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IN TOUCH NEWSLETTER SPRING 2022

PRESIDENT LETTER

Spring Has Sprung 2022



Spring is upon us here in Missouri. The Earth is waking up from a long winter's rest. Green growth sprouts up from the ground, flowers begin to bloom, days are getting longer, and birds are preparing their nests. You can feel the excitement as the season awakens to new possibilities. I take this time of year to heart as I too awaken new possibilities in myself.

There is no doubt these last few years have been a challenge. We have had to find new ways to support ourselves as artists when art festivals were cancelled and all exhibitions were put on hold. We have all taken some hits whether in our personal lives or our careers. But the thing about artists is that we work through it. We are problem solvers, innovators, creative thinkers, and diligently dedicated to our craft.

So my invitation to you this month is to awaken some part of yourself that is ready to bloom. Maybe it is trying some new technique or taking a class in a new art form. Maybe you want to reach out to a fellow artist and collaborate. Take that chance. Give yourself the opportunity to grow into the season with new possibilities.

"Spring is the time of plans and projects." -Leo Tolstoy

So plant those impossible gardens and take a step (or a leap) out into the season of new possibilities. I am rooting for you!

Sincerely,

Patty Muenks BOMH President

BOMH ANNUAL MEETING

SATURDAY APRIL 30, 2022

ANNUAL MEETING AND WORKSHOP GUEST SPEAKER CAROLYN EDLUND OF ARTSY SHARK

BEST OF MISSOURI HANDS
ANNUAL MEETING
via **Zoom**

Presentation by Nationally Known Guest Speaker
Carolyn Edlund
The founder of **Artsy Shark**

Artists
and the **Changing**
Marketplace/Market Overview

Meeting Agenda:

- Meet the Board Members
- President's Report
- Committee Updates
- Visiting Artist Program
- Zoom Workshops
- Introduction of New Juried Members
- Artsmart Conference Update

Saturday April 30th @ 10am - 1pm

Missouri Arts Council

Please make plans to join the Best of Missouri Hands for our Annual Meeting and Workshop online Saturday April 30, 2022 starting at 10:00 am.

Our annual board meeting will cover new and old news, introduction of our newest juried members, committee reports, Artsmart Conference updates, a report from the BOMH President, and more. Excellent time to see what your board has been up to as we all work to put a spotlight on Missouri artists.

Following our annual meeting, we will be joined online at 11:00 am by Carolyn Edlund of Artsy Shark. Carolyn was scheduled to be our guest speaker at ArtSmart, however the conference has been put on hold until 2023, so we appreciate her ability to present to us Saturday online.

Thankfully, Carolyn will still be able to be with us by holding an online workshop covering Artists and the Changing Marketplace as well as a Market Overview. What a great opportunity to learn from a leader in the art industry. There will be plenty of time for live question and answers with Carolyn.

Please mark your calendars now for Saturday April 30th 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. This meeting/workshop will be recorded and available on the BOMH YouTube Channel the following week for BOMH members unable to attend the day of the event.

ZOOM INFORMATION TO JOIN THE MEETING/WORKSHOP ON THE 30TH

Topic: BOMH Annual Meeting & Carolyn Edlund Presentation on the Changing Marketplace

Time: Apr 30, 2022 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89846219338?pwd=Q3BSaXhyWWpWMHVJN2N3d2pkZEFtdz09>

Or you can go to <http://www.zoom.us>

Meeting ID: 898 4621 9338

Passcode: 067767

MEMBER NEWS

Tresa Killion featured in Rural Missouri Magazine



When Tresa Killion was handed her first ball of clay 30 years ago, she was unimpressed and had no interest in the craft. Today, she's a Best of Missouri Hands potter. Read her story at: <https://ruralmissouri.org/taking-shape/>

Article and photos by Zak Smith of Rural Missouri Magazine

Note: Congratulations to Tresa for this wonderful feature. She is not the first BOMH artist to be discovered through the Best of Missouri Hands website. Friendly reminder, if you are a juried BOMH artist make sure your juried page is populated and updated. You never know who might find you through the website.

