

AFA GALLERY NEWSLETTER

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A Note From The President

Dear Members,

I have two specific words to say as the beauty of May begins.

Thank you.

Thank you to Leadership Lackawanna and the Scranton Area Foundation.

Thank you to our lovely team at AFA.

Thank you to all who continue to support our 2017 donation campaign.

Thanks to all of you, for being wonderful. Please keep it up.

Till next time dearest members,

Conor O'Brien

Goings on at AFA & more!

Jeremy Ciliberto & Matthew Mroz

June 1—30

AFA Gallery's first floor gallery will feature works by Jeremy Ciliberto and Matthew Mroz. Inspired by the personification of death in the Middle Ages, Ciliberto views bones as an artistic opportunity for a medium. Mroz's work focuses on balance and the forces that affect it. His paintings and sculptures are process driven and physically demanding to make.

These works will be on display in the First Floor Gallery of AFA, 514 Lackawanna Ave, Scranton, from June 1 through 30. There will be an opening reception on First Friday, June 2 from 6 to 9 pm. This event is free and open to the public.

The 7th Annual Scranton Zine Fest

June 1 – 30

The Scranton Zine Fest is an underground arts and literature festival and celebration of groundbreaking visual artists and writers. Since 2011, the festival has exhibited unique printed works from artists all over the east coast, including Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Baltimore, Boston, and of course, Scranton. The festival is a gathering of fanzine makers, zine distros, artistic press publications, and letterpress artists, complete with live entertainment under one roof for the public to enjoy — free of charge.

Scranton Zine Fest will be held on the second floor of AFA Gallery on First Friday, June 2 from 6 to 9 pm and Saturday, June 3 from 11 am to 5 pm. There will be a Scranton Zine Fest Visual Art Exhibition to accompany the festival that will be on display until June 30.

AFA Second Saturday: Life Drawing Session

Saturday, May 13, 1 to 3 pm

Please join us for a special Life Drawing Session on Saturday, May 13 from 1 to 3 pm. Our model will be posing in a fun and eccentric Marie Antoinette inspired ensemble.

This will be a two-hour self-guided sessions for artist of all experience levels. Artists are required to bring their own materials (paper, pencil, charcoal, etc.) Tables, chairs and easels are provided by a generous grant offered by the Scranton Area Foundation. All are welcome!

Fees for this event are \$2 for students, \$5 for members and \$7 general admission. For more information: artistsforartgallery@gmail.com or 570-969-1040.

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Current Exhibition:

First Floor:

Marywood in Paris

Second Floor:

Pamela Parsons

AFA Life Drawing Sessions

The Third Tuesday of every month!

7-9 PM

AFA's Second Floor Gallery

\$2 - Students

\$5 - Members

\$7 - General Admission

With live models and guest hosts.

For more information:

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Email your events to: artistsforartgallery@gmail.com

News due by 21st of the month

(Ex. For June Newsletter, news is due May 21)

More news and opportunities!



Brenda Fernandes CD Release Party

May 12, 6:00-8:30 pm

Please come celebrate with us on May 12th 2017 from 6:00-8:30 pm for the CD release party of *Brenda Fernandes* unveiling her new album titled, “*her mountains*”. There will be delightful spirits to drink and delicious food to eat. Brenda will be performing a short concert of selected songs at 7:00pm.

“Her music blends meditative beats, harmonium, piano and soothing vocal melodies with mantra and prayerful lyrics. Her audiences have remarked feeling peaceful, balanced and inspired from her performances.”

AFA 2018 Exhibition Calendar

Deadline: August 31

Interested in exhibiting at AFA? We are accepting exhibition proposals for 2018. Deadline for submissions is August 31, 2017.

Please send:

- 12-20 images of current work for exhibition on a CD, DVD or Flash Drive
- Corresponding list including Title, Medium, Size for each image
- Current resume or bio
- Artist Statement
- Exhibition Proposal

Name should be on all submission information and sent to AFA Gallery, 514 Lackawanna Ave. Scranton, PA 18503. The exhibition committee reviews submissions on a monthly basis. The deadline for the 2018 exhibition year is August 31, 2017.

