



# BAA ARTIST NEWS

March 2025

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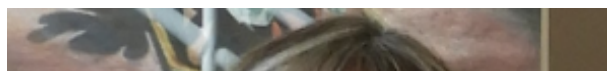
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## What's in the newsletter this month?

- President's Message
- March Program Presenter at BAA Meeting
- GEO Gallery exhibits
- Upcoming Events
- And, more!

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## President's Message – *Ellie Klein*





Greetings!

March Mosaic Mania is officially upon us! We have a fabulous collection of multi-media mosaic art going up at the Geo Gallery this week. I am excited for the show's reception next Saturday, March 8, where you can see this eclectic assortment of artwork!

We had a very nice showing at the reception for the "After the Fire" show – a lot of enthusiastic viewers. Only a few pieces were sold, but these artists have generously offered to donate the full amount to an Altadena fire relief fund of their mutual choosing.

We had another great meeting last month with a fun and interesting presentation by Wayne Unten from Disney's Animation Studios. Lucky Jamie Butterworth was thrilled to get a personalized door prize at the end of the evening! Be sure to join us for the March meeting on Wednesday the 19th, for this month's guest artist, author and illustrator, David Shannon. Dave's last visit to us was very entertaining – it will be great to have him back.

Everyone should be busy now creating masterpieces for our Annual Spring Members' Show, which will be held at the Geo Gallery in April. Take-in for this show is Sunday, March 30 from 9am to 12 noon. The show will be judged that afternoon and hung in time for the awards reception on Saturday, April 5.

The scholarship committee will be meeting soon to plan for our 2025 scholarship program. If you know any Burbank high school seniors interested in any art-related field of study, please make sure they are aware of these scholarships.

It's also the time of year to select a nominating committee to line up next year's board and chairmanship positions. We will be asking for volunteers at our March meeting. This is a really easy way to serve, but in a very important role. Please consider raising your hand for the job. And also, maybe consider taking on a more active role in the BAA by volunteering for a position on the Board. We'll provide lots of info about this in the weeks ahead.

Keep those creative juices flowing!

Be well, Ellie

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## ***Programs – Jamie Butterworth and Pam McDonald***

### **BAA General Membership Meeting**

**Wednesday, March 19, 2025, 7-9pm**

Burbank Administrative Building

301 E. Olive Ave, Room 102, Burbank, CA

### **March Program - David Shannon**





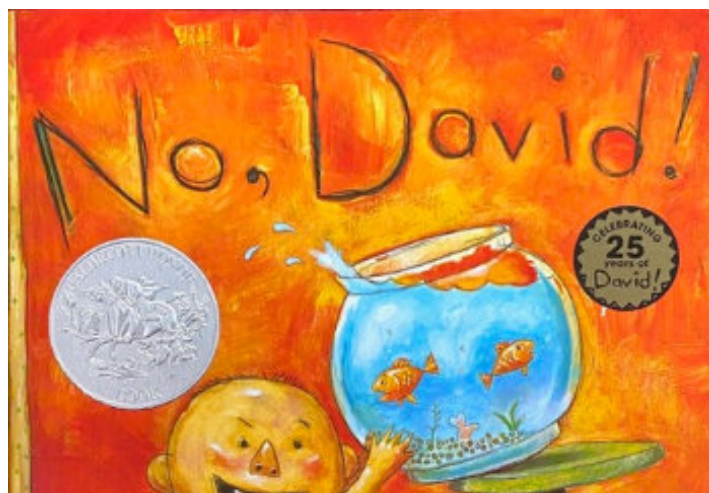
Many of you may be fans and not even know it! If you have been reading children's books over the past 30 or so years, you probably know the art and writing of this month's presenter – David Shannon.

