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(THANK YOU JENN!)

Hi all!

There have been a few issues since the last "Check in with Jenn." Over the past couple months I've been busy at work, creating lots of amazing art with older adults, reorganizing my studio so I can make lots of amazing art for myself, and surviving this summer heat. I also spent a week at Ox-bow School of Art in Saugatuck, Michigan learning more about fiber arts and it was just life changing.

All of that is to preface, that for a number of reasons, I have to step down from my position as board president. It breaks my heart, but it seems the responsible action to take, as I'm not able to give the time and energy to GAP that I would like to. Y'all have inspired me so much and been incredibly supportive of this journey. It's been a great experience being in this position. I appreciate all of you and the work you create and can't wait to see where my new role in the organization is.

Mindy Shapiro has generously volunteered herself to take over the board president position until the end of my term. She'll share a bit more about herself in the next issue of First Cut, so you'll be able to get to know her a bit better. I am both confident and enthusiastic about her in this position. She has great energy, great ideas, and so much love for GAP.

Thanks y'all for all you do. It's been a great run.

Best, Jenn

Greetings From Paris A TRAVEL NOTE FROM MELANIE KEHOSS

"I discovered this lightbox display in Montmartre, Paris. Visitors can touch a corresponding button to light up each scene." So fitting that our very own queen of lightboxes found this during her travels! Where have you found papercuts "out in the wild?"



First Cut

Apply By TOMORROW!

PLACES IN PAPER

A GUILD OF AMERICAN PAPERCUTTERS EXHIBITION

Gallery 3700, Arlington, VA.

September 9– December 8, 2019 Reception October 12, 3 – 5 pm

with optional travel to

Westover Library Arlington, VA

December 17, 2019 - February 18, 2020

And possible additional venues

GAP invites members to submit their artwork for Places in Paper, a juried show gracing two Arlington, VA venues. All artists with current GAP memberships are eligible to submit work through July 18.

GAP members hail from all regions of the country and across the globe. We draw on traditions from many cultures, passed down through generations. We are rural and urban, North and South, coast and mountain. Places in Paper invites original cut paper work about where we live, where we come from, and where our dreams take place.

Thanks to support from Arlington County, three entries will receive cash awards and return shipping of unsold artwork will be provided! For more information and to apply, visit www.papercutters.org -> Events -> Call for Art

#guildofamericanpapercutters Share Your Talent WITH US!

We would love to promote your work on our Instagram account. If you tag us and your handle is something other than your name, please be sure to DM us or email rosaleff@gmail.com so we know who you are! This helps us ensure that we are only promoting the work of Guild members like you!



\$500 Cash Prize

To celebrate the 10th Anniversary of American Craft Week, Village Artisans Gallery of Boiling Springs, PA is challenging artists to create a piece of craft which embodies the number ten. This craft can be in any medium and the "ten" can be subtle, serious, humorous, or outrageous. Ten can be the central theme, the number of components or the mysterious magic in the craft. Artists will be required to submit photos of the piece plus answer questions on the submission form.

Contest closes July 22, 2019. Details & submission form: www.americancraftweek.com.

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Member Events

GO OUT & SUPPORT YOUR FELLOW GUILD MEMBERS!

Papercuttings by David Friedman

70th Annual Salem Art Fair & Festival, Friday July 19th–Sunday, July 21st, 2019 Booth 93

Location: Bush's Pasture Park, 600 Mission

Street, SE, Salem, OR 97302 More Info: http://salemart.org

Papercuttings by David Friedman

American Craft Council San Francisco, Friday August 2nd–Sunday, August 4th, 2019

Booth 409

Location: Fort Mason, San Francisco More Info: https://craftcouncil.org/shows

Papercuttings by David Friedman

Art In The Pearl, Saturday August 31, September 1 and 2, 2019 Location: North Park Blocks, Portland OR More Info: https://artinthepearl.com

Perfectly Misunderstandable

A Solo Exhibition By Rosa Leff July 31st-September 1st

Opening Reception: August 3rd, 5-7pm Location: District Arts, Frederick MD More Info: www.districtarts.com









Even More! MEMBER EVENTS



Longs Park Art Festival

Papercuts by Marie-Helene Grabman Lancaster PA, August 30-Sept 1

Beauty Lies Between My Palm and Death

Solo exhibition by Bianca Levan

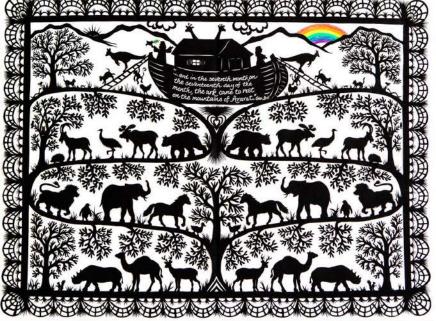
On view until July 30th.

The Throckmorton Theater: 142 Throckmorton Ave, Mill Valley, CA.

Please join us for a closing reception on July 27 from 4-6 pm.

Event link:

https://www.facebook.com/events/4479704524271 13/





Craft Fair of the Southern Highlands Craft Guild

Papercuts by Marie-Helene Grabman Asheville, NC at the US Cellular Center, July 18th-21st

Keep in touch! If you make it to a member event or catch a cut "out in the wild" be sure to let us know. Find us on Faceboook: The Guild of American Papercutters
Instagram: @guildofamericanpapercutters or by Email: rosaleff@gmail.com