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INTOUCH NEWSLETTER JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2024

# ANNUAL MEETING SAVE THE DATE

SAVE THE DATE APRIL 13, 2024

Best of Missouri Hands

Annual Meeting

Columbia, MO



SAVE THE DATE NOW for the upcoming BOMH Annual Meeting. This year's meeting will be held Electric Cooperative Community Room in the Electric Coop Building located at 1413 Rangeline Street in Columbia, MO 65201. The fee for this one-day event is \$25 for BOMH Members and \$35 for Non-Members. A box lunch will be provided as well as water, coffee, and soda as well as light snacks throughout the day.

Check in will begin at 9:00 am with a Membership Meeting for all starting at 10:00 am. The Board will report on current and future activities as well as recognize the most recent juried members. We will then have a short break before lunch, which is included with the small registration fee. Lunch choices will be available at the time of registration which will open up online March 1, 2024, and remain open until April 5th.

After lunch we will have a 2-hour presentation by Kevin Desrosiers Public Speaker, Coach and Award-Winning Author of Bridge over Adversity. Mr. Desrosiers will speak to us about the Ins and Outs of AI (Artificial Intelligence) and the Pros and Cons for Artist. He is more than happy to address your questions and how AI affects the future of art.

This should be an excellent presentation for all. More information to come but go ahead and mark your calendars now so you can Save the Date of Saturday April 13, 2024. You will not want to miss this, live in person Professional Development opportunity.

#### **BOMH PRESIDENT'S LETTER**



Hello, Best of Missouri Hands members and friends!

I hope 2024 is treating you well so far. BOMH has several ways for you to get more involved with the organization, make new friends, and expand your artistic horizons this year!

• The deadline for the Best of Missouri Hands Professional Development Grant is fast approaching! This grant of up to \$500 is awarded annually and is available to both juried and general members. If there is a new piece of equipment you have your eye on, or if you are dreaming of taking a class that seems out of reach, I encourage you to apply. The deadline to apply for this year's grant is February 15. Additional details and the grant application form are

here: <a href="https://bestofmissourihands.org/portfolio/bomh-professional-development-grant/">https://bestofmissourihands.org/portfolio/bomh-professional-development-grant/</a>

• Also coming very soon is our winter jury session. Juried status in Best of Missouri Hands offers many benefits: a page on the BOMH website, juried member stickers and banners, the ability to participate in our Visiting Artist program, and, for me anyway, a real sense of accomplishment. It took me a couple of tries to jury in to BOMH, but I felt the critiques I received were helpful, and were given with respect and caring. If you've been thinking about taking this step, please do! Our next jury session opens February 1 and closes February 14. More information, and a PowerPoint of sample jury images, is available here (please note, you must be a general member of BOMH for 90

days before applying for juried membership): https://bestofmissourihands.org/member-registration/juried-member/

- Our Annual Meeting will be held April 13, 2024, at the Electric Cooperative Community Room in Columbia, Mo. More information on this in-person meeting is in this newsletter and available on our website.
- The BOMH Visiting Artist Program connects juried artists with groups that want to hear about your artist life and see what you are making. Artists visit school classrooms, nursing homes, and other eligible groups to bring the arts to life for eager learners. This is a great way to share your art with folks who might not otherwise visit a gallery or show. Plus, we will pay you to do this! BONUS! Interested? Please contact Nina Miller, our Visiting Artist Committee Chair, for details: nina-miller@att.net
- Our BOMH Member Only Encouragement/Brainstorming/Friendship Group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 10AM via Zoom. This is a casual member gathering where we chat about what is going on in with our art and/or businesses. We share struggles and successes, and just generally have a good time. The Facebook page for the group is here: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/238812963758783">https://www.facebook.com/groups/238812963758783</a>
- Our Professional Development Zoom Workshops are usually held on the second Tuesday of each month at 10AM, again via Zoom. We have hosted a number of workshops on a variety of topics. Watch the BOMH Member Only Facebook page for workshop announcements: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/678962638874863">https://www.facebook.com/groups/678962638874863</a>
- Many of our past workshops are available on our YouTube Channel. If you've missed a workshop, or want to share one of our sessions with your fellow artists or friends, check out our lineup here (and subscribe to our channel while you're at it): https://www.youtube.com/@bestofmissourihands9891
- And to plant a seed...we will soon be looking for people to run for the Best of Missouri Hands Board of Directors. General, juried, and corporate members are eligible to serve on our board. We'd love to have you join us! You can contact any board member for more information: <a href="https://bestofmissourihands.org/bomh-board-of-directors/">https://bestofmissourihands.org/bomh-board-of-directors/</a>

So many things! I hope you'll take advantage of some of the great opportunities Best of Missouri Hands has for you.

