

Meeting Agenda  
April Membership Meeting at UAH  
ALWCA  
4.1.24 via hybrid meeting  
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# Welcome!

*Please drop in your name and pronouns so Elizabeth has an easy time taking attendance.*

Kimberly Hart  
Anna Sue Courtney  
Rachel Lackey  
Amanda Banks  
Misty Granada  
Melody Tiemann  
Sara Gevurtz  
Millian Pham  
Kami Watson  
Elizabeth Reich  
Tara Stallworth Lee  
Lexie Austin  
Lynda Lamitie  
Laura Brown  
Susie Garret

Thank you, everyone, for your hard work and dedication, which make our organization so special. Thank you for your time this evening. Our biggest goal is to build a robust and supportive community with kindness and compassion. I am honored to be in this group of creative and wonderful people.

We are doing some great things in this state and the Southeast. How can you encourage and help fellow members? Go to exhibitions, volunteer at fairs and workshops, buy work, or share coffee. Something as simple as liking and commenting on their social media can go a long way. You can donate to ALWCA. Have your own meet-and-greets. If you have more than two members, ask us how to start a Pod in your part of the state.

Let's continue working together towards our shared goals and making a positive impact for female artists across Alabama!

**Introductions:** Millian Pham UAB then Auburn with Sara Gevurtz and two other colleagues, Lauren Woods and Sara Oden Auburn. POD discussions are happening. Sara Gevurtz's animation and Digital art started at the same time as Millian

- **Leadership/ exhibition meeting**
  - **Date:** May at the Library in Madison **TBA**
    - Discussion on how restructuring exhibitions

- Thinking of May 6th as a Monday, watch for an email regarding the **best date**
- **Membership Meeting in July or August - TBA**
- **April Art Making:** Circle making for the 6,000 Circle Project from WCA. April 7 at 2 pm at the *Madison Public Library*, Auditorium 1. Some supplies will be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own.
- **April Show & Tell:** April 21 at 2 pm at Rachel's place behind her shop on Governors' Drive. Aynslee Smithee will lead. Bring all your wins, thoughts, and problem children, or just socialize. An email with the location will be sent out.
- **Pi Party:** It was great! Thanks to Aynslee Smithee for hosting, Kim Ward for the suggestion, and Katie Baldwin for the fun idea eight years ago! The next Pi party is Friday, 3.14.25!!
- **Calm Exhibit**—We are making arrangements to return the art. An email will soon notify artists where and when to pick up their work. The exhibition was a big success for the hospital and ALWCA. Several artists have sold work, and one has a commission.
- **Feminine I** - See Renée's report closing reception is Friday with volunteers needed
- Welcome Lexie Austin as our new secretary. We were sad to see Elizabeth leave. She has been such an asset to our group.
- We are looking for a Co-Vice President from April 2024 to April 2025. If you are interested, please talk to anyone in leadership or me.
- Amanda Banks, Anna Sue Courtney, and April Harris have worked on a **Lilly Ledbetter campaign** for donations/fundraisers for ALWCA. Every bit helps, even if it is a small amount. Please look at our website, newsletter, and social media. Click the link for ways to help. Please like and Share on Social media.
- **UAH/ Lowe Mill space Collaboration:** ALWCA is exploring the possibility of sharing space at Lowe Mill with UAH for professional development classes and is looking for people to teach courses such as photography work with a phone, packing artwork, etc. Let anyone in leadership or me know if you are interested. Possible start in May.
- Start your own [Pod](#) in your Area
- Scott Smith at A & M has a possible exhibition opportunity in the fall of 2024. It's about two weeks. The artist will be asked to give a talk or workshop. No stipends. Great to try out experimental work. Contact Scott Smith [Scott.smith@aamu.edu](mailto:Scott.smith@aamu.edu)

## Treasurer's Report (Amanda)

- RFCU balance: \$2,902.25 (\$3,321.15)
  - +\$250 from PayPal for security

- + \$240 Member Dues
- -\$50 to Qiyanni
- -\$21.10 to Pat Keefe for a new sign
- PayPal balance: \$506.82 (almost done transferring to RFCU)
  - -\$250 to RFCU for security
- Total: \$3,827.97
  - Great job moving us closer to a \$4,000 reserve! This will help us keep the lights on through 2026.
  - Please keep reaching out to friends and inviting them to our gatherings!

## Vice President - Rachel

Helping with Exhibitions, Events, and membership with Misty and the 2025 ALWCA 2nd Floor South Gallery in Lowe Mill. Due to a time commitment stretch, seeking a coVP to bring them in as future President in 2025.

## Birmingham Pod (Tara)

- CIRCLE MAKING for the 6000 Circle Project

June 22nd, 2024, Sat. 1-3 pm  
Home Studio of Tara S Lee, Birmingham

- Sunday, April 21, 1-4p: delivery of work to Ground Floor
- A possible exhibition opportunity is in the works.
  - Trying to get into Botanical Gardens, need to stop by and discuss possibilities
- Are any other members interested in hosting a studio salon or play date?
  - These ideas are in discussion.

## Exhibitions (Anna Sue / Rene/ Tara S)

Calm - Tara Segars

- See the above comments.

