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CURRENT & UPCOMING SHOWS

Floral Fantasies

Show runs:

Apr. 21 - May 29 (gallery hours)

York Art Association Gallery

Flowers from the garden or from the imagination. From bud to bloom, in garden settings or displayed in arrangements. Garden scenes, garden paths, garden views, all provide inspiration.



Painting by Janet Glatz

York Senior Center

Show runs:

Fri., Apr. 15 - TBD

Love seeing views of coastal Maine? You would enjoy YAA Member, Noelle Argenti's photography and ceramics. Her works embrace the simplicity and aesthetic that defines coastal Maine. Visit the York Senior Center during normal hours for the opportunity to see a variety of Noelle's works and take a piece of Maine home with you. All of her work on display is also for sale. You can also visit the YAA Gift Shop to see and purchase Noelle's work.



A photograph of Nubble Light by Noelle Argenti

CALL FOR ART

Kennebunk Room Gallery Space

In the York Public Library

Fantastic Opportunity! Artists that are interested in hanging their body of work in the beautiful Kennebunk Room at the York Public Library please call Maryse to be put on this year's schedule. Information can be found on our website. www.yorkartassociation.com



If you have any questions or are interested in scheduling your show please email Maryse Newton at marysekn@hotmail.com or call the gallery.

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Open Air Studios

Date TBD

in Moulton Park (across from YAA Gallery)

Are you interested in getting together with a group of like-minded artists who enjoy painting in the great outdoors (also known as plein aire)? We want to hear from you! YAA is considering an outdoor event where artists can demonstrate their process in outdoor art: plein aire painting, carving, stonework, etc. Anyone interested in participating, please reach out to Lynn Halmi at lynndezign@gmail.com. Let her know also what kind of art you do & if you have date preferences.



Mixed Media & Fiber Arts Meeting

May 19, 10am-12pm

At the YAA Gallery

Fiber Arts Mixed Media Group is tentatively setting their next meeting date for May 19. Please stay tuned for more information as the theme and date are not firm yet. As always, the group encourages anyone to join them.



The Artist's Mind

Growing up in an age when the arts were the first things cut from curriculum when money or time was tight for a school, I am a firm believer in supporting the arts for kids. I believe that kids who are exposed to arts at a young age grow up to be better thinkers and problem solvers (and there are studies that support this theory too).

This is why I am uber-excited for the launch of YAA's youth initiatives. YAA believes in supporting the arts for everyone, including our younger community members. Through our youth initiatives, YAA will provide professional art instruction to area kids. There will also be painting birthday parties, student entry to our regular gallery shows, special student-only shows, and other workshop opportunities throughout the year. We can't wait to get all of these great programs off the ground! And I, for one, am very proud to be a part of it.



Can you guess the masterpiece? Find the answer on page 8!

SPECIAL EVENTS - CONTINUED

York Public Library Maker Faire

Jun. 11, 10am-3pm

At the York Public Library

The YAA will be participating in this event with a “make and take” post card collage using recycled materials. If you have any painted papers you would be willing to donate to the collage stash, they can be brought to the gallery and left for Corrine in the former wrapping room. It is essential that we have at least one volunteer from 10-12:30 and another from 12:30-3:00 to help Corrine Gilman with this event that Saturday or we will be forced to cancel our participation in this wonderful York community event. Sign up on Sign up Genius right on the web site. Or email Corrine at twofishes@me.com.



WORKSHOPS

Big, Bold and Beautiful: Dustan Knight

May 14 10am-3pm

At the YAA Gallery

BIG LOOSE and EASY, five hours. All levels of artists are invited to join Dustan Knight at her most popular watercolor workshop. Just in time for spring, learn how to paint big glorious flowers full of color and vitality. Dustan demonstrates step by step as



you paint along with her and the results are individual and expressive. Touching on composition and color as well as watercolor techniques like wet in wet painting and glazing, this workshop is designed to bring out the creative artist in us all.

To find out more about this talented watercolor artist and the new book she is writing, visit her web site <http://dustanknight.com/>.

YORK ART YOUTH (Y.A.Y.)

York Harbor Music & Art Camp

July 25-29

St George's, YAA Gallery & Moulton Park

York Art Association is very excited to announce the first annual York Harbor Music & Art Camp. We have collaborated with St. George's Church (across the street) to provide professional music & art instruction to kids age 8 and over. Children who participate in this week-long camp will explore their music-side with St. George's music director, Ivan Stefanov each morning from 8:30 - 11. There will be a lunch break and then the kids will have hands-on instruction of tactile arts with YAA instructors.

Kids will learn about R&B music, acrylic painting, silk dying, charcoal and pastels. The week will culminate with a collaborative art sculpture that the kids can visualize their emotions, feelings & reactions to the R&B music through abstract three-dimensional expression. There will also be an opening reception Friday evening where the students get to show off their artwork and perform a short concert for all visitors.



Still Life by Taryn Myers, when she was 12 years old

York Art Youth Fundraiser

Apr. 29, 6:30-8:30pm

YAA Gallery

YAA's new youth initiative needs your help! We will be hosting a fundraiser on April 29 to raise much needed funding to get York Art Youth off the ground. YAY aims to provide affordable, professional and fun art-based programs to our York area youth.