Until next time, Annie Webster

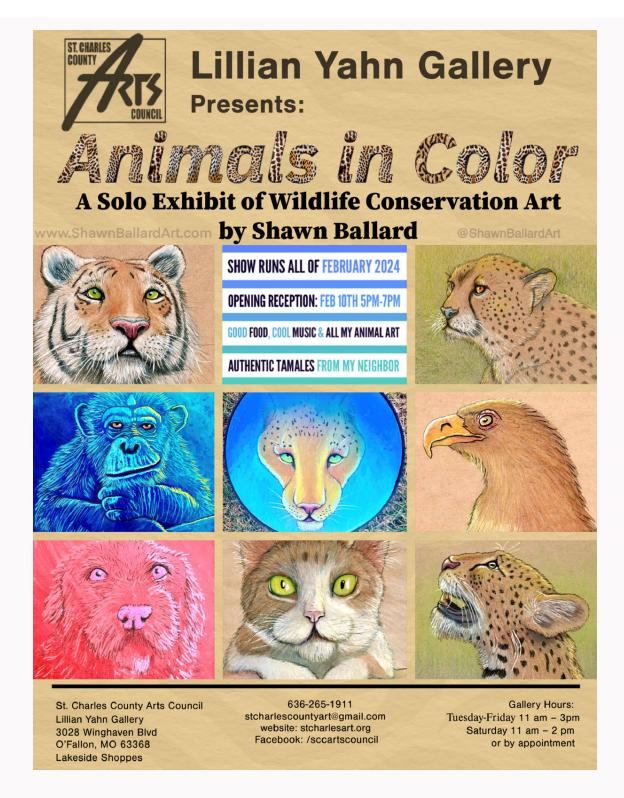
PS – Mark your calendars! ArtSmart 2025 will be March 28 – 30, 2025 in Columbia, MO. We'd love to hear your suggestions on topics to cover, or speakers to invite to the conference. Please send your recommendations to me at <a href="mailto:annie@websterfiberarts.com">annie@websterfiberarts.com</a>

#### **MEMBER NEWS**



#### MISSOURI LIFE MAGAZINE FEATURE

Thank you to Missouri Life Magazine for the lovely article about us. We are truly honored! #aslpewter #handcraftedpewter #bestofmissourihands #shoplocal #buylocal #madewithlove #ShopSmall #BuyMO #MissouriLifeMagazine #madeinamerica
Tom and Pat Hooper / ASL Pewter



#### FIRST SOLO EXHIBIT

I am having my first Solo Gallery Exhibit called Animals in Color, an Exhibition of Wildlife Conservation Art. All through February my Animal Art will be in the Lillian Yahn Gallery in Winghaven Missouri.

You are all invited to the Opening Reception February 10th from 5PM to 7PM.

We will have delicious authentic Mexican Tamales & Pupusas from my neighbors from Oaxaca Mexico. We will have Great Music and all my Animal Art in one place.

There will be Framed Originals, Prints, Stickers, Merch, and Upcycled Decor. I would love it if you could come out to see me Feb 13th. or come check out my art all of February.

Bring your Family and Friends. Shawn Ballard / Shawn Ballard Art



#### **BUY MISSOURI**

We were honored to help represent Missouri in Germany. Lt. Governor Kehoe went on a Chamber of Commerce trip and we provided 25 handmade White Oak coaster sets to hand out to different business leaders. #ortmannwoodcraft #buymo #buymissouri #handmade #whiteoa