ARTS FUNDING AVAILABLE – PA Partners in the Arts – Project Steam Grants

Submission Deadline: June 20

The Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts (PPA) program, a regrant initiative of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts (PCA), a state agency, administered in northeastern PA by the Pocono Arts Council (PoconoArts), is now accepting applications for PROJECT STREAM grants for art projects in Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike and Wayne counties.

Arts-related and community-based non-profit organizations or individual artists conducting arts programming open to the community are eligible for the grants

and are encouraged to apply. Awards, not to exceed \$2,500, will be made through a local decision-making process. A total of \$46,867 in awards will be made in the 5-county area. Applications are taken online via eGRANT at the following link: <http://ppa.egrant.net>. **Submission Deadline is June 20th, 2017.** Project Stream Application **Guidelines** can be found at http://www.arts.pa.gov/Documents/2017-18_PPA_Project_Stream_Guidelines.pdf

A series of Face-to-Face Workshops are available for prospective applicants to meet with Tassy Gilbert, PPA Program Coordinator for Pocono Arts Council, to discuss the grant writing and application process for the PA PARTNERS in the ARTS (PPA) Project Stream Grants at the following locations:

- Wayne County - Monday, May 22, 6-8PM. The Cooperage Project, 1030 Main St. Honesdale, www.thecooperageproject.org
 - Pike County, Tuesday, May 23, 5-7PM. The Fauchère Meeting Center, 403 Broad St., Milford, www.hotelfauchere.com
 - Lackawanna County – Wednesday, May 24, 6-8PM. The Electric Trolley Museum, 300 Cliff Street, Scranton, <http://www.lackawannacounty.org/index.php/departmentsagencies/education-arts/arts-culture>
 - Monroe County – Thursday, June 1, 6-8PM. Pocono Arts Council, 18 North Seventh St., Stroudsburg, www.poconoarts.org
 - Luzerne County - Thursday, June 8, 6-8PM. Sordoni Gallery, Stark Learning Center, 150 South River St., Wilkes University, www.wilkes.edu/arts/sordoni-art-gallery
 - Luzerne County - Friday, June 9, 5-7PM. Hazleton One Community Center, 225 East Fourth St., Hazleton, www.hazletonintegrationproject.com
- RSVP: tassy@poconoarts.org or 570-476-4460
- Pocono Arts Council is a local arts service organization serving Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike and Wayne counties. The mission of the council is to build the community artistically and culturally by providing leadership, service and education - “Culture Builds Community.” Further information can be found by visiting its website, www.poconoarts.org.

More news and opportunities!



Landscape and Form at STEAMworks

May 5 - 27

STEAMworks is pleased to announce its May exhibition, *Landscape and Form* by two featured artists Earl Lehman and Emma Pilon.

Landscape and Form promises an invitation to linger in self-reflection as Earl Lehman brings his timeless perspective of the Northeastern Pennsylvania landscape to fruition in a lifetime of paintings and works while Emma Pilon's large ceramic vessels facilitate a sense of space while disorienting the viewer with a play on surface tension. *Landscape and Form* will open First Friday, May 5th with a reception from 6-8pm. The exhibition will run through May 27th.

Earl Lehman has been living and painting in NEPA since 1979, and teaching all across Pennsylvania as a Rostered Artist with the PA Council on the Arts, Arts in Education Program. He has also been an adjunct faculty member at Keystone College, the University of Scranton and Wilkes University.

Emma Pilon is a senior at Marywood University in Scranton, PA, working towards her BFA in Ceramics and a BA in Art Administration. The focus of both her functional and sculptural work is to facilitate reflective experiences in the viewer or user. This is her eighth year working in clay, and hopes to continue developing her career in ceramics after graduation, either in a more western part of the country or at a studio in Philadelphia.

STEAMworks is a Non-Profit organization dedicated to enriching the lives of all ages through education in Scranton and the surrounding region. It is located in the Marketplace at Steamtown.

