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In Memory of Elizabeth Wilk



Oil paintings of Elizabeth Wilk from the collection of the Salmon River Fine Arts Center.

We are sad to say that one of our longtime members and friend of many, Elizabeth M. Wilk, passed away Saturday, May 21. She loved the arts and loved helping at the Salmon River Fine Arts Center. In fact, she faithfully came to the art center weekly for years to help with the gallery, as well as paint.

“Elizabeth was a joy to be around and had such a generous spirit,” says Patricia A. Tanner, former executive director and friend of Elizabeth. “She was one of the nicest, most beautiful people I knew and loved helping others.”

We are grateful to Elizabeth’s daughters and family for remembering and supporting the art center in Elizabeth’s memory. We are also grateful to those of you who have contributed memorial gifts in her honor. We are proud to carry Elizabeth’s legacy forward. You may read her [obituary here](#).

The Sunday Artist Show is up!



Best of Show: The Owl and the Treehouse, Digital and Cut Paper Collage by Beth Sotherden

Congratulations to the winners of the "Sunday Artists" Show & Competition and to everyone who participated this year. As this year's judge, Kristy Hoover, commented, it was a tough show to judge because there was so much quality and diverse work. The May 27th award presentation is still available on our [Facebook page](#) for those who missed it. This year there were only 24 different artists who submitted work for a total of 66 entries on display at the gallery. Cash prizes were awarded for exemplary artwork based on visual impact, originality, overall design and craftsmanship. Winners are as follows. A [gallery of the winning work is posted on our website](#):

Best of Show Beth Sotherden, *The Owl and the Treehouse*, Digital/Cut Paper Collage
Painting Category (Watercolor, Oil, Acrylic, Prints)

- 1st - Jeanne Lampson *Cedar Tree*, Watercolor
- 2nd- Lyn Bernatovich, *5 Orange Flowers*, Watercolor, Painting/Print
- 3rd - Dick Bushnell, *Early Flight*, Watercolor & Gouache

Mixed Media & Photography

- 1st - Marlene Roeder, *Fibonacci Flowers*, Mixed Media
- 2nd- Robert Poorman, *Falling Apart*, Mixed Media
- 3rd - Beth Sotherden, *A Gathering of Leaves*, Acrylic Collage,
- 3rd - Lyn Bernatovich, *Hammered Flowers & Leaves*, Mixed Media

3-D - Fine Craft

- 1st - Karen Allen, *Table for Two*, Assemblage
- 2nd- Theresa Mehaffy, *Fire and Ice*, Sterling, Copper & Gemstones
- 3rd - David A Robinson, *Vulture*, Acrylic & Rock

Drawing

- 1st - Marlene Roeder, *Sparkle & Splash*, Pen & Ink
- 2nd- Philip G. Lee, *The Race is On*, Pen & Ink
- 3rd - Marlene Roeder, *To Be or Not to Be*, Pen & Ink

Honorable Mentions:

- Kara Vrooman, *Haystack Rock*, Acrylic Painting
- Christine Angotti, *Angry Sky*, Photography
- Karen Allen *Hodge, Podge, Lodge*, Assemblage
- Diane Melnik, *Maple Tree*, Glass on Glass
- Billie Jo Peterson, *Raku Teapot*, Ceramics

Cast Your Vote! Please come in during open gallery hours view the show and cast your ballot for your favorite piece. A people's choice award will be given to an artist at the end of the show based on the results of these ballots.

We are grateful to our sponsor Edward Jones, specifically Kathryn Connell, the local financial advisor here in Pulaski, for her commitment to investing in the local community.

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Don't miss these next opportunities to Show Your Art...

