



Last Tuesday of every month Business Session and then the Potluck in Dec Small Business Center

Our Mission

The Coastal Carolina Artists & Crafters Guild Inc will promote arts and crafts in Onslow County, and its surrounding areas. The CCAC Guild Inc will accomplish this through education, social functions and events where artists are given the platform to exchange ideas, show their work, and market their craft.

Featured Artist: Katherine Gray

I live in Jacksonville, NC. I belong to CCACG and Onslow Photographers Group. I attended a few meetings of each and decided that there was fun to be had and I could be useful. The arts were encouraged in my family, we have quite a few singers, my uncle is a photographer in Montana, mom used to make ornaments and fancy decorative animals. Creativity has always

I create several forms of art, I don't think I've ever met an art form I didn't want to try. Photography of all sorts, from weddings, nature and portraits to real estate, restoration and product photography. Business Services- Web Design, Marketing Material creation such as business cards, magnets, brochures. Re-



cently I have been providing tutoring in all of the above for small businesses in the area. Specifically from a crafting standpoint, I have been at it since mom let me play with glue. I like making beaded jewelry, hair clips, driftwood and shell sculptures and business card holders, wands and crowns which started as photography and cosplay props. Beading started with a kit of plastic beads, then evolved into presents for friends and family on birthdays and Christmas, then I got up the courage to make my own booth at craft fairs and expanded exponentially into other arts and crafts. In my head I feel like a Labrador retriever- they're a breed that needs to be entertained continuously in different ways. I am never bored, I always have something interesting I can do because I have a ridiculous amount of interests! Attached are a few of my Kreations.



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I received my Bachelor's Degree from California State University Chico in Computer Science- Applied Computer Graphics. I learned quite a lot there, maybe the biggest lesson is this- many of the great artists- Van Gogh, Duchamp, Monet- all trained classically first. Continued on page 2

### Katherine 's Interview Continued

They could paint your portrait and make you look as you are naturally... before they ever branched off into the styles they're best known for. They did it how everyone thought they should do it, then did it how they wanted to do it.

I really respect both hard work and creativity. I try to apply the same ideas. For example, I can photograph a classical portrait in manual mode, I can even do it with 35mm film. But I mostly like journalistic digital photography- catching the rare moments that are not posed. I think those smiles are the best and most genuine. Photoshop is my speciality. I can restore old photos, make brides glow, or make you into a Na'vi from the movie Avatar.



I am continuously learning and improving, and I believe that there is no room in art for snobbery. Someone may create something that you think is badly executed or just plain ugly, but hey, they got paid for it, so who are you to judge? I like to think that anyone can be an artist, they just haven't found their outlet. After all, if you judge a fish on how well it flies, it will forever think it is a failure



~Katherine Gray 's website [www.katherineskreations.net](http://www.katherineskreations.net)

## Announcements

**Date, times, and locations will be sent out via email — for the next session to get creative with fellow artisans !!**

**i.e., testing projects before kids Art Camp, ornament making, outings... open to everyone NOT just CCACG members !**

**Make sure Laura Voss has your current email.**

Please visit us on our

NEW facebook page!

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/CCACGinc/>

**Check out the calendar on page 7 of this newsletter.**

**Fashion Week that will take place in Jacksonville NC in Sept 2014.**

**We are working on a Brunch that will take place during Fashion**

**Week. During the Saturday Brunch the decorated bras will be auctioned off raising funds for the American Cancer Society. Meeting scheduled for Thursday June 26 at 7pm at Credos Everyone that has ideas, opinions are welcome to attend .**

The City Parks & Recreation Dept has invited the CCAC Guild to “partner” with them for a Holiday event. The meeting to discuss the details is on July 1st at 10am at the Commons in the Parks & Recreation Office. The discuss includes: changing our Holiday event date to Dec, changing our location to the Commons and to discuss the ‘terms’ of this partnership. Any and all input is welcome. Send to ccacguild@yahoo.com.

**A heartfelt THANK YOU goes out to the following people for helping with the past few Guild activities:**

**\*Katherine Gray has been working on creating a website for the CCAC Guild that does not have the restrictions a ‘website template’- hair pulling limitations . She has the knowledge to create and enhance your website, too.**

**\* Marcinda Clements, Cyndi Jones, Heidi Thomas, Katherine Gray and Vox1 working closely with the Fashion Week coordinators on planning the Bras For A Cause Brunch scheduled for Sept**

**\*Zoe Crane conducted the crafting sessions at the Senior Center while Nadine Miller traveled this summer. Thank you Zoe.**

**\* Rhonda Hallet, Presenter and CCACG member, for leading us through the Strategic Planning steps using the Guild as the model for business we are working on together.**



**Nadine Miller and Zoe Crane working with seniors at the Senior Center twice a month. They are creating ornaments for the CCAC Guilds' tree at the Festival of Trees event Nov 22.**

**Theme for our tree :  
*I'll be Home for Christmas***



**These ornaments will be donation to Caregivers and Hospice.**



**Spring Arts & Crafts Show Entertainment**



Chip provided Karaoke and people jumped in. Vox1 provided singers and his own Performance. Mrs North Carolina was there and sang