Martin Spilker Recognized for Success in Photography



BETHEL, MO, March 08, 2022 /24-7PressRelease/ -- Martin Spilker has been included in Marquis Who's Who. As in all Marquis Who's Who biographical volumes, individuals profiled are selected on the basis of current reference value. Factors such as position, noteworthy accomplishments, visibility, and prominence in a field are all taken into account during the selection process.

Having grown up on a rural northeast Missouri farm near Bethel, in Shelby County, he has always been interested in landscapes and nature. Mr. Spilker took up and pursued photography, self-taught, as a career, since 2000, and has found success as the owner and photographer of his eponymous company, Martin Spilker Photography.

Read more at <https://www.24-7pressrelease.com/press-release/489421/martin-spilker-recognized-for-success-in-photography>

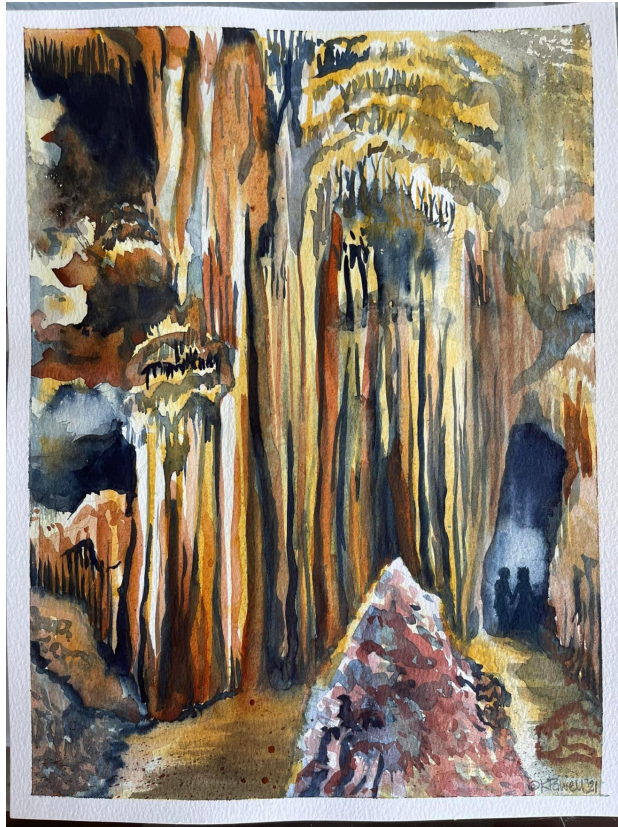
Barbara Todd awarded People's Choice



What a fabulous piece of art!! [Barbara Todd](#) was honored with the "People's Choice" award at the 2022 Blue Springs Art League Fine Art Show!!!

Bridal Cave by Kim Powell

Earns an Award



My painting "Bridal Cave" won a 3rd place ribbon in Watercolor at the MAEA Members Exhibition!— at [Renaissance St. Louis Airport Hotel](#).

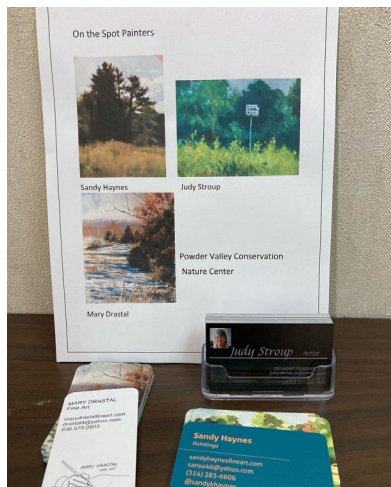
Mary Drastal awarded
Honorable Mention at St. Louis
Watercolor Society Juried Exhibit



I am honored that "Do You Hear What I Hear?" was selected for the #1 Honorable Mention at the St. Louis Watercolor Society Annual Juried Exhibition.

