

Newnan-Coweta Art Association NEWS

Issue: February 2025 – This February, do more of what you love!

Board Meeting – February 10, 2025
General Meeting – February 17, 2025

Refreshments provided by: Bailey Hill, Karen Jenkins,
Eve Graybeal Olsen, and Pammy Vaughn

6:30pm - Registration and Refreshments

7:00pm - General Member Meeting & Presentation

From Your President ...

Dear Members,

Did you know that February has more to offer in the way of celebrations than just Groundhog Day, Valentine's Day, and Presidents Day? Nestled in between New Year's and Spring, it seems there's a long list of off-the-wall holidays attributed to each day of the month. Who knew? I'm going to share just a few of these holidays with you: To kick off the month, on February 1, we have *National Get Up Day* (I guess that one's for those who don't typically get up?), then we have *National Tater Tot Day* (Feb.2), *National Bubble Gum Day* (Feb. 5), and *National Eat Ice Cream for Breakfast Day* (Feb. 6)! February 9th brings *National Toothache Day*, and February 19th is *Tug of War Day*! There's even a *National Public Sleeping Day* on February 28! Who in the world came up with these? These are just a few of the many lesser-known holidays that you can celebrate during the month of February; however, there are some others that I think make a lot more sense than the ones I've just noted, such as: ***National Make a Friend Day*** on February 11, and ***Random Act of Kindness Day*** on February 17. Our **February General Meeting** happens to be on **Monday, February 17**, so let's celebrate both of these holidays together! Make plans to attend our General Meeting this month and bring a guest with you! It will give everyone a chance to make a new friend, and we will be showing an act of kindness (even if it's not so random), by introducing someone to the NCAA.

As we enter into March, let's continue our efforts to increase membership by having a **March Membership Drive!** Invite someone to attend our General Meeting on **March 17**, whether it's a former NCAA member or someone completely new to the Art Association. Our theme next month will be ***March into Membership!*** I encourage each of you to reach out to former NCAA members and/or invite someone new to our General Meeting on March 17! If you know of any previous members who are still in the area but haven't been here for a while, please touch base with them and invite them to come.

NCAA 2025 BOARD MEMBERS

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President – Teresa Foshee
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**The hand you hold
is the hand that
holds you.**

Beautiful, Valuable, and Always In Style!



The **2025 Save the Dates** postcards were mailed to members on January 28. Please keep the postcard handy so you can refer to it throughout the year; our scheduled events are listed on the front, and the dates for our General Meetings are on the back. Please note that this is not a conclusive list; other events will be added as they are scheduled.

Let me share just a couple of things with you that we're looking forward to this Spring: I'm currently working with *The Avenue* in Peachtree City and *Ashley Park* in Newnan to coordinate a **Spring Artist Pop-Up** that would be held in either March or April. Nothing is set at this time, but I'm hopeful that we will be able to provide this opportunity for our Artists to display and sell their artwork. Once I have something confirmed, I'll have more information to share.

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President's Message continued ...

Our first **Member Mixer** this year is scheduled for Tuesday, April 15; we will be meeting for lunch at 11:00 AM at **Mama Lucia's, 80 Newnan Station Dr., Newnan**. An RSVP will be required prior to this event. Thank you to Denise Marsh for coordinating our 2025 Member Mixers!

We are planning for our **18th Annual Juried Member Art Exhibit** to be held at The Nixon Centre Black Box sometime in August, as it was last year; Coweta County Public Schools have first priority for use of The Nixon Centre, and we are waiting for their events to be scheduled before our Exhibit dates can be confirmed. The dates for the Juried Exhibit will be announced as soon as we have received confirmation from *The Nixon Centre*. In the meantime, you can start working on your submissions for this year! The *Call for Submissions* and *Entry Applications* will go out in March or soon thereafter. It is our most prestigious annual event and always proves to be the highlight of the year, so please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to exhibit your work!

I look forward to seeing you at our February Meeting on the 17th!

