

Meetings are held the first Monday of each month, except when a date is closely preceded by or on a holiday. Then our meeting is pushed to the second Monday. There are NO meetings in July & August. MARK YOUR February 3, 2014 DOWNSTAIRS MEETING STARTS PROMPTLY AT 7:00 PM Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 814 N. Campbell Road, Royal Oak GUEST SPEAKER: Laith Karmo

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello, my fellow artists and art lovers!!

I am looking forward to seeing all of you after our very cold and snowy January. We are excited to announce Bring A Friend February. I encourage all of you to bring a friend or family member who might be interested in art and would like to know more about our organization. It is very important for each member to share information about the SOAA with friends in their community in order for our membership to thrive and grow! Because no matter how much, or how good, or how often you do art, we are all artists inside!! Celebrating the Artist in all of us!

**Jacqueline Drake
President**



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Laith Karmo. . . Sculptor

Our speaker for February, and due to inclement weather, the first one of the year, will be Laith Karmo. Born in Detroit and locally educated, Laith has a BFA from the College for Creative Studies in Detroit (2004) and an MFA from the Cranbrook Academy of Art in Bloomfield Hills (2006). After garnering his degrees, Laith has exhibited in Detroit and New York including his expansive installation, *Cultivating Civility*, at the Museum of Contemporary Art Detroit. In 2011, he was awarded a Kresge Artist Fellowship. He lives and works in metro-Detroit

Laith has great interest and investment in cultural production. He is observant of the vastly diverse and changing landscape of metro-Detroit in which histories are physically deconstructed and revealed while others are assembled often in faux mimicry. He is also, like his family, involved in food distribution and recognizes the needs of communities through the commonality of edibles and sustainability. His early work explored the re-creation of tools used at grocery stores, the relationship between ancient cities and suburban environments, and the possibility of nomadic existence. In his recent work, *Cultivating Civility*, Karmo forms an extended 'cosmos' of ceramic forms, converging multiple histories and cultures just as Ceramics has over its ten thousand-plus-year history.

While his vessels and staffs pay homage to their origin, they are not intended as replications or artifacts. Instead, they are abstractions or interpretations that subjugate ceramics technical prowess and at times material origin (their sources may be basketry or wares of metal, wood, or glass) to extract what was at the core of these historical objects making. He seeks their potential mysticism or spiritualism, that either reality or history has offered them. In doing so, Laith Karmo forms a universe of longing, a foretelling sign of what we have lost and what we desire while also offering a solution.



CLASSIFIED ADS

Starting this month, we will be accepting paid, art related ads in our newsletter. This is a way to give our members and friends a very inexpensive way to clear out their studios of un-needed supplies, list classes they are teaching, studio space for rent, and help us defray some of our newsletter expenses. The costs will be based on size and whether or not there is art or photos in the ad. The plain classified ad which will be 2 lines of text and one column wide will be \$5.00 for members and \$10.00 for non-members. The display ads with jpgs or art will be approximately 10-14 lines by 2 columns and will be \$10.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members. To place your ad send an email to Mardi at PicturPntr@sbcglobal.net with your phone # so I can call you to set up your ad.

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Mark Your Calendar...
"Bring a Friend"

February 3, 2014
the REAL
First SOAA
Meeting of
the New Year

CALL FOR ARTISTS

RO ARTIST MARKET FEB 28 – MAR 1

The show is quickly approaching. Please sign up to work a shift or two. Sign-up sheets for working the exhibit will be at the February meeting. We welcome workers even if you are not exhibiting.

We also plan to add a working artist to our booth this year – so if you would like to sign up to work on your artwork in our booth for a period of time, please let us know.

For the artists who have signed up to exhibit, we anticipate each artist will have a 4'x6' board to display artwork. You may request a table as we can plan to set up a table in the booth. We do have room for another couple of artists if you decide you would like to participate.

The artists who have signed up are: LaDean Birkhead, Jeffrey Burnett, Mike Byrne, Mardi Chapman, Jacqueline Drake, Alicia Duncan, Betsy Grim, Joseph Hagenbuch, Pat Hughes, AnnMarie Mannino, Liz Palmer, Johanna Schurrer, Violet Shooltz and Janet Wharry. If you think you should be on this list, please notify Janet Wharry at 248-879- 6187 or jwharry@wideopenwest.com.

