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Important Upcoming Dates

- March 2: Deadline for Hilldale Art Show
- March 10: MAG Board Meeting 6:30pm
- March 11: Art Night 6:30pm
- June 6: Salon drop off: 9:00 to 10:30am
- July 25: Salon pick up: 9:00 to 10:30am

2015 Salon Committee Established

Eleven Art Guild members have come together to take on the tasks associated with putting on the Summer Salon. Laura Reed will be mailing out the Salon registration and annual dues notices by March 18. David Carpenter will record the Salon registrations returned by May 24, and will prepare judge’s worksheets. Tim and Nancy Startup have agreed to take charge of art drop-off at U.W. Hospital on June 6, between 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Tim and Nancy will need about six more volunteers to assist them with this task. Sherry Klinkner and Aileen Musa will again present the reception at U.W. Hospital on June 14 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. The volunteers who assisted with the reception last year will be helping again. Gail McCoy will be responsible for art pick-up on July 25 between the hours of 9:00 and 10:30 a.m. Gail will need a half dozen more volunteers to help her with the pick-up. Jessica Laux and Collette Girard will help out as needed. Charmaine Harbort has offered to take charge of printing tasks again this year, which includes award certificates and the reception program. Daryl Sherman will be in charge of photography during the reception and awards presentations.

Our thanks to all these MAG members who will work together to present the Summer Salon, traditionally our biggest and grandest show of the year. We will need a few additional volunteers to help with drop-off and pick-up at the start and finish of the Salon. If you would like to help, please contact the persons in-charge or any of the MAG officer.

MAG Salon and Membership mailing

By March 20, all current members of Madison Art Guild will receive a mailing from the Salon Committee. The mailing will contain a registration form for MAG's Summer Salon, and the annual dues request for renewed membership in the Madison Art Guild. Two actions will be required of you if you choose to participate in the Salon.

All artists wishing to remain a member of MAG must cut off and return the **TREASURER'S RECORD** portion of the cover letter, along with a check made out to MAG for \$45.00. There is no longer a discounted dues amount for Inactive members. Your check and information must be sent to MAG's Post Office Box on or before June 30, 2015. Failure to pay dues by June 30 will generate one dues reminder notice, after which you will be dropped from MAG membership for non-payment. Persons dropped from the membership must jury in again if wishing to return to MAG. All **Honorary Members are exempt** from all dues payments. Please do not include your Salon Registration Form with your dues payment.

The Salon Registration Form is to be mailed separately to the Salon Committee member responsible for registration. Registration must be made by May 24, 2015. One art piece may be registered per artist. Please describe the artwork you plan to show in the box at the lower left portion of the form. Then cut off the lower right corner of the form, fill it out, and attach it to your artwork before drop-off. Be sure to sign and date your registration form before mailing it. Please do not include your Treasurer's Record and dues payment with your Salon Registration Form. Failure to participate in this year's Salon will not result in your dropping to Inactive Status provided you have participated in another MAG activity this year.

Salon Judging and Awards

The MAG Salon Committee has chosen Georgene Pomplun to judge the entries in the Salon in June. Georgene holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, and has additional training from the American Academy of Art in Chicago. She is a plein air painter of landscapes and currently lives in Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin. Her work is shown in the Fanny Garver Gallery in Madison and in other locations. Georgene is experienced in judging art shows. She will offer her comments on each winning piece during the awards presentation.

The Salon Committee also decided to revamp the judging categories for the Salon. The categories selected for judging will be Oils and Acrylics, Watercolor, and Photography. Drawing, Pastels, Art Glass, Printmaking,

Mixed Media, Collage and other two dimensional media will be combined in another category. Another combined category will include Jewelry, Ceramics, Fiber, Wood, Metals, Sculpture and other three dimensional media. A first place award will be presented in each of the five categories, and the judge may also make special recognition of other work within each category if she chooses.

Overall awards will again include Best in Show, Gold, Silver and Bronze awards, and the Judge's Choice First, Second and Third Awards. Instead of presenting a Memorial Award for each member who passed away during the preceding year, in 2015 a single Memorial Award will honor all of MAG's former members passing away during the previous year. In total, 13 awards will be presented at the Salon Reception on June 14th.

Women's Expo Update

There are 12 members who showed an interest in participating in the Women's Expo at the Alliant Energy Center on Nov 21-21. This is more enough to fill the 25 foot wide space so the board has now approved this show and it will go forward as planned.

The 12 members in order of response are:

- Tom Kuchenbecker- painting
- Judi Werner-jewelry
- Cathy Lawson- jewelry
- Karen McKean-painting
- Steve Ralser-photography
- Theresa Drinka-painting/jewelry
- Barbara Vater-painting
- Marcia Nelson-stained glass
- Irene Olson-painting/sculpture
- Ruth Hanson-painting/weaving
- Kathryn Lederhause-photography
- Michelle Klock-photography

We expect the first eight to have first chance to enter the show based on response time and initial booth layout. If any of the first eight drop out we will move down the list. Those remaining will have first chance to participate in 2016. The selected members will be contacted via email soon to verify interest and pay fees. We will need a few display panels and several 4 foot long tables to set up the space as it is now configured.

Art Night!



Our next art night is Wednesday March 11th at the home of Karen Watson-Newlin, 7699 Almor Dr. Verona (just off Mineral Point Rd.) 6:30pm. Bring art, a bottle of wine, finger food or just yourself. See you there!

Chris 414-803-4305, Karen 608-827-6180, Sherry 608-274-0888 with any questions

All Guild Summer Art Show at Hilldale Mall

The deadline for the Madison All Guild/ Invitational Summer Art Show at Hilldale Mall is coming up on March 2, 2015. We will shut down Hilldale's "Main Street" on Saturday, June 13th. This show runs from 10:100am until 5:00 pm. More details can be found at www.artworkswisconsin.com. Media categories are Ceramics, Graphics, Painting, Fiber, Jewelry, Photography, Glass, Mixed Media, Sculpture, Wood and others.

Questions? Contact Colin at colin@artworksmadison.com.

Details and Application at www.artworkswisconsin.com

Career Days at Verona High School; Artists needed

MAG recently received the following letter from Amy Moschkau:

"I am the Career Days Coordinator for Verona Area High School. Career Days is an exciting program at VAHS where all juniors (and some sophomores) participate in a year long career exploration activity. The end result is that all students get to "interview" with a professional in their chosen career to learn more about the role and how to begin preparing in high school and beyond.

I am writing to find out if you would be willing to participate in an informational interview session with a Verona High School student who would like learn more about a career as an artist.

My goal is to secure 30 minutes of time with the student. When possible we are trying to schedule one-on-one interviews at VAHS. If that doesn't work for you, we could send the student to your office.

Would you be willing to interview a student on April 21st or 22nd any time from 8:00 to 3:00 p.m.?

Please let me know if you are willing to help out and what would work best for your schedule. If you are unavailable, or uninterested, let me know.

If you do agree to schedule a time, I will need your mailing address so that I can send you additional information in early April..

Thanks!

Amy

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MAG Board Meeting, 2015

The next Board meeting will be held March 10, 6:30 at the Sequoya Library.