



Southern Saratoga Art Society

A Society for the Appreciation of the Visual Arts

Newsletter

December 2018 and January 2019

P.O. Box 1536, Clifton Park, NY 12065

President's Message

**Now that we are a Not For Profit,
what's next?**

Hope everyone had a nice Hanukkah and Christmas. Looking forward to new board members and an exciting new year with SSAS, planning new venues and new workshops.

Remember no meetings in January and February, we will see you in March, have a terrific winter.

Cheers,

- Richard Kitchen

Board Elections were held in November

Elections to the SSAS Board of Directors were held at our November meeting, unanimously re-elected the current officers as well as three new board members: Rita Helie, Jane Morrison and Valerie Woodward. We have a great team!

Holiday Luncheon was held at Vista Restaurant

Thank you for joining us for the Holiday luncheon on December 10th. It was a great opportunity to get to know each other and spread some holiday cheer.

An Amazing Year for SSAS

SSAS became an incorporated non-profit organization in New York State. We now have ten venues displaying our artists works in the community. We are looking forward to a great new year!



OUR MISSION

To encourage the development of art and to make the community of Southern Saratoga County more aware of visual arts

Holiday Party
Photography by
Richard Kitchen

SSAS EXHIBITS

Burnt Hills Public Library

November/December - Frank Coletta,
Mary Fekete, Richard Kitchen, Jack
Morgan, Jean Skanes, Joan Van Alphen

Catskill Hudson Bank

Halfmoon Branch

November/December - Eva Loucks
January/February - Jane Morrison
March/April - Carol Winterton

Malta Branch

November/December - Virginia Harrison
January/February - Allison Croote
March/April - Jane Morrison

Clifton Park Senior Center

January - Frank Coletta
February - Maria Tsai
March - Jean Skanes and her father
James P. Jameson

Glen Eddy Senior Living Comm.

Contact Sherry Walkup 518-381-8959 if
you are interested in this venue.
February/March - Frank Coletta
April/May - Joan Van Alphen

Mechanicville Library

November/December - Joan Van Alphen
January/February - Jean Skanes
March/April - Eva Marie Loucks

MochaLisa Caffe

November/December - Pat Wade and
Rebecca Jenkins

NBT Bank of Clifton Park

November/December - Diane Staudinger
January/February - Bill Daisak

Zion Lutheran Church

November/December - Maria Tsai
January/February - Frank Coletta
March/April - Eva Marie Loucks

MARK YOUR CALENDAR 2019 Dates!

Program Schedule

SSAS Meetings are usually held the 4th Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m.
at the Clifton Park Senior Community Center.

January: No Meeting

February: No Meeting

March 25: "Show and Tell" - Bring in a piece of new artwork or a work
in progress for a gentle critique and encouragement

April 22: Karen Woodin, oil painting demonstration

May 28: Tom Ryan, watercolor demonstration

June: Demo - To Be announced

July: SSAS Annual Picnic

August: Demo - To Be announced

September: Demo - To Be announced

October: Autumn Jewels Reception

November: Board Elections and Themed Show "Local Scenes - People/
Places/Things"

December: Holiday Luncheon at Vista Restaurant

Venue Contacts

For specific venues contact the following board members:

Frank Coletta: Clifton Park Senior
Community Center Gallery, Zion
Lutheran Church in Schenectady

Richard Kitchen: MochaLisa's Caffe

Judy Loucks: Waterford Library

Jack Morgan: Burnt Hills Public
Library

Jane Morrison: Mechanicville Library

Jean Skanes: Catskill Hudson Bank -
Malta Branch

Bill Staudinger: NBT Bank

Pat Wade: Catskill Hudson Bank -
Halfmoon Branch

Sherry Walkup (518-381-8959):
Glen Eddy Senior Living Community
in Niskayuna

SSAS is acquiring more and more venues. Artists who are interested in
displaying their works, please contact Pat Wade or Frank Coletta to be
added to the notification list.

Volunteers Needed, as we secure more venues. We need help
coordinating the listing of sites. Interested in helping? Contact Jean
Skanes (Jean.skanes@gmail.com)

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Eva Marie Loucks

Annual Dues

SSAS membership fee for 2019 is \$30 for adults and \$15 for students and is due January 1st. Visit our website for an application or fill out and mail in page 4 of this newsletter with payment. Please mail your dues to Southern Saratoga Art Society, PO Box 1536, Clifton Park, NY 12065.

Sunshine Club

The SSAS Sunshine Club sends flowers/letters/offers of support to SSAS members experiencing an illness, a death in the family, or undergoing other hard circumstances. Please contact coordinator Sherry Walkup (518-381-8959) if you know of someone in need.

Need Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help coordinate exhibits at potentially new venues. Please contact Jean Skanes (914-260-2587) or Pat Wade (518-877-4846) if you are interested.

The Hyde Collection

161 Warren Street, Glens Falls, NY 12802

**Enjoy free admissions on the Second Sunday of each month and
Wednesdays for Seniors 60+.**

Also check your local library for museum passes.

The Clark Art Institute

225 South Street, Williamstown, MA 01267

**Enjoy free admission on the first Sunday of the month from
October to May.**

Free admission is available to members of nearby libraries.

Call your local library for more information.

Board Meetings

The Board meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:00. If anyone has something they wish added to the agenda contact Richard Kitchen.

Visit our website for all the latest news and information:

www.southernsaratogaartist.com

Become a Member

Membership is open to any individual actively engaged in the production of art and to other persons interested in supporting and participating in the activities of the Society as art patrons.

Membership cost for 2019 is \$30 for adults and \$15 for students. Visit our website for an application or fill out and mail in this page with payment.

Monthly meetings are usually held on the fourth Monday of each month at 6:30pm at the Clifton Park Senior Community Center, 6 Clifton Common Ct., Clifton Park, 12065.



Artwork by Albina Walsh

Membership Benefits

Monthly Meetings

SSAS meets monthly and offers demonstrations by professional artists as well as opportunities to network and share ideas with fellow art enthusiasts.

Member Art Shows and Art About Town

Ongoing shows include the Autumn Jewels Exhibit, which features awards and cash prizes, and the annual Theme Show. SSAS also organizes and conducts art shows and displays at local businesses as well as public buildings such as libraries, churches and community centers. SSAS artists currently exhibit at nine venues free of charge with no commissions.

Workshops

Occasional workshops are presented by recognized, well known artists in a variety of mediums with discounted prices for members.

Website Gallery and Bulletin

The SSAS website provides information on meetings, shows and organization activities. The site includes a Gallery Page with a clickable link where artists can post their work and bios, and a Bulletin section featuring shows and exhibits of current members.

Newsletters

Monthly newsletters include artwork from SSAS shows and information on current and future meetings and activities.

Social Events

Seasonal events such as our summer picnic and holiday luncheon give SSAS members and guests an opportunity to interact on a social level and exchange thoughts and ideas.

Membership Form

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ Website _____

Please make your check (\$30 for adults, \$15 for students) payable to Southern Saratoga Art Society, and mail with this form to:

Southern Saratoga Art Society
PO Box 1536
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You may also sign up at a SSAS meeting or through our website www.southernsaratogaartist.com.