISTS

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| MEMBER-AT-LARGE: | Katey Sandy |

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| FALL SHOW COORDINATOR: | Allan Oliver |
| PROGRAM AND WORKSHOP COORDINATOR: | Pam Richey-Curtis |
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| NEWSLETTER COORDINATOR: | Laura Pritchard & Elaine Pawski |



You can find SWA on Facebook & Instagram!

Click on the logos above or search Society of Washington Artists or @SocietyofWashingtonArtists

Speaking of: Pam Richey-Curtis

Pam Richey-Curtis is a long standing SWA member sitting on the Executive Board and heading up the Programs, Workshops, and venue committee. Pam is a local artist and the proprietor of Belle Flower Farm the supplier of those wonderful bouquets and arrangements we see at our shows and the Cave Gallery. Pam's artistic talents were the inspiration for this month's exhibition at The Cave Gallery inspired by Belle Flower Farms showcasing plant matter. "All things natural will change with time, and we will observe these changes during the month of April." The show will run through April 30th, 10am – 4pm Tuesday through Saturday.



Belle Flower Farms hosts art workshops including a watercolor workshop May 6th (Bubbles and Blooms) and an Open Studio event on May 7th featuring another SWA member Sarah Lynn Hunter.

Now a little bit about Pam in her own words:

"I've always considered myself a worker bee buzzing around "Nature". From my time at what is now Portland Art Institute, I have enjoyed the hum of production—creating from behind the scenes. In the early years of my career I worked as a display artist, caterer, florist & merchandiser. During the whirl of raising our two sons, I continued to gather experiences that allowed for personal & professional growth—nurturing a passion for gardening, developing a successful Art Adventure program for Felida Elementary, annual Family Arts Nights, styling & florals for weddings & corporate events, writing articles showcasing local artists for an area magazine & sitting on the boards of SWA & CAN as Program Chair. I feel blessed to see the culmination of garnered skills & the support of those around me to see Belle Flower Farm a floral design & art workshop business become a reality. My favorite forms of medium are clay—as a functional potter, watercolor & ink, and pastels. I also consider my floral design work & garden design to be a three dimensional art form".

(Pam can be contacted through her website: Belle Flower Farm www.belleflower.farm.) under their belt, they've shown many both 2D and 3D artists. You can learn more about the AN/T gallery on its [website](http://www.belleflower.farm). Belle Flower Farm www.belleflower.farm.)





Bring your new and gently used art supplies to donate/trade with fellow creatives.

Drop off what you don't want and take anything you want on the swap tables. We all want cool stuff but we ask you only take what you think you will genuinely use

You can drop off items the morning of May 6, 2022 at 10 am, if needed.

For more information visit: kindredhomesteadsupply.com

Questions? Email: molly@kindredhomesteadsupply.com

First Friday, May 6, 2022
2:00 - 8:00 pm



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606 Main St
Vancouver WA 98660
The swap will be held in the basement
(360) 719-2745



April 27–30

2022 Spring Art Show

United Church of Christ
1220 NE 68th St,
Vancouver, WA 9866

Registration is
open till April 15 or
when 200 pieces have
been entered.

[swavancouver.com/
springshow2022](http://swavancouver.com/springshow2022)



Volunteers Still Needed!

You can win a \$100 Blicks Artist Materials coupon by volunteering for the show. 2 winners will be chosen by random drawing from member volunteers!

Preparation for the show is well underway with just a few more volunteers needed to round out the team. We could use volunteers to be at the show, greeters, screeners, and runners for the Monday take-in. Signing up for half a day would be a real help. We could also use a couple more volunteers to help with the tear-down and clean up on Saturday.

The Spring Show opens at 12 noon April 27–29 and closes at 7:00 pm each evening except on the 29th when we wrap up at 8:00 pm. On the final day, April 30th, the show opens at 10:00 am and closes at 5:00 pm, at which time art pick up begins. Tear down on the 30th begins at 6:00 pm. Stay tuned for updates as they develop. This requires a good deal of coordination and fortunately SWA has members that can do this in their sleep. However, as the saying goes; "Many hands make light work" and we are always looking for additional members to step up and help out. If you are interested please contact us at: president@swavancouver.com or edmon1939@gmail.com.

Silent Auction

Don't forget to browse and bid at our Spring Art Show Silent Auction. Bidding opens with the show on April 27th, 12 pm

and closes Friday April 29th at 6 pm. If your bid wins an item you can pick it up Fri between 7 and 8 pm or Saturday.

