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**MISSION**

Allied Arts of Whatcom County is a nonprofit 501(c)3 corporation whose mission is to sustain and enrich our community through the arts.

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Monday - Friday  
10am - 5pm, Saturday 12 - 5pm

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The Board of Directors meet the third Tuesday of every month at the Allied Arts Gallery: 1418 Cornwall Ave. 5:30 - 7pm.

The Board of Directors sets the policy for the organization and welcomes your input. All members and friends interested in the arts are encouraged to attend.

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Hannah Fenske

This show will feature work from artists, the majority of whose work is constructed from recycled materials that would otherwise be disposed into waste streams. This show will include collage, assemblages, wall hangings, sculpture and other 2 or 3-dimensional artwork.

This show will run from April 1st to 30th. Allied Arts is a non-profit gallery, proceeds from sales go to support the arts in our community.

For more information visit [www.alliedarts.org](http://www.alliedarts.org).

**10th Annual RE-ART Show**

April 1<sup>st</sup> thru 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Opening Reception: Friday, April 1st, 6pm to 10pm  
Gallery Hours: Monday thru Friday 10am to 5pm,  
Saturday 12 to 5pm

The ReStore has partnered with Allied Arts of Whatcom County to bring the Annual ReArt Show back for a 10th year!



Graham Schodda

**DIRECTOR'S**

**Introducing the Cultural Council:**

Allied Arts of Whatcom County is addressing the needs of our community and is hoping to offer more opportunities to experience the arts. The Cultural Council will be a monthly gathering of arts enthusiasts, artists, arts educators and art administrators. Each meeting will explore a variety of different topics ranging from arts advocacy and collaborative opportunities to current events and local programs. Meetings are 10:00 am the first Tuesday of every month in the Encore Room at the Mount Baker Theatre. A special thank you to the Mount Baker Theatre for the use of the Encore Room and amenities! Here is a list of great projects we discussed at the last meeting:

**Cascadia Arts Festival: Regional Arts Festival** a collectively brand the Bellingham arts community and create a week long collaborative festival showcasing the talents of local and regional artists from the public, private and academic Project Coordinator: Susan Walsh - [holdenmcclurepr@gmail.com](mailto:holdenmcclurepr@gmail.com)

**Creative Spaces - Temporary Storefront Exhibitions** Temporary exhibits will be installed in vacant storefronts along Cornwall Avenue with an emphasis on "Envisioning Downtown Bellingham." Project Contacts: Darby Galligan - [DGalligan@cob.org](mailto:DGalligan@cob.org), Susan Walsh - [holdenmcclurepr@gmail.com](mailto:holdenmcclurepr@gmail.com), or Kelly Hart - [Kelly@alliedarts.org](mailto:Kelly@alliedarts.org)

**UNESCO – Cultural City Application for Bellingham** The creative community in Bellingham is uniting to apply to be endorsed by the Network and join the program to ensure their continued role as centers of excellence and to support other cities, in nurturing their own creative economy. Doug Banner - [dougbanner@comcast.net](mailto:dougbanner@comcast.net)

**WWU Arts Incubator:** An opportunity for artists to learn to operate their art as business through a program in partnership with the Business College. Students would have centrally located studio/ exhibition space and the opportunity to develop a business plan for a successful arts business. Dan Guyette WWU Dean of the School of Arts and Music - [Dan.Guyette@wwu.edu](mailto:Dan.Guyette@wwu.edu)

**Next Cultural Council meeting April 5<sup>th</sup>** will include arts advocacy update and tour of the New Pickford Cinema!



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**More on AAEP**



**Not using that Digital Display Frame? We'd like to borrow it!**

AAEP is looking for digital frames to borrow (or accept as a donation) for use in the May 6-30 art display in the Allied Arts Gallery. These will be used for the Children's Art Walk opening May 6th and remain in place for the ensuing month-long celebration of the statewide Arts in Education month. 676-8548 x3

**Children's Art Walk 2011**

Opening Event: May 6, 6 - 9 pm  
Downtown Bellingham



The ever-popular celebration of children's art is underway with 25+ schools planning art for display in over 50 business venues!

Look for art and performances at the Whatcom Museum and an art exhibit featuring our Teaching Artists work and that of their students at Allied Arts.

