

Meeting Agenda
January Membership Meeting
ALWCA
01.08.24 via Zoom/ in person
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In Attendance:

Kimberly H.
Misty G (she/her)
Elizabeth R. (she/her)
Millan G (she/her)
Amanda B.
Lucy H.
Tara S.
Sara G.
Anna Sue C.
Corinna N. (she/her)
Rachel L. (she/her)
Kami W.
Lexie A.
Janice H.
Rene T.
Lucy Julia H.
Taryn Chase J. (she/her)

*Zoom attendees: Drop your name and last initial with your pronouns for Elizabeth.
Please silence your phone.*

Welcome (Kimberly 6:03pm)

- April 1st at 6 pm at UAH will be our next membership meeting.
- Time to renew your membership.
- The next National WCA Board meeting is scheduled for Saturday, February 24. All members are invited to attend. TBD normally Noon EST
 - If you wish to receive a meeting link, please get in touch with Past President Laura Morrison at laura.morrison@nationalwca.org
- Welcome Rene Thompson - she is an interim Exhibition Chair of the **Feminine I**. Please get in touch with us at our email if you want to be more involved and learn new skills to help build your professional goals.
 - Rene is a new, full-time, Assistant Professor of Drawing and Painting at A&M who has chaired exhibition committees in the past and decided now is the time to return, who has exhibited nationally and internationally. Rene holds an MFA in Studio Art from UA and has a Certificate in Museum Studies.
- Welcome Tara Seagers, who will be curating Calm.
 - Tara joined ALWCA in October 2023, adjunct professor at two schools, and a printmaker who appreciates neon colors with an interest in learning more about exhibitions.
- Thanks to everyone who has signed up for Gather. If you haven't, please sign up at [Eventbrite](#) to help Anna Sue and Kami know the headcount. If you would like postcards to give to friends, let me know. We have two volunteers for [Gather](#).

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- I encourage you to meet with other members who live close to you, Meet & Greet, Show and Tell, or just a cup of coffee.

Treasurer's Report (Amanda)

- RFCU balance: \$2,712.38
 - +\$210 December member dues
 - -\$50 Intern Stipend
 - -\$97 Myth in Form travel
- PayPal balance: \$945.20
 - In process: Move funds to RFCU account (will leave \$50 cushion for emergency transactions)
- Total: \$3,657.58

Vice President (Rachel)

Helping with Exhibitions and Events

Birmingham Pod (Tara) - Her daughter was married today. Congratulations Tara!!

Pod report:

- A Bham spring or summer social is where she works. (Amanda brought up a great idea, but we've not discussed details).
- A possible exhibition opportunity is in the works.
- The quarterly Bham Pod update will be listed in the January newsletter.

Exhibitions (Rene Thompson/ Anna Sue C/ Kami W)

- Calm - free to all members - **Renee T**
Tara Seagers will be the guest curator! Yay!
 - Deadline - **Jan 12th**, midnight. Less than a week away!
 - Does not need to be new work
- A & M call for entry- free to all members - **Renee T**
 - Entry deadline will be the **31st of January**, - 2 and half weeks away
 - Google Doc submission. Phone photos accepted. Looking for what the works are/looks like. It does not have to be print-ready.
 - With a broad call description, this is an opportunity to show a piece of finished art, old or new, that you want to exhibit, Showcasing the diversity of ALWCA membership art forms and voices.
 - Please contact us if you have specific questions about display limitations.

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- One artwork submission per member. With a broad call description, this is an opportunity to show a piece of finished art, old or new, that you want to exhibit, Showcasing the diversity of ALWCA membership art forms and voices.
- Hanging the works during the 1st week of March.
- Closing Reception will be April 5th, with the exhibit ending on April 12th.
- Contact us at Alabamawca@gmail.com , DM on social media, or visit Anna Sue.
 - Especially if you have questions about the work you have thoughts about entering for this show.
- We are making arrangements to pick up the art for both calls at the end of February (24th) in B'ham
- ALWCA Gallery Wall
 - Sara Gevurtz -Disappearing Neighbors - 11/22/23 - 2/3/2023
 - She will be in Huntsville for the closing

Events (Anna Sue & Kami)