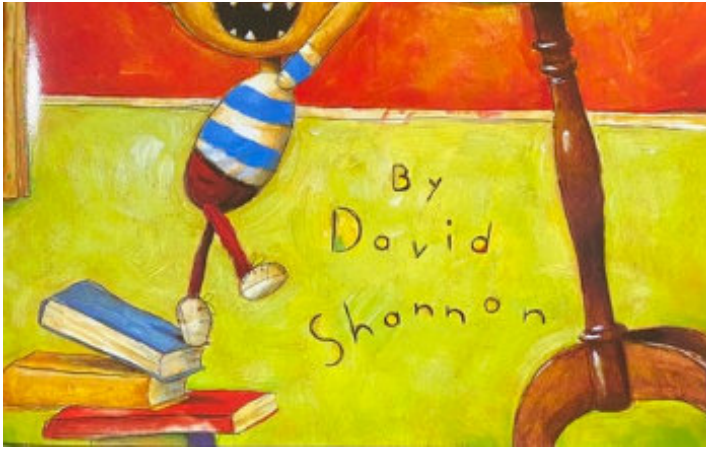
David Shannon grew up in Spokane, WA and graduated with a BFA in illustration from Art Center College of Design in Pasadena. He is the author and/or illustrator of over 40 picture books, including the

bestsellers *A Bad Case Of Stripes*, *Duck On A Bike*, *Alice The Fairy* and the semi-autobiographical, *No, David!*, which received a Caldecott Honor in 1999 (and is now a series of 6 books). His latest book is *That's Not Funny, David!* (scholastic/Orchard).

David will be discussing the various stages of making a picture book, from the first rough ideas and thumbnail sketches through constructing a dummy book and on to the finished product and printing. Along the way, he'll touch on various business and artistic aspects of children's books and answer any questions people might have.

He'll also be bringing a couple of books as door prizes (and may be willing to sign some from your own children's collections - I had him sign about 7 when he presented to us several years ago!) You'll enjoy his humor and after you see him, may even recognize him around Burbank as he lives here with his wife Heidi and their dog, Roy.





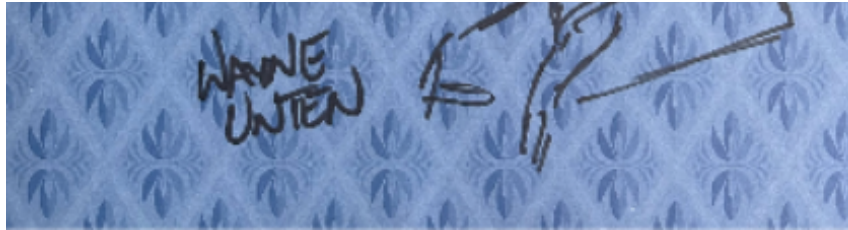
**February 2025 - Door Prize Winner**





Jamie Butterworth





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## **BAA Spring Show – *Helena Bowman***



### **Our BAA Spring Show is soon here!**

We will have a friendly competition among artists for awards in the different categories. It is always exciting to see all the great work filling the walls.

The Spring Show is a time to try new ideas. Last year we added two new categories: Pop Art and Conceptual Art. Let's work on expanding our skills and using methods that are more challenging! Feel free to pursue something different. If there are four or more entries of a new type of art, we can build a new category. Maybe we can have a Soft Art category? Here are the general categories in each division:

Open Division: Landscapes/Cityscapes/Seascapes; Still Life/ Floral; Life/Genre; Sculpture/Ceramics (wall art only); Photography/Digital Art;



Life/Genre, Sculpture/Ceramics (wall art only), Photography/Digital Art, Abstract/Contemporary; and Fantasy.

Honors Division: Traditional Landscape/Seascape/Cityscape; Traditional Floral/Genre/Still Life; Non-traditional/Contemporary.

*If there are fewer than four entries in one category, at the discretion of the exhibit committee and the judge, they may be moved to another similar category. (BAA Show rules).*

Remember that the Geo Gallery is small and only wall art is allowed. Any questions about your art, please contact the Exhibit committee before Take-In day. We are happy to help solve any problems. For the Spring Show at the Geo Gallery, art should be a maximum 24” wide x 36” high, including the frame. If your art is an unusual size, please contact us before Take-In Day to be sure we can make it work.

