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*Right: Solar Disc By Dan Neil Barnes (Featured on
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Left: Wildflower magnets by Luann Vermillion (featured on page 4)

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Message From the President



Hi Everyone,

It is with great honor that I once again greet you as president. The 2008 KGAC Board has once again put their faith in me, as their board president.

This year will bring many changes to the Kentucky Guild. The board is putting together a strategic plan that will help the KGAC expand its' horizons and give more exposure to the members through scheduled exhibits, workshops and working with the young budding artists across the state of Kentucky, with the Junior Division of the KGAC.

We had a great response to the early registration for the 2008 Fall Fair. According to the Fair chairs, we only have a few spots left, so get your application in and join us this year for an even bigger and better fair. We will be inviting some special guest artists, so be sure that you secured your spot very soon.

On behalf of the Board, I want to also thank those of you who have been so quick to respond to the letter from the Fair Committee Chair, about the possibility of a spring fair venue in Bowling Green. We have already heard from more that 55 of you and the cards are still coming in each day.

Glenna will be putting together the Member's Handbook soon. We still have several of you who have not sent in your dues. If you want to be listed, get your dues and current information to us soon.

My last comment is about contribution to the KGAC. At the present time we have had contributions in the amount of \$2,055.00. A big thanks goes out to all of you who have been so thoughtful and generous. Anyone who wants to make a donation can do so at any time. Just make your check to KGAC and send it to our P. O. Box 291.

I hope everyone get off to a great year with sales and successful shows all throughout the year.

Stay positive and keep smiling,

Jeannette Rowlett
KGAC President

KGAC Thanks its Supporters

These are the members who have given generously, in support of the KGAC, for the year 2008. We would like to take this time to thank each one:

Ann Adamek, Elmer & Lucille Allen, Robin Bidwell, Larry Blair, Teresa Cornett, Julia H. Duncan, Sue Ferrell, Linda Gorton, Patricia Grove, Diana Hargrove, Elsie Harris, Steele Hinton, Guy Ingram, Jimmy Lou Jackson, Sherry Lackey, Melissa McWhorter, Jo Mink, Robbie Moriarty, Patti Osborne, Linda Peffley, Lester F. Pross, K. Thomas Reichard, Mary-Stuart Reichard, Denise Reisinger, David Robertson, Jeannette Rowlett, Arturo Alonzo Sandoval, Karen Scates, Michael Shambro, Ruth G Snowden, Glen VanWinkle, Marsha VanWinkle, Larry Watson, Emily Wolfson and Pamela Clegg.

These 2008 contributions total \$2,055.00. Don't forget that any member can give at anytime during the year. Just make out your check to the KGAC and memo it donation. Send it to: KGAC, P. O. Box 192, Berea, KY 40403.

This giving, so far, is only 10% of our membership. It would be great if we could have 90%-100% giving from our membership. It doesn't matter if it's only \$1 per head. Think about making a donation today. Your money will be spent wisely.

Upcoming Opportunities

February 5: Arts Advocacy Day in Frankfort This is an important opportunity for you to talk with legislators, tell your stories, and influence funding and public policy about the arts. Your efforts lead directly to success for you and all arts across the Commonwealth!
http://www.artsy.org/arts_day_2008.htm

February 27: Sheltoewe Artisans application due
<http://www.sheltoeweart.com>

April 10-30: The Craft Organization Development Association (CODA) leadership conference will be held in Little Rock, Arkansas. This year's theme is "Creating Craft Consumers, Collectors & Leaders."
www.codacraft.org/

May 12-16: The Kentucky Crafted Program's Jury Session with an application deadline of March 15, 2008. Juried participants can participate in activities such as Kentucky Crafted: The Market-- a wholesale marketing event plus national trade shows, and use the "KY Crafted" logo.
<http://kycraft.ky.gov/craftspeople.html>

Guild Member, Dan Barnes Chosen as January spotlight artist on SouthernAristry.org

The Southern Arts Federation chooses two artists from nine states across the Southeast who've been recognized for their work in one of several artistic disciplines. He was chosen out of 1022 visual, media, performing artists and writers on the registry. He will appear in an upcoming edition of their e-newsletter, SouthernAristry.org Quarterly Showcase.



Dan's work combines many different elements in unique ways. Glass, turned wood, metal and fabric are the materials that merge to hopefully leave lasting impressions on the viewer. Glass, both stained glass and fused glass, is the center and focus of the art. Many pieces are illuminated to show the dynamic color and texture of the glass.

Born to a family of builders and craftsmen, Dan Barnes experienced first hand the satisfaction of creating something from an idea or inspiration. Henderson County served as the backdrop for his education in art and craftsmanship as he worked along side of his father and uncles. He was graduated from high school in 1976, receiving the senior superlative of most artistic in his class. He earned his BA in Human Environmental Design from the University of Kentucky having studied under Arturo Sandoval, Miles Weiner, and John Tuska. The love of creating his own designs was what led Dan to open his own business in 1986. For over fifteen years, Dan has earned an outstanding reputation in the design community for his design flair and top quality craftsmanship seen in his upholstery and furniture design business. His upholstered pieces have been featured in several interior design shows.

Seeking another creative outlet, Dan began experimenting with stained glass several years ago. After studying the craft from Laura Hallock here in Lexington, Dan began creating his own original designs combining light, color and texture. Dan was awarded top honors for his stained glass in local art shows and will be exhibiting at the American Craft Council show in Baltimore MD, February 19-24. For more information, you can visit his website at <http://www.danbarnesglassart.com>.



Member Spotlight Luann Vermillion



As a fiber artist, I make a unique style of handmade paper with native wildflowers imbedded in the paper. I create my art using several techniques and media. By combining handmade paper, botanicals, and glass, I make an assortment of functional and decorative pieces.

I love delicate wildflowers but they many only bloom for a couple of weeks a year. I have found a way to lengthen the time we can enjoy the beauty of these flowers by preserving them together with my handmade paper.

The paper I make from recycled fiber has a rough, natural look that accentuates the muted colors of the plants. "I love recycling paper to create new pieces that highlight Mother Nature's beautiful colors."

Recently, I have researched the characteristics and folklore of my favorite species of flowers and have created a line of products that I call my Spectacular Nature Series. My bookmarks and magnets have been selected for the Kentucky Collection and I received the Platinum 10 Award in 2007.

My vision is to capture and preserve the natural beauty of Kentucky's wildflowers so that they can be enjoyed for years. I create my art so that other Nature Lovers, like myself, can have a little bit of spring with them year round.

Luann Vermillion
Whitesburg, KY

Want to be the next spotlight artist? Send pictures of yourself, your work, and a brief article to mayapplecreations@gmail.com



Upcoming Workshops at the Kentucky Museum of Art and Craft

February 2nd: Felted Pendants and Ornaments with Kathy Sturgill
\$55.00 for museum member,
\$60.00 for non-members

February 9th: Valentine Goblets with Judy Riendeau, Create a unique valentines gift you're your sweetheart \$60.00 per couple for museum members, \$70.00 per couple for non-members

February 23rd: Intro to Quilting with Pat Sturtzel, \$40.00 for museum members, \$45.00 for non-members

March 22nd : Figurative Clay Sculptures with Maggie Towne, \$45.00 for members, \$50.00 for non-members

April 5th : Pop up Self Portraits with Jane McTeigue, \$40.00 for museum members, \$45.00 for non-members

April 12th : Earth Day Bags with Julie McIntosh, \$45.00 for museum members, \$50.00 for non-members

To sign up, please call Diane Waters @

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