Jonathan & Debbie Ortmann / Ortmann Woodcraft

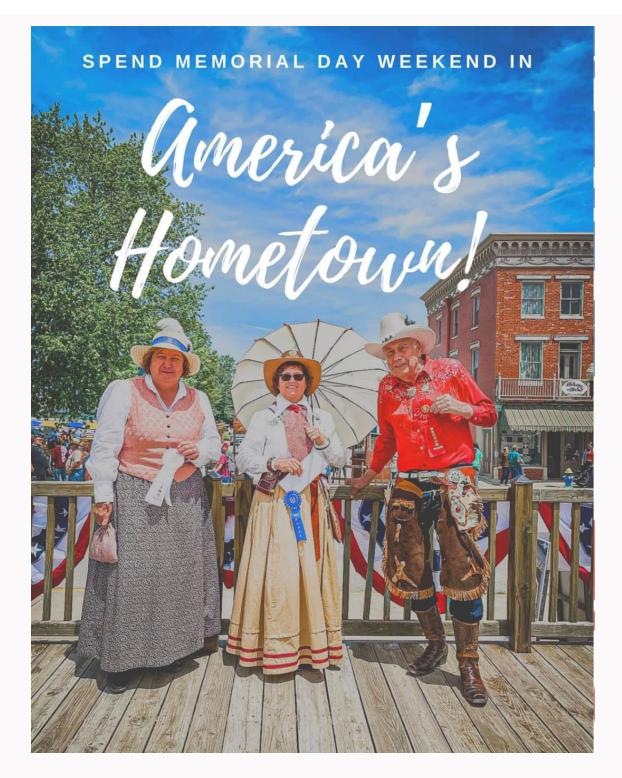
### EVENTS WORKSHOPS CALLS FOR ART

Applications are now open for Art in the Park 2024! We welcome applications from artists working in all fine art media: painting, photography, ceramics, jewelry, fiber, sculpture, mixed media, wood, metal, and glass! All applications are due by Monday, February 12th.

To review the application and apply:

https://www.zapplication.org/event-info.php?ID=11972

We can't wait to see what lies in store for AIP 2024



The Twain on Main Festival in Historic Downtown Hannibal is now accepting vendor applications for the 2024 festival!

Deadline to apply: March 18, 2024

Join us for a beautiful weekend in Historic Downtown Hannibal!

Application Link:

https://www.zapplication.org/event-info.php?ID=11938







#### **BACK TO EVENTS**

### **Event Information**

**Artsfest on Historic Walnut Street 2024** 



**Apply to this Show** 

**CONTACT EVENT** 

**Event Pages:** 



Q Location: Historic Walnut Street between John Q. Hammons Parkway and National Avenue Springfield, Missouri (Midwest) 417-831-6200

#### **BEST OF MISSOURI HANDS NEWS**



BOMH 2024 Professional Development Grant NEXT DEADLINE: February 15, 2024

#### ARTIST GRANT AVAILABLE

Did you know that the BOMH (Missouri Artisans Association/Best of Missouri Hands) offers a yearly Professional Development Grant to our members? Well, the answer is yes, YES, WE DO!!! 500 Buck-A-Roos! The deal is though...Applications are due by February 15th!!!

This opportunity is open to juried and non-juried members, so don't delay. A little extra cash sure can come in handy paying for tools, workshops, you name it...if it is art related and will help you on your journey as an artist...then visit the website and apply now!

https://bestofmissourihands.org/.../bomh-professional.../

## BOMH NEXT JURY SESSION OPENS FEBRUARY 1st

https://bestofmissourihands.org/member-registration/juried-member/



#### **LOOKING FOR BOMH STORIES**

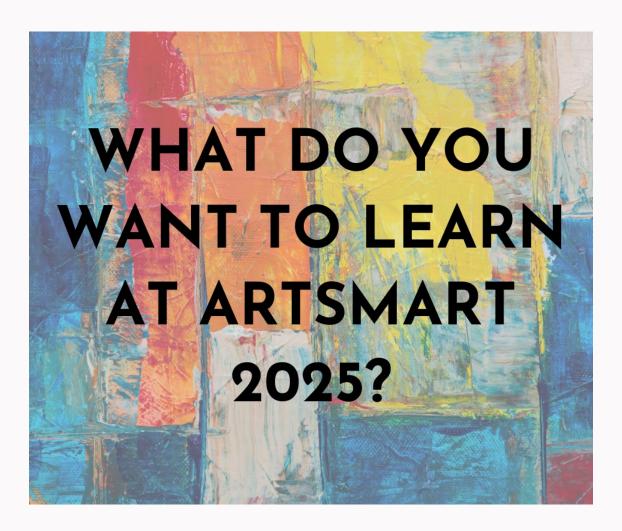
Do you have a testimonial or positive story to tell regarding your juried BOMH membership and what it has done to help your arts/crafts career? Or perhaps you've benefited on a personal level from BOMH involvement you would like to share?

I'm looking for your story for marketing/advertising our powerful, wonderful organization. Don't be bashful! You can post ideas here, or you can contact me using

FB Messenger or by email at Garnetta@SullivanCreative.net (subject line "BOMH story").