Warm regards,

Teresa Foshee
President



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4th Qtr. 2024
and January 2025
NEW MEMBERS

Sophie Holliday	Peachtree City	charcoal, oil, acrylic, watercolor, pencil, clay, fibre
Bertha Lombard	Senoia	wire sculpture
Rachel Mashburn	Newnan	painting
Chris Sims	Moreland	photography
Bonnie & William Strohm	Newnan	
Michelle Taylor, Chip Taylor, & Ashley Taylor	Newnan	acrylic photography mixed media
Judith Walker	Palmetto	watercolor
Terry Williams	Newnan	calligraphy

THE HEART JAM ~ a benefit concert featuring Michelle Malone & Doug Kees

Saturday, February 15, 2025

7 PM (Doors 6:15 PM)

Old Moreland Mill ♦ 7 Main St. ♦ Moreland, GA

Michelle Malone and Doug Kees, award winning performers and musicians, will be playing a benefit concert full of HEART with all proceeds going to **Backstreet Arts!**

<https://www.michellemalone.com>
<https://dougkees.com>

Heavy hors d'oeuvres, beverages (non-alcoholic and beer & wine), popcorn and fun will be on the menu. Auction items include fabulous, handcrafted items made by community artists.

There will be live painting by Trish Land with the finished piece being auctioned off to benefit Backstreet Arts. www.trishland.com

Parking is easy and plentiful! Hope you can join us for a jammin' good time for a great cause!

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FEBRUARY 13th MEETING

GUEST PRESENTER

Nancy Twomey

Jewelry-Maker

"Bumble Beads" became my passion in 2010. That same year, I joined the NCAA. Ever since childhood, I've enjoyed creating things with my hands. Since I had never made jewelry before, it became a new and fun way to express myself artistically.

I began selling my jewelry at the Newnan Market Days and at local stores downtown (Newnan). It was a great adventure! I was still teaching 6th grade students at that time, so my friends manned the shop for me. I then started working for Piedmont Newnan Cancer Wellness group and taught jewelry six times a year when I had breaks from teaching. That started many great friendships with marvelous cancer survivors and patients. My class has a loyal following of fun ladies who look forward to creating unique jewelry that they get to keep! Later, when I became a cancer patient myself, I already had my own support group!



I also started "Come Bead with Me!" Before covid, we met monthly at a Tea Room. Corner Arts Gallery was so helpful in keeping this group going. I would make up kits with tools and directions for my students to pick up for the Gallery. What a Blessing!

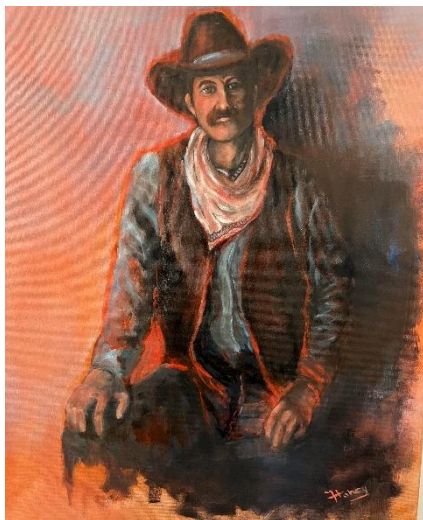
Now, I teach at Corner Arts Gallery every 2nd Saturday of the month. I teach a kids class at 11 AM and an adult class at 1 PM on the same Saturday. I also teach a monthly jewelry class at my church. You can also find me in booth NJT at Lone Pine Antique Market in Fayetteville. It's a wonderful and welcoming place to find treasure! Hope to see you in class sometime or just out and about enjoying yourselves! For more information, contact me at 770-630-1078 or endesigns1@outlook.com

I am originally from Neenah, Wisconsin. I met my husband, Mike, in Newnan, and here we built a life together and raised our daughter, Katie. Mike passed away in December 2021. We were married for 35 years. He was wonderfully supportive of me chasing my dreams and achieving my goals.

Throughout the years, I have met many new friends, supporters, and other artists. Each one adds to my daily life!

