

## BERKELEY ARTISTS GUILD (BAG) GENERAL INFORMATION

2022-2023

### BAG WEBSITE

[www.berkartguild.org](http://www.berkartguild.org)

### MEETINGS

The Berkeley Artists Guild meets on the first Wednesday of each month from October through May with December being optional. We meet beginning 6:30 p.m. at the Trinity Church located at 1915 Pinopolis Road, Pinopolis, S.C. We have a short business meeting followed by a demonstration presented by a local visiting artist. Because of the pandemic, refreshments are not served; however, you may bring a snack and drink for yourself. Masks are optional for all who are current Covid shots. Membership is open to all artists in the area who are 18 years or older. You do not need to be living in Berkeley County to join.

For more information, Contact Sue Selvey at [Sue@Selvey.us](mailto:Sue@Selvey.us) or Kathrine Hester at [khester@homesc.com](mailto:khester@homesc.com).

### BOARD

President: Sue Selvey  
Vice President: Katherine Hester  
Secretary: Louise James  
Treasurer: Shirley Moore  
Members-At-Large: Tom Curtis and Elliott West

### DUES

Dues are \$25 per fiscal year, Oct 2022 – Sep 2023 and are paid in cash or a check written to "Berkeley Artists Guild" and given to the treasurer. Bring cash dues in an envelope with your name and contact information written on the outside of the envelop. They are due at the first meeting you attend and wish to become a member of the Guild. Once the dues are paid in full, you become a member in good standing with all member privileges available to you.

### MEMBER PRIVILIDGES

1. Vote at the business meetings
2. Serve as an officer or board member-at-large
3. Attend meetings for the full year
4. Volunteer to manage or assist in the BAG supported exhibitions, workshops and other activities
5. Participate in any or all Guild activities and exhibitions. Additional rules may apply to exhibition participation.
6. Access to Cypress Gardens free to paint or photograph for painting references.

### SHOWS AND EXHIBITIONS

This is a list of the expected shows and exhibitions. The Guild may vote to add or remove a show during the fiscal year.

1. Hang your art for sale at the Farmers and Merchant Bank in Moncks Corner. The exhibit is changed out 3-4 times per year. Days and times are announced at the meetings and by email.
2. Berkeley Artists Guild Show: A juried show for members only held in the Berkeley County Library in Moncks Corner. To qualify, a member must have attended at least three meetings, including the business

meeting. Cash prizes are awarded in six categories, Best of Show. A prospectus is distributed by the Show chairperson several months before the show.

3. The Annual Old Santee Canal Fine Arts Exhibition: A state-wide juried fine arts show held at the Santee Canal Park in Moncks Corner. To be eligible, you must be 18 years or older and live in or own property in South Carolina. An email is sent out each year announcing the dates and directing artists to go to our website for the prospectus and the forms for the show. Cash prizes are awarded at a reception held at the end of the two-week exhibition.

### **JURIED EXHIBITIONS GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Each show has more specific information in its prospectus. The following rules are general to all the BAG juried shows. Size maximums and eligibility rules will vary per show.

1. Exhibition Categories: (1) watercolor, (2) oil, (3) mixed media and collage, (4) drawing, (5) pastel, and (6) acrylic. Entries must be properly framed, wired and ready for hanging. Gallery wrapped canvas will be acceptable if the sides are painted.
2. The artist must be 18 years of age or older before registering the work.
3. The artist's submission must be original to the artist in concept, design, and execution, does not infringe upon any third party's proprietary rights, and must not violate any intellectual property laws. An entry that has been copied from an existing photo (except the artist's own), painting, graphic, advertisement, or any other work produced by another person is not eligible.
4. Only visual fine arts in the form of painting and drawing are acceptable. Traditional collage is judged along with the mixed media category. Decorative or fabric arts, artisan crafts, photography, computer generated, or any other electronically assisted works are not acceptable.
5. Only the artist's original work (not from a workshop or completed with any supervision) completed within the last two (2) years of the show date is eligible.
6. After the hanging committee completes its job, entries will remain in those positions. All entries will remain on display until the show ends and awards are made.
7. The show chairperson and one board member or a designee will be present while the judging is taking place. They will record the judge's remarks about the winners if the judge agrees to do so. The comments will be distributed to the members and/or posted on the BAG's website.
8. All formal challenges with undisputable proof of an entry breaking the show rules will be considered up to two days after judging. The clear proof must be presented in writing or by electronic media to the show chairperson or the BAG president. Any entry found in violation of the rules of the show will be removed and returned to the artist. The fee will be forfeited, and the artist can be barred from the competition for up to two years. The BAG board will make the final determination.