



# THE ARTIST

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## Monthly Art News for the Williamson County Art Guild “Building Community through Creativity”

### APRIL MEETING WILL FEATURE WCAG ARTIST DONNA BLAND

Donna Bland has been a Georgetown resident for less than a year, but she has made her mark in our community.

Donna’s winning entry in the second annual Red Poppy Fest art contest will grace posters and t-shirts for the April 23-24 event this year. Donna also teaches classes locally.

Members and guests of WCAG can observe her at work with a painting demonstration at the April 5 meeting, 7:00 pm.

The meeting will be held at the County Maintenance Facility on the Inner Loop, just off University Ave., past St. Helen’s Church.

See Map below.

### MEMBER RESPONSE TO QUESTIONNAIRE LIGHT

Slightly over 10 percent of our membership registered an opinion about the plus and minuses of WCAG and the desirability of maintaining a gallery. It is not too late to register an opinion, however, as the Board is always interested in member opinions as we move into the future. See page 2 for a survey form.

A large membership, scholarships, promoting interest in the arts, and fellowship among artists were frequently listed as strengths of the Guild.

Of areas needing improvement, oft mentioned were: increasing our numbers, more fund-raising, more publicity, more joint activities.

Regarding maintaining the Gallery: three-fourths of the

respondents were interested in keeping it going. Several thought we needed better signage, more publicity, more participation and to explore the possibilities of a more visible location. A concise consensus seems to be: keep it, but do it better.

### ARTS IN THE AIR IN GEORGETOWN

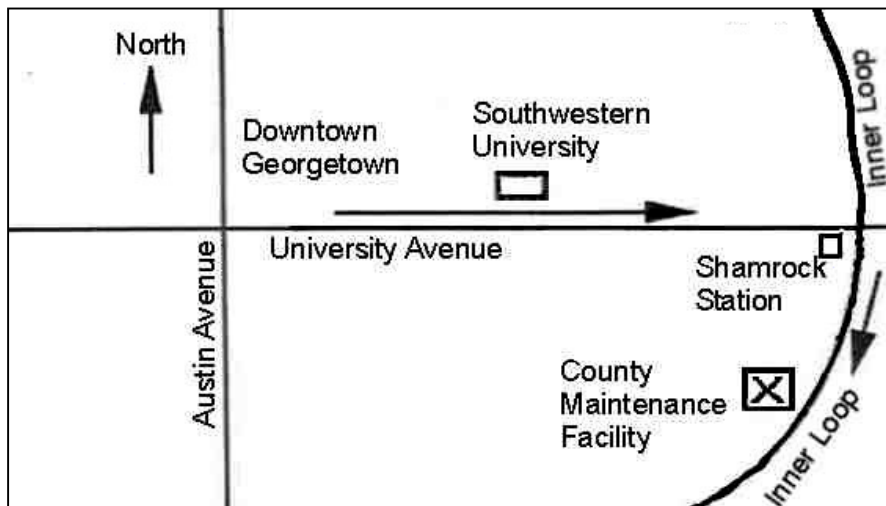
Formation of an Arts and Culture Board for the City of Georgetown “To champion cultural activities and the arts in Georgetown through financial support, coordination, and promotion” has been raised in City Council. Members of the city staff attended the March WCAG meeting to inform us of the proposal.

General arts activities in the works for our city involve the Red Poppy Fest in April, a June Fine Arts Festival, the October Art Walk, etc.

The Williamson County Sun has stepped up coverage of the arts with the regular columns of Robin McLaurin. Let the Sun know that there is interest out here, and appreciation.

### BELATED THANK YOU...

To Micheal Hammons for his donation of a painting for the Gala auction. It was a generous gesture from our new member. Apologies for the oversight.





**Donna Bland** will conduct a one day workshop in Burnet, Tx., on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am to 2:00. Sign up at [artworks4u@hotmail.com](mailto:artworks4u@hotmail.com). Call 512-716-1029 for info on other classes. Also let Donna know if you are interested in joining a workshop with Rosetta Santiago, a Santa Fe artist, June 20-24<sup>th</sup>. Fee is \$250.00.