THANK YOU in advance for your help, you wonderful peoples! Garnetta Sullivan BOMH Board Member

(Pictured: Kathy Fields / Kathy Fields Jewelry)



#### **ARTSMART 2025**

I know 2024 has just started, but your BOMH board is already working on ArtSmart 2025! What do you want to learn? Do you have recommendations for a fantastic speaker? We'd love to hear your suggestions! Feel free to email me at annie@websterfiberarts.com with your thoughts. Thank you!

Annie Webster

Board President

\*SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR NEXT ARTSMART MARH 28-30, 2025. Columbia, MO

# BOMH MONTHLY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ZOOM WORKSHOPS



#### MONTHLY BOMH ENCOURAGEMENT ZOOM MEETINGS

Can you believe we have entered a brand-new year? How exciting! Are you looking to recharge? Need motivation, accountability, someone to bounce ideas off, or just time with other creatives? Feel free to pop in. Kick the New "Creative" Year off with a ZOOM BOOM! I don't even know if that's a thing, I just made it up.... But we would definitely enjoy having you join us.

BOMH Encouragement Zoom Meetings are the first Tuesday of every month at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome. We just chit chat about everything and anything. Ask your questions about shows, marking, social media, whatever.... this is a great group to bounce things off of. Don't hesitate to get involved. We are here to help.

BOMH Morning Meeting: Encouraging, Brainstorming & Friendship

To join these Zoom meetings use the following link

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85132488499...

Meeting ID: 851 3248 8499

Passcode: 614780

OR go to www.zoom.us and use the above Meeting ID and Passcode.



### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP ON YOUTUBE

Hey, if you missed this month's, BOMH Professional Development Workshop "Moving Forward as We Recap 2023" What Worked, What Didn't....You can now catch it on the BOMH YouTube Channel. The Chat is also included on YouTube, as some helpful links were discussed.

We did record this session, but it is PRIVATE, and we ask that you please not share the link. This is for BOMH Members Only.

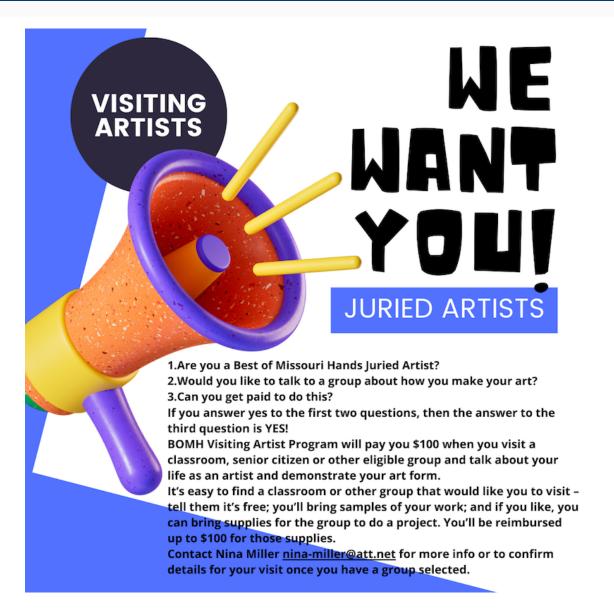
Thank you to all who participated in the conversation. It was very informative. We have a great group of folks to learn from, bounce ideas off, network with, and I love hanging out with other creative souls.

Mark your calendars now...Next month's Professional Development Zoom Workshop will be Tuesday February 13th at 10:00 AM and will be all about Cyano Type Printing. It will be led by juried BOMH fiber artist Annie Webster and juried BOMH photographer Carol Estes. Sure to be an interesting and educational workshop. Reminder and link will be shared here in the group closer to event.

Each month we offer a different topic. If you have something you would like to see covered or discussed, please send an email to admin@bestofmissourihands.org.

Now....for January's recording...Remember, please do not share this link. Thank You. <a href="https://youtu.be/j60XUxGtdVQ">https://youtu.be/j60XUxGtdVQ</a>

#### **VISITING ARTISTS PROGRAM**



### SPECIAL REQUEST: SEEKING JURIED ARTIST FOR CLASSROOM PRESENTATIONS IN OSAGE R-2 DISTRICT

Any juried artists who live near Osage R-2 school district who would like to make a Visiting Artist demo visit? A high school art teacher/art club sponsor seeks 2 visits: one to art students during class and one after school for the club. For a visit you are paid a stipend of \$100 plus an additional reimbursement up to \$100 for supplies if you do a project with the students.

