

@The Library

Happenings for December at Bogue Banks Library

Closings. The library will be closed December 24-26 for Christmas and will reopen at 8:30 a.m. on Friday, December 27. For the New Year's holiday, the library will close at 6 p.m. on December 31 and reopen at 8:30 a.m. on January 2.

Book exchange and sale. Stop by the paperback Book Exchange and trade for a free paperback book. The Book Nook is open Monday through Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. with lots of used books for sale.

Silent auction. Be sure to check out the ongoing silent auction. New items are added frequently.

Activities for children. Preschool story time for ages 3-5 is held each Thursday at 10 a.m. with Ms. Brita.

- Thursday, December 5, will be "All Wrapped Up in Happy."
- Thursday, December 12, will be "Sankta Lucia."
- Thursday, December 19, will be "Jolly-Holly Days!"
- Thursday, December 26, the library will be closed.

Featured artwork. During the month of December, the art gallery will feature the paintings of four artists who enjoy painting in our coastal area: Beverly Glover-Wood, Brook Penick, Susan Love Moore, and Janet Merrell McCaulie.

Beverly Glover-Wood. Beverly and her husband, Walt, have lived in Beaufort since 2012, when she retired from her work in the Washington, DC, area as a certified interior designer. In Beaufort and retired, Beverly found time to pursue her long-time interest in painting. As a designer, she enjoyed doing perspectives of rooms and buildings, work that serves her well when painting landscapes and village scenes. Beverly has studied painting for several years under Heather Sink at Craving Art Studio in Beaufort and offers an eclectic array of paintings from abstract to impressionistic.

Brook Penick. Painting is a new creative outlet that Brook is grateful to have uncovered. Two-and-a-half years ago she started painting classes with Heather Sink at Craving Art Studio and began to develop her style of realistic painting. She enjoys concentrating on one object and making it come to life on canvas. Whether painting birds, flowers, fruits or vegetables, the best part of the process for Brook is when all the little details come together at the end. She has always enjoyed creating, whether through needlework, crafts or cooking—but having discovered the pleasure of painting at this stage of her life is a gift, indeed.

Susan Love Moore. Susan is the finance and operations manager for a leadership development company. She has been painting in acrylics for five years and credits her husband, artist Stephen Moore, for the inspiration to paint. She lives in Pine Knoll Shores, having relocated from Greensboro.

Janet Merrell McCaulie. Janet is a native of Morehead City and is currently dividing her time between this area and New Jersey. She studied interior design at UNC-Greensboro and finished at the University of North Florida in Jacksonville. Oil, on canvas or board, is her favorite medium. Shackleford Banks horses, boats, dogs, children playing, beach scenes and fisherman often show up in her art, along with scenes of coastal Maine. She describes her style as expressionism.

The library's showcases will feature the art glass of Charlotte's Daughters Glass, LLC. Yes, there was a Charlotte, and she had two daughters, Jean Smith and Ann Hines. What began as a hobby to prevent empty nest syndrome turned into a cottage industry success. When their children entered high school, the sisters began taking stained glass classes and quickly discovered a passion for creating with glass. They use multiple glass kilns, blending and shaping compatible colored glasses to create most of their designs. They also use copper foil (Tiffany style) and traditional leaded stained-glass panels in their creations. Whether a sun catcher, leaded panel propped on a bookcase, wind chimes, or garden or coastal themes, the sisters hope their glass art is enjoyed for years to come. Their art glass studio is located in Morehead City.

Please plan to join our gallery artists at the public reception on Friday, December 6, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the art gallery. Light refreshments will be served, and all are invited.

Examples of the artists' work



"Heading Home in Cartagena" by Beverly Glover-Wood



"Total Freedom" by Janet Merrell McCaulie



"Coffee with Oranges" by Susan Love Moore



"Mallard" by Brook Penick