

South Brunswick Arts Commission

September • October 2014

Art Club Forming

A place to meet our community artists for connecting, communicating and enriching our lives.

Public Works Building,
Room A/B

540 Ridge Road, Monmouth Jct.

Starting **September 17, 2014**
Third Wednesday monthly
(except November 18th).

6:30 – 8:00 pm
Membership free.

Join our club for an exciting evening of sharing your work by exchanging your talent and meet similar creative people.

Participate in a small group discussion and gather some interesting artistic experience from our diverse community.

The club is open only for adults and all levels mediums are appreciated.

For more information e-mail the coordinator, Uma Sankaralingam, at artinurajan@gmail.com.

Gallery Artists Showcase Invitational at The Gallery through September 30



Colorado Wagon,
photography,
Rhonda Goodwin



African Harvest,
acrylic,
Rosalind Orland

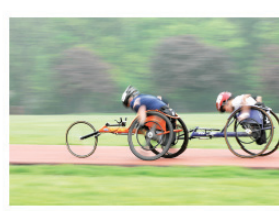


Golden Pond,
pottery,
Sue Chiu

Exhibitors in the Showcase are Vimala Arunachalam, Stephanie Barbetti, Don Bloom, Robin Brown, Sue Chiu, Indrani Choudhury, Lauren Curtis, Lakshmi Durga, Gerry Feldman, Carl Frankel, Rhonda Goodwin, Wendy Heisler, Barbara Hochberg, Diane Kosco, Mary Alessio Leck, Vadim Levin, Kathleen Liao, Catherine Martzloff, Chiara Medici, Rosalind Orland, Andrea Orlando, Tari Pantaleo, Olga Prokopenko, John Sandstedt, Nancy Scott, Jerry Spielman, Stacy Swiderski, Lynn Cheng Varga and Ellen Veden.



Lambertville Bridge,
mixed media
Ellen Veden



Need for Speed,
photography
Joan Wheeler



My Summer Place,
watercolor
Barbara Hochberg

Juried Exhibit *New Jersey's Many Cultures*

to begin **October 24**

Application Deadline extended to **September 26**

Download application from www.sbarts.org/the-gallery



The Gallery, South Brunswick Municipal Building, 540 Route 533, Monmouth Junction

Open weekdays, 8:30--4:30pm, and evenings when meetings are scheduled.

Visit www.sbarts.org, email arts@sbtnj.net or leave message at 732.329.4000 x 7635.

South Brunswick Arts Commission

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The Jazz Café

For more jazz throughout the state, www.NJJazzList.com.

**Herb Eckert Auditorium, Senior Center
South Brunswick Municipal Complex
540 Route 522 • Monmouth Junction**

Admission \$6 as the door

No advance ticket sales

Doors open 7:30pm, all ages welcome

Fridays 8 – 10PM

Rowan University as a piano major. In the 1980's, he won the NJ Traditional Styles Guitar Championship two times and then he traveled to Winfield, Kansas to compete in the National Flatpicking Championship. He took up mandolin at age 40 and has not stopped playing it since.

Ellen Ruck started playing guitar at age 10. She was a guitar teacher at age 16 for the Guitar Workshop in Roslyn, NY. She has continued studying jazz styles at Ashokan Western & Swing Camp. Over the years, she has also played classical recorder with several ensembles, taught guitar, and collaborated with Frank in several bands. She is also the sound engineer for the band, as well as the band's agent/manager.

Mike Sutton, originally from Virginia, started playing accordion at age 8. Then, he played guitar as a teenager and country western after college. He met the other members of the band while playing bass at contra dances.

Friday, September 12, 2014

Blue Jersey Band

“Django and Jazz”



Ellen Ruck, Frank Ruck and Mike are Blue Jersey Band
BLUE JERSEY BAND brings an eclectic mix of standards, gypsy jazz, and blues to their performances. With Frank Ruck on guitar, mandolin, and vocals, Ellen Ruck on guitar and vocals, and Mike Sutton on bass, they provide a lively and swinging performance. Frank is a masterful flatpicker on all instruments and in all genres and really worth a listen. The band's influences include: Django Reinhardt, Tony Rice, David Grisman, and Freddie Green. They have played for Musikfest (Bethlehem, PA), Albert Music Hall, New England Folk Festival (Massachusetts), Bordentown City Green Fair, New Hope Arts & Crafts Festival, Art All Night (Trenton, NJ), Village Bakery Concert Series, Halo Pub Series, Swingin' Tern, CD*NY, Belle Mead Music Club, Communiversity (Princeton), ArtsQuest (Bethlehem, PA), Viridian Gallery (NYC), Pine Lakes Summer Series (Peekskill, NY), Chico's House of Jazz (Asbury Park). Their other bands have included: Ex-Tradition, Ragman, Baroque to Bossa Nova.

You can view video clips of BLUE JERSEY BAND on their website: www.bluejerseyband.com.

Frank Ruck, originally from the Jersey Shore area of NJ, started playing guitar at a young age but then went on to

Future Jazz Cafes

NOVEMBER 7 – Double Bill:

First Half– Matt Wong (Guitar)

Second Half– Carol Hamersma (Guitar and vocals)
& Diane Perry (Violin and vocals)

No Performance in December due to
auditorium scheduling conflicts

See www.SBArts.org/jazz-cafe for Spring Schedule
2015 Concerts begin in February

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Friday, October 17, 2014

Eric Mintel Quartet



The Eric Mintel Quartet: l. to r., Eric Mintel, Dave Mohn, Nelson Hill and Jack Hegyi.