It is important to remember to attach proper hardware for the hanging wire on your art. We will not accept an entry with any glue, tape of any kind, modelling clay, cotton string or the like on the back of your frame. At the Geo Gallery, we will allow sawtooth hangers for small work only. (The Fall Show at the Betsy Lueke Creative Art Center will not accept sawtooth hangers!) If art is not properly wired and ready for hanging, a \$5.00 donation will be requested for us to correct it.

**You must be a current member now to enter the Spring Show. No new membership payments will be accepted at Take-in. One artwork per BAA member. Entry Fee is \$20 (cash or check).**

**Take-in Day:** Saturday, March 29, 9am-noon.

**Reception with Awards:** Saturday, April 5, 3-5pm.

**Art Pickup:** Saturday, April 26, 10am-noon.

Further details about show rules will be emailed and provided at the March general meeting. Let us know if you have any questions.

Helena Bowman, Exhibit Chair (helenasbowman@gmail.com)

Ellie Klein (ellieoklein@gmail.com)

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## GEO Gallery Exhibits – *Cindy McHale*



### Mosaic Mania 🎨✨


#### **Where we pick up the pieces and put them together!**

Co-Curated by Karen Sachs & Dave Hanson

We are beyond excited to invite you to the MOSAIC MANIA Art Show — a celebration of creativity, imagination, and art that transforms the ordinary into the extraordinary!

Twenty talented members of the Burbank Art Association have experimented with mosaics using not just glass or tile but also photos, paper, beads, and so much more. The results? Pure magic! Don't miss this dazzling exhibit, brimming with boundless creativity and unique perspectives.

 Reception: Saturday, March 8, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

 Closing Reception: Sunday, March 23, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

 Geo Gallery - 1545 Victory Blvd., Glendale

🌟 NO RSVP NEEDED— Show up and prepare to be inspired!

Celebrate the boundless imagination that can turn broken pieces into stunning, one-of-a-kind masterpieces. We can't wait to see you there!

The Geo Gallery is located at 1545 Victory Blvd. in Glendale.

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The **BAA Spring Show** will take place in April. Take in will be March 30 from 9 am – 12 pm. The reception will be April 5, 2025, from 5 – 7 pm. Pick up will be April 26 from 10 am – 12 pm.

**Linda Lamb and Susan Hines** will present their show in May 2025. The Opening Reception for “A Slice of Life in Color and Black and White” will take place May 3, 2025, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

**Mimi Rossi** will have a solo show in June entitled “Freedom”. The Opening Reception will be on June 1, 2025, time tbd.

If you are interested in future show opportunities contact Cindy McHale at [cindymchale@gmail.com](mailto:cindymchale@gmail.com).

### **Photos from After the Fire Show at the Geo Gallery**





Piece sold at the Fire show by April Cowgur





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## Upcoming Events – *Joanna Lewis*

### **BAA Scholarships Now Being accepted**

Once again, the BAA is pleased to offer two \$500 art scholarships to 2025 graduating Burbank seniors who are interested in pursuing a career in an art-related field. These awards will be determined on a competitive basis and require the submission of an art portfolio and artist's statement along with the application email and letter of acceptance. Graduating seniors from all Burbank high schools are encouraged to participate in this process. School counselors and art teachers have received the information to pass along to interested students.

BAA Members - would you like to join our scholarship committee? You will get to judge young artists and their artwork and help to give the scholarship awards to two deserving high school seniors in the Burbank area. There may be 1-2 meetings; otherwise, it's all online and requires little work. Please let Joanna Lewis know if you would like to be a part of the committee. Contact Joanna at [joannamlewis@gmail.com](mailto:joannamlewis@gmail.com).

### **Big Art Festival This Spring**

The Jackalope Art Festival will be held **May 31st** and **June 1st** in downtown Burbank.

