

A UNIQUE COMBINATION

We just returned from teaching over 650 students in four school districts, and are looking forward to working with families across Columbia County and beyond this summer and fall in community libraries, plus summer classes and lectures. As we teach, the students inspire us with their questions and the artwork they create. While materials and techniques are shared in common, each student creates something completely unique to them—choosing papers, paints and inks they are drawn to, so that no one artwork looks like the other.

Likewise, the Art School serves our community with a unique, collage-like combination—our classes, our community outreach programs for students, families, and seniors, and our exhibits and lectures responsive to community interests and concerns. This combination is meaningful to each person who engages with the Art School. But what we all share in common is our passion for art, commitment to our community, and desire to bring art in nonjudgmental way to all. Your support as a member, volunteer, student or donor makes this possible. Thank you for making art happen in our community.

Kathryn Kosto
Executive Director

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JOIN US! BECOME A MEMBER

What is the most important part of making ART happen in our community? **You!** We could not exist without community support—and a great way to show that art in our community matters to you is by becoming a member.

Our membership program has been a great success, and **it's time to renew for 2017-18, or join anew.** We are excited to announce even **more opportunities** for members in 2018-19:

- **Plein Air Paint-out & Pop-up Show:** Sept 8, 2018
- **November Small Works Show:** reception Nov 10, 2018

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ASCC faculty member Eileen Murphy teaching, Hudson High School, May 2018

- **2019 Juried Show:** members may apply for free
- **2019 Spring Small Works Show:** up to 2 works
- And as in 2017, members at the **Art Supporter** level & above receive a **discount** on all classes (contact us for the code)

Becoming a member demonstrates your commitment to art in our community. On behalf of the Board, faculty and staff of ASCC: thank you for believing in art in our community with us. Please join as a member today to ensure that art continues to be a part of our community.

ART IN OUR COMMUNITY

At ASCC, we have been busy making art happen in our community! We taught over 650 students this spring to bring art and cultural enrichment to grades K-12 as part of our art outreach, "Art on Wheels." In the New Lebanon Elementary School, students created treasure boxes and hand-decorated letters inspired by poetry. In the Chatham Elementary School, ASCC taught five Art in the Library programs, connecting students to art, regional history, poetry, and creative writing, with art projects

ranging from a hexagon accordion book to watercolors inspired by the poetry of Robert Frost, Emily Dickinson, and Edna St. Vincent Millay. In Hudson High School, ASCC taught multi-session programs, exploring art and loss through the creation of poetry-inspired assemblages. Also in Hudson, three week-long programs explored different ways of seeing landscape, inspired by the Hudson River School artists, plus design and radial symmetry inspired by Olana and



Islamic art. In the Ichabod Crane Primary School, ASCC faculty worked with students over the transition from winter to spring, exploring landscape-inspired poems and creating a portfolio of artwork. And art in our community continues: this summer through fall, we are teaching free Art in the Library programs in the Claverack, Kinderhook, North Chatham, Nassau, New Lebanon, Philmont, Roe Jan, Stephenstown and Valatie Libraries for grades K-12, open to families. See our website for details.

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Give back & get involved: volunteer at ASCC



Want to show your commitment to art in our community? Meet artists and those who love art? **Volunteer at ASCC!** Projects include:

- Helping sort art supplies for our upcoming Frame, Canvas & Art Supplies Sale: Tuesdays, Thursdays Aug-Sep 2018
- Help hang art for shows: dates variable
- Greet guests at receptions: Sat 5-7 pm
- Creating bulletin boards & other displays

- Preparing art supplies, mailings, and other behind-the-scenes work—join us for Volunteer Time every Thursday from 10-12.

We could use help with:

- Taking brochures and posters to shops/locations in Chatham, Hudson, Kinderhook/Valatie and the Hillsdale areas (choose a location near you—flexible schedule).
- Gardening help: weeding, light trimming of our perennial beds
- Small projects: creating a sign holder, gallery wall touch-ups, etc.
- Have a special skill or talent? Contact us for a custom program.

We also have an **Internship program** for college students and a **Junior Internship Program** (age 16 and up) for High School students—please see our website or contact us for more information.



Save the date: August 18
Get your tickets for our 2nd Annual Summer Fundraiser @ Hudson-Chatham Winery.

Tickets \$40/each or 2 for \$75 until Aug 1, afterwards & at the door: \$50/person.

Purchase via our website.

Live music by Abby Lappen, winery tour, drawing class, door prizes & more on the scenic grounds of the Hudson-Chatham Winery, Ghent NY.

ART EDUCATION FOR EVERYONE

At ASCC, we believe art is for everyone. In addition to our summer fine art classes, we have expanded our **free offerings** for ages 13-21. Join us for **One Hour Art** programs. Explore Mixed Media on July 28 and an Introduction to Print Making on Aug 4, all supplies included.

Join us for a free series of art appreciation and discussion sessions in **Art: Learning to Look**. Held Monday evenings, an illustrated talk explores the universal themes of Movement, Migration of Art & Artists, and Memory in Art from 6:30-7:30 pm. Continue for the optional second hour of discussion—bring your sketchbook, a

work you would like to revisit, or a favorite image from a book or postcard. We will discuss how much there is to “see” in art—perfect for those new to art, museum-goers, and those seeking to further art appreciation. Also new this summer is our **Figure Drawing Series** Thursday evenings. Join us for an hour of instruction with ASCC faculty members Maj Kalfus or Gary Finelli, and another 90 minutes of drawing from a live model. Or, join us just for the life drawing session—either way, you will be inspired! See our website for more information and to register.

Art Shows @ ASCC

Memory Exhibit + Discussion
ASCC faculty members
Jamie Hankin +
Maj Kalfus
Saturday Jun 23 5-7 pm

Home
ASCC faculty members
Karen Arp-Sandel +
Sara Pruikisma
Saturday Aug 4 5-7 pm

Student-Faculty & Members' Small Works Show
Saturday Nov 10 5-7 pm

6 ways to help ASCC:

- 1) Shop at the **Hawthorne Valley Farm Store** on Saturday **June 23** - 5% of net sales are donated to ASCC!
- 2) Collect frames & art supplies for our upcoming **Frame Sale**—Sept 8. Drop-off in late Aug/early Sep.
- 3) Shopping online? Start at **www.smile.Amazon.com** and choose “Art School of Columbia County” as the charity.
- 4) **Share** our brochure & newsletter with a friend.
- 5) **Volunteer**: see our website for a list of projects.
- 6) **Join as a member!**