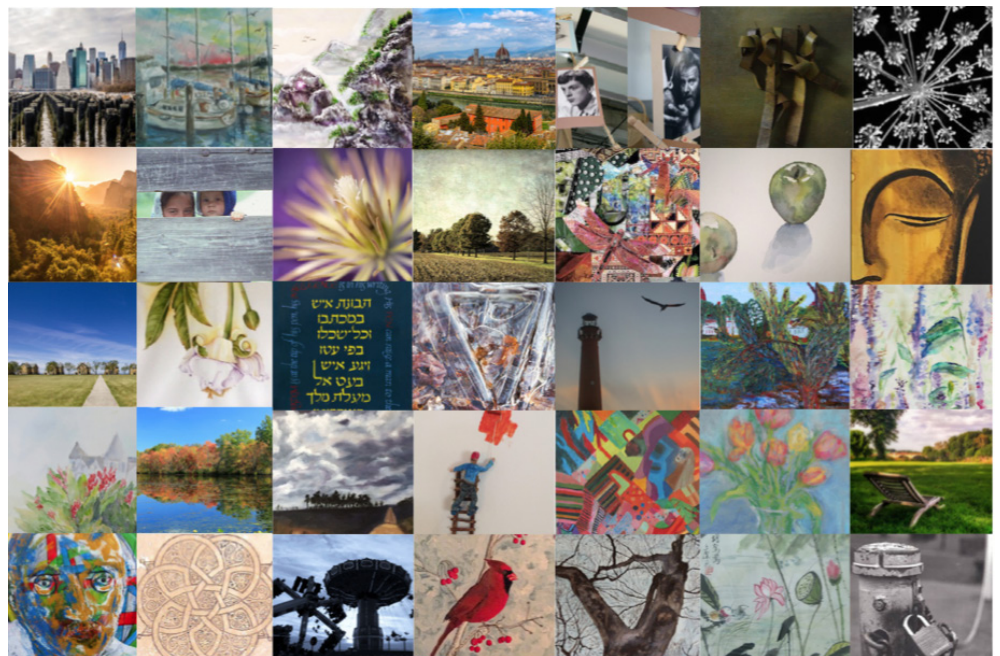


South Brunswick Arts Commission

September • October 2016

Gallery Artists Showcase at The Gallery through October 14

Artists who had been juried in to any of the last six shows were offered the opportunity to exhibit a new piece of their own choosing. Thirty-five area artists agreed to participate. The works they have given us include carved stone, Hebrew calligraphy, collage, Chinese ink with watercolor and two pieces with three-dimensional elements. Traditional oil, acrylic and watercolor media are also well represented, as are color and black-and-white photography ranging from dramatic vistas to a close-up study of a flower. Landscape is prominent, and three works feature people.



We are grateful to these artists for sharing their personal favorites with us. Exhibiting artists are Anjana Babu Thulasi Bai, Stephanie Barbetti, Ed. Belding, Robin Brown, Indrani Choudhury, Steven Cohen, Lauren Curtis, Richard Demler, Toby Ehrlich, Gerry Feldman, Joseph Gilchrist, Rhonda Goodwin, Wendy Heisler, Barbara Hochberg, Avelene Jacobs, Mary Allesio Leck, Vadim Levin, Sadi Mizrahi, Andrea Orlando, Tari Pantaleo, Janis Blayne Paul, Teresa Prashad, Louise Reeves, Pico Reinoso, John Sandstedt, Krisopher Schoenleber, Nancy Scott, Shahina Siddiqi, Ann Sisko, Jerry Spielman, Jere Tannenbaum, Lynn Cheng Varga, Joan Wheeler, Steven Wojtowicz and Joanne Yang.



Enlargeable version
online at www.sbarts.org
and large print version
available on request.

**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.

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The Jazz Café

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No advance ticket sales
Doors open 7:30pm, all ages welcome

September 9, 2016, 8 to 10 PM • Shikantaza



The musical group Shikantaza (Doug Miller, piano, Bernhard Geiger, acoustic bass, Brandon Lewin, percussion, and Tanya Saunders, vocalist) explores the jazz canon and songs from “The Great American Songbook.” They make familiar works uniquely their own, as well as performing original compositions developed improvisationally. Their eclectic repertoire draws inspiration not just from jazz and popular music, but also from folk, classical, gospel, rock, and even country western genres.



