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2020!
*Creating
Exhibiting
Gathering*

"Annie's Garden" by Piper Bolduc will be on display in the MAEA's member exhibition at the Saco Museum of Art. There is still time to add your work to this show, see page 3 for more information.



MESSAGE from the President

Lisa Ingraham

MADISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

New Opportunities

Anyone who has talked with me over the last few weeks knows how excited I am about Maine's 200th birthday. I have tried to learn all I can about this wonderful place I have called home for almost 20 years now. I am always pleasantly surprised there are still new things to explore.

In that spirit I would like to share as many celebrations and gatherings as I can fit into this first newsletter of 2020 and highlight some of the work our MAEA Board will be doing to create new opportunities for our members. Here are just two new items:

The MAEA is planning a "bring your own art" Summer Retreat at Pilgrim Lodge (tentatively July 24th-26th). It promises to be a beautiful weekend on Cobbosseecontee Lake (one more place I have yet to explore!) Contact me or Allie Rimkunas, allie.rimkunas@gorhamschools.org to help plan this event.

The MAEA is expanding our Regional Leadership to include the voices of art educators from every part of Maine in our Association. If you would like to share in this work, please contact me or one of our board members below.

Happy 2020!

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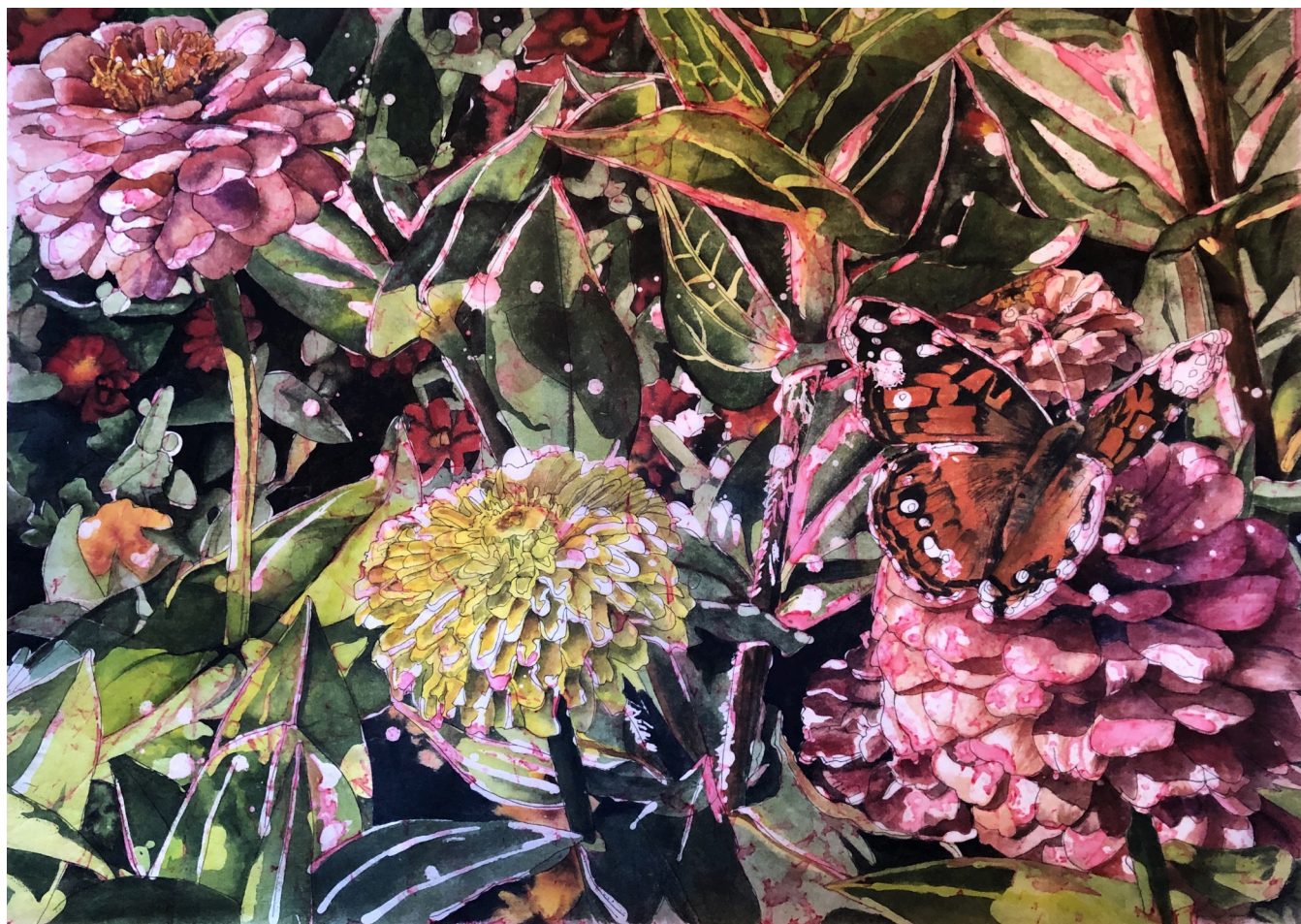
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Registration is still OPEN for the 2020 Member Exhibition at the

