

# NORTHWIND ARTS CENTER & NORTHWIND ARTS ALLIANCE

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## AUGUST 2008 NEWSLETTER

More information on these activities can be found at our website at [www.northwindarts.org](http://www.northwindarts.org)

### ART PORT TOWNSEND

A Festival of the Arts

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS & SAVE THE DATES for ART PORT TOWNSEND 2008.** From October 3-26 – includes 2 art shows, a studio tour, poetry readings and more.... Click below for the Art Port Townsend Website at <http://artporttownsend.org>



**2008 EXPRESSIONS NORTHWEST/ART PORT TOWNSEND JURIED SHOW.** Northwind Arts Alliance and the Port Townsend Arts Commission announce the Tenth Annual Juried Art Competition, **October 3-26, 2008.** The juror of the show is **Barbara Shaiman**, Director of the Seattle Art Museum's SAM Gallery, Art Sales and Rental, for the past 18 years. She is also curator of the Alexis Hotel in Seattle. As a juror, she looks for "artwork that has a strong visual appeal and is rooted in ideas I find compelling, stimulating and challenging". **Entry deadline for the show is August 11.** Click below for the Juried Show Prospectus. <http://artporttownsend.org/aptjuried2008.pdf>

**Michael Hale**

**THE APT STUDIO TOUR PREVIEW ART SHOW** will open on Saturday, October 4th, during Art Walk. Refreshments will be served, and artists will be present to meet and greet. The show will be at 940 Washington Street, (at the end of the sidewalk, uphill from the corner of Taylor and Washington Streets). The show will open October 4th at 5 PM and be open through October 12th. There will be a sample of each Art Studio Tour Artist's work, plus their biography, to enable the public to preview the tour.



**Max Grover**

**THE STUDIO TOUR** will be held on **Saturday and Sunday, October 11 and 12**, from 10 to 4 PM. Presently, 42 studios are on the tour. Brochures, maps and information for the Studio Tour will also be available in a sidewalk booth at the Northwind Arts Center on Saturday, October 11th and Sunday, October 12th. Susan Hazard is our Studio Tour Chair for 2008. For further information, Susan can be contacted at (360) 379-0859 or [susan.hazard@cablespeed.com](mailto:susan.hazard@cablespeed.com)

**POETS REACTION TO THE JURIED SHOW – Poetry Reading** to be held on Thursday, October 23 at 7 PM at the Northwind Arts Center.

**WEARABLE ART FASHION SHOW.** The Wearable Art Fashion Show planned for Thursday, October 23 at 1 PM at Market Place Gallery in Port Townsend has been **cancelled.**

## **GALLERY HAPPENINGS**



**"ALCHEMY OF THE ABSTRACT"**, a juried show which opens on Friday, August 1, has always been a favorite event at Northwind Arts Center.

The juror this year is **Gunnar Nordstrom**, the owner of the Gunnar Nordstrom Gallery in Kirkland. This gallery specializes in whimsical expressionist work by regional and nationally known artists. As an art dealer for 28 years, he has been dedicated to helping clients realize and meet their art-collecting goals, while at the same time, encouraging and helping shape young, emerging artist's careers.

### **Best in Show**

**Snake Mountain by Harold Nelson**



**Don Tiller**

### **Merit Award Winners**



**Susan Hazard**



**Martha Pfanschmidt**



**Carol Stabile**

This year's **Best in Show** award winner is "Snake Mountain", an abstract collage by Harold Nelson. In addition, four other works received **Merit Awards**. They include "River Trip", an encaustic by Martha Pfanschmidt; the "Mondo Artica Series" (four works), a collage by Carol Stabile; "Jackson Pollock Chair", an assemblage by Susan Hazard and "Knob I, II, III" (three works), acrylics by Don Tiller.

**Please come to meet the Artists during Gallery Walk on Saturday, August 2** from 5: 30 to 8 PM at the Northwind Arts Center located at 2409 Jefferson Street.

**Note: Change in Date. There will be a Coffee Talk with Gunnar Nordstrom at 7 pm on Friday, August 15th at the Northwind Arts Center.**

## **POETRY NEWS**

**On August 14,** Northwind Reading Series will feature Pat Austin and Nan Toby Tyrrell. The readings will start at 7 pm in the Northwind Arts Center, 2409 Jefferson Street.

**Pat Austin** has had a long career as educator, visual artist and writer. She taught printmaking, art appreciation, design, drawing and other courses for twenty years through the University of Alaska and was a founder of Print Arts Northwest. Pat has worked as an art juror, designer for opera, symphony, theater groups, and public schools.

Most of her published works have been essays and reviews on art, including "Observations from the Inside: Contemporary Art in Alaska," for the *Smithsonian* and "Passing Off Reproductions as Fine Art," a controversial article in the *Alaska Journal*. She also wrote reviews of exhibits for the *Anchorage Daily News*, artist's catalog essays for the Anchorage Museum, and prepared a chapbook thesis of poetry for an MFA.

