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**Important Upcoming Dates**

- January 3: January Showcase application deadline
- January 7: Art Night 6:30 pm
- January 10: January Showcase art drop-off 9 - 10:30 am
- January 13: MAG Board meeting 6:30

**MAG Show Application Process**

MAG is introducing an application process for all of it's art shows. It began with the Salon and is now being extended to the January Showcase. While it requires a little more time from members and will take some getting used to, it will correct some current problems and better organize our shows. By now you have received the one page application for the January Showcase. It shows the application deadline and dates and times for art drop-off and pick-up. Since participation in the Salon is no longer a MAG requirement, the application process provides a record of each member's participation in MAG activities. Having the applications will allow the preparation of show labels in advance of drop-off, greatly improving the process for hanging our show. MAG's attempts to secure liability weavers in the past have been legally questionable. The new forms provide a liability weaver for each artist, for each show. In the future, MAG as an organization will be protected in the unlikely event someone's art is damaged or stolen.

While it might seem logical to simply submit the application form electronically, that is not acceptable. Sorry. The reason being that an original signature is required for the liability weaver to be valid. What will happen if you just show up at drop-off with your work? That depends on the people working

at intake. They are not obligated to accept art that has not been identified in an application, and no identification labels will be available for your art. If it is accepted and someone is willing to produce extra labels for you, you will still have to complete and sign an application at drop-off. Such action is discouraged and will not be accepted beyond exceptions during this introductory period. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

### January Showcase

The January Showcase will be held again next year in the Skylight Lounge of U.W. Hospital and Clinics. Artists may provide one or two art works, which may be two or three dimensional. The application deadline for the show is January 3, 2015. Drop-off will be at the main entrance to U. W. Hospital on Saturday, January 10 between 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Art will be picked up after the show at the same entrance between 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, February 7, 2015. All artwork may be offered for sale but preferably will remain on display for the duration of the show. Two dimensional art must have a hanging wire attached to the frame. All art should be identified with a tag on the back or bottom of the piece. With your participation, we can all look forward to another great show.

### Art Fair On The Square Drawing

The applications for the Art Fair on the Square were drawn at the November MAG Board meeting. The resulting participant calendar is shown below. If you need to make any changes, please e-mail [wernerj@gmail.com](mailto:wernerj@gmail.com) by December 1. She will then send the updated calendar to the Board and the AFOS list. Congratulations to those who applied!

2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Judi Werner - Chair	Judi Werner - Chair	Chair	Chair	Chair	Chair
Kathryn Lederhause	Donna Cutler-Landsman	H. Jean Azemove	Mark Ehrlich	Steven Ralser	Merikay Payne
Susan Baez	Karen Watson-Newlin	Mike Murray	Rick Raschick	Jessica Laux	Gail McCoy
Tamara Tsurkan	Mary Somers	Sandi Wysock	Marcia Nelson	Joyce Wilson	Cathy Lawson
Pam Andros	Vina Yang	Colette Girard	Tom Kuchenbecker	Karen Boer	
Norma Koshalek	Tim & Nancy Startup	Barara B Vater	Colleen Murphy	Sherry Klinkner	

## MAG Directory

The Annual Meeting is past and new officers and Board members have taken their places. Its time to update our Membership Directory. If any of your personal contact information has changed and you have not already done so, please contact Sandi Wysock with any changes. Sandi can be reached at 608-833-5326 or [Sandrawysock@msn.com](mailto:Sandrawysock@msn.com). A format similar to last year's is anticipated. The Directory is expected to be ready for distribution at Salon drop-off in June. If you are not participating in the Salon next year, a copy of the Directory will be mailed to you.

## Collage Workshop

We had a stimulating afternoon at our collage workshop in November. Twelve creative people came out on a rainy Sunday afternoon to cut, paste, paint and explore the art of collage, coming up with some very imaginative works of art!

The Art Guild is putting together an Events committee so we may continue to offer opportunities such as this. If you are interested in being on this committee or have an idea for a lecture or workshop contact:

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608-509-6421, or

Pam Andros [Pandros@att.net](mailto:Pandros@att.net)

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*MAG artists enjoying an evening of "artistic" camaraderie.*

## Art Night!

Join us for Art Night, a great opportunity to share your art experience and technique and learn more about your fellow artists.

Many thanks to Terese Drinka who hosted Art Night last month.



**Our next Art Night is Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>**

at the home of Sherry Klinkner,  
5639 Polworth Street, Fitchburg

Bring a bottle of wine or a finger food to share, art to talk about or, just yourself.

We'd love to see you there!

## What Are You Up To?

**Elizabeth Winters** and **Kailey Barthel** are pleased to announce their upcoming exhibition *Interior Motives: An Exploration of Domestic Interiors, Memory, and Space* in the Playhouse Gallery at the Overture Center for the Arts. The exhibit runs December 10, 2014 to February 1, 2015. There will be a reception held on January 16, 2015, 4:30 until 6:30.

The two artists examine the role of space and imagery in the human experience. Their work seeks to challenge the viewer's own awareness of the rooms in which they interact, and invites the observer to consider how space and environment continuously affect our memories and connections.