Saco Museum of Art

CAMERON DAVIS
Art Teacher, Acton Elementary School



Annie's Garden by Piper Bolduc.

Saco Museum of Art MAEA Member Show

It's Natural: Art By Art Teachers

Drop off dates:

Friday, January 24th, 2-7PM

Saturday, January 25th, 10AM-2PM

Saco Museum of Art exhibition chairs, Cameron Davis - cdavis@acton.k12.me.us - and Diane Noble - dbmn27@maine.rr.com, are still accepting artwork for this show, including painting, drawing, sculpture, fiber arts, jewelry, paper making, ceramics.

The museum space is large and they would like to fill it. You are welcome to register two or more pieces of your artwork.

The show will be on view from January 27th through March 27th. There will be a public reception on Saturday, February 1st from 1-3PM.

Follow this link to register:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfbM9vfSSjdPKhfTfouviX1fhnyhiOrUyOPDj8fMXPA9RjnMA/viewform>

Scarborough Art Educator, Elise Pelletier **to Receive National Recognition**

by LYNDA LEONAS

Art Teacher, Farwell and Longley Elementary Schools

Special recognition has been awarded to Elise Pelletier, Scarborough High School Visual Arts Educator and Youth Art Month Statewide Coordinator for the Maine Arts Education Association (MAEA), for her individual contribution to the promotion of youth art throughout Maine during the month of March in 2019. Pelletier is being recognized for her work organizing the Youth Art Month student exhibit at the Portland Museum of Art (PMA). The year 2019 marked the 25th anniversary of the Portland Museum of Art's and the Maine Arts Education Association's Youth Art Month annual student exhibit. 108 works of art representing Kindergarten through 12th grade students across the State of Maine were on display as a result of the collaboration of Elise Pelletier,

MAEA Youth Art Month Chairperson, and Meghan Quigley of the PMA. The Council for Art Education (CFAE) will recognize Pelletier amongst 22 Youth Art Month program awardees nationwide during the 2020 National Art Education Association (NAEA) Convention to be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on March 26-28. The NAEA joined sponsorship with the CFAE of Youth Art Month in 1969. The two organizations will honor the Maine Arts Education Association with a \$100.00 gift for



Elise Pelletier, Chairperson and Statewide MAEA Youth Art Month Coordinator

The Council for Art Education (CFAE) will recognize Pelletier ... during the 2020 National Art Education Association (NAEA) Convention

their participation promoting quality arts education during the March 2019 Youth Art Month.

Youth Art Month is a trademark developed in 1984 by The Council for Art Education (CFAE).

Headquartered in Hanson, Massachusetts, the CFAE was created by the Art and Creative Materials Institute, Inc. (ACMI). Children's Art Month began in 1962 through the Crayon and Watercolor Institute, which is now ACMI. ACMI is an international art and craft materials association and remains the primary sponsor of the CFAE, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization

promoting quality art education and programming for school visual arts programs. The CFAE continues to provide valuable resources, ideas, and the vibrant promotion of student work.

Please visit <https://councilforarteducation.org> for more information concerning the CFAE mission; or, for interested parties wishing to offer donations supporting arts in education programs sponsored by the CFAE.

Items, Events & Volunteer Opportunities

Art Teachers Create!

JANUARY 25th • 9AM to NOON
Great Falls Elementary
Gorham

Allie Rimkunas is host for our January get together at her school in Gorham. To RSVP and receive more information about this bring-your-own art-making event contact Allie, allie.rimkunas@gorhamschools.org

The February gathering of Art Teachers create needs a host. Contact Jodi Thomas jodi.thomas@thorntonacademy.org if you would like to invite art educators to your home or school for a morning of collegial art making!

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.

SHARE YOUR STORIES

Submissions for consideration can be submitted to Lisa Ingraham (Editor/Designer): lisa.ingraham@msad59.org.

