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SUMMER 2021



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Hello SAA Member and Art Lover! Once upon a time there was no pandemic and all of us enjoyed art in person --- and here we are once again! We are thrilled to announce the return of our first in-person shows since March of 2020. Viewing art is the heart and soul of everything we do here at SAA, and so we are hopeful that you will visit us once again.

As things slowly get back to normal, our hours will be limited so that we can ensure the health and safety of all of our staff and visitors. To begin, we will be open the following hours in July: Thursday, Friday, and Saturday 12:00 pm - 4:30 pm. We anticipate having these hours from July 1 - July 31, and then slowly increasing hours after that. Please check our website for updates to the schedule.

We ask, of course, that visitors continue to wear masks and maintain social distancing when enjoying the art in our galleries. And, of course, we hope that everyone who enters our galleries has received the vaccine. (For more information on how to get the vaccine, visit Oregon Health Authority's Vaccination Site (<https://CovidVaccine.Oregon.gov>)).

Finally, a word of gratitude: Your support as a member of SAA has enabled us to retain our staff, work with artists, offer educational programs to children in our community, and now re-open with exciting new shows. Thank you, thank you, thank you for being a member and supporting our work. We hope to see in person in July.

Respectfully,

Matthew Boulay
Interim Executive Director



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VIRTUAL SALEM ART FAIR & FESTIVAL

July 16 - 25, 2021

Join us for the 2021 Virtual Salem Art Fair & Festival (VSAFF). This year's festival will feature a mix of online, virtual, and outdoor activities that celebrate the arts and support local artists. The event begins on the traditional third full weekend in July, running for ten days, July 16 - 25. SAA is excited to partner with local organizations and businesses to bring the spirit of the Art Fair to the community. Even though we can't all gather together in Bush's Pasture Park, we can celebrate and support our community and artists.

You are invited to peruse the VSAFF Artists' Marketplace which will feature seventy-eight visual artists and artists' demonstration videos, or spend some time with your favorite Art Fair performers on the Community Stage, and enjoy online activities at Kids' Court. The Bush Barn Art Center welcomes back patrons with in-person activities, including two exhibits: Salem Salon "Better Together," a non-juried community art exhibit, and our Community Partner exhibit, curated by Latinos Unidos Siempre (LUS). There will be onsite children's art activities, artists' talks, and art demonstrations. Our community partners will display a one of a kind owl, decorated by local artists. You'll "have a hoot" when visiting their locations, to take a picture with these iconic creations. Watch our social media posts for opportunities to submit your photos and win prizes. For more details, including gallery hours, artists' catalog, and scheduled activities, please visit www.SalemArt.org.



WATCH DEMOS

BROWSE ARTIST BOOTHS

SEARCH BY ARTIST

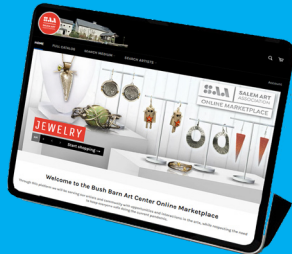


SAA OPPORTUNITIES, EVENTS & EXHIBITS TO YOUR INBOX

Stay up-to-date with what's happening at the Salem Art Association By signing up for our monthly events listing. It's free! You'll receive upcoming opportunities, such as calls for artists, events, and exhibits. It's easy to join. Just visit, www.SalemArt.org/about/e-list.

SHOP YOUR FAVORITE ARTISTS FROM HOME WITH SAA'S ONLINE MARKETPLACE

Find gifts and artworks that inspire and uplift, and beautiful items for everyday use. Through this platform, we encourage you to support local artists and keep the arts thriving in our communities. Find out more at <https://salemart.org/online-marketplace/>



THE SALEM SALON IS BACK!

After more than a year of not seeing one another, or even worse, not seeing any art, this year's Salem Salon, a non-juried, community art exhibition, is back! The Salon is one of our most popular exhibitions. After the success of The Young Artists' Showcase in May, this show has a special 'Youth Art' section, where we encourage artists from the ages of 15 – 20 to bring us their work.



There will be awards, including a People's Choice Award, so be sure to check our website for details. This year's theme is, 'Better Together' and we look forward to making that dream come true.

The Salon will run from July 1 through July 31. Details about visiting the exhibition to follow. Virtual awards and tour on Saturday, July 17 beginning at noon online at <https://SalemArt.org/Events/The-Salem-Salon/>.