Pat has received three major art commissions, two for large murals and one an edition of etchings, also with words, for the first Governor's Award in Alaska. Pat has lived in Port Townsend since 1991 and has recently published poetry in *Minotaur*.

**Nan Toby Tyrrell** moved to Port Townsend in 1990 from Vermont. She is a graduate of Bard College where she spent four years learning how hard it is to write a good poem. She earned a MA degree from The University of Arizona, where she wrote an original thesis on creating a plan for daycare curriculum.

She has been writing poetry since her high school years and has published poems in *Tidepools*, *Talking Raven*, *Skylark*, *The Bardian* and *Drash*. Her chapbooks include *Menorah* (chosen for the 2003 One-Act Playwrights Award), *Keeping Company with the Dogs*, *Lost and Found* and *Not Enough*.

Her desire is to make you pay attention to what is right in front of you. With poetry and piano she seeks to express what can't be said.

The readings are free, with donations gladly accepted to support Northwind, a nonprofit organization dedicated to connecting the arts to our community.

**Bill Mawhinney**, Coordinator

**Here is the Northwind Reading Series schedule August through December:**

**August 14: Pat Austin & Nan Toby Tyrrell**

**September 11: Peter Pereira & Rebecca Loudon**

**October 9: WINDFALL Readers: Bill Siverly & Michael McDowell**

**October 23: Poet's Reaction to Art Port Townsend's Juried Show Entries**

**November 13: Judith Kitchen & Jennifer Culkin**

**December 11: READERS' PARTY**

## **2008 WORKSHOP SCHEDULE**



**"THE ARTISTRY OF BATIK", with Sakura Davis;** August 9 and 16 from 10 to 3 PM at Ms Davis Studio, Envirohouse, 627 Redwood St., Port Townsend. Cost: \$130 (volunteers \$100). Materials fee payable to the instructor - \$10. This workshop in the creative art of batik will explore the process of hot wax resisting dye on fabric and can accommodate the experienced and beginning artist. Traditionally batik has been used to make an expressive art image using the unique marks of many tools and Japanese calligraphy brushes in addition to the traditional "tjanting needles." Since

Sakura's first batik studies in 1967 in Japan, she has drawn her inspiration from nature. Her images are abstractive and simplified in design, and thus are very compatible with both vat dye and brush on methods. Students are encouraged to explore their own images in the wax resist process. Also discussed will be the final finish of the dyed cloth, matting, framing, and presentation which yield surprising and exciting creative possibilities. Sakura is an experienced batik instructor and her studio is well ventilated. For more information, contact Sakura Davis at 360-385-6897 or call Northwind Arts Center at (380) 379-1086. Go to our website for registration form. <http://www.northwindarts.org/news/workshops/>

**"FRAMING AND PRESENTATION" with Jay Haskins and Don Tiller;** August 28 from 10 to 3 PM at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds Building, Port Townsend. Cost for all participants: \$50. Don Tiller, with his wife Jolene, were former owners of Kismet Design and Custom Framing. Jay Haskins once worked as a framer for Frank Vane for a number of years. Presently he spends time pursuing his own art projects as well as curating and hanging many of the Northwind Art Alliance shows. In this capacity he has seen a lot of work presented many different ways. The presentation of artwork is a factor in whether a juror will choose a certain piece. How it is matted and framed, whether the framing seems to fit the piece or enhances a piece of work. In this 1-day workshop we will be looking at presentation and framing and how to enhance a work. We will discuss some do's and don'ts and provide contact info for supplies for mats, frames, glass and other supplies. Registration forms are available at the Northwind Art Center and can be left there with your tuition check. For more information, please call Jay Haskins at (360) 385-6389 or [jhkapotso@olympus.net](mailto:jhkapotso@olympus.net)

**"ASSEMBLAGE" with A.K. Anderson;** September 15-16 from 10 to 4 PM Jefferson County Fairgrounds Art Building, Port Townsend. Cost: \$130 (Volunteers \$100). You may begin preparing for Kim's workshop by gathering a few interesting wooden boxes or small drawers (12" max.) with a 2" to 5" depth. Shadow box frames may be used. As a participant, you will take home one or more pieces of assemblage art graced with your own collection of intrepid objects. Ms. Anderson is a graduate of Seattle's Burnley School of Art. She is a frequent participant in juried shows and has received many awards. Please contact Jeanette Best at (360) 437-9579 or [jb主@cablespeed.com](mailto:jb主@cablespeed.com) or contact Susan Hazard at (360) 379 0859 or [susan.hazard@cablespeed.com](mailto:susan.hazard@cablespeed.com). **For more information, registration forms and supply lists** for each workshop, go to our website at <http://www.northwindarts.org/news/workshops/>



## **VOLUNTEER NEEDED**

**Northwind Arts Alliance needs a volunteer** to be responsible for writing news releases about Gallery events at the Northwind Arts Center. If you are interested, please contact Jeanette Best at (360) 437-9579 or Rae Belkin at (360) 437-9442.

**Janet Lynch, Newsletter Editor**