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Important Upcoming Dates

- April 16: Art Night, 6:30 pm
- May 10: Deadline for MAG Logo concepts
- May 12: MAG Board Meeting, 6:30 pm

Salon Art Categories

Since receiving the mailing from the Salon Committee, there have been a few inquiries as to why there is no place on the Salon registration form to indicate a category for your art. The answer is that it is unnecessary because of the categories created by the Committee. In submitting the registration form, you will indicate the medium for your work and its three dimensions. With this information, it will be simple for the recorder to determine the category based on your medium and determine if it is two- or three-dimensional. And if any confusion should result, remember that we have your phone number. Thank you for participating.

Time for an Updated Logo?

The Board will consider adopting a new logo for the Madison Art Guild. The current logo is used on the cover page of this newsletter. With so many creative members, there must be some great ideas out there. If you have an idea or two that you would like to submit, please send your ideas electronically to Cathy Lawson

at cathyjl65@yahoo.com. Please send your ideas by May 10, 2015. If you are not able to submit your ideas electronically, please contact Cathy to make other arrangements. The Board retains the option of selecting a new logo, extending the time for submissions, or retaining the current logo.

Occasional Backup Help Needed

Along with other tasks on behalf of the Madison Art Guild, Charmaine Harbort mails out the monthly newsletter to the 15 MAG members who do not use email. This is an important task to insure that none of our members gets left behind. Currently we do not have a backup person at those unusual times when Charmaine is traveling. If you would be willing to mail out the newsletters in those months when Charmaine is not available, please contact MAG President David Carpenter at dcarpenter3@charter.net or (608) 442-6958. Your costs associated with the mailing will be reimbursed by the Guild. Thanks for considering this task.

MAG Program News

Let's make art together! Last November eleven MAG members gathered together to work with mixed media artist Christine Echtner. By the end of the day there was an overwhelming response of "we want more hands on things like this" and so here we are with a few plans to share.

April/May: Watercolor Afternoon

An afternoon workshop, this time with watercolor paint. Right now we're looking into venues, finalizing the details, but we hope to have one scheduled between Easter and Memorial Day.

May/June: Sketchbook Crawl Downtown

If you aren't aware of the surge in urban sketching, you really should investigate www.urbansketchers.org and see what has been happening in this exciting exploration in art. The weekend afternoon meet up will most likely conclude with a beverage so we can gather together and show off our results. Bring a friend, beginners are encouraged.

June: MAG Workshop Survey

Coming your way, via Survey Monkey, a chance for you to tell us what you would like to see MAG explore for next year's Hands On Fun. As one person in November mentioned, "we don't all paint!" Part of that survey will ask if you would like to share your expertise, so if you're lurking in the shadows, let us know what you could share for an afternoon or evening experience. Artists love to see and experience the process.

The Program Group: Ruth Manning, Cathy Lawson and Pam Andros

Questions, Comments? Email: rcmanning1@gmail.com

A Call for Artists to help with Downtown Farmer's Market

Marlene Widra of the 14 South artist's group is looking for artists for First Saturdays, which is the first Saturday of the month from 10-noon (May through September). In addition to this, she is looking for artists to help with the new Downtown Farmers' Market in Stoughton on Saturdays 8-noon, starting end of May. Please feel free to pass on my contact info or this email.

Contact Marlene at marlenewidra@yahoo.com if you are interested.

Art Night!

Our next Art Night will be Thursday April 16th at the home of Ruth Manning, 4133 Meyer Ave., 6:30pm. As always, bring art to discuss, a bottle of wine/beverage, finger food to share OR just bring yourself, we'd love to have you.

Thank you to Karen Watson-Newlin for hosting our March Art Night, check out the 'pics' below!

If you are interested in hosting a future Art Night contact Chris Echtner cechtner@att.net

Chris 414-803-4305 or Sherry 608-274-0888 if you have any questions.



MAG Board Meeting Minutes March 10, 2015

Attended: David Carpenter, Chris Echtner, Sherry Klinkner, Tom Kuchenbecker, Cathy Lawson, Ruth Manning

Treasurer's Report: As of 3/1/15 we have \$12,980.99. The CD auto-renewed and that is \$5013.34. Paid the non-stock filling fee of \$10.00 and \$2475.00 for the Women's Expo (14 South paid \$1237.50 for their share). P.O. Box renewal is due and Tom will pay.

Tent Rental Charge: It was decided that the panels will be \$3.00 (top & bottom) and the tent will be \$40.00 for a weekend to rent. David made the motion and Sherry 2nd it. The storage space is up in January and there will be a discussion as to moving them closer to Madison.

Women's Expo Update: The 8 spots are filled with 4 on a waiting list. We will need 4ft tables for the 3D art. We will need a planning meeting and help with set up and lay out the weekend of the show.

Membership Page on Website: Chris contacted Tamara and she updated the membership page. Tamara is working on a tutorial for uploading information and pictures to the member's pages. There was a discussion about hiring someone to keep the website updated. Chris will talk with Tamara and see if she is still able to do it or if we should move ahead with someone else.

Program Committee Report: Ruth and Cathy met and decided to start with two programs a year for MAG starting with a watercolor workshop. Pam will create a SurveyMonkey Survey for the whole membership to inquire about what types of programs people are interested in participating in. It will also ask members if they would like to lead/teach a workshop. There will be a draft survey by the April Board meeting to be approved and then sent out in June. Hard copies will be available at the Salon for those who don't use email.

Watercolor workshop will be planned for April/May. Ruth will contact Luci Shirek to be the instructor. Instructors have been paid \$100.00 in the past so we will keep that amount as payment. We will also schedule a sketchbook meet up that will be a more informal get together to sketch.

Mailing Newsletter Backup: There will be a request of the membership for a backup volunteer to print and mail the newsletter to the people who do not use email when Charmain Harbort can't do it.

Salon Committee Report: Mailing and membership cards were mailed out. Chris and Ruth will assist the Judge either June 6 or 7. The Master of Ceremonies will be Sherry Klinkner. There will be a contest in the next newsletter for a new logo. The winner will receive a free membership.

The gift for Sarah Grimes will be a gift certificate to the Food Fight restaurants and a glass box.

MAG Board Meeting, 2015

The next meeting will be May 12th at 6:30 at the Sequoya Library.