Downtown Galley Booth Artist's Guild

13 N. Wall Street
Cartersville, GA 30120



Congratulations! ... to our own **Eleanor (Honey) Corbin** who has two paintings juried into the Gallery's **BAG Spring Show**.

Dates TBA

boothartistsguild.com

The gallery is affiliated with the Booth Western Art Museum, an affiliate of the Smithsonian Museum Group. It houses the largest collection of contemporary Western art in America.

Well worth the visit!



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Newnan City Hall

25 LaGrange Street, Newnan 30263

Artist of the Month ~ February 2025

Eve Graybeal Olsen

The Newnan-Coweta Art Association (NCAA) has selected **Eve Graybeal Olsen** as the featured “Artist of the Month” for February 2025. Eve’s art will be displayed in the entry way to Newnan City Hall until February 28th.

Eve is a Georgia native, growing up in Newnan since the age of 5. She won an art contest when she was in the 5th grade; the prize was free art lessons from local art teacher, Bette Hickman.

As a **Young Artist**, Eve studied under Newnan’s very own **Bette Hickman** in the “**Art House**” where she gained a confidence for her talents and a relationship with tools and techniques that would continue to blossom throughout her art studies and career. During her final year at Newnan High School, her art teacher, **Carole Toole**, encouraged her to enter her art in the *Scholastic Gold Key* contest. Her painting won in the competition and hung in the *High Museum of Art* in Atlanta. She earned a BFA in Art from the University of West Georgia, concentrating in ceramics and metalwork.

Eve has had various professions in framing and printing fine art and is active in volunteering in the community,



donating murals to several local public schools and businesses in the Coweta County area. Eve and her husband, Adam, have 5 children.

Eve joined the NCAA in June 2024. She served on the 2024 Nominating Committee and was later elected as a 2025 Board Member (Director, 2-yr term). In addition to exhibiting at Newnan City Hall, Eve is a featured artist in the February 2025 exhibit at the *Newnan Theatre Company Black Box*. Congratulations, Eve... we are so proud of you!

Thank you, Mick Brandenberger!

ARTIST PRESENTER – JANUARY 20TH

We are fortunate to experience your work.



Just a few weeks away from the

Spring Art Walk

Friday, March 21, 2025 | 5pm - 9pm

Who’s ready to see the sidewalks of Historic Downtown Newnan come to life with great art?

Main Street Newnan

770-253-8283

mainstreetnewnan.com/art-walk

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Coming Soon!

March into Membership – Reach out and invite someone to our General Meeting on March 17. It just might be the blessing that person needs the most.

Member Mixer – Lunch at Mama Lucia's, Newnan April 15, 11:00 am. Our first Mixer in 2025! A great, informal way to meet and get to know fellow members. It is said the best memories are made around the table.

18th Annual Juried Member Art Exhibit – Being a juried artist is definitely in your future! While awaiting event info, get a head start on your exhibit-worthy work. We can't wait to see the mastery of works that will be submitted.

Workshops, Anyone? – There are no workshops currently scheduled, but we'd sure like to have you instruct us in your craft. Anyone? We're supposed to offer two workshops each year, typically held on a Saturday at the Art House; that's flexible!

Peachtree City Library

201 Willowbend Road
Peachtree City, GA 30269

continuing thru February 2025

NCAA's Featured Exhibit

artwork by **Vinayak Godbole**

— and —

The PTC Library Art Initiative

"EDIBLES: Nourish Yourself"

(curated show) featuring

NCAA artist *Vanessa Snyder*



**Newnan
Carnegie Library**

newnancarnegie.com

1 LaGrange Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Mon-Fri 9am-5pm
Sat 9am-12pm
Sun closed

**NCAA Artists currently exhibiting
2nd Floor Art Gallery**

Cecil Cornwell • Karen DeFelix,
Teresa Foshee • Mary Ann Madsen
Donna Massey • Margo Merrifield
and Ruth Whitaker

A. Mitchell Powell Jr. Library

25 Hospital Road, Newnan, GA 30263

Mon-Fri 10am-6pm • Sat 10am-3pm • Sun closed



"Starting Anew"

Trust the magic of
new beginnings

continues thru February 28, 2025

Featuring works by

*Bill Albrecht
Sophie Holliday
Denise Marsh
Yana Pidorvan*

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GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – January 2025

A general member meeting of the Newnan-Coweta Art Association (“NCAA”) was called to order by Pres. Teresa Foshee at 7:02 pm, on Monday, January 20th, at the Harriet Alexander Art Center. A warm welcome was extended to members, new members, and guests.