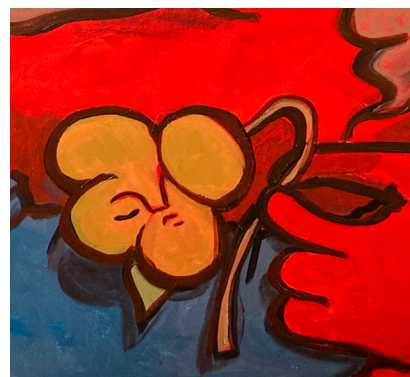
ARTIST IN RESIDENCE | KATIE GILMOUR THIS CHANGES EVERYTHING (THIS CHANGES NOTHING)

I am juggling three different processes at the moment; collage, watercolor drawings, and cut-wood pieces that I call my "Wall Drawings." With all I like to play around with silhouetting, patterning, geometric design qualities and symmetry. The recognizable characters of my current work often include insects, flowers, and birds, and the designs also play with negative space as an emotive quality. You may assume when looking at my work that entomology, ornithology, and botany are of interest to me, because I appropriate a lot of that arrangement style in my compositions. This is true. However, in full disclosure, I mostly consider the collective outcome of these studies and the corresponding physical collection or presentation without much curiosity towards any scientific findings.

THE PASTORAL LANDSCAPE IS ON FIRE | EILISH GORMLEY

In the current system, founded in colonization and exploitation, leaders permit the destruction of our planet, our communities, and our health, with a significant bias towards Black and Indigenous communities.

The Pastoral Landscape is seen in the Rococo period (late 17th, early 18th century), the era preceding the French Revolution. It represents plentiful bounty and domination of man over nature. The fire marks the downfall of the Pastoral Landscape, collapsing at the expense of our system's exploitative and indulgent nature. The fire, one of many omens from 2020, is a reminder of what we've experienced and its likelihood to envelop us again.



EXHIBITS & EVENTS

SALEM SALON BETTER TOGETHER

JULY, 1 – 31

VIRTUAL AWARD & TOUR

JULY, 17 AT NOON

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE KATIE GILMOUR

JULY, 1 – 15

VIRTUAL SALEM ART FAIR & FESTIVAL

JULY, 16 – 25

RESPECT EXISTENCE OR EXPECT RESISTANCE

JULY, 1 – 31

ALL KINDS OF ART SUMMER CAMPS

SESSION 1

JULY, 26 – 30

SESSION 2

AUGUST, 2 – 6

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AUGUST 10 – OCTOBER 5

PUBLIC HEALTH, PUBLIC ART

To encourage community resilience and promote public awareness around COVID-19 vaccination effort, SAA is working with local artists to create a mural project.

With support from SAA members and sponsorship from Salem Health, artists will create temporary murals that will be exhibited in public spaces in Salem and the surrounding counties. For up to date information about participating artists and mural locations, visit SalemArt.org

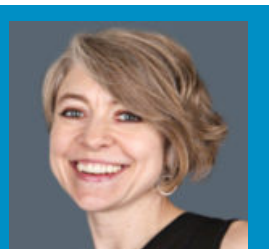


The "All Kinds of Art" summer camp allows children to explore a new medium each day. From printmaking to drawing to painting, clay, and photography, SAA Teaching Artists will support and nurture your child's curiosity and love for all kinds of art.

In addition to hands-on art-making activities, every day will include a mini "walking field trip" to the Bush House Museum and in beautiful Bush's Pasture Park.

All art supplies and a daily snack are provided to all campers.

All of our camps will prioritize the health and safety of all participating children and adults. For more information and registration visit SalemArt.org



Summer Youth Program Director
Rebekah Rigsby

July 26 – 30 SESSION 1 August 2–6 SESSION 2

+ **Camp # 1:** AGES 7-9, MORNING:
9 AM – 12 PM, Monday – Friday.

+ **Camp # 3:** AGES 7-9, MORNING:
9 AM – 12 PM, Monday – Friday.

+ **Camp # 2:** AGES 10-12, AFTERNOON:
1 PM – 4 PM, Monday – Friday.

+ **Camp # 4:** AGES 10-12, AFTERNOON:
1 PM – 4 PM Monday – Friday.

Each session of the "All Kinds of Art" Summer Camps begins in the Bush House Museum. Depending on the art medium of the day, the Museum will engage children in an exploration of its collection of historic prints, paintings, ceramics, photographs or furnishings. The welcoming house museum environment provides a perfect opportunity for children to experience fine, decorative and folk arts in a nurturing setting.



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Latinos Unidos Siempre (LUS) is partnering with the Salem Art Association to display an exhibition surrounding the empowerment of Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC). LUS has invited community artists who identify as BIPOC to display their artwork about empowerment, which will be displayed in the upstairs gallery. These artists are creating artwork about empowerment through self-love, self-care, community organizing, and more. Youth organizers from LUS will also be making their own personal contributions to the exhibition, including through murals in the Annex. The month-long exhibition will consist of an open house with an artists' panel, an open mic event with live art, and a social justice panel.