



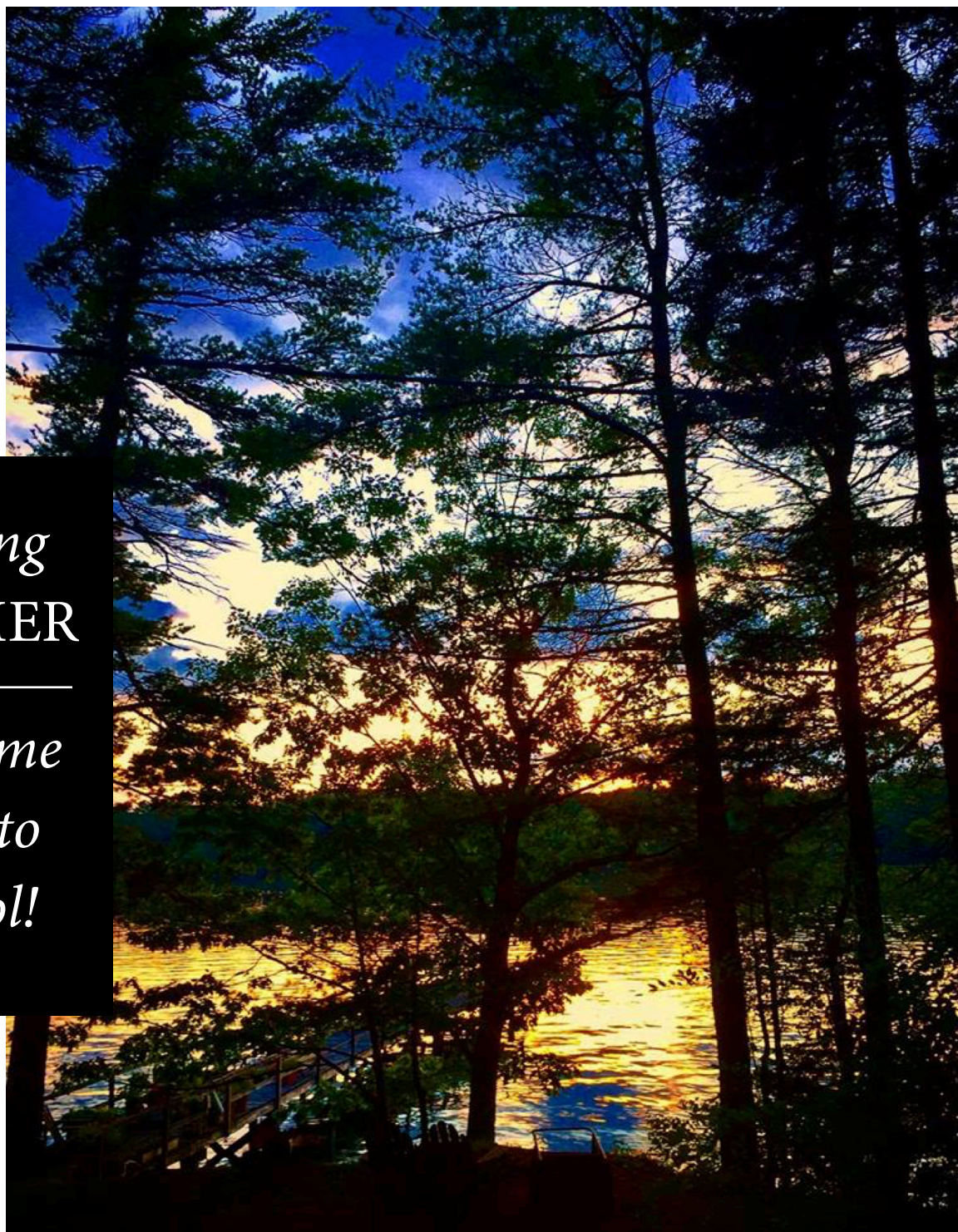
MIXED MEDIA

September 2018

A publication of the Maine ART Education Association

So Long
SUMMER

— ♦ —
*Welcome
Back to
School!*



"Light Show on the Sheepscot"

Photo by Manon Lewis



MESSAGE from the President

Suzanne Goulet

WATERVILLE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Doing it again but different

Welcome back to
a new school year

(for most). Changing state mandates, new administrators, colleagues and, of course, learners. Adjustments to be made, new approaches to embrace, and names to be learned and endeared.