Show Hours

Friday, Feb 28, 2 – 8PM and

Saturday, March 1, 9AM – 3PM

Preview Party – Friday, Feb 28, 5-8PM with \$5 donation at the door benefiting the Royal Oak High School Arts Program and the SOAA.

Artwork Delivery – Thursday, Feb 27 5-7PM and Friday, Feb 28 10AM-Noon

Artwork Pick-up – Saturday, March 1, 3- 4PM

Entry Fee - \$15 with a 10% commission going to SOAA for all sales

We hope to see you at the show even if you are not a participating artist. There will be some amazing artwork and it promises to be a good time.



THE FEELING ART CLASS

We will be using art therapy techniques to have fun, feel, heal, and envision our dreams.

Starting: Thursday February 13, 2014.

6:00pm - 11:00pm

This is a drop-in class.

Every 2nd and 4th Thursday.

Location:

Julie Eliason's Home Art Studio,
207 Crane Avenue, Royal Oak, Mi. 48067

6 spots available.

Contact me to reserve a spot.

248-890-5096

julieeliason@sbcglobal.net

Cost: \$15

Your First Class is FREE.

Every fifteenth class is FREE.

All art supplies are provided.



“ Bring a Friend February”

We are actively seeking new members this month, so bring an artist or artistically inclined friend to the February meeting. Get them interested in re-visiting their creative self and meeting “and joining” a group of like minded individuals. Our roster needs a shot of new blood and who better than you to help that happen? Besides, where else can someone meet such a great group of positive, supportive, and creative people, all with the common goal of becoming more proficient in their art, exhibiting in local shows and learning about other ways of making art. What a great way to develop new and lasting friendships along the way.



Call for Artists

44th Annual Royal Oak Outdoor Art Fair

WHERE: 13 Mile & Woodward
Royal Oak, MI 48073

WHEN: July 12 and July 13, 2014
Saturday: 10:00 am to 6 pm
Sunday: 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

NOTEWORTHY:
110 Juried Artists
Overnight security

Friday drive in to booth, beginning at 1:00 pm. Artists will be able to drive to booth for easy load-in and load-out.

The show will be marketed heavily through paid advertisement, social media, radio, television, internet and pr. major signage throughout Royal Oak
Jury/Booth Fees are \$30/\$260 for a single booth (15' X 15')/ No double booths

Continental Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday at 8:00 am

Helpful friendly, well seasoned staff and volunteers
Knowledgeable and dedicated art patrons

Free parking adjacent to park for artists and patrons

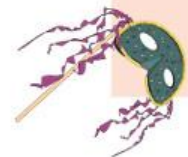
The 2014 Royal Oak Outdoor Art Fair is presented by the Royal Oak Arts Council and City of Royal Oak Recreation Department. This festival has been held for over 43 years and is held in the soft rolling hills of tree lined grass of Memorial Park. Royal Oak is the entertainment hot spot for S. E. Michigan and in the middle of the most affluent counties in Michigan

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS:

Application available online at:
www.royaloakarts.com

Deadline: March 3, 2014

Notification: March 21, 2014



New Year, New Look

Our image as an art group needs a certain look to capture the interest of other like minded people. When we are doing art shows, have work at galleries, etc., we need to present ourselves as creative professionals. To that end, our very creative *presidente* came up with a postcard design that will give us an up-to-date, artistic and professional look. The top image below is the front, the bottom image, the back. If we each keep a few of these with us when we are out and about, we'll be able to generate some interest in, and hopefully increase membership in, our organization.

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- * Have Your Own Art Work On The SOAA Website



Join Us Today And Get Involved With An Amazing Art Association!

Contact Jacqueline Drake for more info
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248-990-3678

Refreshments:

February 3rd Meeting

Thank you in advance for bringing DESSERTS:

Alicia Duncan
Mardi Chapman
and NON-DESSERTS:



Rose Kudrow
Also, Lee MacKay said she will make the coffee...

We're a little short of volunteers for refreshments because of the weather in January, so if you have any extra goodies around the house, please feel free to bring them along to the meeting.

Thank you all!

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