The **Lowell mural pieces**, created by all Lowell students with Ben Mann will be displayed at the Allied Arts Gallery and the Mount Baker Theatre.



**Arts in Action with AAEP!**

**AAEP to Participate in Statewide Assessment Project**

Our Education Project has been selected as one of five state arts in education programs to participate in an arts assessment research project. The Washington State Arts Commission has initiated the project to explore assessment tools, techniques and approaches for observing and documenting the impact of arts residency experiences on student learning. The commission hopes to find ways that arts in education programs can better communicate about the impact of arts residencies by developing stronger documentation. Providing arts program evaluations has been a long-time challenge yet funding is often dependent on providing evidence of arts impact on learning. The Project includes a \$500 grant to support the local research.

Participating in the program is 4th-grade Roosevelt Elementary teacher Andrea Roper, theatre teaching artist Lizanne Schader, visual arts teaching artist Gabriel Miles and AAEP coordinator Chris Brewer. All will attend a training on Evidence –Based Practice workshop led by Deb Brzoska, a specialist in creative school reform and founder of an award-winning arts school in Seattle, school designer for the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and a seven-year arts integration program for Hawaii's Dept of Education.

**Happy Valley Elementary awarded \$500 Grant to work with AAEP**



Bellingham School District and AAEP have collaborated on offering local elementary schools a \$500 "Integrated Creative Arts Grant". Funded by the school district, it is designed to support an arts-related project integrating theatre, dance and/or visual art into a classroom curriculum project. Funding provides Teaching Artist assistance in curriculum development, in-class instruction by the teaching artist and arts materials.

Happy Valley principal Karen Tolliver and arts teacher Lavonne Chue submitted an application to create art in the new garden area of the elementary school. Supported by various local groups, the school has built a fenced, raised bed garden area where students will have the opportunity to learn science and nutrition while growing food. The school plans to use the \$500 to create outdoor art to enliven the garden plot. Stay tune for pictures in the June newsletter! Congratulations Happy Valley!

The Arts Impact professional development program begun in the fall of 2009 has successfully completed its second year. Teachers who commit to the program are involved in 60 hours of training and two 10-hour mentorships with one of AAEP's Arts Impact –trained artists. Year One of the program focuses on Arts Foundations and Year Two trains teachers in Arts Infusion.



**AAEP Arts Impact program graduates 21 teachers**

**Congratulations to Graduates!** The two-year program engaged 17 teachers from Roosevelt school who completed their training at the beginning of March. Graduating from Roosevelt Elementary were Karin Otterholt, Susan Plummer, Kim Rutledge, Jennifer Noyes, Pam Pottle, Season Coppinger, Barb DelWraa, Ann Fleming, Josephine Estrada, Russ Nuckolls, Megan Thygesen, Andrea Roper, Vicki Niles, Peter Rasmussen, Terri McKee and Denisa Anderson. Roosevelt teachers completing one year of the program include Carol Beebe, Michelle Ostendorff, Valarie Swenson, Meredith Hansen and Sarah Fairchild. In addition Diane Tjomsland (Lowell) and Julia Ritchie (Geneva) completed the first year of the program and we are looking forward to working with them next year.

**Our thanks** to Roosevelt principal Steve Morse who made this happen and the terrific AAEP Arts Impact team: Lizanne Schader, Lynne McNett, Ben Mann and Chris Brewer.

**HeART-Felt Appreciation to funders:** the Washington State Arts Commission, Laird Norton, Bellingham School District and the Roosevelt Elementary PTA.

**April Exhibit at  
Kat Schneider  
Studio | Gallery**

Kat Schneider Studio|Gallery is showing her NOSTALGIA series during April 2011. Opening Reception during downtown Bellingham's Artwalk on April 1, 6 pm to 9 pm. Gallery hours Thurs - Sat 12pm to 4 pm and by appointment at other times by calling 360 510 7241, [www.katschneiderstudio.com](http://www.katschneiderstudio.com)



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**Congratulations to Ron Pattern!**

His painting "Sunday Afternoon" was accepted into the Northwest Watercolor Society's International Open Exhibition at the Mercer View Gallery and won the Vision Award juried by Watercolor Artist Paul Jackson. The show runs until May 2011

**32nd Annual Mayor's Arts Awards announced!**

Bellingham Mayor Dan Pike announced the recipients of the 32nd Annual [Mayor's Arts Awards](#). A reception and awards ceremony honoring the awardees is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. April 13 in the Rotunda Room of the [Whatcom Museum](#) Old City Hall Building. The public is invited to attend. For more information, contact Shannon Taysi, Planning & Community Development Department 778-8360, or [staysi@cob.org](mailto:staysi@cob.org).