For most, this school year is a refining of a version (2.4?, 15.2?). For a few this is version 1.0. There are many unknowns for first year educators, but this we know, It will go faster than you thought.

Our newest colleagues have much to share and are valuable bridges to our younger learners as they are also transitioning from learner to educational guide. Global approaches, new media, commercial art scenes, and the concept of ownership are just a few paradigms that are giggling.

This is a personal challenge to find and connect with a colleague new to the profession three years or less and ask to observe. What can we learn?

Serving in a leadership position is another way of doing something a little different. Statewide, this is an election year for the Maine Art Education

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Association. Candidates are being sought for President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and Member Services. Growing your professional circle in your community, state, region, and even nation can be transformative. It's like possessing your own tardis (Dr Who's spaceship).

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a little different.*

This July, I had the privilege of participating and growing at the National Art Education Association's, Art of Leadership Conference in Charleston, SC. **Lisa Ingraham** (*President-Elect, Newsletter, Madison ES*), and **Heidi O'Donnell** (*Secretary, Belfast HS*) also proudly represented our State and we all have brought back ideas, strategies and resolve to share with you and our MAEA.

Here we are in another school year. How can we do it better?

Let's do it together!

Suzanne C Goulet
President, Maine Art Education Association
Traditional, Digital, and Emerging Art Educator,
Waterville SHS

Board Schedule

MAEA Board Meetings

are held on the second Thursday of the month at the MEA offices in Augusta, unless otherwise noted. All MAEA members are encouraged to attend and become board members. Distance an issue? You can join in virtually via Zoom.

September 13, 2018

October 11, 2018

November 8, 2018

December • Holiday Celebration*

**Location to be determined*

January 10, 2019

February 14, 2019

March • To be determined

April 11, 2019

May • Committees Meet

June/July • Summer Retreat

August • No Meeting – Vacation!

MIXED MEDIA is the award winning (September-June) newsletter of the MAEA. It is sent to anyone interested in the MAEA, and shared on our website aeforme.org. Please contact us for reprinting considerations.

Submissions for consideration can be submitted to Lisa Ingraham (Editor/Designer):
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What I Did On My Summer Vacation

by LISA INGRAHAM
Art Teacher, Madison Elementary School

I would like to thank all those MAEA members who shared what they did on their summer vacations for this edition of Mixed Media. Their stories are as interesting and diverse as our members! I hope you enjoy reading them as much as I did.

I personally took advantage of a wonderful opportunity to travel to Charleston, South Carolina with Suzanne Goulet and Heidi O'Donnell for the NAEA's National Leadership Conference: The Artistry of Leadership. It was a four-day whirlwind of information, art-making, camaraderie, (and eating!) with state association leaders from around the United States. Working with this group of dedicated professionals has and will inspire me as I move forward in service to our Maine Art Education Association.



Presentations of artwork, curriculum, and storytelling were given by artist Derek Fordjour, educator Patty Bode, and storyteller Tim Lowry.



Ice cream at Jeni's quickly became a daily habit. Suzanne, Heidi, and me with our new friends from Utah, Carrie Wilson and Anna Davis.



Suzanne Goulet, Heidi O'Donnell, and NAEA Eastern Region Vice President, Diane Wilkin, who spent her summer vacation traveling Italy after departing the Leadership Conference in South Carolina.



Blick Art Materials led an art/game-making activity on day one. The trials and tribulations of being an art educator were on display with our attendee created game board.





Art in Nature Camp

by RACHEL GILLEY WILSON
Art Teacher, RSU #38

In July, I ran an Art in Nature Camp in Mount Vernon, with Merline Douglas, owner of The Quiet Forest (40 acre camping/retreat space on Minnehonk Lake). We took walks in the woods, experienced a loon and heron at the lake. We sourced, stripped, sanded sticks to be turned into wands, as well as made sun catchers with found floral elements, and painted rocks that we hid at the local swimming spot. We took inspiration from Andy Goldsworthy, and looked up close at nature as we were drawing, painting, making bark rubbings, and more! There was a second session the following week with new activities, and we plan to make this an annual event!