Pianist and composer **Eric Mintel** formed the Eric Mintel Quartet in 1993. Additionally a composer of orchestral and choral music, Eric performs his composition "Millennium Suite" (for orchestra and jazz quartet) with various symphonies throughout the country incorporating jazz and classical music. The quartet's choral concerts feature the rarely heard sacred choral music of Duke Ellington performed with various choirs throughout the country combining jazz and choral music. Eric has performed at the White House for President Clinton in 1998, In August 2010, the Eric Mintel Quartet performed by invitation at the United Nations. On December 14 2011, the Eric Mintel Quartet returned once again to the White House for a holiday dinner reception. In July 2012, Eric released his 10th CD, of all original music "*Just Around The Corner*". The quartet is currently touring and promoting the new CD. With over ten concerts at the Kennedy Center and Eric's willingness to bring jazz to different regions this exciting performer continues to connect and communicate with audiences of all ages throughout the country and the world.

Nelson Hill is a saxophonist, clarinetist and flutist from Mt. Bethel, Pennsylvania. He toured for three years with Maynard Ferguson, playing lead alto saxophone and recording on the albums *Storm* and *Hollywood*. In 1984, Nelson worked at Tamiment Resort, Harrah's Marina and Mount Airy Lodge where he performed with Tony Bennet, The Spinners, The Temptations, Wayne Newton, Jay Black, Frankie Valli & many others.

In 2002, Nelson released his first solo CD entitled *Lethal*. He is currently working with his quartet and with pianist Eric Mintel. Nelson releasing his second solo CD in the Fall of 2004. Nelson has also taught saxophone and jazz improvisation at Lafayette College, Blair Academy, Bloomsburg U, Lock Haven U and privately.

Since 1976, **Jack Hegyi** has worked as a professional bassist in a wide range of musical situations. He studied privately for four years with outstanding bassist from the Philadelphia area - Craig Thomas. In addition to the EMQ Jack performs with The City Rhythm Orchestra, and Alex Glover & Company, based in Atlantic City.

Jack has played and recorded with Joey DeFrancesco as well as Frank Wess of the Count Basie Orchestra. He worked as the house bassist for Resorts Casino in Atlantic City at Club Piscopo.



Jack performed as the traveling Bassist for Mr Steve Lawrence and his wife Eydie Gorme since 2003. Harrahs Hotel & Casino, Atlantic City, N.J. 1989 to 2000 Showroom Bassist Star policy as well as book shows over the years.

David Mohn majored in percussion at Trenton State College. When not on the road Dave devotes his time to teaching private lessons. A varied musical career has always included the broad category of jazz as a first love working with many local and national jazz acts. Dave has worked with many great jazz players including Dennis DiBlasio, Richie Cole, Charles Fambrough, Steve Varner, Daryl Hall, Urbie Green, Mark Kramer, Arnie Lawrence, Barry Sames, Randy Reinhardt, & Jim Ridl. David's varied studio sessions over the years includes sessions with Paul Schaeffer and Ballie and the Boys. Recording projects with George Duke and Larry Coryell for the Musitronics projects, commercials and sound tracks for Sesame Street. He has been associated with the Eric Mintel Quartet for over 7 years and is now the full time drummer for the quartet.

CAMERA CLUB

If you are interested in helping to determine the future of the South Brunswick Camera Club, please contact Jim Pickell, dotjimp@aol.com, 732.821.6196



The Island, collage, by Nancy Scott.
On display at the South Brunswick Municipal Building through September 30.



South Brunswick Arts Commission
Municipal Building, POB 190
Monmouth Junction, NJ 08852

Arts Commission Events Calendar

Jazz Cafe

September 12, 8PM • Blue Jersey Band
October 17, 8PM • Eric Mintel Quartet

Art Club

Public Works Bldg, 6:30 - 8:00pm
Wednesday, **September 17**
Wednesday, **October 15**

The Gallery

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Fall Exhibit: *New Jersey's Many Cultures*
application deadline **September 26**

SENIOR CENTER ARTS EVENTS

Open 8:30–4:30pm weekdays. For more information, call 732.329.4000 ext. 7670

September 4 • 12:30pm, Movie, *Labor Day*.

September 9 • 12:30pm, Bollywood film

September 19 • 12:30pm, Art lecture: Maxfield Parrish, American painter and illustrator.

September 23 • 12:30pm, Movie, *Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom*

September 25 • 12:15pm, Piano Music with Bruce Mauro

September 29 • 12:15pm, Concert, *Piano Creations*; free, donation encouraged.

Class

Art Journaling, 6 weeks: October 16 – November 20; \$24, register by **October 2**

Local Galleries, Theater Performances,
Concerts and More

www.sbarts.org/other-info/area-events/

Classes, Workshops, Calls for
Artists and Performers

www.sbarts.org/other-info/opportunities/

Budget constraints have forced us to discontinue mailing this printed newsletter. It will continue to be available at the Municipal Building, Library, Recreation Department and Senior Center. To receive the electronic newsletter, send your request to arts@sbtj.net.

South Brunswick Arts Commission Meetings are held the 3rd Thursday monthly, in the First Floor Lounge of the Municipal Building, 6:30pm. Next meetings: **September 18** and **October 16**. Public welcome.

To list your arts event on our website, please send your information by the 15th of the preceding month to arts@sbtj.net.

Visit the South Brunswick Arts Commission website:

www.SBArts.org