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**AUGUST 2025**

**Saturday, August 23 – Sunday, August 24.  Seawall Art Show** 2025, Portsmouth, VA.  Mike Lane, winner of BEST IN SHOW 2024, will be an exhibitor again this year.

**Monday, August 25. Registration for classes at Titustown Visual Arts Center,** open to all.  Sumi-e Studio, 2 sections, every Wednesday, September 10 through November 12. Sign up at:

[Norfolk Cultural Arts Registration](https://norfolkfun.norfolk.gov/webtrac/web/splash.html?_csrf_token=dB6X6W5X076U3K3B3M52305O635W596E1K5Z4I4C666Z5I515H6S0C5G3O5A5202004Z4Z42735L4H5P5F1T4T5R4E4X1H5P4M5D660K5L5W585K0D643I534B19014N6O).

**SEPTEMBER 2025**

**Friday, September 12. 4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  Mike Lane's Solo Show as "Artist of the Month."** Chowan Art Council Gallery, 112 W. Water St., Edenton, NC.  Note: The drive time from Va. Beach is about 1.5 hours; folks from Hampton Roads are invited to come early and leave early (6 or 6:30pm) to be able to get home before dark. RSVP to Mike Lane.

**Sunday, September 14.  2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Internal Workshop with Norene Spencer.** Westminster Canterbury,  3100 Shore Drive, Virginia Beach, 5th Floor Lounge. Participants will learn brush painting basics with added tips and tricks. Registration required. For details, contact Cathy Peyton. $$

**Sunday, September 21.  2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Blue Heron Monthly Meeting.**  Gail Goodman will demonstrate some unique painting techniques using handmade brushes made with creative materials. Kempsville Christian Church, 5424 Parliament Drive, Virginia Beach.

**OCTOBER 2025**

**Saturday, October 4. 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.**  Plein Air Painting with Liang Wei.  Learn to sketch and paint, “plein air” style at Pagoda and Oriental Garden, 265 W. Tazwell St., Norfolk, VA. Workshop is free for Sumie Society of America members.  Registration required. Contact Penny Pickel.

**BLUE HERON SUMI-E EXHIBITION, 110 Gallery**, 110 E. Mellen Street, Hampton, VA 23663.

Artist Drop Off, Tuesday, September 30, 12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Soft Opening, Friday, October 3.  Blue Heron Reception TBA

Official Opening Reception, Saturday, October 11, 3:00 p.m – 5:00 p.m.

WATCH EMAILS for more information or contact Mike Lane.

**Saturday, October 18. 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Blue Heron Invitation to Paint**. Algonquin House. 7320 Glenroie Ave., Norfolk. Bring a dish to share. Contact host: Heidi Schwartz. RSVP not required.

**Sunday, October 19. 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Blue Heron Monthly Meeting**.  Bill Larkin will teach us the meaning of I-ching, the ancient divination practice linked to original teachings of Confucious. Kempsville Christian Church, 5424 Parliament Drive, Virginia Beach.

**Tuesday, October 21. 11:30 a.m. Book Club discussion** of ***MY NAME IS RED*** by Orhan Pamuk. Meeting location - Vino Italian & Bistro, 5200 Fairfield Shopping Center, Virginia Beach. RSVP to Cathy Peyton.