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# AFAS & RED DOG GALLERY JANUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER

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## Gallery Questions

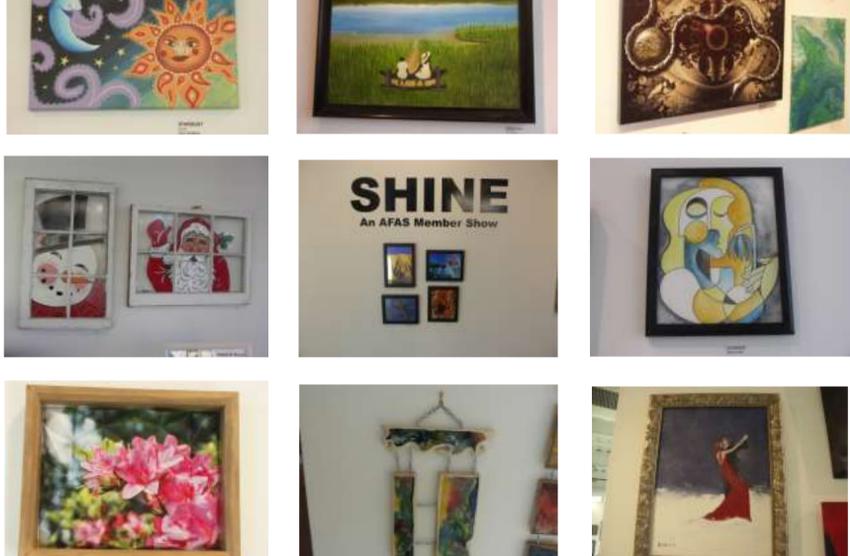
What would you like to see in our Fine Craft & Gift area for purchase? Are there particular gifts our artists could make that you would like to purchase but do not see there? Would you like us to keep our Holiday Tree up all year, with various ornaments and decorations for different holidays such as Valentine's Day, Easter, or the 4th of July? We would like to hear from you. Please e-mail us at [AFASGalleryInfo@theafasgroup.com](mailto:AFASGalleryInfo@theafasgroup.com). We want to be your gallery - help us stock what you'd want to purchase.

Best wishes for a happy & healthy New Year from the AFAS team.

## November 2017 thru January 2018 "SHINE"

### A Juried Exhibition Celebrating Frosty Times and Seasonal Good Will

"SHINE" showcases all AFAS artists with a variety of artworks in a range of prices. This includes painting, jewelry, pen & ink, photography, pottery, etc. Come out during Gallery Hop on Friday January 5th from 7-10pm to meet some of the artists and check out the show. As pieces sell we replace them with new pieces so the show is ever changing. January is the last month for this show so please stop by and enjoy.



## Christmas/Holiday Ornament Tree

The Fine Craft & Gift Area still has its ornaments made by AFAS artists for sale. Come check out the variety of ornaments available. We also have some cute little snow people. Start early for next Christmas and pick-up a few items.



## In Our Fine Craft & Gift Area

Our Fine Craft & Gift area features AFAS artists. We have a variety of items and some new holiday pieces as well. The 3 featured artists below are just a few who sell their artwork in the Gallery.

### Here are 3 of our AFAS artists that we are showcasing in this newsletter.

#### Bob Holtje

—WoodByBob.com

Bob has been woodturning for over 15 years. His work is creative and functional. At Sawtooth School for Visual Arts he helped start their woodturning program and taught for 3 years. He is a member of the AAW, American Association of Woodturners and Treasurer of PTWA, Piedmont Triad Woodturners Association. Bob's work includes bowls, pens, wine stoppers, unique cutting boards, hollow forms, pepper mills, ice cream scoops, candle holders, beer openers, tops, ring holders, etc. He creates custom wooden pieces that are personalized and memorable for businesses, non-profits, and individuals. Most of the wood he uses is local (cherry, oak, maple, walnut, others) and imported and exotic wood from around the world. His turnings can be found at the Red Dog Gallery, Sawtooth Shop, Green Hill Center for the Arts, Southwinds Gallery, DADA, Little River Gallery and at local craft shows.



