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IN TODAY'S NEWSLETTER

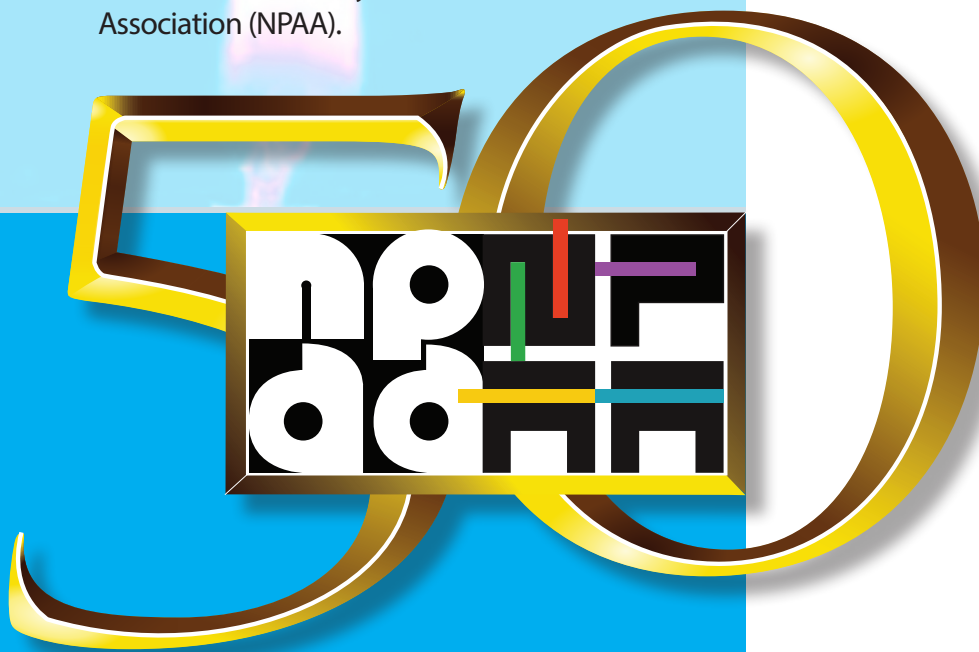
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TOP Members Deb Berkebile and Barb Yerace share a lighter moment at the 8th NPAA Biennial
CENTER LEFT Rich Holmgren, Janey and Denny Morell at the 2023 Scholarship Event at Pennwest Edinboro
CENTER RIGHT Sandy Shelenberger and her tie-dye collection at the Jazz & Blues Festival
BOTTOM LEFT Brad Lethaby and Kris Risto at the NPAA Summer picnic
BOTTOM RIGHT Tom Ferraro and Carol Comstock laugh it up at the Jazz & Blues Festival

The NPAA celebrates a milestone.

A birthday milestone takes place this year. 50 years ago three local artists and one art advocate (the Schabackers and Sundbergs) formed a basic organization that would represent local professional visual artists. The organization was named the Northwestern Pennsylvania Artists Association (NPAA).



The first committee chosen to draft the by-laws included: Dan Burke, John Deckard, Tony Ko, Andrew Sanders, Betty Schabacker, Carl Sundberg, and John Vanco.

Now in its 50th year, the NPAA organizes several annual exhibits for its 100+ members' participation, annually donates college scholarship monies to local graduating high-school seniors, and overall promotes the visual arts in the tri-county community.

First Members List

Roy Ahlgren
Evelyn Askey
Nancy Bacon
Robert W. Banks
Betty Bartholme
Dan Burke
Kenneth C. Burkhart
James R. Chizmadia
Sr. Mary Angelica Cummings
Neil Daugherty
John Fosco
Edward Higgins
Mary Lou Higgins
Vitus J. Kaiser
Henry Katzwinkle
Dan Kelleher
Steven Kemenyffy
Susan Kemenyffy
Peggy Krider
Robert A. Krider
Patrick Lally
Sarah M. Laudenslager
Fred Livingston
Ernest Mauthe
Clair McLain
James C. Myford
Howard Neibling
Anne M. Philbin
Joseph Plavcan
Tom Potocki
Mary J. Rosiak
Betty B. Schabacker
Robert B. Schabacker
Francis Schanz
Jean Stull
David Seitzinger
Carl Sundberg
Wilda Sundberg
John Vahanian
John Vanco
Lois Wiley



CONGRATULATIONS

We're pleased to announce the winners of this year's Scholarship Awards. Three Erie Insurance Robert Sajewski Memorial Scholarships in the amount of \$3000 each were awarded to **Massai Jackson, Braiden Douds** and **Olivia Anthony** while two NPAA Scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each were awarded to **Grace Bennett** and **Journey Gray-Lewanas**.

