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## AFAS & RED DOG GALLERY JUNE NEWSLETTER

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### RED DOG GALLERY CURRENT EXHIBIT



## RED DOG GALLERY PRESENTS

### **“Summer in the City”**

#### **Sponsored by Art for Art’s Sake**

Many artists consider the city as a source of inspiration such as identity, anciently, modernity, size, denseness, re-imagined spaces/forms, suburban and industrial areas, and of course its architectural design. The sounds, smells, live music, social interaction, and festivals among other things are what make up the atmosphere and dynamics of everyday life in the city. All of these aide in the health and vibrancy of the downtown environment and shape the cityscape.

For this group exhibit at The Red Dog Gallery we invited artists to submit up to 5 pieces of art that embody the **“Summer In The City”** theme. We asked them to show us what the city means to them using their art and creativity. To bring the city to life in their art and to show us what **“Summer In The City”** represents to them. We have 31 artists participating in this show with over 100 new pieces of art! This show includes, but is not limited to, paintings, photography, pottery, jewelry, sculptures, etc.

The reception for the **“Summer In The City”** exhibit will be held on **Friday, June 3, 2022** from 6 to 8 pm. The exhibit will run **June 1, 2022 to August 27, 2022**. We encourage all AFAS artists to invite your friends and family to the event, as well as list the event on your Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and website pages. We also have a **“Shop Red Dog Gallery”** page where patrons can shop the exhibit anytime from anywhere. They can email or call the gallery manager if interested in purchasing a piece. We also encourage you to share this option on your social media and with friends and family. Please help market your work through the entirety of the exhibit.

See more about **“Summer in the City”** on the next page of this newsletter! We hope to see you all this Friday night June 3rd, as we celebrate the opening of this exciting show.

**The Red Dog Gallery is open Tuesday - Friday 11 - 6, and Saturday 11 - 4**



**Artists participating in the show**

Mary Alexander	Ginny Campbell	Brenda Carter	Holli Conger
Patricia Dudley	Jen Dwiggin	Sean Erbe	Holly Evans
Joanie Fleishman	Ryleah Hallock	Pam Hoiting	Christy Jerrett
Marla Kurzec	Devin Lane	Robert Hill Long	Eric Marks
Barbara Rizza Mellin	Susan Morris	Leslie Newsome	Kevin Owen
Cat Redmond	Jimmy Richburg	Michelle Schenker	Becky Scherbak
Bill Scherbak	Amber Southard	Heidi A. Strickland	Joyce Terres
Tina Tonozzi	Sheridan Watkins	Dennis Wells	

**A glimpse of some of the incredible art in the exhibit**



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## Here's an opportunity for our AFAS artists!

### Share your Knowledge + Get Paid!

Mixxer Community Makerspace is restarting their Make Stuff & Learn Stuff programs. Are you ready to emerge from your cocoon and spread your metaphorical wings? You can do that at Mixxer and get paid to share your knowledge with others who are also ready to get back out and have some fun.

Marie Mohsen, Programs Specialist, is coordinating with talented people like you to offer workshops for people to Make Stuff & Learn Stuff at Mixxer. What they are looking for is to offer opportunities to the public to learn from an Artist like you, so they can make something in wood, metal, found objects, by screen-printing, and more. Not sure if your talent is a good fit, just call or drop by and ask. Mixxer has found that folks are up for all sorts of activities if they get to make something they find interesting. Marie's e-mail is [marie@wsmixxer.org](mailto:marie@wsmixxer.org)

Mixxer does a 50/50 split of the monies received for the instruction you will provide. Cost for materials is added to what the students are charged, and whoever supplies materials gets the money for those materials. Mixxer pays out to instructors mid-month and at the first of the month. They manage the marketing, maintaining the website and pay portal, plus providing a great space for people to meet to learn from you. All you need to bring is your skill and awesome personality, and any special things you want to show off. **You don't need to be a member of Mixxer to teach or take classes, but there are discounts on class fees for Mixxer members!**

Most workshops taught at Mixxer last three or four hours. Mixxer works with the instructors to help them develop the content and manages the logistics of providing a safe and suitable place for you to teach. They have a great metal shop, woodworking shop, plus indoor and outdoor spaces for all sorts of projects. There are lots of work surfaces, lighting, and electrical outlets throughout the building. Stop by for a visit to learn more and to see the different studios, and be sure to reach out to Marie to get signed up to teach stuff at Mixxer Community Makerspace.

Mixxer is located across the street from The Arts Based School, and right next door to the Winston Cup Museum at 1375 North Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., W-S, NC 27101.

Mixxer is open Tuesday – Saturday, noon to 8pm. Please call when you arrive if the gate is closed. 336.265.7362 The folks at Mixxer are looking forward to meeting you!

Mixxer  
Community Makerspace

## Auction Opportunity to Benefit Ukraine Relief Efforts

**“Solidarity of Hope”** One of our AFAS artists - Mark Cole - has created a spectacular painting of sunflowers (the national flower of Ukraine). He has generously donated this piece to be auctioned off with all proceeds going to Ukraine relief efforts.