For more information contact Rachael Gilley Wilson at Mindful Being Arts & Healing, ARTDOGS Studios, 277 Water Street, Gardiner, ME 04345, or visit their website at MindfulBeingME.com



Summer Art Adventure

by MARGO BUSQUE
Art Teacher, Greenville Consolidated School



I was lucky enough to have traveled to Greece and Italy in July! This was my 5th trip to Greece, which included Athens and the Islands of Mykonos and Santorini! I also spent 4 days in Rome, Italy! The best part of this trip was of course the art, which is everywhere, but I can't leave out the wonderful architecture, antiquities, sculptures, scenery, food and culture of both countries! Every trip to Greece or Italy is an awesome opportunity that I will share with my students in grades K through 12!!

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What I Did On My Summer Vacation

by NATE MENIFIELD
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As your new Visual and Performing Arts Specialist at the Maine Department of Education, I spent most of my summer doing exactly what you might expect: struggling with how to perfectly decorate my cubicle! Aside from crafting a cubby theme worthy of the MAEA seal of approval, I've also had the pleasure of participating in some amazing conferences, traveling around our beautiful state, and, most importantly, hearing from many of you! This year promises to be filled with some exciting professional development opportunities, and I'm thrilled to experience them with you (to stay up-to-date on the latest

offerings, make sure you've subscribed to the DOE Arts listserv; e-mail me at the address below to be added).

I invite you to be in touch any time with questions, concerns, or just to say "hello."

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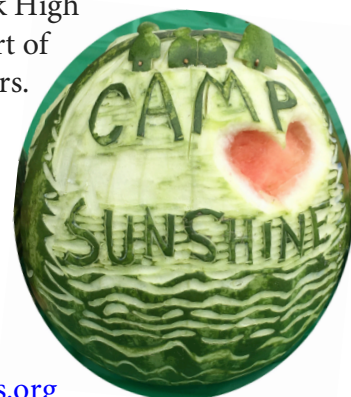
If we've not yet connected, I look forward to meeting you at a MAEA conference or workshop, and welcome the opportunity to visit

classrooms around the state to see the great work you're doing first-hand. I invite you to be in touch any time with questions, concerns, or just to say "hello." Summer may be coming to a close, but the fun is just beginning – here's to a great year!



Matt Johnson, MAEA Treasurer, and Deb Bickford, MAEA Past-President, participated in the Second annual Camp Sunshine Watermelon Festival as guest carvers this summer on August 11, 2018. Matt and Deb always attend the Pumpkin Festival as a community service event with Westbrook High School NAHS students as part of their community service hours. This is the second year they have contributed to the Watermelon Festival as well.

For more information about either of these events contact Deb Bickford,
bickfordd@westbrookschools.org



Youth Art Month

MAEA at the MEA

If you are planning ahead, March 3, 2019 is the tentative date for the MAEA's annual student show at the Maine Education Offices in Augusta. Framing is beautifully done, and generously underwritten by Horace Mann. More details to come!

Contact Lisa Ingraham – lisa.ingraham@msad59.org if you have any questions, comments, and/or student work you would like to submit.



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2018 Quimby Family Foundation Fellowship



I was the very grateful recipient of the 2018 Quimby Family Foundation Fellowship for an active Maine art educator, which allowed me to attend a summer

session at Haystack. I ended my school year a day early and was bound for lovely Deer Isle for TWO GLORIOUS WEEKS! My workshop choice was Experimental Enameling with Sharon Massey of Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Attendees were young, old, students, retirees, and everything in the middle. All attendees had

the common blessing of the ability to get lost in their creative pursuits. One of the most profound realizations of attending Haystack is being placed into the role of a student who is expected to put out an amazing product. I put the “amazing” presumption onto myself because I am surrounded by so many wonderfully creative people. The great thing about this is that I am better able to make my students more comfortable with their creative processes. I like that I start out uncomfortable and doubting my ability to measure up because I know that is how so many of my students feel. This has made me a better and more compassionate teacher. Thank you MAEA and the Quimby family for making this amazing opportunity possible for me.

Beth Ann Cummings
MSAD #45/Washburn
Visual Arts PreK-8
Gifted & Talented 3-8

Northern PD Opportunity!

