VAS INSIDER
VISUAL ART SOCIETY BRYAN-COLLEGE STATION
November 2026

# Mark Your Calendar




## Monday, November 9th •5:30-7 PM

Degallery, Join our Open meeting with guest speaker Mindy Austin for a "Collage Clinic" a "Make and take" activity: Mindy will provide guidance and materials so everyone can take part. Click picture for more details.

## Friday, December 4 • 5–8 PM

The Kimbell, First Friday with Brazos Valley Fiber Arts collaboration, see details on page 3.

## Saturday, December 5th • 11–4 PM

First Saturday at Degallery, see page 3 for more details.

## Member Connection

The November and December Lunch Together is on pause, plans to reconnect in the new year.




The Arts Center of Brazos Valley is sponsoring its yearly Nutcracker & Wreath Auction - in progress. Last Day to bid is Nov 21. Thanks to Mindy Austin, we entered the Nutcracker Auction (2nd from the right)! All proceeds from the sale of our nutcracker will come to us!



Add a rustic beat to your holiday display with this unique, stylized wooden drummer nutcracker! Featuring an antique brass-painted finish, top hat, and drum details, this handcrafted decorative piece brings a modern industrial twist to classic Christmas traditions. A standout accent for mantlepieces, holiday vignettes, or nutcracker collections.

Place your bid today HERE!




## End of year Members meeting

will be our Holiday Party. Open to all members and their guests, we will have a **Gift Exchange** for everyone who wants to take part, just bring a small gift wrapped, we are all artists so be creative. We will also have our **Annual Cookie Exchange** while we will all take part enjoying the cookies we will share the cookies to take home as well. Bring at least 2 dozen and if you can print copies of the recipe to share.

# The Art of Connection

**NEWS • EVENTS • OPPORTUNITIES**

## Three Shows in 2027

Three opportunities are being planned for the coming year. Final dates, themes and entry details will be announced.

### SPRING • Judged Show

April 30–late June (closing date to be con-firmed). A broader theme is being considered to welcome many styles and media.

### SUMMER • Arts Council of Brazos Valley

July–August. An opportunity to exhibit at the Arts Center. Artwork here will not be required to be for sale.

### WINTER • DeGallery

November–December. Artwork exhibited at DeGallery should be offered for sale.

## More Places to Show Your Work

Our Exhibits Committee continues connecting member artists with local venues. Current and developing locations include Brazos Center and Tavo Coffee Co.
Artists can also go to the Arts Center website to ask to show their work there. https://www.acbv.org/display-your-work/

Tavo Coffee Co. is rotating artwork this month contact Reneé.




## Fabulous at Fifty-Five?

VAS is approaching its 55th anniversary! We would like to embrace this anniversary. “Fabulous at Fifty-Five” is one exhibition theme under discussion—an invitation to celebrate our artistic history and future.

## Calling All Pet Lovers!

VAS has created a directory of member artists who make pet portraits. It’s a wonderful way to support local artists and celebrate the animals we love.

**Meet our Pet Portrait Artists →**



# Art All Around Us

## First Saturday Art Market

The Art Market continues to offer opportunities for artists to meet visitors and show their work. **December 5th 11-4pm** will be a great opportunity to show and sell your work or visit and brows other artists work. Don't be afraid of the weather tents are available if you sign up early.

https://www.visualartsociety.org/copy-of-display-your-art

## A New Arts Connection

Brazos Valley Fiber Arts is interested in working with VAS. Their December First Friday gathering, 4-8:00 PM at The Kimbell, may offer a chance to meet other makers, demonstrate techniques and explore future collaborations. The Kimbell Cultural Event Center

## Thank You, Artists!

Thank all for a wonderful show and kudos to Robin Glass and Dary Dega for winning The People's Choice Awards. A warm thank-you to Dary for donating her People's Choice Award prize money back to VAS, and to Bess and Wendy for their Brazos Valley Gives contributions.

## Lone Star Art Guild: A New Possibility

VAS is reviewing membership in the Lone Star Art Guild, which offers member leagues opportunities for juried competitions, recognition and regional exposure. Participation would involve show requirements and artist registration. No membership decision has been made we are actively looking for your opinion on this matter.

**Explore Lone Star Art Guild →**

## Help Us Reach More People

Our publicity team is building a coordinated campaign around the Aggieland Art Trail and VAS activities. A "Like," a "Share" or a personal invitation helps make local art more visible.

Instagram facebook

# Around VAS BCS

## From the Programs Committee

January will bring "What's on Your Easel?" and conversation about upcoming shows. The committee is also exploring future demonstrations, figure drawing and lighting discussions, and possible studio visits.

## A Reminder About Renewals

Our new website calls memberships subscriptions.Credit-card memberships renew automatically unless canceled. Canceled memberships remain active through their current end date.

## A Look Toward 2027

We're exploring new themes, new venues and new partnerships while planning three exhibitions next year. Keep creating—and keep an eye out for calls for art and program announcements.

## Stay Connected

Find updates, events and opportunities on the VAS website and social media channels.
www.visualartsociety.org

## THE AGGIELAND ART TRAIL IS GROWING

VAS has received a $7,500 grant for the Aggieland Art Trail. Help introduce new audiences to local art: visit the Trail, invite a friend and share your posts.