#### Chris Sutherland

Chris' earliest memories of art are of her painting smooth rocks that she collected with her dad from a Michigan lake, creating miniature oil paintings (which she still has!) and even building a cardboard doll house complete with upholstered cardboard furniture for her younger cousin. Drawing, doll making, fabric arts, furniture painting—she has always been involved in creative and artistic pursuits. When her daughter graduated from high school, she encouraged Chris to follow her dream, and to take formal art classes. Chris has always loved watercolors, and once she took that first watercolor class, there was no turning back! Over the years, she has studied with many nationally recognized artists including Carole Barnes, Sterling Edwards and Robert Burrigge. She sees the world as an unpredictable, beautiful, colorful and whimsical place. She paints with watercolor and acrylic paints and sometimes she adds some wild and loose pen and ink to the mix. Her 'style' is best described as contemporary and imaginative. The work of the artists of the fauvism movement, in particular Henri Matisse, has influenced her painting. She is inspired by Toulouse-Lautrec and the manner in which he depicted movement and the lively bohemian lifestyle of the 1890's. Not surprisingly, the art of Dr. Seuss has sparked her creative journey since she was three or four. Even though the world may be dark and grim at times, it is her hope that her paintings will evoke happiness, hope and maybe a little magic. Chris returned to her home state of North Carolina after residing in Virginia Beach for five wonderful years. She has a busy exhibition schedule which includes a number of juried outdoor shows each year. She is a founding member of Art Reach NC, a former exhibiting artist at The Artists Gallery in Virginia Beach, a board member of the Watercolor Society of North Carolina, and a former managing artist of Pembroke 4 Art Gallery in Virginia Beach. Her work can be found in various art galleries in the South East, at juried art shows, and gallery exhibitions



#### Marian Smith

Marian is retired from a long career in the Information Technology field. She has discovered that she adores art, artists, collectors of art, and almost everything associated with the creative process. She just wishes she had been born with that elusive creativity to gene! Marian thoroughly enjoys creating these "blingy" pieces of jewelry, and is in luck that most folks seem to like them, too!



## Dance Classes & Dancing at Unleashed

Did you know that there are dance classes and dance socials being held at the Unleashed Arts Center on the 2nd floor of the AFAS Center for the Arts building? Here's what's happening now:

### Blues and Swing-Fusion Class (Beginner/Intermediate)

Always wanted to dance? Well, this is your chance!

Triad Dance teaches a freestyle couple dance. No steps to learn or choreography to agonize over! With a few simple techniques they will have you moving around the dance floor with a partner to great music!! No partner necessary. They are a friendly, welcoming group that can't wait to meet you!! Beginners welcome. Every class is free. Drop in anytime!

Date: Every Thursday

Time: 7-8 pm

Cost: \$10 drop in or ask about our discounted packages!

### 3rd Saturday 'Blues & Swing-Fusion' Dance Party!

Triad Dance is a friendly dance group that loves the Blues! They host a monthly dance party every 3rd Saturday that is rooted in Blues dancing. They welcome a playful, improvisational fusion of different dance styles including Blues, Swing and more. The emphasis is on fun, creative expression with your partner, danced to various styles of music (Blues, Soul, R&B, Smooth Jazz, Traditional and Contemporary Pop). Bring all your dance experience with you; no matter your background or skill level, this is for you!

Date: Every Third Saturday of every month

Time: 7-10 pm

Cost: \$10 Cover

Complimentary Lesson: 7 to 7:30



### First Saturday Salsa Dance and Socialize

Every first Saturday of each month, Carolina Triad will be hosting a Salsa Social from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. They will be playing the hottest Salsa and Bachata music - come and join the fun to dance, socialize, meet new people and make friends. Donations are appreciated and we are grateful for your help. The donations are used to promote these events. Please invite your family, friends or special someone and let's have fun!



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