



April Newsletter 2008

April Membership Meeting

Tuesday, April 15th
at 7:30 P.M., Skidaway Island
Presbyterian Church

Tom Jones

Guest Speaker & Demo

Tom Jones, a Florida watercolor artist, will explain and demonstrate his dynamic style of landscape painting. He will paint a landscape of a selected location from here on The Landings. See his painting come alive before your eyes! Tom will donate his finished painting to the Landings Art Association. The painting will be framed and raffled off to benefit the LAA. You will have an opportunity to purchase raffle tickets at the end of the meeting. Raffle tickets will cost \$2.00 for one ticket or \$5.00 for 3 tickets.

Tom began painting at an early age and is largely self-taught. He has studied under inter-nationally known watercolorists Tom Lynch and Pablo Sanseundo-Castaneda, who is recognized as one of the greatest painters of the 20th century.

Tom Jones teaches workshops from coast to coast and is considered a master of his craft. While here, he is teaching a wonderful four day watercolor landscape painting workshop at the Skidaway Island State Park to LAA's artists.

A resident of Central Florida, Tom has been commissioned by government agencies, corporations, environmental groups, clubs and private collectors. His art can be found internationally in many private and corporate collections, including the Florida State Capitol Building, Walt Disney World Corporation, Marriott Corporation and Omni Corporation.

Come to the meeting and share Tom's passion for art and love of nature, as he creates our own Landings scene. Bring your friends. Guest fee is \$3.00.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Penny Sebrell will be "Artist of the Month" for April. Her paintings will hang in the Plantation Club Gallery from Wednesday, April 2nd through May 6th.

Please join Penny and her husband Tom at a reception in the Plantation Club Gallery on Wednesday, April 9th, from 5:00 to 6:00 P.M. There will be a fruit & cheese tray compliments of LAA as well as a cash & member bar.

Penny grew up in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Artistic challenges caught her attention early. She attended art classes and earned every Girl Scout badge that involved drawing or design.



When her family moved to Virginia, she taught art for the Vienna Parks program during the summers while attending The College of Art at East Carolina University. Subsequently, Penny taught art in the Fairfax County schools and attended drawing and watercolor classes at The Torpedo Factory in Alexandria. She also enjoyed boating on Chesapeake Bay, painting lighthouses, boats and idyllic coves.



Penny became fascinated with oil paints after moving to Savannah. She enjoys painting in plein aire. "Painting on location forces me to utilize all my senses". Her work is filled with light and color. This summer Penny is looking forward to a workshop with Jim Wilcox, one of the premiere landscape artists of the west. This past year, she participated in Julie Hanson's workshop.

Penny currently serves as program chairperson for the Landings Art Association.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH APPLICATIONS

As you know, the Landings Art Association has monthly exhibits and Opening Receptions for selected artists throughout the year along with the regular rotating member exhibition at the Plantation Gallery.

If you are interested in being "Artist of the Month", please act quickly as recommendations to the Board will be made in April. For more information please go to www.landingsart.org/exhibitions.php

CHANGE IN FORMAT

In lieu of **Artist of the Month** in July, the theme will be "Around the World with the Landings Art Association".

LARGE ART

"Large Art" at the Plantation Club has been put on hold for the present. The LAA Board and the Club will continue to work on giving our artists the opportunity to display large artworks.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING ART SHOW

The 21st Annual Spring Art Show will be held Friday, May 2nd through Thursday, May 8th in the Merrill Lynch Building in the Village on Skidaway Island. The exhibit is free of charge to the public.

Opening Night Gala: Thursday, May 1st, 5:30 to 8:00 P.M. **Tickets for the Gala** can be purchased in the Village for \$10 at the Village Walk Pharmacy, Smith's courtesy desk and CJ's Hallmark Shop and at the door the evening of the Gala.

Exhibit Hours: Mon-Sat 10 AM -4 PM and Sunday 12 noon-4 PM.

Register artwork on Monday, April 28th, 8:00 -11 A.M. Since judging will take place at noon on Monday, April 28th, all artwork dropped off by 11 AM

(starting at 8 AM), will have the \$10 registration fee waived.

Pick up art work after the show on Friday, May 9th, 9 AM-Noon.

Ribbons will be awarded for Best of Show, First, Second, Third places and Honorable Mentions. Please call Sandra Edgar Davis at 598-5479 for more information.

The show will be judged by Holly Koons McCullough, Chief Curator of Fine Arts and Exhibitions for the Telfair Academy of Art. Holly Koons McCullough was born in Washington, D.C. and grew up in Peachtree City, outside of Atlanta. She relocated to Savannah in 1994.

She received a B. A. in English and art history from the University of Georgia, and a M.A. in art history from the University of Notre Dame, focusing on 19th- and early 20th-century American and European art. After several years as the Telfair's Curator of Education, she was named Curator of Fine Arts and Exhibitions in 2000, and became Chief Curator in 2007.

Her current responsibilities include the planning, development, and implementation of numerous changing exhibitions, as well as the care, display and interpretation of the Telfair's permanent collection of over 4,500 works of art. She spearheaded the publication of the Telfair's first collection catalogue, and has organized exhibitions on Southeastern artists including Larry Connatser, Nancy Hooten, Marcus Kenney, Christopher A.D. Murphy, and Luther Vann, as well as shows on subjects ranging from contemporary silverpoint drawing to old master prints. She is currently organizing a major traveling exhibition entitled *Dutch Utopia: American Artists in Holland, 1880-1914*.