- Sunday-Jan 28th "Gathering Alabama Women in the Arts"
North Huntsville Public Library in the Community Room on 3011 Sparkman Drive NW
Huntsville, AL 35810
- Speakers:
 - Sara Garden Armstrong and Amy Jenkins
 - Please contact Alabamawca@gmail.com or visit Anna Sue with questions you would like addressed by these speakers.
- Bring an Art Book if you have one
- Please sign up at [Eventbrite](#).
[Volunteers](#) are needed; please sign up.
- WLRH advertising is happening for Gathering

Amanda & Misty - circle project

- The Alabama Chapter has the largest number of submissions so far (per the Calling meeting this morning). Way to go, everyone! Keep tagging @the6000circle_project with your creations!
- Sheila has shared files to create promotional stickers for events and gatherings:
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- 11/20 WCA Southeastern Regional Exhibition - the 6000 circle project
 - If following along on IG themes are occurring
 - Florida Chapter has approved a cross chapter (like carolinas) with exhibition - slated for first show of 2025
 - Looking into community sessions at libraries across town
 - Melinda contact at North Huntsville Library
 - Madison Library room reserved
 - 04/07/2024 from 2 pm - 4pm
 - Need volunteers to arrive early/stay late for room prep

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Membership Misty

Nov and Dec Renewals: 13

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Nov 2023

Renew: Heather Baumbach **New:** Stacy Tabb & Allison McElroy

Dec 2023

Renew: Sara Armstrong, Amita Bhakta, Sylvia Bowyer, Dariana Dervis, Tara Stallworth Lee, Misty Granade, Cindy Miller, Svetlana Nelson, Millian Giang Pham, Cynthia Wagner, Laura Walker, & Kim Ward **New:** Keyton Bonebreak & Savannah Burks

Communications - Updates from April & Kimberly

April

The newsletter needs info by the 15th of every month. Give her a heads up with Slack

Kimberly. Please sign up on Everbrite for the Gathering event: The Gather is submitted to the Arts Council website and five other local event calendars. Please tell your friend and pass on

Secretary (Elizabeth) Currently has a temporary exhibit on Birth Month Flowers at University Pickers of Huntsville. If someone attending in person can take, and pass attendance on to me for those attending with you, I would appreciate it.

Book Club (Kimberly)

The Woman Who Says No: Françoise Gilot on Her Life With and Without Picasso

Where: **Huntsville Downtown Public Library, 2nd FLOOR ROOM C**

When: Sunday, January 21st, 2024, at **2 pm (time change)**

Zoom: There will be a ZOOM option

New Business

WCA SECOND SATURDAY SESSION

Sat Jan 13: 1:00-2:30 pm (Eastern)

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ALL ABOUT WCA

We will be exploring a brief history of WCA, navigating the website to learn about existing resources, learning how to use the WCA membership portal MemberClicks as an individual member and discussing what activism means to you. Join Sandra Davis, Karin Luner, and Barbara Wolanin as we host a lively interactive presentation with breakout sessions to kick off the new year.

Looking For

An Emergency Fill in for Second Saturday National WCA Session. If you know of someone willing to talking about the Business of Art and Growing your Art Biz please reach out to Amanda, there is a stipend (through National).

Recommendations

Closing 6:42

News

Stacy Tabb: January Featured Artist–Mini Masterpieces - The Little Green Store Thursday, January 11 from 5-8pm

Sara Bowen: Clay Eras - 10 Years of Sara Bowen Pottery - 1st Floor West Gallery Lowe Mill A&E closing February 3rd

Stephanie Weaver: Animal Tales - 1st Floor Main Gallery Lowe Mill A&E closing February 3rd

Elizabeth Reich: Temporary Exhibit - Birth Month Flowers - University Pickers, Huntsville (Jan-closing TBD)

Aayrn Lee, Heather Baumbach, Janna Phillips, and Kimberly Hart:
Artfields: April - May, Silver Lake, SC

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Open Discussion

Misty is starting an online Zoom Workshop the 3rd Saturday of the month for 2 hrs to work in a gathering via Zoom, Email Misty for link, limit is 15 people so conversation can occur.

Let's make circles!