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Discussions & Presentations

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS!
for the MAEA Spring Conference
April 4th at Leavitt Area High School

Perceptions! is the theme for 2020's MAEA conference. Contact conference host Iva Damon, iva.damon@msad52.org or try this link to our presentation Google form: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc-GMSc1SY881kAP-dKp-bnEp6WaoSy8OwZbW3M5jyHe0455Q/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1>. The registration fee is waived for accepted presenters.

NEWSELA RED CARPET EVENT
How Saco Integrated Maine Native American Content
January 23rd • 5:30-8PM

For more information about this event and to register, follow this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/newsela-red-carpet-event-integrating-maine-native-american-content-tickets-86595833469>

SUNDAY SALON | TEMPORALITY
Center for Maine Contemporary Art
January 26th • 3-5PM

Join the CMCA for a Sunday Salon with artists included in this exhibition. Click here to RSVP: https://www.paperlesspost.com/go/gam-oja3hvddANkcbQVoM?utm_campaign=desktop_flyer_share_dialog&utm_medium=email&utm_source=email-preview&utm_content=tab-bar

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Auburn Art Educator Stephen Amoroso

Student's Work in Maine Excellence in Arts Education Exhibit

by LYNDA LEONAS

Art Teacher, Farwell and Longley Elementary Schools

Stephen Amoroso, art teacher at Fairview Elementary School in Auburn, Maine, celebrates his 22nd year teaching art by expanding his own creative art education repertoire at local open mic stand up comedy locations, planning cool art adventures for his students, and by presenting student art to support the importance of arts education. Amoroso feels that, "If I can get them excited and curious about art and expression and creativity then they will look forward to exploring it further at the upper grades, as well as pursuing it on their own."

Mikayla Richards, his 6th grade student at Fairview Elementary School has artwork on display at the Capitol Complex in Augusta through April 30th, 2020. Richards' artist statement expresses her excitement for art: "I like having the ability to create something. I always had a passion for art." Her work of a pinecone showing shading is drawn with the continuous line contour technique, wherein the student does not lift the pencil during the entire process of the drawing and cannot go back in later to edit it with an eraser. Richards' work is part of the



Mikayla Richards' "Pinecone with Shading," exhibited at the Maine State Capitol.

Maine Arts Commission Maine Excellence in Arts Education Exhibit, and her artistry will be recognized at the artist celebration on March 11th, 2020.

You are invited to MAEA Board Meetings

*Join us at the MEA offices in Augusta or
virtually via Zoom online conferencing.*

2019-2020 Meeting Schedule

**2.8.20 (Winter Retreat – Location TBD),
3.12.20, 4.9.20, May-By Committee, and
June OR July (Summer Retreat)**

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Leadership Opportunity

MAEA REGIONAL LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE Ongoing

The Maine Art Education Association is exploring Regional Leadership as a way to include art educator voices from all areas of our state and serve all MAEA members. If you would like to help with this work, please contact MAEA President, Lisa Ingraham
lisa.ingraham@msad59.org.

Contests & Exhibitions

2020 SAVING ENDANGERED SPECIES YOUTH ART CONTEST Entries Due: March 1st

Elementary, middle and high school teachers and their students are encouraged to participate in the 2020 Saving Endangered Species Youth Art Contest, an integral part of the 15th annual Endangered Species Day, celebrated on May 15, 2020.

Entries should depict a land or ocean-dwelling species that either lives in or migrates through the United States and its waters and has been placed on the threatened/endangered species list. Artwork must be submitted electronically by March 1, 2020.

Winners will be chosen in four categories: K-Grade 2, Grades 3-5, Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-

12, and will receive plaques and art supply gift packs (from Chartpak Inc.). In addition, one grand prize winner will be honored at a reception in Washington, D.C. in May 2020 and also receive a special art lesson from a professional artist.

Visit www.endangeredspeciesday.org for more information. If you have any questions, contact David Robinson (Endangered Species Day Director): drobinson@endangered.org

7TH ANNUAL MAINE STATEWIDE HIGH SCHOOL & JUNIOR HIGH CERAMIC ARTS SHOW April 11th through May 8th

The 7th Annual Maine Statewide High School and Junior High Ceramic Arts Show will take place at Joan Pearson Watkins House, Watershed Ceramics in Newcastle, Maine from April 11th to May 8th. There will be an awards ceremony on April 11th at 2PM.