Thank you to juror Yuki Hall. The show is at Norton's Gallery on Big Bend. It's a lovely show and we'll worth a visit! Congratulations to all the artists.

3 Woman Show at Powder Valley Nature Center



3 Woman Show at Powder Valley Nature Center in St Louis County. "On the Spot" painters exhibiting work from Missouri. Sandy Haynes, Judy Stroup, and juried BOMH painter Mary Drastal.

Alicia Farris Featured in Missouri Life Magazine Ad



Congratulations to juried BOMH artist Alicia Farris. Currently the Best of Missouri Hands is running a series of ads in the Missouri Life Magazine. Based in Booneville, MO, the magazine is read by 130,000 or so Missourians each issue.

One of the perks of being a juried BOMH artist, is that you get a page on the BOMH website to promote yourself and your art. It is here that many seeking talented Missouri artists will go to find the best of the best. We have had members picked up the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art in Kansas City. Artists have also been selected for features in magazines like Rural Missouri and for television segments in shows like "Making". Recently interviewed for an upcoming episode was juried BOMH artist Pen Brady. The episode should air this summer.

We strongly encourage our juried artist to make sure you populate your juried artists page and check it once or twice a year to make sure everything is updated. If you need help with your juried artist page, we have a video on YouTube that covers the process of logging in, loading images, and text. You can also contact us on the Member Only Facebook page or by email if you need help. admin@bestofmissourihands.org

Put your best foot forward. You never know who might be looking at your juried artist page on the BOMH website. We certainly don't want anyone missing out on an opportunity.

The next Missouri Life Magazine ad will feature juried BOMH jewelry artist Michele Mohr. Could you be next?

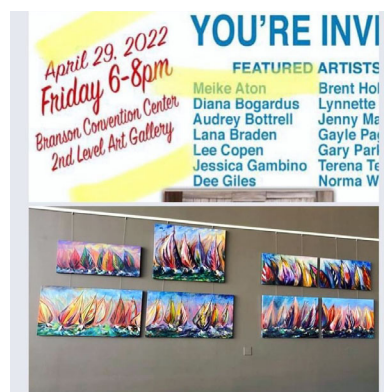
Ad design by Allison Norfleet Bruenger

UPCOMING EVENTS, ART SHOWS, EXHIBITS & WORKSHOPS

Meike Aton to Show at the Branson Convention Center

You are invited!
Opening Reception at Branson
Convention Center this Friday April 29th
6-8pm

Branson Convention Center
200 Sycamore Street
Branson, MO 65616



Nela Navarrine has work on exhibit at the St. Louis Artists Guild



Visions of the American Landscape
Exhibition April 8-May 7, 2020 St. Louis
Artists Guild.

In operation, since 1886, the St. Louis Artists' Guild is a nationally known arts center and the oldest arts organization west of the Mississippi. Currently, located in the iconic, mid-century modern Famous-Barr department store our contemporary gallery space boasts 16-foot ceilings and over 5,000 square feet of exhibition space. We provide opportunities for juried, solo, and small group exhibitions that are always free and open to the public.

Located at 12 North Jackson Ave.,
Clayton, MO 63105

The exhibit is Free and Open to the
Public Tuesday - Friday 10am - 6 pm
and Saturdays 10am-4pm. Closed
Sunday's and Monday's.

Fiber Artist Dave Walker to Exhibit at Orr Street Studio's

I just finished "Good Morning America!"
I am ready to take it to my framer.
Finished size will be approximately
50x34. Fabric collage, bonded and sewn.
This will be ready for my show "Familiar
Views" next month at the Orr Gallery in
Columbia, MO.



Orr Street Studio's 106 Orr Street,
Columbia, MO 65201. Opening reception

May 6, 2022 6:00pm-9:00pm. Show
hangs May 2nd to May 28th.

