

MOUNTAIN REGIONAL ARTS & CRAFTS GUILD NEWSLETTER

March 2024

March Guild Meeting

Please join us for the March Guild member meeting, Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at 4pm at the Calvary Alliance Fellowship Hall, 1390 Highway 76 E, Hiawassee, GA 30546

Our speaker will be Jason Wade and his father, Richard. They both create 3D images on wood and stone.

They will have some of their beautiful work to show us.

Message from the President

Writers and composers suffer from writer's block at times. Artists can also experience moments when nothing seems to grab their attention or imagination or desire. So, there are periods of time when being artistic is just not happening. When I started scroll sawing there were patterns to follow and so I bought patterns that interested me. Then I became interested in designing some projects. And, there have been some times when I just could not even begin to entertain visions of a new shape.

I have a suggestion. I came across a video the other day that showed "string pulling art." This is a technique where you paint a surface with one color of acrylic paint, and then place strings dipped in different colors in random shapes on the painted surface and pull them to form some amazing shapes. Suddenly, I had some ideas for creating patterns in wood that could be cut on a scroll saw.

So, having a creativity block? Read about or look at other forms of art. Stroll through our store and look at what others are doing. Investigate some of the techniques that are used in the different art forms. There is a very good chance that your creative juices might just flow again.

See you soon, Larry Krewson, President

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<u>Artworks Artisan Center</u>

Artworks Artisan Center, is sponsored by the Mountain Regional Arts & Crafts Guild, a 501c3 corporation
Artworks Artisan Center is located at 243 Big Sky Drive, Hiawassee, GA
Phone: 706-896-0932 Website: mountainartscrafts.org
Hours are: April - December Tues - Sat, 10 am to 5pm AND January - March, Wed-Sat, 10am to 5pm

Upcoming Classes at Artworks Artisan Center

Artworks has lots of gifted instructors and fun, reasonably priced, classes. Classes are posted on our website, Facebook and Instagram pages. Please call Artworks to register for a class

Lucky Pottery Painting

Join Kari McCollough to paint either a mug or plate.

No experience necessary.

Wear a smock or work shirt.

Saturday, March 9, 2024, 10am to 12noon Class Fee: \$20, supply fee: \$10 due to instructor at class Class Size: 6 students



Easter Bunny Acrylic Painting

Join Barbara Keyes as she guides you step-by-step to paint these fun Easter bunnies. You will learn several acrylic painting skills. Wear a smock or work shirt.

Saturday, March 16, 2024, 1:00pm to 4:00pm

Class Fee: \$20.00, supply fee: \$10.00 (due to teacher at class)

Class Size: Limit to 10 students.

NOTE: Class will be held at Calvary Alliance Fellowship Hall, 1390 Highway 76 E, Hiawassee, GA 30546



Painting Watercolor Skies

Verlee Jones will teach you techniques to paint skies in watercolor. Please bring three pieces of 11 x 14, 140lb cold press watercolor paper. AND bring any photo of a sky scene you would like to paint.

Saturday, March 30, 2024, 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Class Fee: \$25.00 includes all supplies except watercolor paper as noted above

Class Size: Limit to 6 students.



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We will be redesigning Artworks gallery this month. Please stop by for a visit. We will have new items from guild members. If you are interested in selling your artwork at Artworks Artisan Center, please contact Pam Coste at board@mountainartscrafts.org. You can also download the Standards Guidelines from our website. There is no fee to join Artworks but you do need to be a member of the Guild. Yearly Guild membership is \$50. Per the Standards Guidelines your work will be reviewed the Jury Commitee. All items must be delivered to Artworks no later than the day before Jury Day. Upcoming dates are:

March 13 April 10 May 15 March 27 April 24 May 29

Interested in becoming a Guild member?

Come to a meeting to meet the Guild members. Bring your work, we would love to see it. We are a group of friendly, fun, kind and like-minded people. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 4pm at Calvary Alliance Fellowship Hall, 1390 Highway 76 E, Hiawassee, GA 30546 Applications are available on our website mountainartscrafts.org

Guild Sponsored Art and Craft Shows

Our summer show, Mountain Fling, will take place on June 15 and June 16, 2024 at the Union County AgriScience Center, Blairsville, GA. Vendor applications are available and can now be found on our website www.mountainartscrafts.org.

Deadline to apply is May 15, 2023.

Mistletoe Market, our show in November, was a great success at this new location and we believe Mountain Fling will be a great success as well. Lisa Burd, will be looking for help with various jobs. Please think about what you can do to help the Show Commitee. If you have an idea, please reach out to Lisa at board@mountainartscrafts.org. Vendor applications for Mistletoe Market will be open late June, 2024



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