Each school can submit a total of two pieces, 1 utilitarian clay piece and 1 sculptural clay piece, that represent the strengths of their clay program. Entry is free. Once the pieces (or piece) have been selected; click on the link below to register:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe0kb33qNl34WTC58yk5LEqvE8sjIs8zQuqdMkKuevTWQZQzA/viewform>

Drop off the artwork to Russell Kahn at Camden Hills Regional High School, 25 Keelson Drive, Rockport, Maine between March 30 and April 3, 2020. Contact Russell to arrange a time at (207) 322-6168 or ruskahn@gmail.com

You may also drop off artwork to Trelawney O'Brien at Watershed Ceramics, 103 Cochran Road, Edgecomb, Maine Monday March 30 to Thursday April 2, and April 6 & 7, 9AM to 5PM. Office phone is 207-882-6075. Email: tobrien@watershedceramics.org

Youth Art Month

Celebrations & Exhibition Opportunities for March 2020

COMMON STREET ARTS

Opening Reception, March 5th

For the 6th consecutive year Common Street Arts at the Hathaway Creative Center in Waterville will celebrate Youth Art Month by exhibiting local school-aged student artwork. This year's theme is Take a Journey Through Art. Artwork drop off is Thursday and Friday, February 13th and 14th from 9AM to 5PM, or during the school break, February 17th and 18th. The exhibition will be on view March 2nd through 28th with an Opening Reception on March 5th from 4:30-6PM. Artwork pickup is April 1st and 3rd, 9AM to 5PM, or by appointment.

Contact Waterville Creates! Education & Outreach Coordinator, Serena Sanborn, - ssanborn@watervillecreates.org - for more information and to register for this event.

PORTLAND MUSEUM OF ART

Public Reception, March 7th

Registration is open, click the following link to add your student's work to the celebration:

[PMA Youth Art Month 2020](#)

There will be a public reception on Saturday, March 7th. Drop off dates for art are Wednesday, February 5th from 3-5PM, Friday, February 7th from 3-5PM, and Saturday, February 8th from 11AM-3PM. And pick up dates are Wednesday, April 1st, Thursday, April 2nd from 9AM-5PM. Please contact Elise Pelletier with any questions or to volunteer for drop off and/or pick up: epelletier@scarboroughschools.org.

MEA OFFICES IN AUGUSTA

Opening Reception, March 8th

Join the Maine Art Education Association at the Maine Education Association offices in Augusta on March 8th from 1-2:30PM to celebrate student artwork from around the state. There will be an awards ceremony and light refreshments. Please contact Lisa Ingraham, lisa.ingraham@msad59.org for with any questions.

STAINED GLASS EXPRESS

Public Reception, March 21st

Stained Glass Express is excited to announce their first year annual Youth Art Month student show. To participate in this show drop off artwork at their gallery at 966 Western Avenue in Manchester by Tuesday, February 25th. All entries will be displayed by March 1st and will be on display for about 3 weeks.

There will be a reception on Saturday, March 21st from 4-5PM. Artwork will be available to pick up at this time. Contact Barbara, Director of the Glass Academy, Events at (207) 213-4126 with any questions.

NAEA YAM GALLERY

at the 2020 Convention, Minneapolis March 26th-28th

Interested in displaying your student's work at the NAEA Youth Art Month Gallery? Send digital files of student artwork to Lisa Ingraham, lisa.ingraham@msad59.org. I will print it in color and install it in the gallery. Note: Reproductions will not be returned at the end of the convention.

Arts Advocacy Day

March 30th 2020 at the State House in Augusta

SUSAN POTTERS

Executive Director, Maine Alliance for Arts Education



The MAEA will have a table at the State House for Arts Advocacy Day. MAEA President-Elect, Lynda Leonas, and Past President, Heidi O'Donnell look forward to seeing you there!

Arts Education Advocacy Day on March 30 in Augusta is a day for student advocacy, when we match up students with their state legislators. We have expanded the program an extra hour. The event, which begins at 9 am will now end at 2 pm.

We are not inviting the students ourselves: we are counting on all of you who are reading this message to invite the most dedicated arts students you know, register those students and either bring them to Augusta yourselves, or arrange for their transportation. We can accommodate one to four students per legislative district.

For Maine's arts students this is a wonderful opportunity not only to

learn more about advocacy, but to feel empowered and energized by meeting with other young arts students as dedicated as they are.

Admission is free but registration is required. Students must be registered by adults. To find out more and to register please visit the Arts Advocacy Day page on our website, <http://maineartsed.org/arts-advocacy-day> or contact me at spotters@maineartsed.org. If you are an arts educator, you can also contact

Visual Art ABC advocacy rep
Theresa Cerco, tcerceo@msad33.org

We look forward to hearing from you!



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 Hope Lord, P.O. Box 10463, Portland, ME 04104

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