Bernhard Geiger, Tanya Saunders, Brandon
Lewin and Doug Miller are Shikantaza

Doug Miller (piano), along with Brandon Lewin, is a founding member of the jazz trio Shikantaza. When not performing, he devotes himself to musical research, composition, and production of recorded music.

Brandon Lewin (percussion) has evolved a light, nuanced style through over 40 years of professional performing. His spiritual pulse provides the “centering point” of the ensemble’s sound. He is also a Coach of Mindfulness Meditation with ‘Ease and Lightness.’

Bernhard Geiger (acoustic bass) hails from the Black Forest region of Germany. From the age of ten he studied piano and organ, then at twenty, he started playing the double bass. He has performed

with numerous jazz ensembles and big bands both in the States and in Europe. By day he is a patent developer.

Tanya Saunders (vocalist) has performed in many community theater and summer stock productions, and in a European tour of “Jesus Christ Superstar” and “West Side Story.” Throughout her life she has played an active role in church music, as singer, organist, and choral director.

The word shikantaza refers to a form of Japanese ZenBuddhist meditation. It literally translates as just sitting. The flow that is Shikantaza’s trademark is punctuated by precise dynamic and rhythmic movements. Its music is saturated with meaning, melody, and haunting harmonies.

For more information, visit shikantazamusic.org

Future Jazz Cafes - Save the Dates

FALL 2016

November 4 – Joe and Rosie – Vocals and guitar - Standards

Dec. 9 – Adelante – Eclectic piano trio

SPRING 2017 DATES

February 3 – The VooDUDES

March 3 - TBA

April 7 - TBA

May 5 - TBA



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October 7, 2016, 8 to 10 PM • The 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 Bassie 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.



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Municipal Building, POB 190
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Volunteers Needed

Two positions are vacant on the Arts Commission for resident members. We are particularly looking for a member willing to be secretary or publicity coordinator.

Volunteers are also need to help with setup and cleanup at the Jazz Cafe, with this print newsletter and the web site.

For more information, email arts@sbtnj.net,

Commission application form can be filled out online at www.sbtnj.net (choose Boards and Commissions from left column menu) or a paper application can be picked up at the South Brunswick Municipal Building.

Local Galleries, Theater Performances,
Concerts and More

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Arts Commission Events Calendar

Jazz Cafe

September 9 – Shikantaza - BYOB

October 7 – Eric Mintell Quartet

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December 9 - Adelante

The Gallery

Gallery Artists Showcase 2016

Through October 14

Rhythm, Texture, Color

Application online at www.sbarts.org

Deadline September 16, 2016

Reception: Friday, October 17, 6:30 to 8 PM

SENIOR CENTER ARTS EVENTS

Open 8:30–4:30pm weekdays. For more information,
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September 1 • 12:30pm, Movie, *Hello, My Name is Doris*

September 13 • 12:30pm, New release Bollywood movie

September 16 • 12:30pm, Art lecture with Maurice Mahler
on artist Marc Chagall

September 27 • 12:30pm, Movie, *The Huntsman's Winter War*

September 29 • 12:15pm, *Voices of Legends* show
featuring Eric Kearns. Free, but registration required.

Classes

Introduction to Drawing • Wednesdays, 1:30 to 2:30, \$28,
registration required.

Art with Christina • Mondays, 1:30 to 3:00, all levels, all
media. New session begins September 26. \$30, registration
required.

Accent Tile Design with Christina • Fridays, 1:30 to 3:00,
all levels. Session begins September 30. \$40, registration
required.

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Library and Senior Center. Enlargeable PDF version is
available at [www.sbarts.org/other-info/print-newsletter-
archive/](http://www.sbarts.org/other-info/print-newsletter-archive/). To receive the monthly electronic newsletter,
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South Brunswick Arts Commission Meetings are held
the 3rd Thursday monthly (second Thursday in December),
in the First Floor Lounge of the Municipal Building,
6:30pm. Next meetings: **September 15** and **October 20**.

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

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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