Kailey Barthel's body of work has frequently drawn upon memories of domestic spaces and their relationship to absence and loss. Reflecting on the unreliability and flux of personal memory, Kailey tries to suggest the instability that takes place in the mind when recalling a space or situation. Although the spaces are seemingly ordinary in many respects, each image is endowed with an ambiguous, overhanging uncertainty. These interiors resonate in the viewer like stages, suggesting a space in which something has happened or is waiting to happen, adding to the unsettling atmosphere of the scene.

Elizabeth Winters' pen and ink drawings examine the interplay between people and furniture within homes and familiar spaces. She believes that furnishings are an integral part of the human experience and that our intimacy with these objects humanizes them in some ways. She is especially interested in the way furniture becomes animated, creating a conversation of its own with people as the supporting cast.

**David Carpenter** is showing two of his colored pencil drawings at the *Coffee Gallerie* from Nov. 22 through Dec. 31. The *Coffee Gallerie* is located at 1865 Northport Drive, in the mall at the intersection of N. Sherman Ave. and Northport Dr. The show also features the work of other members of the Northside Artist's Group.

**Chuck Tupa** moved his art gallery and frame shop in early October. *Tupa Gallery and Framing* is now at 2034 Main Street, Cross Plains. Chuck is planning an open house on December 6th, from 10 am until 3pm. Free hot cider and cookies. All MAG artists are cordially invited. Some exhibit spaces are still available. The gallery will be featuring original art and jewelry. There is street level and handicap access, with plenty of parking in the back, off the New Lagoon Street.

**Tom Kuchenbecker** has several up-coming shows. They include the following:  
*Gallery Night* at Megan's Custom Framing, 1941 Winnebago Street, Madison  
Friday Dec 5, 5pm-9pm.  
*Middleton Outreach Ministry Holiday Art Fair*, 3502 Parmenter St Middleton,

Saturday, December 6, 10am-5pm, Sunday, December 7, 11am-4pm ( 25% of sales donated to MOM Food Pantry)

Also, he will have a month long exhibit throughout December at *Yola's Cafe*, 494 Commerce Dr, Madison. Hours 7am-4:30pm Monday through Saturday

**Vina Yang** has a solo show at Middleton Library, 7425 Hubbard Ave. Middleton. This show runs from November 2 until January 2, 2015. Vina is also showing with other artists and crafters at *The Opera House*, 115 Main St. Mt Horeb from November 8th until December 23rd.

**Tim and Nancy Startup** have been selected to show at the Craffforms 2014 annual shown held at the *Wayne Art Center* in Wayne Pennsylvania starting on Dec 5th and running until Jan 30th 2015. Wayne is a suburb of Philadelphia. You can see show website at [www.craffforms.org](http://www.craffforms.org) and the catalog of participating artists is available there also. We submitted one of our new designs called a "stack box"; this particular one made from satine and figured maple. The design showcases the beauty of the satine grain and the complex matched grain of the 7 maple drawers. We feel this is an opportunity to participate and learn from artists we would not normally come in contact with.



## **MAG Board Meeting Minutes:**

### **November 11, 2014**

Members present: David Carpenter, Tom Kuchenbecker, Ruth Hansen, Cathy Lawson, Sherry Klinkner, Christine Echtner, Steve Wagner, Judi Werner

1. Treasurer's report: Balance is \$14598.40 with a \$5010.00 in a CD.  
Ron Fagerstom gave a \$25.00 donation and a thank you note was sent.  
New member dues and jury fees have been collected
2. Future meetings will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at Sequoia Library.
3. The existing format was approved for the directory. Delivery will be at the Salon.

4. The application for future January showcase was reduced to one page. There will be a different application for the Salon. There will be an independent day for collecting dues not associated with the salon.
5. January Showcase: If a piece of your artwork sells and the purchaser wants to take it, you can replace it – work out the tags with Amanda Krohn (UW Hospital).  
  
For the Salon, artwork will not be priced until the day of the reception (after judging has been done). The reception will be held at the earliest time, and then the pieces will be for sale for the duration of the show.  
  
The schedule for the Salon was approved. Proposal for Salon awards to be forwarded to Salon committee for approval. The categories have been rearranged and approved by board.
6. Mail Chimp administrator is now Steve Wagner
7. Workshops – 15 people in the collage workshop led by Chris Echtner. Cash/Check to the MAG. Event/Program committee -Pam Andros, Ruth Manning is newly forming. There was some discussion about funding for these programs and if a separate line item was needed to keep track of the money paid to the workshops. It was decided that we would wait until after the first workshop to see how it went to make any decisions. We will table the discussion until the event/program committee is fully functioning.
8. It was decided to pursue future shows at Coffee Gallerie and Lakeview Libraries. David will get some dates and bring back to board meeting. Cathy will also contact Sarah Petto, UWH Artist in Residence for other spaces in the hospital that may be available.
9. The next art night will be hosted by Sherry Klinkner on Jan 7. The men from MAG are encouraged to attend.
10. Applications have been scheduled for the future AFOS for the next few years
11. Judi will research costs for tents and repairs for the existing tents for the AFOS. Talked about print bins may be needed.
12. Annual Meeting: Bigger space will be needed next year. Overall the dinner was great.
13. David will be the back-up for mail pick up if Tom is unable to get it.
14. Newsletter articles: (new) Application process for the salon & showcase by Dave
15. No December meeting. Next meeting will be Tuesday January 13 at the Sequoya Library Room A
16. New Business: Web presence? How can members get into the website to post? Should we let members announce their upcoming shows & activity?