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# SCAEA

SOUTH CAROLINA ART EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

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December 2022 Newsletter

*President's*

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from the desk of Joshua Powell,  
SCAEA President

*Hello South  
Carolina Art  
Educators!*



Happy holidays to each of you. I hope you are enjoying your time with family and friends while catching up on some rest at the same time. In this last newsletter of 2022, I want to thank all of you for being a part of our organization. Our fall conference was a huge success thanks to our conference chair, Ellen Westkaemper, our board, our awesome presenters, vendors, and all our attendees. It was amazing to see our theme of “Come Together” so visible in over 300 art educators in Greenville, SC.

Looking ahead to the new year of 2023 is a bit weird as an educator. The educator’s “new year” is celebrated and anticipated each August, so the actual New Year has a decreased significance. I see the coming of the new year a little differently this year as I recognize I only have one year left as president of this organization. There is so much work to do finalizing our new strategic plan, creating an executive director position, continuing to make our organization more sustainable,...etc. I’m excited about all of this work, and I look forward to 2023 as we make a positive impact on the world around us, and positive impacts on our state through art education.

Sincerely,

*Joshua Powell*

## Upcoming Events

### Youth Art Month

March 2023

Western, Central, Eastern, & Lower Region Showcases



### NAEA National Conference

April 13-15, 2023

San Antonio, TX



## Notes from your SCAEA Board:

**Suzanne Glenn, Membership Chair**

As of October 31, 2022, we have 420 active members.

**Staci Purvis, Secretary**

[2022 SCAEA Board Election Results, to begin term in 2023:](#)

Treasurer: Heather Hill

Secretary: Staci Purvis

Lower Region Representative: Stephanie Shank

Museum Educator Representative: Alana Adams

Administration Representative: Erick Figueras  
Higher Education Representative: Hyunji Kwon  
Secondary Level Representative: Kat Hampton

## 2022 Presidential appointments:

Advocacy Chair: Jed Dearybury  
Social Media Chair: Olivia Gay

Congratulations to our 2022 SCAEA Award winners! Thank you for taking time to recognize outstanding members in our field for their contributions to art education. Shout out to photographer and SCAEA member Candace Cannon for taking photos of the winners:



**Alana Vest, Awards  
Chair**



**Mary White Art Educator Award: Catherine Ellis, Ashley Ridge High School**



**South Carolina Art Educator of the Year: Kevin Morrissey, Fort Dorchester High School**



**Elementary Art Educator of the Year: Jennifer Bishop, Heritage Elementary School**



**Higher Education Art Educator of the Year: Dr. Jo Carol Mitchell-Rogers, Anderson University**





**Middle Level Art Educator of the Year:** Ed Purdy, McCracken Middle School



**Arts Administrator of the Year:** Christopher Crubb, Beaufort County Schools



**Secondary Level Art Educator of the Year:** Patricia Schoelkopf, Hilton Head Island High School



**Museum Educator of the Year:** Emily Epling, Public Works Art Center



**Outstanding Administrator:** Dr. Richard O'Malley, Florence One Schools



**Promising young Professional:** Amy Carmichael, Southside Middle School



**Business Supporter of Arts Education:** Grant Cothran, ReCraft Creative Reuse Center



**Youth Art Month:** Carlton Steller, Beck Academy



Thomas A. Hatfield Lifetime Achievement:  
Cindy Riddle, Spartanburg School District One



Thomas A. Hatfield Lifetime Achievement:  
Dr. Mary Lou Hightower, USC Upstate,  
Distinguished Professor Emeritus



Dr. Deborah Smith Hoffman Mentor  
Award: Jennifer Bise Fox, Anderson  
University



Mac Goodwin Distinguished Art Advocate:  
Dr. Kim Wilson, ABC Project



R. Scot Hockman Teacher Grant: Laura  
Shaw, Rudolph Gordon School



Liz Smith Cox Art Education Major  
Scholarship: Cathryn Burger, Mauldin High  
School



SCAEA Studio or Art Education Major  
Scholarship: Emily "Kephira" Davis, Lander  
University



SCAEA Board members: Alana Vest,  
Amy Workman, Staci Purvis, and  
Joshua Powell





SCAEA Art Educator of the Year and former Lower Region Rep, Kevin Morrissey with SCAEA President Joshua Powell



What a fun night! Hope to see you next year at the 2023 SCAEA Fall conference!

Photos by Candace Cannon, November 2022

## Art Education Opportunities:

# Arts Curricular Innovation Grants Program

Individual Schools may apply for up to \$18,000, or School districts may apply for up to \$40,000 in funds to increase student opportunities and achievement in the arts.

RFP (Request for Proposal) Forms should be available soon through the South Carolina Department of Education Website.

SC Dept of Ed Grants

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