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The Artist's Palette

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From the President's Pen

Hello Fellow Creatives! Summer is finally here and we have our annual picnic at Peggy Niece's house in Oxford on the 18th. See page 3 for more information. There are no programs in July or August, but we do have stuff going on. Please make note of the important dates that are listed below and start working on what you'll enter into the Poetry & Art Collaboration Exhibit starting in August! Entry forms are due by July 25th. This exhibit will be on display when we have the Poetry program with Jane Ebihara and Elaine Koplow in October.

SAVE THESE DATES!

July 18: Annual Picnic 1-4pm at Peggy Niece's House. See pg 3 for details

July 25: Poetry Collaboration Artwork Exhibit entry forms are due.

August 1: Pickup Artwork from Open Show & Drop off Poetry Collaboration artwork.

August 9: Open Show Winners Reception at Infloressence Gallery, Belvidere. 2-4pm

August 23: Poetry Collaboration Art Show Reception: 2-4pm

Keep Arting! Your Prez -

Pamela Dulaff (p) 908-496-4315.
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June Program Photos: Needle Felting with Ruth Byrne



Thanks Ruth for a Great Workshop!



Wool "Buffet" Table



WCARTS Monthly Program 2026

Programs held Live at Oxford Municipal Bldg unless otherwise noted in table below. If program is virtual, access information will be provided to attendees prior to the meeting.

Warren County ARTS Corporation- 2026 Monthly Program Schedule

Date	Virtual or Live	Topic	Speaker	Participant fee
Saturday, 05/09/2026 1-3pm	Live	Still Life Drawing/Painting		Member- Free, Non-member- Free
Saturday, 06/13/2026 1pm -3pm	Live	Needle Felting	Ruth Byrne	Member- Free, Non-member- \$25
Saturday, 07/18/2026 1-4pm	Live	Annual Picnic		Members & instructors only.
Saturday, 09/12/2026 1-3pm	Live	Cartooning	Mike Dawson	Member- Free, Non-member- \$10
Saturday, 10/10/2026 1-3pm	Live	Poetry Reading	Jane Ebihara & Elaine Koplow	Member- Free, Non-member- \$10
Saturday, 11/14/2026 1-3pm	Live	Block Printing	Keith Garubba	Member- Free, Non-member- \$25
Saturday, 12/12/2026 10-12pm	Live	Pastels	Andrea Gianchiglia	Member- Free, Non-member- \$25
Saturday, 12/12/2026 1-3pm	Live	TBD	TBD	Member- Free, Non-member- \$25

2026 Exhibit schedule on page 4

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Gail Speirs—Washington, NJ



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New Jersey State Council on the Arts, a partner
agency of the National Endowment for the Arts.



MEMBER FEEDBACK REQUESTED:

*WCARTs is interested in your suggestions regarding how we can improve (a) advertising of events and (b) participant diversity (socioeconomic, gender & ethnic).



Treasurer's Report:

\$14,909.37

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About Warren County Arts

In 2022 Warren County ARTS (WCARTS) celebrated 30 years as an arts organization in Warren County NJ! After all this time we continue to be a close knit group dedicated to our mission to promote the advancement of the arts in Warren County and provide a venue for artists of all disciplines to learn with a variety of monthly programs. We welcome any adult 18+ who is an artist, wants to be an artist or appreciates the arts & just enjoys hanging out with artists! Our meetings are held once a month live or remotely. Each meeting has an exciting program to stimulate and educate. We have one judged exhibition and several non-juried shows as well as solo exhibits on display throughout the year in the Oxford Municipal Building. We offer other special events to the membership which are free or low cost. All our

events are compliant, to the best of our ability, with federal & state ADA requirements.

WCARTS is a not for profit 501(c)(3) organization.

Funding for our programs

is made possible, in part, by a grant from New Jersey State Council on the Arts, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts. We encourage everyone to share their knowledge & experience with the group in the form of a workshop or lecture.

2026 Annual Membership fees:

**"Warren County ARTS
celebrating
Since 1992"**

**\$35 for single membership,
\$60 for family memberships**
("family" all living at
same address), \$30 for
Seniors 75+, \$20 for
students 18+ with
school ID.

Donations or Sponsorships are easily accepted

via our website (www.wcarts.org). Payments for annual memberships or sponsorship can be made electronically or by check made payable to WCARTS and sent to Warren County ARTS, PO Box 420, Washington, NJ 07882. For those renewing, please pay by March.



