

**Artists Association of Central Alabama,
Membership Kickoff Meeting, September 21, 2022**

The Artist Association of Central Alabama (AACA) had a wonderful membership luncheon on Wednesday the 21st of September 2022, in the Senior Center at the Sportsplex in Alexander City. A total of 25 people were in attendance and a good time was had by all.

Diane Hough, President of AACA opened the meeting with a prayer and then introduced the other board members. Janet Gogan-Vice President, Rebecca Mitchell- Treasurer, Sean Burnley- Secretary, June Dean-Marketing Manager. Club activities and projects from the past year were discussed with the calendar of events and future projects for 2023 revealed.

Elaine Western, a wonderful portrait artist, was introduced and she explained the upcoming portrait workshop that she will be teaching on October 29th. She will be holding this workshop at 9:00am at the Senior Center in Alexander at a cost of \$65.00 for members of the AACA and \$85.00 for non-members.

Sean Burnley was then introduced and gave a very informative demonstration on using acrylic and oils together and the differences of painting with each. He answered several questions and amazed everyone with his talent and his beautiful realistic paintings.

Everyone was given the opportunity to share how they started in art and what their favorite medium was. We joked and laughed and then shared a delicious lunch of bar b que, baked beans, coleslaw, along with various side dishes and desserts.

We are thankful to everyone that attended and look forward to a great new year.