Refreshments were provided by Fred & Cheryl Buyarski, Teresa Foshee, and Margo Merrifield. Thank you!

Door Prize – Michelle Taylor won the door prize provided by (Presenter Mick Brandenberger).

SECRETARY’S REPORT – (Nancy Twomey) There was no General Meeting in December 2024. Minutes of the December annual Holiday Party were not required.

The following reports and business items are included in the Agenda handout and briefly summarized herein.

TREASURER’S REPORT – (Fred Buyarski) NCAA account balances as of 1/8/2025:

Value Checking (PP Trx)	\$	750.00
Value Checking	\$	9,654.68
Business Savings	\$	6.19
Money Market	\$	27,371.84

MEMBERSHIP – (Bailey Hill) As of 1/12/2025, there are 97 members in good standing and 14 expired memberships.

SPONSORSHIP – (Teresa Foshee) As of 1/20/2025, there are 26 Sponsors of the NCAA: 8 Platinum (\$200+); 10 Gold (\$100+); and 8 Silver (\$50+). The 2025 Sponsorship Forms are available online and at meetings.

SUNSHINE – (Yana Pidorvan) Get Well and Sympathy Cards are being sent to members, as the need arises. In December 2024, four supportive cards were sent.

WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT – (Teresa Foshee) The 2025 Committee members are Teresa Foshee (Chair), Andrea Boswell, Cheryl & Fred Buyarski, and Karen Jenkins. Updates continue to be made, as needed. Pammy Vaughn has been appointed Social Media Coordinator for the NCAA. She will be posting information for the Art Association on Facebook and Instagram.

REFRESHMENTS – (Chelita Freeman, text 706-302-4209) Volunteers are needed for 2025. Volunteers for February are Bailey Hill, Pammy Vaughn, Eve Graybeal Olsen, and Karen Jenkins.

BUSINESS ITEMS:

Annual Meeting & Holiday Party Recap – (Teresa Foshee) Installation of the 2025 Board of Officers and Directors took place at this meeting; all Board members were present and installed at that time. Ruth Whitaker officiated the Installation. The Meeting/Party was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Save the Dates Postcards (Update) – (Teresa Foshee) The 2025 Postcards will be mailed out to NCAA members before the end of January. Postcards will also be available at General Meetings and NCAA events. Charles Tryon suggested the postcards also be made into a pdf format.

2025 NCAC Art Exhibitions Partnership Update – (Rae Duncan) Rae continues to work as our liaison with the NCAC and WGTC for Exhibitions in the Vault Gallery (Wadsworth Auditorium). The Vault Gallery calendar is already scheduled with other events through June. Rae will keep us apprised of any opportunities that may arise after that time.

NCAA Library Update – (Teresa Foshee) Bailey Hill, Cheryl Buyarski, and Teresa Foshee will meet at the Art House sometime in February to look through the NCAA Library for old documents of a historical nature. Members will be given an opportunity to look at and take any remaining books at the close of the January General Meeting.

Spring Artist Pop-Up – (Teresa Foshee) Both *Ashley Park* in Newnan and *The Avenue* in Peachtree City have been contacted regarding a possible Spring Artist Pop-Up. Nothing has been confirmed at this time, but *The Avenue* has shown interest. More information should be available soon. Ashley Park has not yet responded.

18th Annual Juried Member Art Exhibit – (Teresa Foshee) Plans for the NCAA’s 18th Annual Juried Member Art Exhibit are underway. Although we are unable to give you the dates at this time, the Exhibit is tentatively scheduled for August 2025, depending on the Coweta County School Calendar. (The schools take priority when scheduling events at The Nixon Centre.) We are looking forward to holding this event in The Nixon Centre Black Box again!