Busy Bees on exhibit at Heartland 4 Glass Show



I am honored and excited to have "Busy Bees" included along with 18 other glass artists in the Heartland 4 Glass Show on display at the Belger Crane Yard Gallery (2011 Tracy Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64108), "through May 7th this picture is from opening night.

The gallery includes the featured ceramic artwork as well -- let me know if you check out the gallery. Tuesday - Friday, 10:00am - 5:00pm Saturday, 10:00am - 4:00pm

Juried BOMH Glass artist, Wanda Tyner

Ken Downs Solo Exhibit

You are invited to see a total 53 of my favorite paintings at the Second Presbyterian Church, 318 E 55th St., Kansas City, MO. (Just South of the Country Club Plaza and north of Brookside).

You can view the paintings on Sunday mornings and on Tuesday and Thursdays between 1 PM and 4 PM. To enter the church on Tuesday and Thursday you enter on the West side of the church by being "buzzed in" which unlocks the door.

My work will be on display through June 5th.

My painting "Playing the Guitar" has sold. I am very pleased. I have many other works still available.



Carol Estes selected for Leave No Footprint Online Exhibit



Hats off to juried BOMH artist Carol Estes for being selected to participate in "Leave No Footprint: We'll Leave the Light on For You!"

Congratulations! We are honored to inform you that your artwork is selected for showcasing in EXTINCTION: Save the Planet International smart online group exhibition in 2022. Moreover, your invited artwork will be published in The Book of Arts: Extinction 2022 in Summer 2022.

The Nature of Things at Green Door Art Gallery

The Nature of Things is currently showing at Green Door Art Gallery in Webster Groves, Missouri. This special exhibit features the works of two Best of Missouri Hands artists, Laura Lebeda and Karen DeGuire.

This exhibit will hang through the end of April. Gallery hours are 10:00 am to 5:00 pm Wednesday - Sunday, Closed on Monday and Tuesday's.

<http://www.greendoorartgallery.com/>



CALL FOR ART

5th Annual Summer Solstice Art Fair



This is the final call for artist applications to our 5th Annual Summer Solstice Art Fair in Moon City Creative District. All interested artists are encouraged to apply for this juried event. Applications are due by April 29th, 2022 and all accepted artists will be notified by May 6, 2022.

Download your application from our website... <https://mooncitycreativedistrict.com/2022-summer-solstice>

This event will be held on Saturday, June 18th from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm in Historic [Lafayette Park](#) in north Springfield, Missouri. Prize money and awards will be given in 5 different categories. This is a family friendly event with food vendors and an amazing line-up of musicians again this year.

We look forward to seeing everyone in the park!

The Summer Solstice Planning Committee

Moon City Creative District

417/766.9673

Applications Open for
in the Park St. Louis



Dear Artists,

We're back! I am happy to inform you that after a two-year absence, Art in the Park St. Louis Hills will celebrate its 16th year.

This is a boutique show with a limited number of spaces. We aim for high quality at reasonable prices to go with the small-town feel created by our beautiful Francis Park. Sunday, September 25th

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Francis Park

St. Louis, MO 63109 This is a one-day event that includes artists, food vendors and live music. It's a free, family friendly event that has something for everyone! We estimate attendance of 10,000 potential customers.

Our returning artists tell us that our attendees appreciate quality, and that they have higher sales at our one-event than they have at other two-day events.

The deadline for artist applications will be 11:59 p.m. on May 27th. The application fee is \$25. The artist booth fee for those selected will be \$175. You can find the application at: www.artintheparkstl.com/artistapp.

I hope you will consider joining us for this very popular and lovely event.

Sincerely,

Janice Starbuck

Chairperson, Art in the Park St. Louis Hills

janice.starbuck@artintheparkstl.com

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14th Fork & Cork Festival

August 20, 2022 Macon, MO



LET'S MAKE MACON A DESTINATION!

The Macon Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors the annual Fork & Cork Festival in downtown Macon every fall. Our festival attracts high end visual art artisans, master craftsmen as well as quality antiques dealers. Enjoy jazz, blues, country and swing band musicians entertaining throughout the day. Great food and tasty wines add to the mix making for an outstanding day.

