

# March Newsletter 2008

## March Membership Meeting

Tuesday, March 18, 2008  
at 7:30 P.M., Skidaway Island  
Presbyterian Church

**Nancy Hooten**  
**Guest Speaker**



Nancy Hooten's interest in beadwork began in 1991, after the artist discovered a box filled with fabric scraps and exquisite seed beads of every color and variety in the attic of her childhood home in Gainesville, Georgia. These had been collected by her mother, an accomplished seamstress. Hooten, an art educator and administrator as well as a talented painter and printmaker, vowed to find a creative use for the materials.



By the following year, Hooten had completed her first beaded works, including *My Mother as Mary*, in which the artist transferred a photo of her mother as a young woman to a cloth backing. She then proceeded to adorn the surface with fabric remnants and hundreds of bead. The iconic presentation of her mother is a tongue-in-cheek aesthetic device that allowed Hooten to create an elaborate halo of fabric scraps and

beads that radiate from her mother's face. The work is a tribute to the vibrant and colorful personality of the artist's mother, fashioned from the very material she had loved and collected.

Her fairy tales of the Brother Grimm series holds a place in the Telfair Museum's permanent collection. Nancy Hooten's latest work can be seen at the Jepson Center of Arts. When she began using beads, she had no idea that she was part of a larger continuum of artists like Judy Chicago and Joyce Scott who have embraced women's handiwork as a means of critiquing contemporary culture. Yet Hooten's insightful, skillful work deserves an honored place in this continuum.

## ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Please join **Greg Hill** as Artist of the Month **at a reception in The Plantation Club Gallery** on Thursday, March 13th from 5-6 p.m. There will be a fruit and cheese tray compliments of LAA as well as a cash and member bar.



Greg Hill was born in California and is primarily self-taught in oils, watercolor and other media. He opened his first one man gallery in Seal Beach, California in 1969. After three years of

exhibiting and teaching, he sold his gallery to pursue travel. He and his wife Judi began a lifelong passion of adventurous world travel. They have since visited over sixty countries gathering inspiration for their work. For many years, they spent winters first on Maui and subsequently on California's Big Sur with summers on Nantucket. He currently winters at the Landings.

Greg has enjoyed one man exhibitions in Paris, Tokyo, Sydney and the United States including Carmel, California where he operated a gallery for five years. In 2005, the Nantucket Whaling Museum acquired a collection of his intricate pencil drawings for their permanent collection. At present



his gallery in Nantucket continues to exhibit his work exclusively during the summer season. Reef Gallery, Ocean Reef Club, Key Largo, Florida presents his oils for the 2008 winter season.

## CHANGE IN FORMAT

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

## LAA NEWSLETTER

Please contact Jane Alpert at [janemagic@aol.com](mailto:janemagic@aol.com) or call her at 598-8287. **Deadline for getting**

articles into the newsletter is before the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### LAA SPRING ART SHOW

The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Spring Art Show will be held Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> through Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, including Saturday and Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, at the Merrill Lynch Building in the Village on Skidaway Island. The exhibit is free of charge to the public.

**Opening Night Gala is Thursday May 1st, 5:30 - 8 PM.** Tickets for the Gala can be purchased in The Village for \$15 at the Pharmacy, Smith's and the Hallmark Shop.

**Artists** – Drop-off and registration of art will be Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 A.M. to 10 A.M. unless otherwise notified. Pick-up is Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup> from 9 A.M. to Noon. **One piece of artwork per person.** The LAA Board and Spring Art Show Committee have mutually decided not to have a poster contest this year.

Don't miss this chance to see an exciting collection of works by talented local artists. The show will be judged by Holly Coons McCullough, Chief Curator of Fine Arts and Exhibitions for the Telfair Academy of Art. Please call Sandra Edgar Davis at 598-5479 for more information.

### ART IN THE PARK

The LAA will sponsor a major Artfest in the Village this spring! The Artfest will begin with the gala opening on

Thursday, May 1<sup>st</sup> for the Spring Art Show at the Merrill Lynch Building at which time LAA artists will each present one carefully selected artwork for a week long indoor display. At the end of this indoor show and the day before Mother's Day, Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, the public will be able to meet many of these same artists in person at their individual booths for **Art in the Park**, a one day show held in the park in front of the Merrill Lynch Building.