President: Pamela
Dulaff (908-496-4315)

Vice Pres: Sharon Sim

Treasurer & Show
coordinator: Peggy
Niece

Secretary: Dotty Anderson

Member at Large: Elke
Hendershot

July – Annual Picnic!

July has no program, but we do have our annual picnic! BYO lunch & chair & something to share if you'd like. We'll sit in the shade of a lovely tree, eat & chat. It's very relaxing and a great opportunity to get to know others in the group.

Where: Peggy Niece's house, 19 Scranton Pkwy, Oxford, NJ

When: Saturday 7/18/26, 1-4pm

Who: Members (including program presenters) & family only.

Directions: Take Rt 31 to Oxford, at the light bear off to travel in front of the shops. Continue up the hill (Belvidere Ave) past Shippen Manor. Bear right around the curve and take the 1st right (Lincoln Ave). At the T intersection with Scranton Parkway continue straight to park beside Peggy's house (19 Scranton Pkwy) which is a gray cape code style house. Call Peggy at 908-453-2901 if you have questions.

28th Annual Open Show Winners List

Oils/Acrylics:

1st: Diane Tarantino—"Austin Roses in a Cappuccino Cup"

2nd: Rebecca Copenhaver—"Bloom of Void"

3rd: Joann Reczka- "Gardenia"

Honorable Mention: Hillary Hill—"The Dunes at Fort Toodle"



Watercolor:

1st: Christina Podobed—"Wolf Moon"

2nd: Pamela Dulaff—"Zeno"

3rd: Shirley Spangler- "The View"

Honorable Mention: John Pols—"Good Springs"



Best in Show: Lori Henderson "Ranunculus in Morning Light"



Photography:

1st: David von Doehren—"Officers Row"

2nd: Lori Henderson—"Celebrating 250th Red White & Blue"

3rd: David von Doehren- "Mt Washington Weather"

Honorable Mention: Susan Hammond—"Abandoned Home Series I"



People's Choice: Christine Podobed "Autumn through the Library Window"



Works on Paper:

1st: Diane Tarantino—"Café au Lait avec un Petit Biscuit"

2nd: Claire Rohloff—"Old Books"

3rd: Claire Rohloff- "Pickle Jar"

Honorable Mention: Peggy Niece—"Sunset in Death Valley"



Wildcard:

1st: Pamela Dulaff—"YY Fish"

2nd: Claire Rohloff—"Curly & Swirls"

3rd: Hillary Hill- "Dream Pony" Honorable Mention: Elke Hendershot—"Metamorphosis"



2026 Exhibit Schedule

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Date	End	Exhibitor	Reception	Title/Theme	Entry Fee
28-Feb-26	16-May-26	OPEN	22-Mar-26	SPRING!	\$0 members, \$30 non-members for up to 3 pieces
16-May-26	1-Aug-26	OPEN	14-Jun-26	Juried Open Show	\$15 members, \$30 non-members for up to 3 pieces
1-Aug-26	17-Oct-26	OPEN	23-Aug-26	Poetry Collaboration Show	\$0 members, \$25 non-members for up to 3 pieces
17-Oct-26	16-Jan-26	OPEN	25-Oct-26	Abstract	\$0 members, \$30 non-members for up to 3 pieces

Juried Open Show - May 16, 2026 - August 1, 2026

Artwork Pickup: August 1st, 9 – 11am

Only artwork that DID NOT win 1st place, Best in Show or Peoples Choice must be picked up on 8/1.

The 7 pieces that won 1st place, Best in Show and People's Choice will be transported, by the show committee, to Infloessence Gallery in Belvidere for graciously donated free 1 month exhibit (8/4/26—9/5/26). **Winners Reception at Infloessence Gallery, 241 Water St., Belvidere, NJ on Sunday 8/9/26, 2-4pm.** This is a fabulous gallery and everyone is invited to attend the reception.

All questions to Peggy Niece, show coordinator at 908-453-2901 or pniece67@gmail.com



Poetry & Art Collaboration Exhibit - August 1st—Oct 17, 2026

Theme: combine words & art. Create artwork that reflects a poem or Haiku (or create a poem that reflects a recent artwork). Artwork & Poem will be displayed together.

- ♦ Entry forms due: July 25th. Entry form available on the wcarts.org to download or enter electronically.
- ♦ Artists may enter up to 3 pieces. Free for members, \$25 for non-members.
- ♦ Artwork drop-off: August 1st, 9am – 11am
- ♦ Artist Reception: Sunday, August 23rd, 2-4pm
- ♦ Artwork pickup: Oct 17th 9am – 11am