For more information, please contact Lori Ryan, 570-507-4128, visit our website: www.steamworksscranton.org or email steamworksscranton@gmail.com

Bruce Berman Walks Juarez

May 5 – 27

The CameraWork Gallery is pleased to announce its May exhibition, *Walking Juarez* by Bruce Berman, a longtime resident of El Paso, Texas. The show consists of a selection of photographs captured between 1975 and 2017 depicting, as Mr. Berman describes it as "moments of time where the borderlands and I have come together. It's about experience in search of meaning."

Timeless and timely, Bruce Berman's first walk on the borderlands of El Paso/Juarez opened his eyes to a new world. "It is both physical fact and myth. It is a place with a line drawn through it and on each side of that line there are metaphoric mirrors that reflect back at each other, distorting each other."

The show will open on Friday, May 5th with an artist reception from 6 pm - 8:15 pm and will run until May 27, 2017.

The CameraWork Gallery is located in the lower level of Marquis Art and Frame at 515 Center St. Scranton, PA. Hours are Monday through Saturday 10 am - 6 pm. 570-344-3313. For more information, please contact Lori Ryan. www.cameraworkgallery.org

CALL FOR ENTRIES: Visual Fringe

Deadline: July 8

The 2017 Scranton Fringe Festival is proud to announce its visual art component, returning for its second year! The 2017 Scranton Fringe will be held September 28th – October 1st 2017 throughout downtown Scranton. The visual exhibit will be on display on the first floor of the AFA Gallery (514 Lackawanna Ave) in downtown Scranton during the festival.

All artists 18 years of age or older, who live within 200 miles of Scranton, Pa., or reside within Pennsylvania are eligible to apply. Submissions must be original artwork. Entries can be either two-dimensional (2-D) or three-dimensional (3-D). Works will be selected on the basis of originality, execution and space available. Work will be juried from digital images only. The images must bear an accurate and fair representation of the artwork. *There is no entry fee.*

For more information or to apply, visit <http://scrantonfringe.org/visual-art-exhibit/>

All questions and concerns should be sent to Visual@ScrantonFringe.org

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En Plein Air Paint Out

Registration: May 26

The Antoine Dutot Gallery is having our second Annual En Plein Air Paint Out. *En Plein Air Paint Out* will be held from June 3, 2017 until June 13, 2017. Registration will be held at the Dutot Museum & Gallery, 24 Main St., Delaware Water Gap, PA, on Friday, June 2, 2017, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. & Saturday, June 3, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. All canvases, painting panels and/or paper to be used in the Paint Out must be stamped on the back by a Dutot committee member the day of registration in order to be eligible for prizes. A non-refundable registration fee of \$25 is required by May 26, 2017.

Oil, acrylic, charcoal, pastels, pen and ink, pencil and colored pencil, watercolor and mixed media will all be accepted. Artists may bring as many pieces as they like. The committee reserves the right to determine the number of paintings that will be displayed based on the number of entries received and hanging available space. Work must be ready to hang.

Painting will take place June 3 to 13, 2017. The artwork subject and/or inspiration must be within the Borough of Delaware Water Gap and the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation area south of Delaware Water Gap as far as the Arrow Island Look Out. A map will be provided. Completed artwork will be dropped off at the Dutot Gallery on Tuesday, June 13th from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

An artists' reception & silent auction will be held at the Antoine Dutot Museum & Gallery on Saturday, June 17, 2017, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Questions? Contact Susan Wilson at 570-807-1071 or smwilson@ptd.net

Here We Are in Spain at AFA

May 13, June 10, July 8 - 8 pm, \$7

Anyone who walks into a Here We Are in Spain show never knows what to expect, especially the members of Here We Are in Spain. The improv comedy group's entire show is made up of bits and gags that are created in the moment and fueled by suggestions from the audience. This method of creating every scene on the spot assures that Here We Are in Spain will never perform the same show twice, creating a unique and hopefully entertaining experience for the audience.

Made up of members Britain Perry Giblin, Bob Hannon, Robert Klubeck, Patrick Martin, Don McGlynn and Baxter Pancake, the group met while taking classes at the now defunct Comedy Dojo located in the Scranton Cultural Center, studying under founder Chris Barnes an alum of Chicago's Second City, the birthplace of improv comedy.

HWAS performs their show, which features the type of improv games similar to ones made famous on the television show "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" at AFA Gallery on the second Saturday of every month.



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