



Our Mission

The mission of the Bonner Springs Arts Alliance is to provide creative and artistic opportunities and education for all ages in the literary, performing and visual arts and to promote art appreciation and participation in the Bonner Springs community and surrounding area.



Our Vision

The vision of the Bonner Springs Arts Alliance is to make Bonner Springs a destination for the arts by offering cultural events and activities, art instruction for all ages, and opportunities for creative expression while partnering with various educational, governmental and private entities to create an Arts Center for all to enjoy.

Our Goals

- Create interest in the arts
- Encourage and inspire artists
- Provide artists a means to display their talents
- Provide instruction in the arts
- Sponsor cultural events in the visual, performing, and literary arts
- Cooperate with local businesses, schools, the city, and other community organizations to promote the arts
- Create a destination for the arts attracting visitors to the area

Donations

The Bonner Springs Arts Alliance is funded by memberships and donations. Your generous contributions will enable us to promote self-expression and creativity in our community. It will promote appreciation of the fine arts through instruction and events.

The Bonner Springs Arts Alliance is a nonprofit organization and donations are tax-deductible. Donations may be mailed to BSAA, P.O. Box 34, Bonner Springs, KS 66012.

Meetings

BSAA meets the first Thursday of the month at 7 pm at **McDaniel PreSchool Center at 110 S. Nettleton Ave, 2nd floor.** Meetings last approximately one hour. Often there are art demonstrations and discussions.



(Sun Mask clay demonstration by Kate Riddle)

Workshops

One hour workshops are held in the gallery workshop prior to the general monthly meeting. A variety of art mediums are explored including paint, clay, pencil, beads, ink, dye, felt, and many others. These are offered at a low cost (\$10-\$15) to benefit the artist and organization.



(Silk Scarf by Kris Ball)



(Alcohol Ink by Linda Horvath)

BSAA Wordslingers

Writing enthusiasts meet on the 2nd Monday of the month at the Bonner Springs Library at 6:30 pm monthly to learn writing techniques, explore the pathways to becoming an author, and share each other's writings. Their goal is to learn and encourage one another. This group welcomes those who are new to writing as well as experienced writers. Public events are also held with guest speakers.

Burch Tree Art Gallery is located on the 2nd floor of McDaniel at 110 S. Nettleton. Shows and sales are held several times a year.



Festivals

The Arts Alliance holds an annual festival as a way to highlight our members' work and to offer fine arts works for sale to the public.



Community Participation

The Arts Alliance is intentional about being an active participant in the community in many ways:

- Sponsor of annual Marble Day Festival
- Creator of the Memorial of Appreciation in North Park
- Provides an art project for Books, Block, & Bubbles children’s event at the library
- Displaying artists’ works at the library for public view
- Provided art experiences for the local nursing home patients
- Winning the mayor’s trophy for a float in the Tiblow Days Parade three consecutive years
- Supervising arts and crafts sales at the community Farmers Market Days



(Tiblow Days Parade Mayor’s Trophy most outstanding float)



(Van Gogh Children’s Center)

Monument of Appreciation

The granite monument at North Park is a tribute to those who risk their life for our safety and freedom and was designed and engraved by artist Anita Shikles. The public was invited to purchase granite bricks to add to the construction of the monument. Bricks continue to be for sale and proceeds will expand the beautification process to include a water feature designed by one of our artists.



(Artist, Anita Shikles)

Membership

Membership is open to the public for artists of fine arts and crafts and those who appreciate all the arts. Fine arts is considered works that are handcrafted, mostly using handcrafted materials and is the form of work that is an expression of emotion.

Membership in the Arts Alliance offers a member the opportunity to be a “featured artist” in the Burch Tree Art Gallery as well as advertise, display, and sell art. To sell work in our gallery one must be an active member with paid dues, attend meetings regularly and assist with organizing, cleaning or working in gallery. Discounts are also offered as a vendor at festival and participation in workshops.

A courtesy of two visits to attend monthly meetings is offered with the expectation of membership application by the third meeting. Dues are due at the time of application and are collected annually in January.

Application for Membership

Bonner Springs Arts Alliance
Membership Application

Name _____
 Phone# _____
 Email address _____
 Address _____

Tell us about your art area(s), experience with art groups, art related business, etc. _____

Topics to discuss for future meetings _____

What types of art would you like to learn more about? _____

Please check all areas where you would be willing to serve.

- grant applications/fundraising
- graphic design (design logo, flyers, etc.)
- event planning (art fairs, concerts, lectures)
- communication (news articles, emailing, flyers)
- coordinate with local businesses
- coordinate with city/library/parks & rec
- coordinate with schools
- programs for meetings
- website
- instruction in the following areas: _____
- other please explain _____

Membership fee = \$25/year

Amount paid _____ Date _____

Make checks payable to Bonner Springs Arts Alliance



(Marble Day Art Activity)



(Festival of the Arts Activity)



(Leigh Coffman booth)



(Christina Hankinson booth)