



Visual Art Society

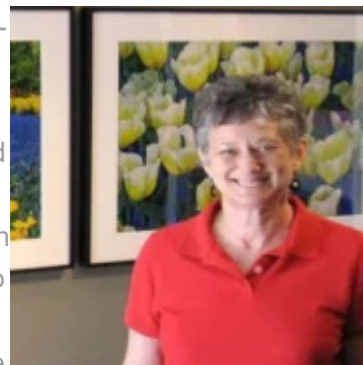
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General Meeting Announcement

The May meeting is our annual General Member meeting to vote on proposed slate of new officers for the board of directors. It is important to attend to learn more about our new board and current information about VAS.

Our May meeting features photographer, June Russell. As a nature photographer, June uses her chosen medium as a way to share what she experiences when out in nature. “By remaining true to the colors and forms I find in nature, I represent the almost ineffable beauty that surrounds me. A photographer captures a moment so you’re always looking for something special.”

June has been a fine art photographer for over twenty-five years and has had 5 solo exhibitions and been in numerous group shows. Russell has made presentations to art groups in Texas and Colorado and her work is included in collections around the country. The majority of her work is inspired by nature and often focuses on making abstract images from very close-up photography. June is also creating a totally different body of work based on light patterns and called Visible



Frequencies. She is currently serving on the board of directors for Women in the Visual and Literary Arts (WIVLA) for the fifth time.

Our meeting begins at 11:30am with a 30 minute social time followed by the presentation. The public is invited!

"Any definition of a successful life must include service to others."

~ George H W Bush

From the VAS President

Please consider helping the Visual Art Society, and the local art community, by serving on the Board of Directors for the fiscal year June 2022-May 2023.

To be frank, there has been a marked decline in member participation since COVID. I cannot stress how urgently we need you to seriously consider serving on the board. If we are unable to fill the board with a quorum, *then this 50-year-old organization may cease to exist.*

You do not need to make a long-term commitment. According to our By-Laws, "All board positions will be held for the duration of one (1) year. No board position may be held for more than three (3) consecutive years unless the Board votes to extend a position due to special technical or aptitude requirements."

Volunteers are needed for 2022-2023 for the following board positions: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Demo & Workshop Chair, Show Chair, & Social Chair.

Current Board Members

Position	Name		Email
President (officer)	Carol Henrichs	2	president@visualartsociety.org
Vice President (officer)	vacant		
Treasurer (officer)	Wendy Keeney-Kennicutt	6	treasurer@visualartsociety.org
Recording Secretary (officer)	Jami Bevans	1	secretary@visualartsociety.org

Secretary			
Demo & Workshop Chair	vacant		
Show chair	vacant		
Publicity Chair	Mindy Austin	1	publicity@visualartsociety.org
Social Chair	Gigi Killough	1	hospitality@visualartsociety.org
Technology Chair	vacant		

For your information the board position descriptions are listed below. Only the four officer positions are elected. The others are appointed by the officers. However, you may nominate yourself for **any of the positions** by contacting me or any of the current board members. I'm happy to answer questions about any of the positions.

1. **President** - Serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors and presides at all meetings. Represents the VASBCS to the community, contributes information to the newsletter and serves as an ex-officio member of all committees. *Has previously served on the VASBCS Board of Directors.*
2. **Vice-President** - Serves as **Exhibits Chair** - Organizes and supervises displays or exhibits sponsored by the VASBCS. Assists the President as needed and fulfills the duties of the President in the absence of the President. Assumes the office of the President should it become vacant prior to the end of said term.
3. **Recording Secretary** - Keeps minutes of the VASBCS Board meetings and general membership meetings as needed. Maintain minutes of organization in designated cloud storage.
4. **Treasurer** - Serves as **Membership Chair** - Receives and deposits funds and keeps financial records. After approval of the annual budget, the Treasurer may pay such accounts as budgeted. The Board of Directors may vote and approve any expenditure not represented in the regular budget. Is responsible for submitting a monthly and annual financial report. The books shall be closed at the end of the fiscal year May 31. An outside accountant will reconcile VASBCS accounts twice per year; the board will be given the results, and receipt when this is done. The treasurer is also responsible for reporting sales tax to the state comptroller's office and for filing the federal tax return. Submits Form 802 "Periodic Report of a Nonprofit Corporation" to the state of Texas. Maintains a file of members. Prepares and maintains VASBCS directory online, google drive and website.

- President with electronic and other correspondence as needed.
6. **Demo and Workshop Chair** – Arranges for demonstrations artists for regular VASBCS meetings and provides information for advertising the demonstration artist to the newsletter editor and publicity chairs. Ensures the demo artist is set up before the business meeting begins and introduces the artist. Helps plans at least one workshop per year.
 7. **Show Chair** -Chairman of VASBCS Shows. This includes obtaining judges as needed, ordering ribbons and supervising the hanging and take down of art shows.
 8. **Publicity Chair** - Publicizes various events and activities of the VASBCS to the community at large.
 9. **Social Chair** - Organizes refreshments for regular VASBCS meetings and receptions hosted by VASBCS. Recruits helpers as needed.
 10. **Technology Chair** - Prepares, maintains, and organizes the VASBCS website. Must be familiar with developing and maintaining a Wordpress website. Works with membership chair, shows chair, demo & workshop chair to facilitate registration and show entry.

If you cannot serve on the board, consider helping in other ways such as serving on the shows or hospitality committees.

Again, please consider serving on the board. Let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Carol Fox Henrichs
President 2021-2022



Visit our current show at DEGALLERY. Pictured are just a few of the opening reception attendees.

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