### 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 30<sup>th</sup>.

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](mailto:ntausting@comcast.net).

### LARGE ART

The Plantation Gallery expansion is in the experimental stage. We are encouraging artists who have large paintings or photography they would like to show, but have not been able to due to the 30 inch limit, to bring one to Plantation Gallery on Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM. A committee will be available at that time to select large art, tasteful and complimentary to Plantation decor. Questions? Call Juli Murray - 598-7686

### GREG BARNES PASTEL WORKSHOP

The LAA has arranged for Greg Barnes to give a 3 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](http://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.

### **LAA 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 Club Gallery.

**The deadline for applications for the September 2008- April 2009 year is March 15, 2008.**

All artists who belong to the LAA are encouraged to apply. The LAA is requiring that images be submitted in digital format. Digital images will allow organizers of LAA events to properly disseminate and advertise the selected artists in the media. The selection committee is prepared to assist artists in preparing their images in digital format. Please contact the selection committee of Rochelle Frank at 598- 2179

[ARfrank@msn.com](mailto:ARfrank@msn.com) or Carrie Kellogg at 598-4372

[Edandcarrie@bellsouth.net](mailto:Edandcarrie@bellsouth.net) for more information.

Recommendations to the Board will be made in April, so, if you are interested, please act quickly. For more information please go to [www.landingsart.org/exhibitions.php](http://www.landingsart.org/exhibitions.php)

### **TEXAS WATERCOLOR SOCIETY**

Congratulations to **Brenda Turner** for winning the Blick

Award in the 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Watercolor Society Exhibition. As an award winner, "Big Red", a scene from Colorado of the high country pasture with cows, will tour Southern Texas.

### **PLEIN AIRE PAINTERS**

**Everyone is welcome!**

If you would like to be part of the **LAA Plein Aire** painting group, which meets at various sites on Skidaway Island and beyond, one or two times a month, please contact **Paulette Cliff at 598-9409**

### **UPCOMING WORKSHOP**

**TOM JONES** will do a four day watercolor workshop April 14<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> with emphasis on landscape painting. The cost for this workshop is \$300. It will be held at the Skidaway Island State Park. To view Tom's work, go to [www.TomJonesArtist.com](http://www.TomJonesArtist.com).

There are only two places open in the workshop. To reserve your place, please call Paulette Cliff, at 598-9409.

### **PLANTATION DISPLAY**

To hang your art in the monthly members' display at the Plantation Gallery, bring all ready-to-hang artwork on **the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month between 10:00 and noon.** For more information, contact Fran Leighton at 598-9334.

### **[www.landingsart.org](http://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 Lenell Dufour at 598-7485.

### **MARGARET BRENNAN IN NEW GALLERIES**

Margaret Brennan has been invited to show her work in 3 local Savannah galleries starting end-February - the new Horizons Gallery on Bay Street, Maxime Helmey in City Market and the Gallery By The Sea on Tybee Island.

### **Wednesday Figure Drawing for March 2008**

This *Drawing Group* offers artists an opportunity to meet other artists and to work from a live model each week. The Group is open to artists with some experience and no instruction is offered.

The Group meets *Wednesdays* from 9:00 to 12:00 noon at the Savannah Actor's Theatre on Louisville Road. Cost is \$60 monthly and \$20 per session for drop-ins. Advance registration required. The space is large and we have models for two weeks at a time. First week, it is gesture and second week, it is a long pose. For additional information contact Judy Mooney at 912 443-9313 or email [judy.mooney@bellsouth.net](mailto:judy.mooney@bellsouth.net)

### **DONATIONS NEEDED**

**Rotary Club** is hosting a fundraiser for Safe Shelter, Second Harvest Kid's Cafe, St. Mary's Community Center, Communities in Schools and Bethesda Home for Boys on March 11th at the Plantation Club. Would you consider donating an artwork to be auctioned at the silent auction that evening? Contact Tom McGoldrick at 598-7888 or email at [longpoint31410@yahoo.com](mailto:longpoint31410@yahoo.com)

## **LAA BOARD**

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### **Artist of the Month**

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### **Spring Art Show**

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### **Spring Sidewalk Art Sale**

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