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NCAA Ride-Share Program – (Beth Moore) Beth is coordinating our “Ride-Share” program. Please let her know if you need a ride to the meetings or would be willing to drive a member to meetings. An email to membership will be sent out soon.

NCAA Committees – (Teresa Foshee) Teresa stated that we have standing committees in our By-Laws. We do need a chair to get the information from the High Museum for NCAA members. This report would then be emailed to Teresa and provided to the members.

EXHIBIT VENUES UPDATE:

Carnegie Library – *Karen DeFelix, Coord.*

Displaying Artists: **Cecil Cornwell, Karen DeFelix, Teresa Foshee, Mary Ann Madsen, Margo Merrifield, Donna Massey, and Ruth Whitaker**

Newnan City Hall – *Karen DeFelix, Coord.*

Artist of the Month, January: **Beth Ann St. George**

Peachtree City Library – *Pammy Vaughn, Coord.*

January & February – **Vinayak Godbole**

Powell Library – *Beth Moore, Coord.*

January 11 thru February 28 – **Bill Albrecht, Denise Marsh, Sophie Holliday, and Yana Pidorvan**

Newnan Theatre Company – *Teresa Foshee, Coord.*

In the Black Box, 2D only: February 2025 – **Pammy Vaughn, Eve Graybeal Olsen, and Nancy Twomey**

3-D Venues – *Marilyn Weigle, Coord.* – *Currently, there are no NCAA 3D Exhibits at these venues.*

Bowdon Library (Bowdon) | Carnegie Library (Newnan)
Central Library (Newnan) | Ephesus Library (Roopville)
Heard County Library (Franklin)

The next general meeting will be held on Monday, February 17, 2025.

With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned by President Foshee at 7:24 pm. Artist presenter, Mick Brandenberger, was introduced.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Twomey
Recording Secretary

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Yvie A's Art Rocks Studio,* Franklin, GA
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Wes & Bailey Hill
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Newnan Theatre Company, Newnan, GA
Salon 54, Inc., Peachtree City, GA
Southern Rivers Dental, Newnan, GA
Gay Lindquist
Beth Moore

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Brown's Guitar Mill, Newnan, GA
Golden's on the Square, Newnan, GA
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Piano Crafters, pianocrafters.com
ZenBusiness, zenbusiness.com
Sandra Carter

2025 Event Sponsors

In search of event sponsors for the **18th Juried Member Art Exhibit Reception**. Get your best pitch ready so you can tell potential sponsors all the great reasons why this event is worth their support! Whether it's financial, goods and services, or promotional, we all know people and or businesses who share our enthusiasm about what the NCAA are doing and believe strongly in our vision.

For more information, contact Teresa Foshee at tsmiles2@bellsouth.net

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At random ...

I just thought you should know how cool I think you are!



Why are random acts of kindness important?

Whether you're the giver or the receiver, knowing that you've made someone's day better through a kind and unexpected gesture will improve your mood and make you feel good about yourself. As for the individual who was fortunate enough to experience your generous act, it can turn a bad day into a pleasant one, and it'll be something they'll undoubtedly tell others and remember for years to come.

Kindness
is
Magic

Just when I'm certain that I don't want to coordinate the **Christmas Arts & Crafts Market** any longer, having done so for ten years, this note unexpectedly arrives...

Dear Cheryl,

I so enjoyed participating in the Market. Thank you for all your hard work and effort that went into organizing all of it. I recognize what it takes to put it together. Great job!

God Bless You --

A Funny Valentine for a Friend

Roses are red, violets are blue,
You're my best friend, and slightly cuckoo.
Chocolate and flowers, they're not my thing,
But laughter with you makes my heart sing.

You know all my quirks, the good and the bad,
Yet you still stick around – are you mad?
On this Valentine's Day, no romance, it's true,
Just jokes and some snacks shared between me and you.

So here's to the giggles, the laughs, and the fun,
With a friend like you, I feel like I've won.
Cupid can keep his arrows and charm,
Because with you by my side, there's no cause for alarm!