ART IN THE PARK

The Landings Art Association, in conjunction with Smith Brother's Village Festival, will be hosting its third annual **Art in the Park** in Village Square Park on Saturday, May 10th,

from 10:00-3:00. Other groups involved that day will be the Rotary Club, the Collector Car Show, the Village Library with a book sale, the LOCOS, the Needlepoint Society and the Quilters. Applications are available at the LAA monthly meetings, from Sally Jones 598-5488, or downloaded from the LAA website

www.landingsart.org. Any questions, call Barby Townsend 598-8387 or email her at barbytown@bellsouth.net. The deadline for applications is Saturday, April 26th. If you wish your images to be used for publicity, please contact Peggy Hale at peghale2@aol.com. Last year, thirty eight artists displayed their artwork in individual booths.

PLANTATION DISPLAY

To hang your art in the monthly members' display at the Plantation Gallery, bring all ready-to-hang artwork on the **first Wednesday of the month between 10:00 A.M. and noon**. For more information, contact Fran Leighton at 598-9334.

LANDLOVERS HOLIDAY CARD COMPETITION

Each year, Landlovers uses the proceeds from the sale of its holiday cards to finance Skidaway Island projects. The following are guidelines for the artwork which must be submitted by June 30th. Please be advised that **the original artwork becomes the property of Landlovers and are used as the prize in an art raffle**.

There is no monetary remuneration. Artist and "bio" will be on the back of 15,000 cards. Good promo for the artist!

1. All mediums including photography will be accepted.
2. Selection of the art to be used for the 2008 Christmas cards will be in July.
3. Framed artwork will not be accepted. **NO GLASS and NO FRAME !**
4. The artwork must be two (2) dimensional, either horizontal or vertical.
5. Size 8"x11" preferred but no larger than 11"x17".
6. Image should be reducible to 4"x 6" card size.

7. Image should reflect the uniqueness of the Landings and low country with a holiday theme but with **NO** religious symbols. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Austing, Chairman, 7 Windless Court, 598-0029, or ntausting@comcast.net.

MARGARET BRENNAN IN NEW GALLERIES

Margaret Brennan has been invited to exhibit her work in three Savannah galleries. These galleries are the new Horizons Gallery on Bay Street, Maxime Helmey in City Market and the Gallery By The Sea on Tybee Island.

GREG BARNES PASTEL WORKSHOP

The LAA has arranged for Greg Barnes to give a three day pastel workshop here this fall. The cost for the workshop will be \$225. It will be part plein aire and part indoor painting. Go to Greg's website to see his style of art at www.BarnesStudios.com.

Greg Barnes received his BFA in 1985 from Wake Forest. Greg and his wife both work out of their home-based studios in Charlotte, N.C. He is locally represented at the Chroma Art Gallery in Savannah. Greg exhibited in the Telfair Art Show this past November. This workshop will probably be in October, 2008. The class size will be 10-14 artists. If you are interested in this workshop, call Paulette Cliff at **598-9409 ASAP** to get their name on the "waiting list." When we have the dates confirmed, then Paulette will request a deposit to hold your place in this pastel workshop class.

PLEIN AIRE PAINTERS

Everyone is welcome!

If interested in plein aire painting, contact Paulette at 598-9409 to become part of the group.

www.landingsart.org

Our WEBSITE

Our Virtual Gallery is open to our members and the general public 24/7. Visit the website regularly to view our "Artist Galleries" and for all your Association needs and much more. For

more information, call Jorge Gojman at 598-2085 or email Jorge at jgojman@aol.com

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN AN
ABSTRACT WATERCOLOR
CLASS?**

If you are interested in a three day workshop with Barbara Kellogg sometime in the spring of 2009, please call Sally Clark at 598-9723 or email her at tasclark@aol.com.

Barbara Kellogg is a watermedia artist who is inspired by nature and the outdoors. She graduated from Syracuse University with a BFA degree in 1963. Through the years, Barbara has studied with many fine artists. She begins a piece by placing textures and gestural lines on a sheet of watercolor or rice paper and continues to paint until the work feels "right". She has been in juried shows such as those sponsored by the National Watercolor Society of New York, The American Watercolor Society of California and many others. In 2002, she was awarded the Loa Ruth Spring Award for best abstract painting by the National Watercolor Society. Sally Clark has taken five workshops with Barbara and she thinks this is a great opportunity for a rewarding and exciting workshop for all.

LAA NEWSLETTER

Please contact Jane Alpert at janemagic@aol.com or call her at 598-8287. **Deadline for getting articles into the newsletter is before the 20th of the month.**

**BETH LOGAN IN SIGNATURE
GALLERY**

LAA member and oil painter Beth Logan is delighted to become a partner of Signature Gallery, 303 W. Julian St. She joins such acclaimed local artists as Kathy Miller, Sharon Saseen, Rebecca Kahrs Willis and Larry Levow.

Beth left the gray skies of Northern Ireland after graduation from Queen's University, Belfast and settled in Savannah in 1991. Husband Charles S. Ellis (Steve) is a rustic furniture maker and daughter Molly is a first year Jefferson Scholar at the University of Virginia.

Beth's vibrant oils reflect her love of the tropical colors and warmth of the south. She works full time as a Manager for Hospice Savannah where she is also the Coordinator of the Hospice Savannah Art Gallery.

**BRENDA TURNER
DOES IT AGAIN**

The Georgia Watercolor Society 2008 National Exhibition has selected Brenda Turner's painting "Tropical Light", gouache on black, from 490 entries. And the Tallahassee Watercolor Society have accepted two of Brenda's works into their water media exhibition. "Flag Day in Savannah" and "High Country Herd". Both paintings are gouache on black.

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