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### From the Director

Spring has been elusive this year, but I hope your spirit is renewed and ready for a productive and fun filled time with your friends at U4A.

This is the time of year to reevaluate our organization and make sure it is serving its members. For this we need your input, so please think carefully about what you would like from U4A. How can we serve YOUR purpose?

Meanwhile, don't forget to support our hard working volunteer committee members by responding to their requests. We still need a Recording Secretary for our meetings to relieve Evan who is carrying several other responsibilities.

It has been suggested that we repeat last year's event at our house in the South Mountains when Priscilla, Kathi, and I offered workshops. The weather collaborated because we could spill outside; but, most of all, I think the enjoyment was derived from just spending time together and getting to know each other a little better. So we are inviting you all again for Saturday, June 2. We welcome suggestions for the day.

How can we nourish the creative spirit in ourselves and celebrate being alive through art? Let's try to renew our childlike sense of curiosity, wonder, enthusiasm, and delight.

What is art but a way of seeing? (Saul Bellow)

"Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time." (Thomas Merton)

### 2018 Directors

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 Catawba Arts Council Rep. Priscilla Wallace  
 Caldwell Cty Arts Council Rep Meredith Janssen

### General Meeting Schedule

Date	Time	Location	Speaker
March 20, 2018	6:30 pm	Three Sisters Studio	Pat – Paper Making
April 17, 2018	6:30 pm	TBA	Meg – Eco dying
May 15, 2018	6:30 pm	TBA	
June 2, 2018	TBD	Katherine/Priscilla Studio	

## U4A Board - Minutes – Marth 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Members Present:** Bob, Meg, Peggy, Jim, Katherine, Pat, Evan, Margery

**Meeting called to order:** 5:08 pm

**Minutes of last meeting** – discussion and approval February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Motion Peggy

Second\_Pat

### Old Business

**Discussion:** Evan resigning as Sec'y. We need a designated secretary, should be an easy task for someone in general membership. Director will prepare and send out agenda to Board. We will solicit the membership for a new secretary. (No one responded at this meeting.)

### Reports:

**Director – Katherine** - Director asked that we focus on one item at a time in discussions so we can track minutes. Upcoming meetings/workshops: Araine glass, this meeting. Peggy suggested another visit to Priscilla and Katherine's studio. We (group) would provide all food, hosts will just host.

April: meeting at Three Sisters – Meg Manderson will present.

May: 3 meeting will be at HMA

Discussion on field trips, suggested that we have one – perhaps at daylily farm.

Discussion re whether every meeting should have a presentation. Social meetings are well accepted.

Margery proposed Margaret Carter Martine (Ferguson) – as a presenter on children's programs (Whippoorwill Academy). Possibly schedule for fall? Margery to arrange at a time convenient to Margaret.

Peggy compiling photos of members in order to set up and directory.

Pat suggested a meet and greet for members as well as an event to recruit new members ( wine and cheese, etc.), have it catered – suggested June. Jim and Meg work on advertising for the event.

Discussion on use of U4 funds to support teachers-schools. Use of U4A funds to schools for art supplies – not favorable.

HCAM – Melissa (teacher) Submit a request for supplies or things she might need.

**Treasurer – Margery** – See attached. \$10 of each membership for 2018 to Scholarship fund.

Motion: Bob, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Meg

**Exhibitions – Meg** – 2019- Morganton City Hall in June or July

Met with Elizabeth at Rock School.

Bob will check on show at Hickory City Hall

Meets Friday 3/23 to discuss final details for at Jailhouse Gallery (May 14-June 15) Reception TBA

Newton Conover Auditorium – need Jill's last name and contact number.

Caldwell Arts application – rejected.

**Newsletter – Evan** Call for Newsletter items This week. Evan will continue to do the Newsletter.

**Scholarship Fund - Pat** – we will discuss later in the year for scheduling a sale, auction, bake sale, etc.

Pat needs a committee: Bob, Ginny,

Small art show at TAA

**Publicity – Jim** – in touch with Focus (\$130 – 3 publications) perhaps do one for meet n’ greet; we have an ad that runs weekly in Focus but info is out of date. Jim sent Meg a draft for new announcement.

Need new brochure with mission, meeting place, etc. No officer information.