## **The Feminine I - Rene**

- **Need volunteers 4 - 7 pm on Friday, April 5th.**
- **Ends April 12th**
- **Feminine I Show:** A&M will hold the artwork for artists. The members can pick it up at A&M on April 15th from 12-2; taking it to LM is unnecessary. An email with the pickup information will go out soon. Located at Morrison Building, Council Blvd., Huntsville, AL 35811

## **ALWCA 2nd Floor Gallery Wall - Anna Sue C**

- Corinna Nicole - Dis/Connected - April 3rd - May 25th

Artist talk - Saturday, April 6th from 4-7 pm with an artist talk beginning at 5 pm

## **ALWCA Gallery 2025 - Anna Sue C**

- Plans for 2025
- Art Wall was a previous solo show, but I feel that duos, trios, and quartets would serve ALWCA best. Only 4 slots are available, the first is circles, for 5 total.
- Will take proposals and can submit them solo, but the committee will put these into quartets.
- April - May
  - Watch for applications online.
  - Can apply twice but only be accepted once.
  - The April newsletter will have details.
- June committee meets to decide
- Robert Daniels is in charge of Lowe Mill's 7 galleries out to 2025/2026, which is about 18 -24 months out; ALWCA is separate from this. If interested in a solo show, contact [Robert](#)

## **Events**

### **Amanda & Misty - circle project**

The March 9th Saturday Session is available through the WCA members portal.

- Follow [@the6000circle\\_project](#) on Instagram for monthly themes, and keep tagging them with your creations.
- The link to promotional stickers for events and gatherings is on our link.tree on IG
- Southeastern Regional Exhibition - the 6000 circle project
  - Alabama will host at the Lowe Mill Gallery during the first show of 2025. Florida will host after

- A formal call for art will go out this fall. If you are interested in being a juror, please contact Misty or Amanda.
- Gatherings on the schedule
  - **Madison Library**
    - 04.07.2024 from 2 pm - 4 pm
    - We need one or two volunteers who can arrive early (1:30 p.m.) or stay late for room prep and cleanup.
  - Birmingham
    - 6/22/24 at Tara Lee's
  - Montgomery
    - 9/28/24
    - We are looking for an art-making location in Montgomery. If anyone has connections or suggestions, please contact Misty or Amanda.
      - Suggested: Montgomery Library and Montgomery Art Center
- ALWCA 2nd Floor South Gallery show - 1/ 27- 3/29/2025 - details to follow
  - To be in the show, you will need to be a member
- Queries and Clarification
  - No age requirements for participation
  - The project celebrates the feminine in various ways.

## **Membership Report (Update from Misty)**

- 20 in January
- Feb membership: 10 renewals and 6 new members!
- All postcards went out by mid-March.
- Discussed members joining the FB Group and the Wednesday question of the week as points of conversation and connection.

## **Communications - Update from April & Kimberly**

Creating an Artist Opportunities email for members.

**The newsletter needs info by the 15th of every month. Please give April a heads-up by emailing [alabamawca@gmail.com](mailto:alabamawca@gmail.com).**

**Cynthia & Website:**

- Cynthia is away for a few weeks and will return at the end of April or the first of May. Website changes will wait until she returns.
- Please email [alabamawca@gmail.com](mailto:alabamawca@gmail.com) if you see any changes that need to be made to our website.

Please tag IG with #alwca and #ALWCA24. This helps me track IG posts more easily. It works like a filing system.

## **Secretary ( Elizabeth/ Lexie)**

Welcome, Lexie! She is our new secretary.

## **Book Club ( Kimberly)**

**Get the Picture** by Bianca Bosker

**Sunday, May 19th Time: 2 PM.** 2nd floor, Room C of the downtown Huntsville library.

## **Recommendations**

Thoughts, ideas, or concerns.

## **News** [Please add all shows, exhibitions, and workshops that may have been forgotten]

- **Embracing Art XXII** - April 16 - May 25 - Carnegie Art Center, Decatur, AL  
Embracing art awards Tuesday, April 16, 12:15 - Reception - Friday, April 19, 6 pm
- Kami Watson - Women's Work... Interrupted - Ramp Gallery at Lowe Mill, April 3 - May 25.
- **ArtFields** in Silver Lake, South Carolina, April - May 5, 2024: Heather Baumbach, Aaryn Lee, Janna Phillips, and Kimberly Hart. These are the accepted artists who are members (do we have more members???)
- Wild Beasts - Ground Floor Contemporary, Birmingham, AL - Open Reception April 6th - 8 pm | Artist Talk: Saturday, April 20, 2 pm
- Tara Seagers - Make a Mixtape Print Exchange -

May 3rd - Blockfort Studios - Columbus, OH

- Shout to Amanda Banks! She has published new work in Give and Take: Mothering and Creative Practice - There is a link in ALWCA's March newsletter and link in our social media. It's available at [Demeter Press](#)

- Heather Baumbach - Mad/Making Zero Space Collective - Kansas City
- Annie Kammerer Butrus - Venice Biennale - Palazzo Bembo - Opening in April
- Kana Clark And Carolyn Lambert Wass – Don't Look at The Lasers -

April 3 - May 25 – Lowe Mill, Third Floor East Gallery

- Lynda Lamitie - National League of American Pen Women Visual Artists - National Exhibit
- Susie Garrett - 30ft installation in Big Spring Park for Panoply!
- Millian Giang Pham - WEAR DOWN WATER SPOUT - Midwest Nice Art Collective - Signal Jammers Exhibition - [Online](#)
- Allison Mcroy - Artist Residence - The Verdancy Project -Troutdale, Oregon

Please check our calendar for all events on Facebook, Instagram, and ALWCA's website.

**Also, if you live in the Madison County area, add your event to the [Arts Huntsville Events](#) page.**

Open Discussion

Closing 6:56 pm