Congratulations to all five students who will be pursuing their art careers this fall in college.



UPCOMING EVENT



2024
SCHOLARSHIP
COMPETITION
EXHIBITION

THE ERIE ART MUSEUM

20 EAST 5th STREET
ERIE, PA 16507

OPENING RECEPTION

MARCH 9th 5:00 – 7:00 pm

AWARD CEREMONY 6:00 pm

10 STUDENTS WILL EXHIBIT THEIR WORK

FREE

- BRADEN DOUDS
- OLIVIA ANTHONY
- ELANOR WEST
- TAYLOR MARKLE
- SARA SRUN
- MASSAI JACKSON
- JOURNEY GRAY-LEWANAS
- GRACE BENNETT
- JIANALIZ SERRANO
- MADLINE HUBER

THE SHOW WILL BE ON EXHIBIT FROM
MARCH 9th THROUGH MARCH 17th 2024

**There will be music, food and
of course other exhibits on hand.**



Congratulations to these sixteen NPAA members who were selected to exhibit in this year's Erie Art Museum 101ST Annual Nicole & Harry Martin 2024 Spring Show. Selection took place in late February by guest juror Tanya Aguiniga.

Making NPAA proud.



Congratulations

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| • Barbara Crone | <i>Not Dark Yet</i> |
| • Barbara Yerace | <i>In Celebration of the Hawk</i> |
| • Carol Posch Comstock | <i>Ascension</i> |
| • Greg Zbach | <i>Knickknacks and Notes</i> |
| • Heather Hertel | <i>Thistle</i> |
| • Herman Weber | <i>GILL FARM</i> |
| • Jamie Borowicz | <i>Copenhagen #1</i> |
| • Jessica Stadtmueller | <i>Host</i> |
| • Jodi Staniunas Hopper | <i>Impractical Magic</i> |
| • Lynn Marie Fizel* | <i>Encore</i> |
| • Passle Helminski | <i>Talking</i> |
| • Robert Eustace | <i>Finding Sanctuary no. 1</i> |
| • Ron Bayuzick | <i>Garden Eve</i> |
| • Ron Bayuzick | <i>Snazzy</i> |
| • Tara Shannon* | <i>Blocks Abstract 3</i> |
| • Thomas Ferraro | <i>Feet on the Ground, Head in the Sky</i> |
| • Thomas Ferraro | <i>Truth</i> |
| • Tom Hubert | <i>Cherry Handle Tan Shapes Teapot</i> |