If you would like to attend our fundraiser event (wine donated by My Winey Sister and beer donated by SoME Brewing) or to invest in the artistic futures of area children, please reach out to Alyssa Wright at Alyssa@raisingchange.com or 413-230-1896.

YORK ART YOUTH (Y.A.Y.) - CONTINUED

Birthday Parties

Celebrating a child's birthday is a wonderful milestone for both parent and child, one fantastic way to celebrate that milestone is to have a painting party where each artist keeps their work as a fun token. York Art Association has a great space to offer our local youth a unique, artsy Birthday Party in the gallery. We are excited to launch the YAA Birthday Party this year, starting May 2016.



Painting party for up to 10 children includes: Two hours with art instructor and aide, 10 blank YAA invitations, use of gallery space and equipment, bottle water and snack for each child, paper products (plates, napkins, table clothes), canvas & paint supplies, party favors include: the artwork, YAA pencil, lollipop, York Peppermint Patty, gallery schedule, and one year YAA Student Membership for the birthday child, A memorable creative social event for a fun group of kids! Guest may bring birthday cake or snack.

The cost for an amazing 2 hour experience is only \$235. Please contact Maryse Newton at marysekn@hotmail.com to schedule your child's birthday today.

Thank you to our YAY! Sponsors

We couldn't have done it without you! YAA is eternally grateful to all of our amazing York Art Youth sponsors. YAY! is kicking off this summer with a music and visual arts camp from July 25-29, called **York Harbor Music**

& Arts Camp. We would like to acknowledge our partners: The York Land Trust and St. George's Church; and extend a very special thank you to our major donors: Raising Change, My Winey Sister, SoME Brewing, and the Newton family.

We continue to look for sponsors at any level and a formal plaque will be placed prominently to highlight all donors to the association. Please reach out to Alyssa Wright if you would like to become a major sponsor. She can be reached at Alyssa@raisingchange.com.



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Wine & Food Merchants



YORK ART YOUTH (Y.A.Y.) - CONTINUED

Volunteer for YAY!

Do you love art? Do you love kids? What better way to enrich the lives of kids by sharing your love of the arts with them. We are still in need of volunteers for a variety of tasks and positions for Y.A.Y!. If you are interested in any of the following, please reach out to Taryn Myers at art@hermesgallery.com:



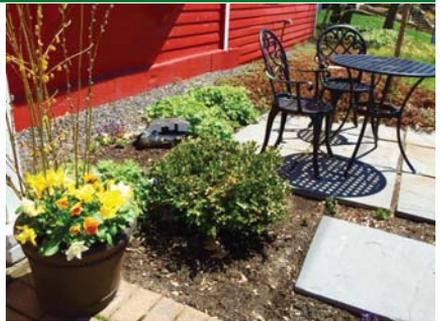
- ~ Instruction support
- ~ Donations of artwork or other relevant items that can be used for a silent auction fund-raiser or as a give-away/award at youth events or receptions
- ~ Food or drink donations for individual events
- ~ Cash gifts or supplies
- ~ “Kid companions” or other volunteers to assist with individual youth events
- ~ Collaborative partners that we could work with for theme tie-ins
- ~ Advertising donations
- ~ Fliers/brochure distribution
- ~ Event set-up and clean-up

And we are still seeking donations to support the launch of the Youth Program: Y.A.Y! You can donate on our website (please indicate “YAY” or “Youth Art” in the comments) <http://www.yorkartassociation.com/donate> or by purchasing much needed supplies (<http://www.dickblick.com/ara/lists/6318/home>).

YAA NEWS

Big Thank You!

York Art Association would like to extend a big, “thank you!” to the Piscataqua Garden Club members Carroll Donnelly and Helen Burns for taking on the planting of the front pots. In the garden are Ryan Coite’s stone carvings that are perfect for any garden and he sells these for your garden and can customize a request. Also, thank you to Ryan Coite for maintaining the entire garden for us as a volunteer. Everything looks fantastic!



New To YAA

New to YAA are two people who are helping behind the scenes - Aimee Timmins and Diane Johnson. Each are taking on a portion of maintaining the running of the association which is a nonprofit organization that is run by volunteers. We are also seeking a part time weekly staff to be a gallery host from June- September. If you can gallery host, please sign up online at www.YorkArtAssociation.com (scroll to the bottom & click on the SignUpGenius button).

OTHER FUN STUFF

Want to Support YAA Newsletter?

We will be introducing the opportunity to place small advertisements within the pages of our monthly newsletter. The newsletter, sent to all of our members and supporters, is a great place to distribute your message, whether it is a general notice of your website or etsy shop, announcement for art lessons, or whatever you want it to say. We are only asking \$20 for a generous 3" x 3" space (in color).

**This could be
your message!**

York Hospital Cafe Coffee

The York Hospital Cafe Coffee will be hosted by Annette Brennan on Saturday, April 30 from 9:30 - 11:00 am. Annette is a photo artist who depicts the intricacies of the seacoast using natural lighting that illuminates the subject. Annette will be showing and selling her art at the Cafe Coffee at special event pricing. Please RSVP to Annette at abimages4u@gmail.com.



Angry Ocean by Annette Brennan