Thanks to our members and corporate donors, we have something for everyone. From child's art basket, to professional art supplies in several mediums, gift certificates, wine in a decorated box, hanging flower basket, and more, there is sure to be something you might get at a bargain.

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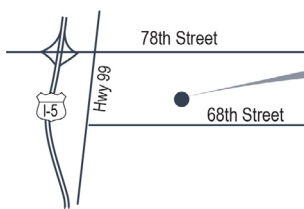
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Joan Giddings-Turley



Debbie Tracy



Denise Clark

CALL TO ARTISTS

Art at the Cave

<https://artatthecave.com/open-calls-1>

May: Abstract Realities. Entry deadline is April 17, accepted artists will be notified April 16.

59th Annual Festival of the Arts in Lake Oswego

<https://www.lakewood-center.org/pages/Artists-Vision-call-for-entry-2022>

REemergence wants to give a voice to artists after two years of pandemic instability.

Submit your work by April 12th for your chance to be included in this exhibit!

Southwest Washington Watercolor Society

<https://swswwatercolor.org/2022/01/10/spring-exhibition-2022/>

SWWS Spring Exhibition, "Nature's Gifts" will be at the Ridgefield Public Library, April 9-29th, 2022. There is an open call to all artists from Clark, Pacific, Skamania, Cowlitz, Lewis, Klickitat, Wahkiakum counties.

Registration is open through March 22.

Art take in is April 9, 10-1.

2022 Washougal Art Festival

www.washougalarts.org

The 2022 Washougal Art Festival will be held on Saturday, August 13 at Reflection Plaza in downtown Washougal, Washington. Festival and entry information is available for artists on the WACA website at www.washougalarts.org. The entry deadline is May 1, 2022.



ART SHOWS AND MORE!

Current Exhibitions

Art at the Cave Gallery.

April 2022:

Verdant: Alive and Vibrant Art Exhibit

Opening First Friday, April 1, continues through April 29

May 2022:

Abstract Realities

Art on the Boulevard

April 1 through May 28

"Finding Peace" Tracy Leagjeld - Solo Show Opening reception First Friday April 1st, 5-8 pm

Oregon Society of Artists

April: Photography Showcase

May: OSA Student, Instructors, and Volunteers Art Show

Gallery Hours: M-F 10-4 and Saturday 1-4.

Also online at OSAGallery.org.

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Watercolor Society Spring Exhibition

April 9-10 - April 29, 6pm Ridgefield Community Library, 210 N Main Ave, Ridgefield, WA 9864

Washougal Studio Artists Tour-

May 8th and 9th, 10am - 4pm, Self Guided Studio Artist Tour, 18 artists at 9 studios. For more info go to www.washougalstudioartists.org

Kalama Artists and Makers Association (KAMA)

Member only art show and sale. Friday May 6, 8am-4pm, Saturday May 7, 8am - 2pm Peter D. Toteff Memorial Park, 175 S. 1st St Kalama, WA, right off I-5 exit 30

Something you'd like to see in the newsletter?

email: info@swavancouver.com

Please put in the subject line Newsletter. We appreciate your submissions about galleries, art events, or anything that might be of interest to our members.

CLASSES

Spring is a great time to develop your skills or try something new by taking a class. There are so many options: local in person classes, online classes where you can join from anywhere, or just watching demos and following tutorials online.

A Painterly Approach to Procreate Oregon Society of Artists

Elaine Pawski, Instructor

For more info and to register

<https://public.osartists.org/public/adultclasses>

Whether you are interested in digital painting as an end result or as a tool for sketching, preplanning and troubleshooting your traditional media paintings, this class will help make your iPad an important art tool. We will be working mainly in Procreate, but I encourage discussion and exploration of other digital programs as well. Procreate is a very powerful, yet very affordable (\$10) program. Each week we will tackle a different painting project which helps build your painting skills, your Procreate knowledge, and your creative approach to painting.

Watercolor Techniques Clark College Continuing Education

Diana Thewlis, Instructor

For more info and to register

<https://www.campusce.net/clark/Course/Course.aspx?c=5419>

April 4 through June 13, 2022. New and returning students will enjoy learning further aspects of this unique medium including more on the specific properties of the watercolor paints, brushes, and papers. Composition will be emphasized. There will be assigned projects with some specific subject matter, but students can feel free to pursue their own projects. Weekly demos and critiques, and individual assistance will help you express your creativity in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere. Recommended: a beginning watercolor class or some experience with watercolor.

Winslow Art Center online courses, Technique Takeaways and free weekly Art Talks

For information and schedules, visit [winslowartcenter.com](https://www.winslowartcenter.com)

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