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The next meeting of the **Taylor Art Guild** will be April 18, at 6:30 pm at SPJST Assisted Living, 505 E. Lake Drive, in Taylor.

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If you are interested in taking part in the Guild Tent at the **Red Poppy Festival**, contact Lucas Adams. Check out [www.redpoppyfest.com](http://www.redpoppyfest.com) for info about the festival

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### ADVERTISE YOUR SERVICES OR PRODUCTS

The WCAG Newsletter accepts paid advertising. Business card sized advertisements are \$25.00 per month, 6 months for \$125.00 and \$225.00 for the year.

Check with Publicity Committee Chair Sam Holland for details.

### TREASURER'S REPORT March, 2005

First Texas Bank Account Balances:  
Checking Account \$3332.03  
Scholarship Fund \$2648.41  
Building Fund \$6405.61

### GALLERY REPORT

Exhibiting at the Gallery in February are: Sheila Crabill, Margie Boyd, Dottie Foreman, Patricia Feille, Lynn Kessel, Kathalee Holmans, and Yuma Price. Mary Mayfield, Joyce Glasscock, Kendall Young, and Brenda Briggs Shannon. Brenda's pastel painting,

"Scouting Tom" is the recipient of the March People's Choice Award.

Change-out for the May exhibit will be April 29 and 30. Remember that members may hang a free item at the Gallery during the their birthday month. (Docent requirements still apply.)  
**Note:** if 30-40 members brought in 1 or 2 pieces in a month, the Gallery would be self-supporting.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

( Consider suggestions for the organization, tips for artists, special exhibits you hear about, anything you think might be of interest to your fellow-members. Please email us at [wcholmans@msn.com](mailto:wcholmans@msn.com) )  
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To WCAG members:

I take this opportunity to say to all of the members of WCAG how appreciative we are to you for helping us make the Golden Bough one of the best art galleries in this part of the country.

Central Texas has, without a doubt, some of the finest artists of which I know.

When we decided to open an art gallery in Georgetown, TX., I have to tell you a secret. We didn't know a single artist. But it did not take long to discover we had found a large group of some of very "fine artists" indeed. WCAG had the first show only one year and three months ago, with the second annual Christmas show just passed, and we are so blessed. We found so many dear friends among you. Every First Friday we look forward to seeing so many of you at "our party". Trust us when we say that we are having the best time of all.

We are looking forward to a continuing friendship and

profitable partnership with the Williamson County Art Guild.

With great affection,  
Sondra and James Parker,  
Golden Bough Art Gallery

### ADDITIONS TO MEMBER DIRECTORY

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### Calendar

First Friday  
April 1

General Meeting  
April 5

Board Meeting  
April 12

Newsletter Deadline  
April 16

Plein Air Workshop  
April 16 & 17

Red Poppy Festival  
April 23-24

Gallery Change-out  
April 29 & 30

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY  
ART GUILD and GALLERY  
109 Eighth Street  
Georgetown, TX 78626  
512-868-3966**

### **Join the Art Guild**

You are invited to join the Art Guild by dropping in at the Gallery or by sending a check to:

**Williamson County Art Guild  
109 E. 8<sup>th</sup> Street  
Georgetown, TX 78626**

#### **Membership Fees:**

**Individual     \$30.00  
Student        \$18.00  
Senior         \$20.00**

**(60 and up)**

**Family         \$35.00  
Sponsor       \$50.00 to  
                     \$250.00**

**Sustaining Membership     \$250.00**

**Check with Membership Chair,  
Sue Wiley, for details.**

### **Submissions to The Artist**

We welcome items for the newsletter. If you have any helpful advice or bits of information about the arts community, or art work in general, please call or e-mail Newsletter Chair Kathalee Holmans: (512) 863-2479 or e-mail notes to [wcholmans @msn.com](mailto:wcholmans@msn.com) Consider contributing to Art Tips, the Message Board and Art Spot Light columns.

**Newsletter deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> of month**

**The Williamson County Art Guild is a non-profit 501 ©(3) organization., organized and operated for educational and charitable purposes. Its specific focus is to stimulate interest in art in Williamson County through art exhibits, artists' programs and sponsorship of scholarships and workshops.**

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