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Important Upcoming Dates

June 13: Sketchcrawl, 2 - 4pm

June 14: Salon reception 6:30 pm

June 16: Art Night 6:30pm

June 30: MAG membership fee due

Come Celebrate!

Whether or not you are participating in Madison Art Guild's Summer Salon this year, please plan to join your friends at MAG's Salon reception. The reception celebrates another eventful year in the Guild's history, and the award winners judged to be the best in this year's show. The reception will be held on Sunday, June 14 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. It will be held near the Skylight Lounge at U. W. Hospital and Clinics. Enter through the main hospital entrance and proceed past the information desk to the Skylight Lounge. Light refreshments will be served and the program will include the presentation of awards to this year's winners. More than 90 works of art by as many MAG members will be on display. The Show will continue until July 24.

Library Show Coordinators Needed

Both Lakeview Library at Northport and N. Sherman Avenue, and Alicia Ashman Library have agreed to host shows for about twenty of our artists. The shows can usually hang for two months. In order to take advantage of these offers, MAG will need to provide a Coordinator for each of these shows. The role of the Coordinator is to accept registrations, make up labels, hang the show when art pieces are dropped off, and be present to



check out the art pieces when they are picked up after the show. Arrangements with the Libraries concerning dates and times can be made by others with the consent of the Coordinators. The hanging systems at the Libraries are reasonably simple and ladders are available on site. Some secure three-dimensional work can be accommodated. If you are interested in being the Coordinator for one or both of these shows, please contact MAG President, David Carpenter at dcarpenter3@charter.net, or by calling (608) 442-6958.

With our Thanks

Judy Peterson, a maker of puzzles in wood and a long-time Art Guild member, has announced that she will be leaving the Guild. Judy has also been the Coordinator of the January Showcase for MAG for some years. Judy's husband David has also been so involve in MAG activities that he's earned the title of "Friend of Madison Art Guild". Both Judy and Dave are known to most of our members and will be missed. The Petersons will be moving to Rochester, New York to be with other members of their family. We all wish them well in this new phase of their lives and hope that Rochester will be as appreciative and accepting of their art and service as Madison has been.

January Showcase Coordinator Needed

With the departure of Judy Peterson, Madison Art Guild will be in need of a new Coordinator for the January Showcase. The role of the Coordinator is to recruit volunteers to assist with the drop-off and pick-up for the show. The show occurs soon after new MAG members are inducted, so recruiting is usually pretty easy. The Coordinator is also present to supervise the volunteers during drop-off and pick-up. The dates for the show are set in advance. Recording of registrations and making labels for the art pieces are not the Coordinator's responsibility, but are done by others. The January Showcase is scheduled annually from the second weekend in January to the first or second weekend in February. The Coordinator will work with the Art Director for U.W. Hospital in carrying out these responsibilities. If interested in helping MAG with this important show, please contact MAG President, David Carpenter at dcarpenter3@charter.net, or at (608) 442-6958. Thank you for your consideration.

Art Night!

Thank you David Carpenter for hosting an inspiring art night for May!

Our June Art Night will be Tuesday, June 16 at the home of Aileen Musa, 1519 Hommen Rd, Deerfield, starting at 6:30pm. For more information, call 608-446-6837.

Bring art to share, finger food, wine/beverage or just bring yourself!



Website Accessibility Improved

Artists! We have a new and easy tutorial put together by our webmaster Tamara Tsurkan! It was sent by email to members on May 5. Link can be found here. Check it out! We would like to see everyone's artwork represented on our Artists page! In you need assistance contact Chris -cechtner@att.net or Tamara - tamara@art-by-Tamara.com

MAG Program News

May Watercolor Workshop with Luci Shirek

A group of MAG members gathered at Rhapsody Arts Center in Verona to spend some time with watercolor artist Luci Shirek. Luci brought a wonderful bag of pears that were the perfect subject to explore using the watercolor techniques she demonstrated for us.



At the end of our afternoon we all remarked how our individual approaches created completely different artworks, something that I really enjoy seeing in a workshop.

MAG Sketchcrawl, Capitol Square, Saturday June 13, 2-4pm

Mark the date and drop by the Capitol Square for the first MAG Sketchcrawl. "Sketchcrawl" is a term coined by the Urban Sketchers movement and if you haven't explored their website you should, they even have a manifesto, how cool is that? http://www.urbansketchers.org/

Plan to meet in front of the Children's Museum entrance on Hamilton Street facing the Capitol Building. It's the corner where East Mifflin meets North Pinckney. Bring whatever sketching supplies you like to use. I'll be wearing my usual red baseball cap. A beverage following the sketching could be involved, as we share our results.

Contact: Ruth Manning rcmanning1@gmail.com



Save the Date!: Sketch in Paoli, Saturday August 9, 1 - 3pm

Madison Art Guild Board Meeting

Sequoya Library, Madison, May 12, 2015 **Minutes of Meeting**

Persons in attendance were Christine Echtner, Thomas Kuchenbecker, Steve Wagner, Ruth Manning, Tamara Tsurkan and David Carpenter. Members excused were Cathy Lawson and Judi Werner.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by MAG President, David Carpenter.

The Treasurer's report indicated that we have a balance of \$13,573.19 as of May 1, plus \$5,010.00 in a C.D. Tom indicated that 60 members have renewed their membership so far, and that he has filed Federal Form 990 for Non Profit Corporations for 2015. Tom also indicated that MAG's liability insurance premium increased from \$216.00 to \$500.00, and that attempts to secure less expensive insurance were unsuccessful.

All eight MAG members participating in Women's Expo in November have paid their entry fee. 14 South has paid its half of the costs.

Tamara explained that MAG members are now able to access the website and can change their passwords if necessary. Each member can load up to 12 images individually to their own box on the website. Chris and Tom indicated that they had been successful using the new approach. Member will be encouraged to load images to the website to fill currently empty individual boxes.

Pam Andros has developed a survey of member's interests and will compile the survey results. Only members with email access can be surveyed. Upon motion made and seconded, the survey was approved and will be sent out by Steve in mid June using Survey Monkey. Motion carried.

Judi Werner submitted a written report indicating that a meeting of Art Fair on the Square participants is scheduled for May 13. The tents will be taken to Gallagher Tent and Awning later in the week for repairs and should be ready to return to the storage locker within two weeks. Judi is making more covers for the grids.

Chris Echtner indicated that new members will be juried into the organization at Sequoia Library in September. She asked for suggestions for a judge.

With Judy Peterson leaving Madison, we will need a new Chairperson for the January Showcase. It was suggested that we request a volunteer with an article in the next newsletter.

Only 29 members have registered for the Salon as of this date. It was suggested that participants be allowed to submit two pieces if registrations fall short. Ruth Manning volunteered to be the Master of Ceremonies for the reception. Laura Reed has ordered Award Ribbons at a cost of \$100.89. The judge has agreed to notify us by Wednesday, June 10, of the awards so that Tom can prepare checks and Charmaine can prepare certificates and finish the program.

The replacement Logo contest was postponed to the next meeting in the absence of Cathy Lawson.

Steve Wagner asked that all announcements to members be consolidated into one, mid-month mailing. That would be in addition to the mailing of the newsletter at the first of each month. Board member felt that change is reasonable.

Alicia Ashman and Lakeview Libraries have offered to host art shows of about 20 artists each. It was decided that volunteers to coordinate these shows would be requested in the next newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m. The next Board meeting will be at the call of the Board.