



Greetings, CVA Supporters!

I'm honored to represent the Center for Visual Artists (CVA) as the Board Chair. Exciting changes and improvements are coming in 2018, and I'm excited to share what's happening.

In an effort to improve our services in the community, we have had to say good-bye to several wonderful women who have served the CVA. We hope these changes will help us step forward into a new era for the organization. It's a wonderful time for the arts in Greensboro, and we want the CVA to be a dynamic hub for artists of all backgrounds and ages.

Our mission is to serve the community by serving artists. We've doubled down on our lineup of education, outreach, and exhibition opportunities and are reaching out to you -- that's right, *you* -- to join us again in making the CVA the most exciting place for visual arts in Greensboro. Take a new look.

New Faces

We have welcomed many new folks to the CVA. Lori Key has stepped into the role of Education Coordinator. Chris Snow will be facilitating the Youth Photography Collective, a grant-funded after-school program via the Guilford County School System.

Dale Smith Consulting has been contracted to help us clarify our mission and establish short-term goals for the next 3-6 months. We will also be on boarding a new C.P.A. to assist with financial management. Former Executive Director Katie Lank will continue as an advisor. This partnership will allow us to get key pieces in place prior to her full departure.

In the gallery, Devon McKnight and Regina Robertson have been brought on as gallery assistants and work study students and volunteers are completing hours during the week. All of these ladies have added much needed presence, creativity, and organization to their positions. As of this week, regularly scheduled operational hours have resumed.

Summer Camps and the Gallery

2018 ARTVENTURES/Spring Break and Summer Camp are a go! We are offering even more summer camps this year over a ten week period. Registration opened in March and an early bird discount of 10% is available through April 6. Be sure to use promo code SC18EB in the coupon box in your online cart during the registration process to receive the discount.

Our next show in the gallery, *UNTAMED*, opens on April 6, with a special fundraiser on April 14. *Homecoming: Works by Samuel Homer Wade*, a Solo Exhibition, featuring last year's Members Show winner, will open May 4. Our signature fundraiser, *100 for 100*, occurs on June 1 and we are expecting the largest turnout ever. I hope you'll mark your calendars and plan to join us for these exciting events.

Help us move CVA forward

We're excited about the future of CVA, but we need your help. Our immediate goals are to keep our operating funds healthy and stable, encourage creative programming with staff, and build better partnerships in the community.

We have eliminated memberships (and membership fees). Our exhibitions will focus on open calls to emerging and established artists and will be funded in part by application fees. Sponsors and grants will support some of the exhibiting opportunities, too. We are dedicated to making art accessible for everyone in Greensboro -- **but that comes at a cost.**

We welcome your engagement. Come and volunteer or get involved. Right now, we invite you to make a donation to help move us forward. If you have enjoyed any of our free programming or your family has had a great experience here, a gift of \$25 would be a true show of support and help us continue serving our community. We need you to make us work.

<http://www.greensboroart.org/donate>

CVA needs your support so that we can continue to provide Greensboro with unique art opportunities that are relevant to your life. I welcome your feedback and suggestions.

Sincerely,

Courtney Hemphill
Board President