On September 14th, **Northern pARTners** will be hosting professional development for teachers unable to attend the Fall Conference at Haystack. This workshop day will be held in the Presque Isle area (school to be determined). The agenda for the day will include; discussions around various topics in education (such as GT identification and programming, assessment, and arts integration), hands on studio workshops and the opportunity to share project ideas, and news from MAEA & the MDOE. MDOE will provide contact hours to attendees.

Interested teachers may contact Theresa Cerceo at tcerceo@msad33.org.

Hotel Reservations NOW OPEN!

Lodging often fills!

Hint: There is no cost for a reservation, but there is a charge for cancellations after a certain date. Ask about this when you register.

This is the link to the online reservation option:
<https://book.passkey.com/event/49695345/owner/6893/home> (Suzanne Goulet used this option and now have secured lodging in the headquarters hotel - Sheraton)

Note - There are a lot of options in and around the Boston area, and the area in the convention center region (waterfront). The headquarters

hotel (Sheraton) is near Copley (I anticipate that NAEA will be providing busses, just like for Chicago)

If you need to advocate to your administrators about this is incredible growth opportunity, go to the convention web page <https://www.arteducators.org/events/national-convention> and download their resources - "Make Your Case" and "Letter of Encouragement."

We hope to see in Boston!



The banner features a collage of six diverse individuals at the top. Below them, the text "GET READY!" is written in large, bold, white letters. Underneath is the NAEA logo, followed by "2019" and the word "BOSTON" in large, colorful, textured letters. To the right, a yellow banner displays "March 14-16". Below this, a purple banner contains the text "2019 NAEA National Convention | Boston, MA | March 14-16". At the bottom, a dark purple box contains a paragraph of text.

GET READY!

2019 BOSTON

March 14-16

2019 NAEA National Convention | Boston, MA | March 14-16

The NAEA National Convention is where your vibrant professional community comes together to learn, create, share ideas, and be inspired! We want to give you a head start on joining us in Boston for 1,000+ engaging and informative sessions, workshops, tours, events, and exhibits designed by and for art educators.



MAINE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE THE ARTS

SEPTEMBER 28TH
at the University of Southern Maine
Abromson Community Education Center
in Portland, Maine

Join the Maine Arts Commission for the 3rd biennial Maine International Conference on the Arts (MICA), where we will explore art making, arts education, capacity building strategies and skills, and more – all specifically for Maine artists, arts educators, and arts organizations.

<https://mainearts.maine.gov/>



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH
7-8 PM ET

FREE for NAEA Members

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Lois Hetland will present the Studio Thinking framework and eight studio habits of mind.

<https://virtual.arteducators.org/upcoming-opportunities>



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October MIXED MEDIA

Our October edition of Mixed Media will feature the 50th anniversary of the MAEA's Fall Conference at Haystack. Please share your experiences – past and present – of this MAEA tradition.

Send your photos and a write up about your take-aways, ahas!, and favorite moments to newsletter editor, Lisa Ingraham at lisa.ingraham@msad59.org. You can also contact me anytime with questions or comments!

Deadline for submission: October 12th.



To receive art education opportunities, resources, art educators stories, and much more, join the 1900 others by following the Maine Arts Education blog posted to daily at <https://meartsed.wordpress.com>. Subscribe on the site.

To receive a weekly update on the most recent Arts Education news email the Maine Arts Commission Director of Arts Education Argy Nestor at argy.nestor@maine.gov and ask to be added to the list-serv.

MAEA Mission

The Maine Art Education Association is a statewide professional organization whose members are committed to excellence in visual arts education.



MAEA Goals:

- To encourage best practices in standards-based and learner-centered visual arts classrooms in all Maine schools.
- To foster high quality teaching in the visual art and provide professional development opportunities in curriculum, instruction and assessment, as well as in current issues and artistic practice.
- To provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and support collaboration among educators and other arts agencies to ensure quality programs for all learners.

It is our purpose to promote the highest quality instruction in visual arts programs that provide depth and breadth of experience to meet the varied needs of students.

Join Us Today!

You can sign up online at aeforme.org/membership or complete this membership form and include a check for membership dues made out to: MAEA and mail to MAEA, c/o Holly Houston, P.O. Box 10463, Portland, ME 04104

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