The MACC would like to personally invite you, as artists, art councils/galleries, antiques dealers and as master crafters to show at our fall festival this year. We have enlarged our festival and built our artisan base over the past fourteen years. 2021 was our largest Fork & Cork Festival with over 70+ artists, crafters, and antiques dealers.

We would like to invite you to show at our 2022 Fork & Cork Festival. The vendor application is attached. Our vendor application is also on our Face Book page – Macon Fork & Cork Festival and our web page maconforkandcork.squarespace.com

Although we are a non-juried art festival, we do encourage a high level of quality vendors. Your name, FB page and web site will be advertised as attending F&C.

Come join us if you can! There were 70+ participants, new and returning artists, who joined us in 2021 and we're planning on our festival being bigger and better in 2022

As we fill the streets with artists, crafters and antiques, we hope you will consider joining the fun and let's "Make Macon a Destination!"

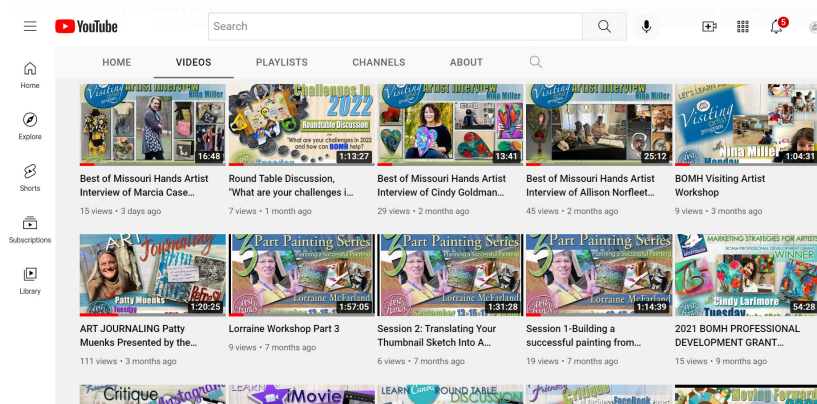
G. Kay Kindle Vendor Coordinator

704 Toad Lane, Macon, MO 63552

660-395-6033 ksgkay@aol.com

Macon Area Chamber of Commerce 102 Vine St., Macon, MO 63552 660-385-2811

Check out BOMH Video Workshops on YouTube



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A portion of all sales will help support the programs of The Best of Missouri Hands

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www.greendoorartgallery.com

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*Corporate/Gallery
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Benefits of Being a Corporate/Gallery Member with the BOMH

Here are a few of the benefits for those who help support our mission by becoming a Corporate or Gallery Member with the BOMH. The annual fee is just \$100 per year. Besides the list below, you will also get preferred promotion on our Facebook page which currently has 3,600+ followers!

- Membership in BOMH Members Only Facebook Page.
- Included with all Corporate Members on Corporate Members page of BOMH website.
- Listed on quarterly BOMH email Newsletter with hyperlink to your website.
- Opportunity to advertise at the bottom of the BOMH website homepage. Fee: \$100/month.

Mid Missouri Art Alliance
www.midmissouriartsaliance.com

Missouri Artists on Main
www.maomgallery.com

Missouri Association of Community Arts Agencies www.macaa.net

Missouri Life Magazine LLC
www.missourilife.com

Stone Soup Galleries
www.stonesoupgalleries.com

SW MO Art & Craft Guild
www.artcraftguild.org

The Foundry Arts Centre
<http://www.foundryartcentre.org/>

Waverly House www.waverlyhouse.com

- Opportunity to sponsor events at ArtSmart Conference and Annual Membership Meeting.
- Ability to have your events publicized in periodic BOMH member emails free of charge (within policy guidelines).

For additional information please contact us at admin@bestofmissourihands.org or join online at www.bestofmissourihands.org and click on the Memberships link.



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<https://www.missouriartscouncil.org/>

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