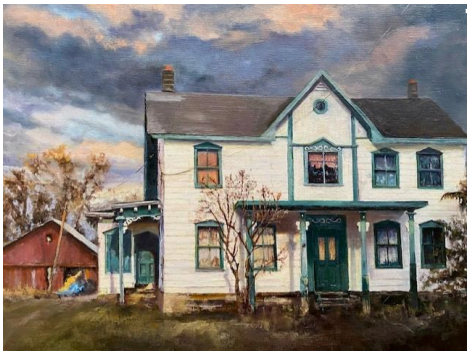
Southern Saratoga Art Society

A SOCIETY FOR THE APPRECIATION OF THE VISUAL ARTS

August 2026 News and Updates



Free Demo - Monday, August 24!

Please note - this demo will be at the Library

Lisa David - Composition Demonstration

Please join us on Monday, August 24 at the
Clifton Park - Halfmoon Library
475 Moe Rd, Clifton Park, NY 12065

Award winning local artist Lisa David will provide a short demonstration on the importance of composition in paintings, then will offer suggestions/critiques. Attendees are encouraged to bring in a painting or drawing. https://www.lisadavidart.com/

Social time begins at 6:00pm, demo starts at 6:30pm. Come early for refreshments and an opportunity to get to know your fellow artists!

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Autumn Jewels Show - October 2026

Reception - Monday, October 26 at 6:30 pm

The SSAS 29th Annual Autumn Jewels Show will be held from October 1 to October 30 at the Clifton Park Senior Community Center. The reception and award presentation will be held on Monday, October 26, at 6:30 pm. This is a judged show featuring cash prizes for artwork and photography. Entry is open to the public.

Acclaimed plein air artist George Van Hook will serve as judge this year. His beautiful paintings are primarily a visual response to the selected environment, be it landscape, figure or still life - a reflection of both the beauty of the world and the artist's most inner response.

Click here for the Entry Form!

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Official Entry form for the 29th Annual Show

Autumn Jewels Judged Art Show

Clifton Park Senior Center, 6 Clifton Common Blvd, Clifton Park, New York

October 1st to 31st, 2026

Reception: Monday, October 26th at 6:30 p.m.

ENTRY FEE: $20 members, $25 non members
Entry must be received by: 9/25/2026
Send Fee and Form to:
Southern Saratoga Art Society
P.O. Box 1536
Clifton Park, New York 12065

Artwork drop-off: Wednesday, September 30, from 4 - 5 p.m.

Artwork pickup: Friday, October 30th, from 3:30-5:00
If you are unable to pick up at the assigned time, contact Pat Posillico, Show Chairperson - pposillik@gmail.com.

Acceptable Artwork: Watercolors, Acrylics, Pastels, Oils, Mixed Media, Photography, and 3-dimensional framed artwork.

Size: No larger than 28 x 34 inches, including frame. All artwork must be properly wired for hanging; no alligator clips or easel frames.

Prizes: $100, $50, $25, Honorable mention ribbons, and $50 photography prizes will be awarded by this year's judge, George Van Hook.

Return this with your Entry Form

Name
Address:
Email:
Title
Medium
Price or NFS
Signature

Attach to the back of your Artwork

Name
Phone
Email
Title
Medium
Price or NFS

*** Liability: Every reasonable effort will be made to handle and store submitted works with care. Southern Saratoga Art Society and/or its agents will not be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur, regardless of the circumstances. They will accept no liability concerning the entry, acceptance or rejection of artwork or any other matters related to the show. Artists may choose to insure their work independently if they wish. All sales will be conducted privately between the artist and the purchaser. By submitting artwork, the submitter agrees to the conditions outlined above. Your signature on the entry form indicates you have read and agree to comply with these conditions.

For more details about the Southern Saratoga Art Society, please visit www.southernsaratogaartist.com

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Member Shows

SSAS Member Cheryl Jenks has an upcoming solo show:
Sacandaga Valley Arts Network Gallery
303 South Main Street, Northville, NY
Month of September
https://svanarts.org/visualarts

SSAS members - have an upcoming show? Email info@southernsaratogaartist.com and we will list it here.

SSAS Venues and Shows

Interested in the **Clifton Park Town Hall, Bella Lucia's** or any of the other venues listed below? Reply to this email or contact info@southernsaratogaartist.com and we will direct your email to the venue coordinators.

SSAS Sponsored Venues

Clifton Park Senior Community Center *(large space - books quickly)*
August/September: Rebecca Jenkins and Patricia Wade; October: Annual Autumn Jewels Show; November/December: SSAS Members' Themed Show - "Things with Wings"

Clifton Park Town Hall *(4 pieces of art - great venue for large works)*
August: Dave Mayack

Mechanicville Library *(large space - beautiful room)*
August/September: Maureen Kelly

Bella Lucia's (Clifton Park)
Currently showing: Dave Mayack, Maureen Kelly, Joan Van Alphen, Dolores Haberek

Please support your fellow members by visiting these exciting shows!

Annual Members Show

November and December at the Clifton Park Senior Center Gallery
The theme this year is "Thing with Wings" - lots of possibilities here! Birds, insects, airplanes, angels, mythical creatures - be creative!! Drop off time: Friday, October 30 from 3:30 to 5:00pm.

Contact info@southernsaratogaartist.com to reserve your spot!

Art in the Park

Saratoga Arts has invited SSAS members to participate in their Fall Art in the Park event on September 26 (rain date October 3) in Congress Park, Saratoga Springs. We only have a couple of spots left for artists in our booth. You must be present all day. Contact info@southernsaratogaartist.com if interested.
Click on the Artist Guidelines for more information.

2026 Program Schedule

Mark your calendars!!

All demos start with a social time at 6:00pm, followed by the demo at 6:30. All are welcome!

Monday, September 28: Gene Snowdyn – “Art of Framing” at the Blooming Artist Gallery. Join us at the Gallery frame shop where Gene will demonstrate proper matting and framing techniques using a variety of materials. The Blooming Artist Gallery, 675 Grooms Rd Suite 101, Clifton Park, NY

Monday, October 26: Autumn Jewels Show Reception. Autumn Jewels is SSAS’s annual juried show with cash prizes. Watch your email for the entry form. The show and reception are both open to the public. Clifton Park Senior Community Center, 6 Clifton Common Blvd, Clifton Park, NY

Monday, November 16: tbd

Website Art Gallery Page

Have you checked out our SSAS Website Art Gallery page lately? It's a great pace to display your artwork. It also provides a clickable link you can send to anyone who might be interested in seeing your work.

Please note that all artwork featured on Facebook and on our Instagram account comes from the gallery page. If you are already on the page, but have some new artwork, please submit it!

If you would like to submit artwork for the gallery page, please respond to this email or contact info@southernsaratogaartist.com. We will give you instructions about how to photograph your artwork and where to send it. This is a great benefit of your SSAS membership!

Feedback

We welcome your feedback on any of the above topics. Please reply to this email with your comments.

Visit our website for more information about upcoming demos and other news.
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