



# The Artisan Press

Newsletter of the  
Village Fine Arts Association /  
Suzanne Haskew Art Center

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## About Us

**Village Fine Arts Association (VFAA)** is a regional, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting fine arts in the Huron Valley area. **VFAA Mission:** is to promote the arts by providing fellowship, education and opportunities to artists and art lovers in our community.

**Suzanne Haskew Art Center (SHAC)** is the home of the VFAA. **SHAC Mission:** to serve as a community arts center where artists of all ages and skill levels can practice, share, teach, showcase and inspire others through their craft.

**Office Hours**  
Monday - Saturday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

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## Monthly Meetings

**Currently our monthly meetings are on hold in order to follow COVID guidelines. When they resume, VFAA informational meetings are free and open to everyone interested in the area art scene. They are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, January through October. Meetings start at 7:00 pm. For more information, call us at 248-797-3060 or visit milfordvfaa.org.**

## Stay Tuned...

Many of our programs are on hold at the moment due to COVID safety measures. Specifically, Peacock Art Club, Teen Art Club and SHAC Art Cafe, as well as some of our classes. But we are still open during office hours and would love to see your smiling (masked) faces!

## Village Fine Arts Update

It is with great sadness that we announce that we will soon be losing our SHAC Director, Alicia Brown. Lish has been a great asset to the VFAA/SHAC who worked tirelessly, and went well above and beyond to build and maintain programming at the SHAC. **We will miss you Lish!** We are currently in process of interviewing potential candidates for the position, and we hope to have the new director by mid-June. Interested people can apply. See our listing on Indeed.com or inquire at the SHAC.

With the weather warming we are starting to get more foot traffic through the gallery. We are still exercising caution by limiting the number of people who can come into the SHAC at one time. **We will not have a general meeting in May**, but plan to have one in June at Central Park Pavillion. As of now we do not have a speaker but are working on that and will let you know. In lieu of a speaker, we will ask members to bring in artwork for a show and tell/critique session. More to come.

## Poetry Art Night Exhibit Now Showing

Now showing in the SHAC main gallery is our annual **Poetry Art Night Exhibit**. Each piece of art is accompanied by a poem, most original. Unfortunately **we will not be holding a reception** again this year due to state mandates. However, please come on in to the SHAC to see the show and award winners, and vote for your favorite art and poem for our People's Choice awards. This year's show has some fabulous work and we have received a lot of positive comments! The show runs through May 27th. Stop by during office hours (Mon - Sat, 10 - 2), or call us for an appointment. **Well worth the trip!**

## SHAC/VFAA Happenings

### SHAC GALLERY

Now: **PAN** (Poetry Art Night) Exhibit. Up next: Members show **Positive Vibes** June 2 - July 16. For a complete list of 2021 SHAC Art Gallery Exhibitions, see our website.

### CLASSES

**For kids:** Summer Camps are now scheduled. Register on our website.

**For teens to adults:** Painting with Pastels; Watercolor; Creative Teen Self-Care.

**For adults:** Plein Air Painting; Creative Self-Care; Drop in & Create; Ceramics Open Studio.

**For all ages:** Have your own Pod Party at the SHAC.

Check our website for more information: [milfordshac.org/classes](http://milfordshac.org/classes). Capacity limitations may apply.

### EVENTS (tentative)

**August 13 - 15: Milford Memories / SHAC Art Fundraiser** Info to come.

**August 29: Dog Day Afternoon** Will be held Sunday, August 29, during our **For the Love of Animals** gallery show.

**November 13: Wine Tasting Fundraiser**

**Dates TBD: Bob Ross Painting Parties; Artistic Tastes; Concerts** and more to come.

## Calls For Entry

**Due May 24 - Grosse Pointe Arts Association - American Road Trip** - <https://grossepointeartcenter.org/>

**Due May 24 - Artists Network - Artistic Excellence Competition** - artwork featured in Southwest Art magazine + \$2000 first prize. <https://www.artistsnetwork.com>

**Due May 31 - The Museum of Craft and Design - Call & Response: Craft As A Tool For Activism.** A nationwide online exhibition - <https://sfmcd.slideroom.com/>

**Due June 5 - Detroit Artists Market - Boogie Down Art Party** - <https://www.detroitartistsmarket.org/artist-opportunities/>

**Due June 6 - DSWPS - Here Comes the Sun** - upcoming exhibit at the Anton Art Center in Mt Clemens. <https://www.dswps.org/new-index/#/upcoming-shows>

**Due June 10 - ArtPrize Registration** - Register for artprize coming this fall. <https://www.artprize.org/for-artists/details#artists-artist-registration>

**Due June 11 - Annual White Lake Area Arts & Crafts Festival** - June 19 & 20, 2021. <https://www.whitelake.org/events/festivals/>

**Due June 15 - University Of Michigan - Gifts Of Art** - The Gifts of Art Program is seeking submissions for solo and group art exhibits. <http://www.med.umich.edu/goa/>