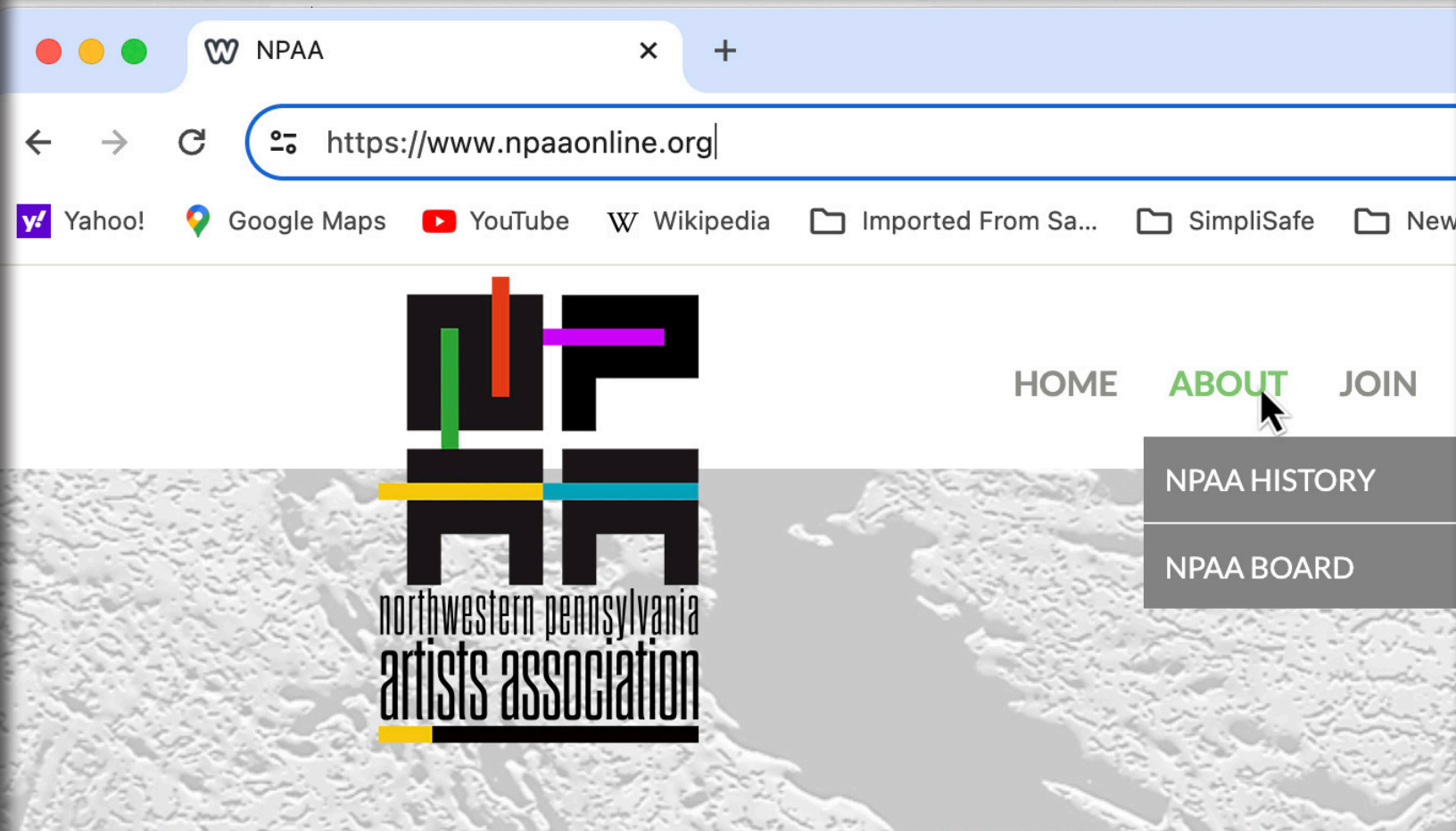
*NPAA New member



npaaonline.org

After several months of design and build processes, we are excited to announce that the new NPAA website is about to go

LIVE





LIGHT OBSCURED EXHIBITION

March 21st – April 27th

Glass Growers Gallery

10 East 5th Street Erie, PA

Opening:

Gallery Night Artist Reception Friday, March 29th, 5:00–10:00pm

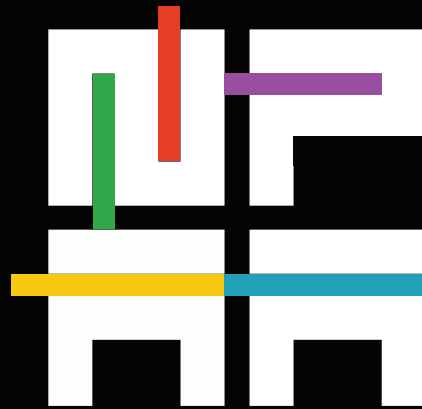
This exhibit will be held during the celebration of the Solar Eclipse, hence the exhibit title.

Drop off work:

Saturday, March 16th, 3:00pm – 5:00pm

Monday, March 18th, 10:00am – 1:00pm

UPCOMING EVENT



LIGHT OBSCURED



MEM BER NEWS

**EAM Spring Show NPAA award voting will take place on
Wednesday, March 13th, from 11:00am – 6:00pm **CAST YOUR VOTE****

NEW MEMBER VOTING **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**Voting will take place on Wednesday, March 20th at 6:00pm
LOCATION: NWPA Collegiate Academy, 2825 State Street, Erie, PA 16508
ENTRY: State Street Doors (29th and State)
ROOM: 10 (double doors on the left – straight down the hall)
TIME: 6:00pm**

BIENNIAL art pickup reminder at the Erie Art Museum

**Monday, March 18th, 3:00 – 6:00pm
Tuesday, March 19th, 3:00 – 5:00pm**

DUES reminder emailed out last week

SAVE THE DATES