



## MARCH NEWSLETTER

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 13, 2024  
AGAWAM PUBLIC LIBRARY  
750 COOPER ST AGAWAM, MA.**



6:00 pm SOCIAL HOUR  
6:30 pm BUSINESS MEETING  
7:00pm PETER CANGIALOSI

Dear Members and Friends

Happy St. Patrick's Day to all our Irish friends.

Our art swap last month was very successful, lots of good "stuff" went to new happy owners. Thanks to all who donated.

### **BEAT THE WINTER BLUES ART SHOW**

We had a terrific first Blues show on Saturday March 2<sup>nd</sup>. Thanks to all the artists and artisans for contributing to a fun day. Visitors exiting the show complimented us on the quality of the art offered. The staff of the Sacred Heart Parish were so generous and helpful especially the cooks from Martha's Guild. Great mac and cheese!!

We will present this art show again next year but later in the month of March. It seems we were competing with the Deerfield Spring Craft show at the Big E. But nevertheless, we had a great turnout.



## PIONEER VALLEY ART FESTIVAL

Plans for the PIONEER VALLEY ART FESTIVAL have begun. The Registration and General Information forms will be re-sent to your e mail with this newsletter.

There will be some printed copies of the forms at the March meeting.

Remember the **DEADLINE** for the return of the Registration form is May 15, 2024.

**ON MAY 16, 2024 THE REGISTRATION WILL BE OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC.**

Send in your information ASAP to reserve your booth space early. Please send 2 photos as a jpg attachment of your art with your registration.

## **ART WITH A HEART**

Thanks to all the volunteer members who are devoting their time to help raise funds for our local food banks by donating their time teaching. The net proceeds from these classes go to the West Springfield/Agawam, Westfield, and Southwick Food Pantry's. Please invite friends and relatives to these fun and worthwhile classes. Go to our website for more information.

[www.agawamarts.com](http://www.agawamarts.com)



## **ACAA WORKSHOPS**

Currently, there are two ACAA workshops. On Saturday March 23, 2024 Loretta Mederios will be conducting a Scratchboard workshop. On Saturday April 13, 2024 Joe Burger will be conducting a Watercolor workshop.

The workshops will take place at the Daily Grind 568 College Highway Southwick, Ma. For sign ups please visit our website or see Karen Conkey.

## **NAME BADGES**

If you would like a name badge, the cost is \$12.00 cash or check made out to C.H.H. Engraving. The badge has a magnetic back, is white with our ACAA logo. Our engraver is CHH engraving from Agawam and they usually have them completed in just a day or so from ordering. Name badge can be ordered at the meeting from Ceil.

## **THE NEW ENGLAND MOSAIC**

The canvases will be available at the meeting tonight, see Karen or Cindy. The theme this year is "I Love New England". **SAVE THE DATE** for Thursday July 11, 2024 for the unveiling of the Mosaic at the Agawam Municipal Golf Club 128 Springfield St., Feeding Hills, Ma from 5:00pm-7:00pm.

## MEMBERSHIP

Our membership continues to grow, we currently have 79 members. Thank you all for helping to encourage the growth of art and creativity in our community by taking part in our art shows, exhibits and Festival.

## TONIGHT'S DEMONSTRATOR

### PETER CANGIALOSI

Our demonstrator tonight is Peter Cangialosi. Peter is a graphic designer, printmaker and woodworker living in Holyoke.

He specializes in relief and monotype prints. Eight of his monotype landscapes are part of the Boston Athenaeum's permanent collection. In 2019 he began building bespoke furniture,(custom made) picture frames, and various household items, turning raw materials into something not only functional but unique.

His art deco style lamps are a combination of fine hardwoods and stained glass panels which are crafted by hand.

Peter will bring his beautifully hand made lamps and woodcuts. He will show and discuss the process of his craft with some tools and examples of materials he uses, such as carved woodblock and carving tools. He will bring the parts and the pieces to show the construction his lamps.



WOODCUT



LAMPS WITH STAINED GLASS

Our meeting tonight is free and open to the public. Please encourage friends and family to attend our gatherings.

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Happy St. Pat's Day to all. Please bring some goodies to share with others. The coffee and tea will be ready at 5:30 pm for any early birds.