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING RECIPIENTS:**

[George Drake](#), Allied Arts of Whatcom County and [Al Zimmerman](#)- Spearheading the Sebastian Exhibit in Downtown Bellingham [Ene' and Eugene Lewis](#) - Owners of Indian Street Pottery / Educators of the pottery craft [Felix Solomon](#) - Advocate for the revival of the Coast Salish style of carving [Mike Mathieu and Andrew Conner](#) - The Cody River Show [Nancy Steiger and the Medical Center Art Committee](#) - 2010 PeaceHealth / St. Joseph Medical Center Art Exhibition [The Amadeus Project](#) - Non-profit music institution providing a concert hall and teaching studio for the community [Whatcom Art Guild](#) - Volunteer-driven art organization offering scholarships and sponsoring two annual art shows.

**Join us at the [2011 Seattle Glass Art Society conference](#) in celebrating the community and diversity of glass throughout the country and the world.**

Register at [www.glassart.org](http://www.glassart.org) now through April 1st for the low fee of \$255 or \$135 student. (prices increase to \$280/\$160 student through May 15, then onsite for \$305/\$185 student) Conference Attendees must be current members of the Glass Art Society.

**The Shrapnelles, Love Lights and Platonic DJ at Lightcatcher Mix It, Saturday April 2, 7-10PM**

Event draws inspiration from current exhibitions with art, music, activities for the 21+ crowd Bellingham, WA March 18, 2010 — Saturday April 2 marks the Whatcom Museum's second Mix-it event, a quarterly, after-hours series combining art and music at the Lightcatcher, on the corner of Grand and Flora. Boundary Bay will be serving up beer and wine, food will be available at the Light catcher Café and the Museum Store will be offering 20% all night! Tickets Admission is \$10/\$5 members, and are available by calling 778 -8963. Remaining tickets will be sold at the door.

**30,026 Years and still going strong!**

The Northwest Pastel Society celebrates its 26th year with its Annual Juried Member's Art Exhibit at Kirsten Gallery in Seattle, April 10 –May 8th. This group of serious pastel "painters" has deservedly changed the tired, old perception of "pastel" as a medium for pale, anemic colors sketched lightly on drawing paper. These particular paintings are very strong, both in the use of bold, layered colors, as well as subject matter expertly presented in a manner that rivals all other mediums, including oils and acrylics. The cave painters used "pastel" 30,000 years ago, which is a poignant testament to its durability. Come see for yourself what has been selected by the juror, Rick Kirsten, to display on the walls of his gallery. Opening reception and awards ceremony is Sunday, April 10th from 2-4 p.m. at the gallery.



"Marking Time and Pushing 100", by Steve Hill, NPS member. This original painting will be part of the collective exhibit from more than 60 members at The Kirsten Gallery.

[Kirsten Gallery](#) is located at 5320 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle, WA. (206) 522-2011 Visit: [www.kirstengallery.com](http://www.kirstengallery.com) and [www.nwps.org](http://www.nwps.org) for more info.

**Member's Show - Best in Show**

Voted by visitors to the AAWC Gallery during the month of March



Runner Up:  
"Windfalls"  
Erin Libby



Runner Up:  
"Sunflower  
Field"  
Helen  
Campbell



WINNER:  
"Full Moon Over  
City Hall"  
Dave Lucas

Runner Up:  
"Del Rey Beach"  
Jack Kienast

Runner Up:  
"Samish  
Route"  
Art Hyatt



Just a reminder:  
**Anacortes Arts  
Commission**  
upcoming second  
**Outdoor  
Sculpture  
Exhibition.**



Entries are due by March 31, 2011.  
If you have any questions, contact  
Gary Robinson  
[gary@cityofanacortes.org](mailto:gary@cityofanacortes.org)

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for [Washington State Arts Alliance's  
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Arts' Arts Action Fund](#). It keeps you  
updated and offers easy ways to let  
your elected representatives know that  
you want them to support art and  
artists in Washington State and the  
entire country.