We aren't guaranteed a spot yet, but if you are interested, please contact [joannamlewis@gmail.com](mailto:joannamlewis@gmail.com). We will be able to accommodate 6 artists

over two days.

Contact Joanna at joannamlewis@gmail.com to be a vendor or if you have questions.

## The Burbank Cultural Arts Commission Presents

### Creative Marketing - Big Impact on a Budget

March 13, starting at 7:30 pm



The flyer features a purple and orange color scheme. At the top right, a purple banner contains the text 'FREE EVENT' in white. The Burbank Arts logo, consisting of a stylized 'B' inside a circle with 'CITY OF BURBANK' written around it, is on the left. The main title 'BURBANK ARTS' is in large purple letters. Below it, the text 'THE BURBANK CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION PRESENTS' is in smaller grey letters, followed by 'CREATIVE MARKETING' in large purple letters and 'BIG IMPACT ON A BUDGET' in large orange letters. A paragraph of text describes the event: 'Unlock powerful, cost-effective marketing strategies tailored for artists, small businesses, and creatives. Learn how to maximize your reach without breaking the bank!'. Below this, two rounded rectangular buttons are shown: 'EVENT HOST' in orange and 'GUEST SPEAKERS' in purple. Under 'EVENT HOST' is a photo of Eric Conner, CEO of Burbank Cultural Arts Commission. Under 'GUEST SPEAKERS' are three photos: Perry Aston (CEO of CrowdBoost Marketing), Mary Movsesyan (Public Information Specialist at City of Burbank Public Information Office), and Romik Hacobian (CEO of Media City Design). At the bottom left, a QR code is labeled 'SCAN TO RSVP'. At the bottom right, a white box with purple and orange borders contains the event details: 'THURSDAY MARCH 13', 'STARTING AT 7:30PM', 'COMMUNITY SERVICES BUILDING ROOM #104', and '150 N. Third Street Burbank, CA 91502'.

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## **Penstrokes – *Jeri Lynn Grover***

### **Jeri Grover Enjoys Beaded Jewelry**

Jeri is enjoying Quartzsite camping with friends and taking a break from the hustle and bustle of life at home. Besides photographing the desert and taking portraits of her friends, she is enjoying the sunshine and creating her beaded jewelry. Between Quartzsite Desert camping and Santa Paula camping under the Oaks, she's made 30 pieces of jewelry.

### **In Memory of Chuck Dellamarie, Donation to World Central Kitchen**

Sharon Dellamarie was very grateful for the BAA donation to the World Central Kitchen in memory of her husband, Chuck, who passed away last fall. Sharon and Chuck have been members of the BAA for many years. Chuck will be remembered for his ceramics and a great smile! Sharon is still creating beautiful art collage pieces.

### **Fun & Play while learning about YOU! Karen Sachs**

Karen Sachs continues to inspire with her monthly PAINT YOUR ESSENCE WORKSHOPS and SOUL EXPRESSION sessions. Check out the dates on Eventbrite here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/o/paint-your-essence-workshops-by-karen-sachs-8485752355>.

#### **\*\*SOUL EXPRESSION\*\***

Unlock your inner genius and let your creativity flow! This FREE and VIRTUAL platform invites you to create anything that sparks joy, from drawing to writing and more, all in your home.

#### **\*\*PAINT YOUR ESSENCE\*\***

This year's theme is "LIFE IS FOR ME!" Join us in exploring how life

supports us, transforming challenges into opportunities, and embracing our roles as Co-Creators.

Whether you're an experienced artist or a beginner, this event is a chance to express your unique essence and connect with like-minded individuals worldwide.

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Our mission is to stimulate and encourage creative expression and provide a showcase for our members' talents. Artists of all ages and skill levels are welcome to join. Sponsorships and donations to the BAA help to fund exhibits, awards and student scholarships. Your gift will have a tremendous impact by keeping our organization thriving and serving its community.

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