**Website – Evan / Heidi** – Website is now functioning. Evan will ensure Heidi has login information. Ready to update.

**City Liaison** – Bob, met with director of city library. Shared with him ongoing projects. Discussion re: project for benches which need repair and painting. Sarah Greene - City art project will be large sculptures for out doors. Display in front library not feasible but could go into a case.

**County Reports:** Jailhouse – sell small items

**Field Trips:** Irina not present.

**New Business:** Bringing refreshments for each meeting. Have two members bring per meeting. Susan and Pat will handle April meeting at Three Sisters.

**Meeting adjourned: 6:19 pm**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

▲ **U4A NOW ON FACEBOOK!** Members can also post art related info regarding upcoming events for Uni4artists as well as art events they are involved in or know of in the area. All posts will be moderated. The more we network the more our following grows.

## EVENTS

- ▲ **Meredith Janssen’s** work can be seen at Taste Full Beans in the Hickory Furniture Mart through April.
- ▲ **Pat Flachbart** will be participating in Art Uncorked show on Sunday May 5 at Belle Nicho Winery in Nebo NC. The hours for the show will be noon to 4pm . Come by and enjoy nice wine and art.
- ▲ **Trade Alley Art Members’** work on display at Atlanta Bread, collaboration with Hickory Museum of Art. [March 4<sup>th</sup> - May 6<sup>th</sup>](#)
- ▲ **Bob Dennis will have a show at Rock School**, Valdese in March. Reception will be March 11<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 4pm.
- ▲ **Full Circle Arts Spring Competition (My North Carolina)** with \$600 in prizes runs between Feb 22-24. The reception will be held March 8, 6:00-8:00 pm with prizes awarded. Judge for the show is Toni Carlton of Carlton Gallery, Banner Elk.
- ▲ **Tapestry Weavers South has a show at the Folk Art Center**, near Asheville on the Blue Ridge Parkway. "A Strand, a Shape, a Story" will be displayed until April 22. Genie Greenlaw is a member of this group and her latest piece is included in this show. The artists reception 3 to 5 Sunday, April 29, at the Folk Art Center on the Blue Ridge Parkway. I'll have a piece on display.
- ▲ **UNI4Artists at Burke Arts Council** – April to May 5. We will present a show at Jailhouse Gallery.
- ▲ **Reynolda House Museum of American Art** – Current show-[Frederic Church: A Painter's Pilgrimage](#)  
February 9, 2018 - May 13, 2018

## AWARD

- ▲ **Pat Flachbart** received the Stephens Family Scholarship. This award provides her with a week of instruction at Cheap Joes. She will participate a program by Joan Fullerton. Also included in this award is a sizable gift card from Cheap Joes.

**EXHIBITIONS/DATES:**

**UPCOMING:**

**Downtown Hickory Art Crawl Kick-Off, at Full Circle Arts, May 17**

**Trade Alley Art** will participate and support this year's Art Crawl

**Full Circle Arts** Members' "Alive Exhibition" at United Arts Council of Catawba County April-May

**Full Circle Art** Tiny Art Show, May 3 - June 2

**Exhibition: "Ekphrastica 2", March 1 – May 24**, Exhibition of visual art works and poems they inspire. Bethlehem Branch Library, 45 Rink Dam Road – Several Trade Alley Artists participating.



**Options, Inc. is pleased to announce  
The 11th ANNUAL ART OF CHOCOLATE  
The Burke Arts Council is happy to host the Artists' Reception.**

**Please join us Friday , April 27, 5 – 7PM.  
At The Burke Arts Council - Jailhouse Gallery**

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Get a first look at the artwork, generously donated by fine artists from across the region,  
all in support of Options' Domestic Violence Programs.  
Some of the artwork will have "buy-it-now" prices.

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**Beer, wine, and refreshments will be served.  
Artwork will be on display April 19 – May 1.  
Gallery Hours: Monday thru Friday: 10am – 4pm**

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*If you're an artist and would like to participate, please contact Laurie King [kinghut@juno.com](mailto:kinghut@juno.com) or call 438-9444 and Options staff will be happy to help.*

*Thank you so much for your support of Options from the Options Staff and Board of Directors*