



**ASHFORD  
ARTS COUNCIL**

# The AAC Corner

SEPTEMBER 2021

## Poetry Workshops

*Saturdays, October 9, 16, & 23, 10:00am - 12:00pm*

Ashford's Poet Laureate, Tony Patocchio, will lead a poetry workshop focusing on close readings of poems, including favorite poems of the workshop participants. What we will be looking for is to identify those features that contribute to the making of a successful poem. We will pay close attention to discovering each poem's form and structure; how it employs sound, rhythm, words, phrasing, and sentences; how it builds and releases tension; how it uses lineation and stanzas; and how all these features work together to convey sense and meaning. *Location: Ashford Senior Center. Workshop Size: Maximum of 8 participants*  
**Contact Tony directly [ajpati@yahoo.com](mailto:ajpati@yahoo.com) to enroll and with questions.**

## Artist Spotlight: Josh Adams

Newly joined AAC Member Josh Adams has been called, "an illustrator with the mind of a child," which as it turns out is far less impressive than being a child with the mind of an illustrator. Nevertheless, he has used his skills in the art world to trick people into paying him to draw. Notable among the many clients Josh has worked for are WWE, NBC, CBS, DirecTV, Syfy, Random House, Marvel Entertainment and DC Comics. Josh is currently working for Business Insider producing comics that cover current events in the US and world stage. Josh and wife, Saori, have moved to Ashford to start Your Huckleberry Farms, specializing in heritage breed animals and permaculture-based farming.



See some of Josh's work online at [www.whatwouldjoshdo.com](http://www.whatwouldjoshdo.com) or [insider.com/author/josh-adams](http://insider.com/author/josh-adams)  
Check out their farm at [yourhuckleberryfarms.com](http://yourhuckleberryfarms.com)  
Josh Adams (646) 408-0864

## Join us at our Monthly Meetings Public Welcome

*2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at Knowlton Memorial Hall 7:00pm*

Now that our meetings are back in-person, coming to meetings will be more fun as we will have a presenter for the first half hour!

For our **September 8<sup>th</sup> meeting**, **Kathy Lepak** will give a presentation on the art of the calligrapher, showing samples of historic calligraphic styles, or hands, as they are called. Exemplars of three of these styles will be available for attendees as handouts. Kathy will have several samples of her work, along with the tools and mediums used. The second part of the presentation will be on Bookmaking styles, both Japanese Stab Bookbinding and the process of building accordion books. Kathleen Lepak is a calligrapher, illustrator and graphic designer. Her work has included logo design, book illustration, calligraphic commissions, graphic design, illustrated, inspirational verses and commissions for accordion books.

*WE WELCOME YOU TO COME AND ENJOY THE*

## The Babcock Cornet Band & Local Artist Presentations

Poetry – Tony Patocchio and Marian Vitali  
Pottery – Suzy Staubach  
2D Art – Debra Gag  
Encaustic Art – Linda Rogers  
Photography – Christine Acebo  
Mosaics – Deb Aldo

**September 22, 2021**  
Pompey Hollow Park  
**6:00pm**

Ashford Arts Council welcomes everyone to join us this special evening to showcase our local talent. This will be followed by a short meeting to discuss further opportunities with input from the public. If it rains, we will be inside, starting at 6:00 pm.  
**PUBLIC WELCOME!!! Masks will be required.**

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### Council Meetings

*2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the  
Month  
7:00 pm  
Knowlton Hall  
ALL ARE WELCOME  
\*\*Masks Required\*\**

### Ashford Art Night

*September 7<sup>th</sup>  
Contact  
SharonPunty@gmail.com  
for the Zoom Link.*

### Annual Membership Event

*September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021  
Babcock Band (6pm)  
Outdoors at PompeyHollowPark  
Members Meeting  
(6:45pm)  
Artists and Poet presenters,  
refreshments, indoors at Senior  
Center*

### Poetry Workshops

*October 9, 16, & 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Contact Tony for details  
ajpati@yahoo.com*

### Stained Glass Workshop

*November 3<sup>rd</sup> 7-9pm  
Contact Anna Harding at  
c\_anna1@yahoo.com for more  
information*

### Holiday Artist Market

*November 20-21, 2021  
Knowlton Memorial Hall*

visit us online & on facebook [www.AshfordArts.org](http://www.AshfordArts.org) bringing the arts to our community

In partnership with Windham Arts and the CT Office of the Arts

## NEW MEMBER FORM: Cut and Return

### REGISTRATION OPEN WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

We are always looking for new members. You do not have to be an artist or live in Ashford. Join our fun dynamic group, supporting all the arts and bringing the arts to our community.

*Membership: \$20 Donation  
October 1<sup>st</sup> – September 31<sup>st</sup>*

For more information contact our Membership Director, **Darcie Boiano** at [Boiano.Darcie@gmail.com](mailto:Boiano.Darcie@gmail.com) or (860) 798- 1738

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