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# ART MATTERS |

## ABOUT US

The Salem Art Association (SAA) is a 501c3 non-profit organization which has been serving the Willamette Valley since 1919. We operate the Bush Barn Art Center and Annex, a Community Arts Education program, and the Salem Art Fair & Festival. SAA also operates the Bush House Museum on behalf of the City of Salem.



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ASSOCIATION**

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## CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION



Michael Hernandez

Salem Art Association celebrates a number of important milestones in 2019, including 20 years of Clay Ball, 70 years of the Salem Art Fair & Festival, and 100 years as an organization!

To celebrate our centennial year, we kicked off with new branding in January, which was designed by Michael Hernandez, graphic designer and founder of The Bruin Co. To develop the new look, Hernandez drew inspiration from mid-century modern designers like Herman Miller, and Charles and Ray Eames.

Hernandez relates the new design to a piece of art, stating “The new SAA branding might not read at first how you expect. Like art, when you spend time with it, it takes on new interpretations. I believe that art should challenge us, unite and take us somewhere unexpected.”

In May, we will publish our new website, which is currently being created by Common Era Collective. The new site will feature interactive elements, video footage from the Bush Barn Art Center, and extensive mobile-friendly capabilities.

SAA’s first printed catalogue will be released in July. This centennial tribute will feature selections from the SAA Permanent Collection, collaboratively curated by SAA Gallery Director David Wilson, Bush House Museum Director Ross Sutherland and members of SAA’s Gallery Guides.

Finally, in September we will unveil a commemorative sculpture created by prolific Oregon art sculptor Devin Laurence Field, which will be placed in Bush’s Pasture Park.

We are thankful for all of our members, volunteers, sponsors and supporters for helping us to promote community art appreciation and education. It has been our pleasure to serve Salem for the last 100 years, and we look forward to the next 100!

## GRANTOR SPOTLIGHT

Thank you to the James F. and Marion L. Miller Foundation for its final year allocation of \$35,000 from a 4-year Operating Support Initiative grant totaling \$140,000. Funding provides general operating support and the expansion of programming in the Annex which draws in all artists’ voices and provides opportunities for previously underrepresented individuals and groups to express themselves through the arts.



Since its opening in September 2016, the newly-renovated Bush Barn Annex has been operating a dedicated studio space for a year-round Artist-In-Residence program where it has hosted 46 residencies and has offered in-person art experiences for over 14,000 residents and visitors. It also has a main gallery for art workshops, exhibitions, classes and other programming. Artist participation continues to grow, and an estimated 400 artists have engaged in exhibitions, workshops, installations, artist residencies, panel discussions, life drawing classes, and more.

The Miller Foundation’s Operating Support Initiative makes it possible for SAA to engage with diverse people and perspectives to build an inclusive and relevant community for the arts.

## YOUNG ARTISTS' SHOWCASE

The Young Artists' Showcase is a highly anticipated event, March-April, where local K-12 students submit their artwork to be exhibited in the upstairs gallery. This year SAA received over 400 entries to the showcase, and hosted 300 students and their families at the opening reception and awards ceremony.

Youth visiting the galleries for the first time are surprised to see art displayed by kids who are just like them. Kids inspiring kids to make art is one of the greatest benefits that the Young Artists' Showcase brings to the community.

Thank you to our sponsors Maps Credit Union, the Larry and Jeanette Epping Family Foundation and the Salem Sunrise Rotary Club for your support and help in making this exhibit a success.



## CALL FOR ZINES!

MAIL 2 COPIES TO:

SALEM ART ASSOCIATION  
KATHLEEN DINGES RICE  
600 MISSION STREET SE  
SALEM, OR 97302

SUBMIT BY  
MAY 31

## CALL FOR ZINES!

The Salem Art Association (SAA) seeks artists, writers, creatives and community members to participate in an exhibition in the Annex at the Bush Barn Art Center. This exhibition presents ZINES from across Oregon covering a wide range of topics.

The exhibition will include (1) a hands on zine making space, (2) a newly formed zine library composed of the submissions for this exhibition, which will be permanently housed on the Annex landing after the exhibition.

Please submit a copy with the awareness that the zine you submit will go into the library or will be copied by SAA for the library (if you do not want to be included in the permanent zine library please make note of that with your submission), (3) zines on pedestals (these may be rotated or changed

throughout), and (4) zines available for the community to take away. A panel discussion that explores the history of and current trends, and workshops, are being planned. SAA welcomes all artists making original zines to participate and invites multi-media artworks, and artists and writers who identify as immigrants, refugees, disabled, LGBTQ+, people of color, veterans and / or rural artists are strongly encouraged.

Please send any questions to Kathleen Dinges Rice, SAA Community Arts Education Director, at [kathleen@salemart.org](mailto:kathleen@salemart.org).

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## **BUSH BARN ART CENTER & ANNEX**

**TUESDAY - FRIDAY  
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**SATURDAY-SUNDAY  
12:00 - 5:00 PM**

**MONDAY  
CLOSED**

**- FREE ADMISSION -**

## **BUSH HOUSE MUSEUM**

**APRIL - SEPTEMBER**

**THURSDAY - SUNDAY  
1, 2, 3, & 4 PM**

**45 minute Guided Tour**

**For rates & scheduling,  
call 503-363-4714**

## **36TH ANNUAL BENEFIT SPRING PLANT SALE**

Mission Street Parks Conservancy, formerly Friends of Bush Gardens, is holding its Spring Plant Sale on Friday, April 12th (10:00 AM - 7:00 PM) and Saturday, April 13th (10:00 AM - 3:00 PM) at the foot of the Derby Track in Bush's Pasture Park. That's right, we're coming home!

In addition to all the fabulous plants grown by local nurseries (see website for list), other booths include Aislinn Adams Designs (Friday only), Audubon Society, MC Master Gardeners (including a display of pollinators), neighboring non-profits, and food: MIG pastries, coffee and milkshakes (weather permitting); LifeSource picnic food; and 1859 Cider.

MC and Visa accepted. To volunteer, call Patti at 503-881-8305 or email [geisttap@comcast.net](mailto:geisttap@comcast.net). All proceeds benefit Bush's Pasture Park. For more information, visit [www.missionstreetparks.org](http://www.missionstreetparks.org).

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