

Seniors Creating Art

Inspiring hope and purpose for seniors
by providing access to create art.

Arts Quarterly Newsletter



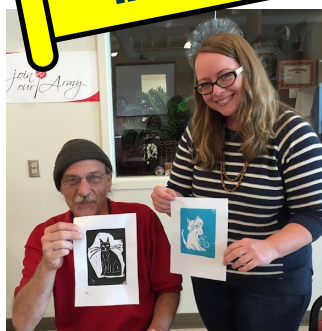
**Celebrating 11 Years
in February 2024**



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SCA Announcements



**Instructor Kelly (right)
with class participant**



**Instructor Susn (left)
with class participant**

2024 is starting off busy as ever! This newsletter, we are highlighting our AMAZING Seniors Creating Art Instructors! There are **19 Art Instructors on our SCA team of paid teaching artists and 4 of these art teachers are senior citizens themselves.** Each workshop, SCA Instructors create unique curriculum and lead art programs for groups of 10-15 seniors and create atmospheres where seniors can be creative, socialize and experience incredible health benefits from participating in artmaking. SCA instructors are incredible! Participants are often waiting outside of the classroom and lining the

halls ready to greet their instructor and join in the workshops for the day! Instructors are skilled at teaching seniors of every skill set and cognitive/physical ability. Their interactions with students are heartwarming to see. Thank you so much, Art Instructors, we absolutely couldn't do this without you!

Here are some fun facts! Did you know...

- * There are over **80 Hosting Facilities in Washington and 1 in New Jersey** offering SCA workshops including locations in Spokane, Vancouver, Bellingham, Ocean City, Sequim, and Livingston New Jersey!
- * **Each week there are an average of 40 art workshops** taking place in Hosting Facilities
- * Every month over **550 seniors attend** SCA workshops this is **over 6,000 every year!**
- * All **workshops are always free** and participants receive all art supplies for free as well!
- * SCA is **fully funded by individual and corporate donations and grants.** SCA received **over \$150,000 in grants in 2023** and 2024 is ramping up to be even better! **Please consider donating on our website: www.seniorscreatingart.org**

Executive Director's Report

As Seniors Creating Art enters its 11th year as an organization, we are excited to experience continued growth! Each year, new partnerships are developed and SCA becomes more sustainable. Since the pandemic, the programs that SCA offers, have been more focused on seniors living in senior living communities because SCA could provide access to art for seniors in the comfort and safety of their home, but now as life is resuming and social gatherings are no longer taboo, SCA is back to focusing on workshops out in community and senior centers, places open to the public! We know that our local seniors are eager for programs at these public locations and we are very hopeful that 2024 will be the year this can be achieved! Stay tuned, as there are several grants in the pipeline, that will provide incredible funding for public art workshops for seniors, we promise! Thank you for all your support! Raeanne



**Participant at A Beautiful Living
Adult Family Home**

Questions about current programs, volunteer opportunities, teaching for SCA, hosting an art program or to make a donation, please visit SCA website: www.seniorscreatingart.org or email info@seniorscreatingart.org