Mark says: “The Sunflower has been considered a symbol of joy, hope, and life. This flower radiates passion and positive energy as it naturally turns itself to the sun every day – just as we need to naturally turn ourselves each day for direction and strength to God. Red and orange varieties of Sunflowers are symbols of passion and strength.

When I am creating in my studio, I am usually working on three to four different pieces and this piece was one of those pieces that I started about five months ago – before the invasion of Ukraine. I did not know at that time that the sunflower is the national flower of Ukraine, but God put it on my heart to create this piece. I believe that Jennifer Hass, a writer for the Washington Post captures the essence of the importance of this flower at this time in the word, as she writes, **“Sunflowers have long been a beloved symbol of Ukrainian national identity. Now, as Russia's invasion of Ukraine stretches into its second month, the flower—soniashnyk in Ukrainian—has taken on new layers of meaning, emerging as a global symbol of resistance, unity and hope.”**

The message is clear – always stand tall and to face everything with a head up high - always turning to the source of our strength, looking for a brighter side of each day with feet planted firmly on the ground and looking towards the light of hope and peace. This is my prayer for Ukraine and for all people of the world.”

To see this magnificent work of art, please come to the Red Dog Gallery where it will be displayed until July 1.

Bids for this piece may be submitted on-line starting June 1st at: [www.theafasgroup.com/auctions/](http://www.theafasgroup.com/auctions/)



Larry Baron (LB the Poet) is planning to have poetry readings by young adults at the Unleashed Gallery starting June 24th. He has scheduled these events in advance for:

- June 24
- July 29
- August 19
- September 16
- October 28

Some of us are familiar with Larry’s recent “Lyrics By the Lake” and his “Word of Mouth Wednesdays” from a few years ago.

We’ll have more information on this project in the next few weeks.

Please check our AFAS Facebook page to learn more.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **June 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 - (every Tuesday in June) Salsa Dancing**

6:00pm - 9:00 pm Unleashed Arts Center (2nd floor above Red Dog Gallery)

630 N Liberty St, Winston Salem, NC

Don't have time for weekly classes? Learn to dance Salsa and Bachata in just 1 day! This course is for beginners with limited Salsa or bachata experience.

Cost: \$30 Per Person or \$50 per couple No Partner Required. COVID precautions and guidelines will be observed.

Comfortable clothing - heels and dress shoes. Jeans are great. Water is available.

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### **June 3, Reception for The Summer in the City**

6:00pm - 8:00 pm - Red Dog Gallery

630 N Liberty St, Winston Salem, NC

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### **June 4 & 18 - SATURDAY ART JAM (FREE to attend)**

12:30 - 3pm outside in Artivity Park (weather permitting) , or Unleashed Art Center

Social distancing protocols will be in place for everyone's protection

all children will get a Red Dog Doodler pocket sketch book to take home.

Start time is 12:30 and lasts till 3 pm—drop in for an hour, or the whole 2 1/2 hours

NO RESERVATIONS NEEDED



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### **June 11, 2022 - SonCaribe Latin Dancing Night**

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm - AFAS Center for the Arts, 630 N Liberty St, Winston-Salem, NC 27101

SALSA / BACHATA / MERENGUE / KIZOMBA / MORE

Soncaribe Latin Dance presents "Latin Dancing Salsa Nights as AFAS"

We'll be observing Covid guidelines. Hand sanitizer will be available.

Cost \$10.00 admission at the door, \$8.00 in advance

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### **June 12, 2022 - Winston-Salem Bead Society Meeting**

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm - AFAS Center for the Arts, 630 N Liberty St, Winston-Salem, NC 27101

The annual cost of joining the Winston-Salem Bead Society is \$10.00 a year. There is a venue fee of \$5.00 per person, per meeting. We have beginner, intermediate and advance projects.

Not every meeting will include a project. Some meetings will be a demonstration or discussion regarding beading. Please email Tina Tonozzi [ttonozzi@hotmail.com] so we can get a count of how many people will be attending. We need a count so we can have enough tables set-up and spaced accordingly. We meet to share information with those that want to learn to bead or already have the "bead bug".

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### **June 24, 2022 Word of Mouth with Larry Baron**

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm - AFAS Center for the Arts, 630 N Liberty St, Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Unleashed Gallery—Young adult poetry

More information will be provided on the Red Dog Gallery Facebook page

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## **DONATIONS / CONTACT**

If you would like to donate to AFAS and / or The Red Dog Gallery you can do so via our website [www.theafasgroup.com](http://www.theafasgroup.com) (via PayPal), regular mail (sent to the Red Dog Gallery address), or in person at the Red Dog Gallery. Please visit our website for more details and to see what your generous donation helps provide our community

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There is only one place in the world like this..

We here at AFAS have helped foster and showcase many young talents over the past 14 years and lovingly created an environment to inspire many dreams and magical moments through our adult and kids art programs and other community outreach programs, Red Dog Gallery , Unleashed Artist Studios, and the Unleashed Art's Event spaces....

We have enjoyed and loved every minute spent on this incredible journey and mission...We know the past two years have been tough on all of us, but summer is here and many of our programs are ready and are coming back to life to blossom again ...

We are now reaching out to you and asking that you help us continue our mission "To Build, Educate, Celebrate Community through the Arts by donating to our cause.. please visit our website for more info on how you can support and be a part of AFAS.