**Statewide Arts Event  
Calendar**

**Through April 17:** [Preston  
Singletary: Contents of a Dream](#). Glass  
art exhibit. (Tacoma)

**Through April 23:** [artEAST Arts  
Center: Art of the Written Word](#): Visual  
art and poetry exhibit with [Anita Feng](#),  
[Holly Ballard Martz](#) and others.  
(Issaquah)

For more info contact [Artist Trust](#)  
1.866.21-TRUST (toll free)  
[www.artisttrust.org](http://www.artisttrust.org)

**Calling all artists! Heralding the Arts Applications Available Tuesday  
April 5th at 10am!**

As some of you may have heard rumors, the Bellingham Arts Festival has been canceled for this year. Instead *Heralding the Arts* is a new (slightly smaller) festival created by Allied Arts of Whatcom County and the Bellingham Herald. This Festival will be held on Saturday, August 6th, in lieu of the Bellingham Arts Festival. The Festival will consist of 30 artists' booths from 10am to 3pm and will be held in the parking lot between the Bellingham Herald Building and the Downtown Farmers' Market.

Artists of all mediums are encouraged to apply to this festival. An emphasis will be put on selecting handmade fine arts and crafts (vs. using pre-made components).

For our festivals this year we are going digital, applications will be available to fill out online at [www.alliedarts.org](http://www.alliedarts.org) starting 10am April 5th (a link will appear on our home page). The deadline for applications will be on May 5th. (Don't worry, if you aren't a techie, paper applications will still be available in our office at 1418 Cornwall Ave. Downtown, but we request that you still submit images on a CD or flash drive.)

**City photo competition seeks entries illustrating community values.  
Deadline: May 2, 2011**

Amateur and professional photographers of all ages are invited to participate in the "Essence of Bellingham" photo competition, the sixth annual opportunity for people to capture and share images of Bellingham life. The competition is sponsored by the City of Bellingham and the Whatcom Museum. Winners receive special recognition by Bellingham Mayor Dan Pike and the Bellingham City Council, and have their work on public display, featured on BT10 and the City's website, and added to the Museum's photo archives. Complete competition details and an online entry form are available at [www.cob.org/eob](http://www.cob.org/eob) on the City website.



**Sean Humphrey House Art Therapy Volunteer**

The Sean Humphrey House (SHH) is a nonprofit organization in Bellingham, Washington whose mission is to optimize the quality of life for low-income individuals living with HIV/AIDS, who may also suffer from other diseases and disabilities, and who are unable to live independently. They are looking for an artist who would be interested in volunteering to do art therapy with a few of our residents. If you are interested in volunteering your time please contact Elle Peters at [\(360\) 733-0176](tel:(360)733-0176) or at [volunteershh@gmail.com](mailto:volunteershh@gmail.com).



**Paper Zone would like to feature paper artists in their store!**

This featured display would consist of a one-day launch party, with associated press coverage, followed by a month long installation in our busy retail store front. Our focus is on selecting an artist who utilizes our supplies and products. We are looking for creative, beautiful, and unexpected applications of paper. There is no set theme for the displays. All applicants will be judged on design, technical skill and originality. Exact show dates will be provided upon acceptance. All artists of any level are encouraged to apply for this opportunity. Applications are available at the Bellingham Paper Zone and must be returned to the Paper Zone no later than 4:30 PM April 29th, 2011. Contact: Allie Copeland, 915 Iowa St Bellingham 98225, 360.671.3755

**Everett Municipal Court – Exterior Façade Treatment**

The City of Everett is seeking letters of interest from qualified artists/ artist teams for design and fabrication of art that will be integrated into the exterior façade of Everett's Municipal Court. The area of the wall is 350 s.f. (8'0" H x 43' 0" L) Material of wall will be masonry. Art media may be brick metal, tile, and/or glass or any other suitable material. The budget for the project is: \$40,000. Submissions must be received by April 15, 2011. For complete information and requirements visit: [www.artisttrust.org](http://www.artisttrust.org)