The teacher would love to have artists in any mediums. She has a ceramic studio, so a wheel is available. There is an industrial arts room too. The club has showninterest in repairing a metal sculpture outside the school. It needs welding. The teacher is hoping to have a few artists during this semester - so even ifyou're not free right now, you could set up a later date. Please contact me 618-978-9773 or nina-miller@att.net THANKS!

Nina Miller BOMH Board Member



#### MORE ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

Do you teach?

The BOMH Board is compiling a list of members who offer art workshops. Arts organizations are often looking for artists to present to their members, and the public loves to take classes. Whether you offer workshops in your own space or travel to educate others, we'd like to know who you are! If you'd like to be included in this list, please email your information to <a href="mailto:annie@websterfiberarts.com">annie@websterfiberarts.com</a>.

#### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS 2023**

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A big welcome to artists and creative minded folks that joined the BOMH family in 2023. Please support your fellow artist by liking/following their social media art pages and visiting their websites. We look forward to seeing their creative growth and being a part of their journey.

Al Gritten / Big Spring Studio

Alisha Hoose / More From The Mortons

Andi Snethern / Andi Snethern Watercolors

Andrew Batcheller / Blue Bunny Studio

Andrew Jones / Andrew J Jones Art

**Artisans Collectives Stl** 

Barbara Phillips / Quiet Imagery

Carolyn Davis

Chris Capkovic / Elkhorn Silver LLC

Christine Lohse / Christine Lohse Photography

Cindy Mutrux / Cindy Lou Glass Studio & More

Dana Neuenschwander

David Hoffman Hoffman Custom Pens

Dawn Melka / BDR Creative Studios

Diana Bray

Dinise Mustain / Art of Dinise Mustain

Elkhorn Silver, LLC / Elkhorn Silver LLC

Erin Richards-St. Clair / 5Four Decor

Ginger Copeland / Gigi's Glass Art

Greg Bick / G. Bick Studio

Jacque Fernald

Jamie Scheppers / JL Scheppers Art

Jan Moore / JanmooreArt

Jane Ballard / Jane Ballard Photography

Jen Fisher / Jenni Be Jeweled Designs

Joyce Marchand Inspire Me Artworks

Judith Fowler

Kathleen Day / ArtKat

Kristin Girard

Kristin McDonough / Hollis Leather

Laura Richardson / LaLa's Line

Linda Abernathy / LKA Creative

Marc Johnson / Chopp'd Boards and Block

Margie Moss / Joplin Decorating Center / Local Color Art Gallery

Meg Fritz / Shoot Dang Silver

Nancy Ade Patrick Kelly Rachel Cabral Rebekah Chauvin / RC Fine Art Paintings Ren Schwent Ruth Wright / Three Wishes Beading Sally Haddox / Sally Maddox Shawn Ballard / STL Wildlife Art & Murals Steven Hofstetter Steven Weller / The Creativity Shoppe Susan Renoe / Clifton Creek Designs Susan Silvy / Susan Silvy Design Svlvia Bergonzoni Teresa Barraza Tom Helton Tyla Raredon / traredonphotoart



We are asking all members to please log into your BOMH account at <a href="https://www.bestofmissourihands.org">www.bestofmissourihands.org</a> to make sure your membership has not lapsed.

We love you so much, we are staying in touch via our newsletter, whether you are a current member or not. Especially Juried members should check their membership status by logging into their account on the website to make sure that their dues are current. If you have questions, please contact <a href="mailto:admin@bestofmissourihands.org">admin@bestofmissourihands.org</a>

#### **WAYS TO SUPPORT BOMH**





Were you unable to attend ArtSmart 2023? Well, it was a great conference. And you can have part of it, at least, by getting your very own tote and sketch book, the same ones that were distributed to attendees. Both are available at <a href="https://bestofmissourihands.org/shop/">https://bestofmissourihands.org/shop/</a>

Make plans to attend our next ArtSmart Conference March 28-30, 2025.

#### **SHOP BOMH GEAR ON CAFE PRESS**

www.cafepress.com/maabomh



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SW MO Art & Craft Guild www.artcraftguild.org

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#### Corporate/Gallery Memberships are only \$100/ year

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.
- 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 or join online at <a href="https://www.bestofmissourihands.org">www.bestofmissourihands.org</a> and click on the Memberships link.

#### **Missouri Arts Council**

Thank you to the Missouri Arts Council for their continuous support. The

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https://www.missouriartscouncil.org/



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