Member Show: 7/14/22 - 8/27/22

Artist Deadline: 7/9/22

This show is free to all current members, one of the best perks of being a member, and a great opportunity to show and sell your work. Members have a second opportunity to show their work in the fall too! We do our best to show everything that is submitted, space permitting. See our [website](#) for more details

Hooked on the Salmon River

Juried Art Exhibition 9/9/22 - 10/22/22

Application Deadline 8/8/22

“Hooked on the Salmon River” is a themed exhibition that celebrates fishing and the beauty of the Salmon River. The exhibit is open to members and non members and was developed to feature work from the region’s fine artists inspired by this beautiful and swift-flowing river that runs through Pulaski. All styles and genres of fine art and fine craft will be accepted. See our [website](#) for more details

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Upcoming Classes



Extruded Vases

Two Saturday mornings:

June 11 (handbuilding) 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

June 18 (finishing and glazing) 10 - 12:30 pm

Instructor: Ann Buchau

Extruding clay is a fun and easy way to create these beautiful and sometimes whimsical vases! No experience is necessary. In this two-part class you will learn a variety of techniques to create and personalize your vase to reflect your own personal style. [Register and details here.](#)



Watercolor Landscapes

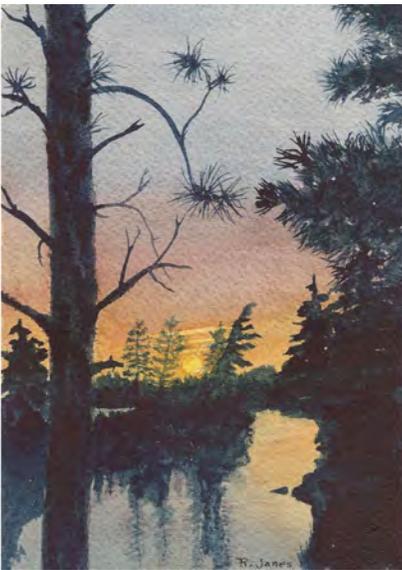
June 18, Saturday

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Instructor: Robert Jones

Ages: Adult

Whether you have experience with watercolor painting or not, you will love this class! Through demonstrations and individual, hands-on help, you will learn basic watercolor techniques and be guided through the steps to complete a finished 9 x 12 landscape painting. [Register and details here.](#)



Watercolor and India Ink Workshop

July 12, Tuesday

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

Instructor: Robert Jones

Explore watercolor and India ink in this exciting class! [Register and details here.](#)



Beginner Wheel Throwing New Session starts June 23!

Instructor: Marybeth Sorendo

Date: Thursdays, June 23, June 30, July 7, July 14, July 21

Time: 5:15 pm - 7:45 pm

Learn how to throw basic forms using the potter's wheel, or develop the skills you already have in this beginner level class. This class fills up quickly and is limited to five students. [Register and details here.](#)

Free Art Classes

We are so incredibly grateful to all our generous donors who continue to support our free art programs and also those who provide funding to allow us to offer other classes at highly discounted rates. Many thanks to the Pulaski Community Foundation, the John Ben Snow Foundation, the Shineman Foundation, the Chapman Drs. and so many of you! Thank you to all our members for keeping art alive and well in our community.

Free Senior Art Class every second and fourth Wednesday at Springbrook. Sign up sheets available at Springbrook.



Free virtual drawing class every Thursday evening 6 pm - 8 pm in the comfort of your own home! Free to anyone in the community as well as memes from afar! Simply email us to sign up.

Free Member Open Studio Thursday afternoons 1 - 3. Like to socialize and create art? If you are a member, feel free to bring what you are working on and gather in our upstairs 2-D studio to create with like minded people. Please keep in mind that there is no instruction provided. Just come and be inspired!

Free Art at the Farmers Market! Once again this year we invite you to bring the kids and join us in the park for free art projects every week. First session starts June 24.



Kids Summer Art Camps! Details coming soon!

We will be offering kids summer morning art camps. We are still trying to finalize a few details and hope to secure funding to be able to offer these camps at a discounted rate. Our plan is to offer six different art camps to choose from for ages 5 - 11 and ages 11 and up during the following weeks:

July 11 - 14

July 18 - 21

Aug 1 - 4

Aug 8 - 11

As soon as we receive confirmation of funding we will provide you with details!

Interested in volunteering?

Help us keep these art programs accessible to everyone. Be an assistant with a kids class, hang out in our beautiful gallery and engage with visitors, help with a show or a special task. You don't have to be an artist to keep art alive in our community. Contact our volunteer coordinator, Diane Melnik for more information.

And finally we leave you with this...

"The world always seems brighter when you've just made something that wasn't there before." -Neil Gaima

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