- Unique arts & crafts**
- Live entertainment**
- Great food, good times**



# Art: Left and Found

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Tips: Label your art with a note or a tag stating that it is Left and Found Art include your contact email or [artleftandfound@yahoo.com](mailto:artleftandfound@yahoo.com)



**Look for this cute fella round town. Nadine Miller has several characters that will be popping up.**

**Cyndi Jones left these earrings in a tree in Jacksonville. Hint: this park is for offices. Who will be the lucky person that finds this art? Be sure to let us know you found art !!**



Take a photograph of your artwork both in its original and abandoned state and post it to the page <http://www.facebook.com/groups/artleftandfound/> with a general description of the location where you left it.

It is IMPORTANT that you label and package your art in a clear bag or cello wrap. We would not encourage leaving art in any government buildings as they may be reported as suspicious packages and disposed of.

Art: Left and Found

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/artleftandfound/>

You can download printable tags from our page or make your own.

This group was formed by members of the Coastal Carolina Artists & Crafters Guild Inc as a way to foster creativity and expose the public to random acts of abandoned art.

**Special Thank you to Rhonda Hallet, Presenter and CCACG member, for leading us through the Strategic Planning steps using the Guild as the model for the business we are working on together.**

## Guest Speaker, Rhonda Hallet

### Strategic Planning Part Two

We prioritized the customer needs and broke into groups to write our 'elevator speech' on what we promise to provide our customers. Next session will cover HOW we can meet our customers needs.



### Customer Needs

- 1- EXPOSURE
- 2- Advertising
- 3- BEER & Wine Vendor  
non alcohol too
- 4- Sales
- 5- Networking
- 6- Storefront
- 7- Marketing
- 8- Establish an identity
- 9- Dedication
- 10- Show Information

Special thanks to Connie Wenner, Council for the Arts, for displaying artwork created by students in our Art Camp. These matted canvases were also on display at the 2014 Spring Arts & Crafts Show



## Supply Sharing and Recycling

### Items we heard you are looking for:

- \*Acrylic paints—all colors, all types (metallic, pearl, etc)
- \*Wine bottles
- \* Glass bottles
- \* used ink cartridges
- \*Stuffed cats & dogs for tree decorations and diva bling to jazz up these cats & dogs for Festival of Trees tree

- white Christmas lights
  - brown paper lunch bags
  - glow sticks
  - ribbon- any color, any size
- Bring supplies to next Business Networking session

**Let us know what supplies you need for your next project !**

## 2014 CCAC Guild Inc Members

(new year begins with Jan 1, 2014) 2014 dues are \$30 for Jan -Dec 2014

Baldwin, Heather	Hallet, Rhonda & Donnie McAvoy	Padgett, Anne & Greg
Chapman, Phyllis & Ray	Harvey, Judy	Rogers, LaNina
Crawford, Christine	Johnson, Liz	Sullivan, Patrick & Susan
Daneker, Brian & Jeanne	Jones, Cyndi & Ben	Thomas, Heidi
Gray, Katherine	Miller, Nadine	Voss, Dave & Laura
	Munoz, Summer	Vox1

**June 24 Business Networking with Artists & Crafters,** 6:30pm for refreshments and networking then at 7pm the session kicks off. Small Business Center, Melton Skills Bldg, Coastal Com College *Calendar* Featured Artist: Katherine Gray, Special Presentation by Rhonda Hallet: Strategic Planning Part Three. Everyone Welcome

**June 26 Bras For A Cause Brunch Planning meeting** at Credos at 7pm Everyone that has ideas , opinions are welcome to attend.

**June 28 Art in the Park** Hubert Bypass Park 3pm until sunset. Free booth with area for kids to do crafts in your space Open to everyone Onslow Co Parkks & Rec 910-347-5332

**July 1 Holiday Planning meeting** with City Parks & Rec at 10am at the Commons. Discussion will include invitation to partner with them, changing our date and location. Input welcome .

**July 2 Heirloom Crafting** with Zoe Crane at the Senior Center, HWY 258, 8:30am—11:30am everyone welcome, free to attend and supplies are furnished .

**July 10 Member's Business Meeting** *where decisions are made & ideas are discussed* at 6pm at Credos. Members Welcome

**July 16 Heirloom Crafting** with Nadine Miller and Zoe Crane at the Senior Center, HWY 258, 8:30am—11:30am everyone welcome, free to attend and supplies are furnished

**July 29 Business Networking with Artists & Crafters,** 6:30pm for refreshments and networking then at 7pm the session kicks off. Small Business Center, Melton Skills Bldg, Coastal Com College

**Aug 7 Member's Business Meeting** *where decisions are made & ideas are discussed* at 6pm at Credos. Members Welcome

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**Mark your calendars and spread the word!**

**Business Networking with Artists & Crafters**

*Biz Tip:*

*Having a mentor is a wonderful thing for you personally and professionally.*

*Having a mentor that you can bounce thoughts off of is priceless!*