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Important Upcoming Dates

Oct 1st. AFOS drawing deadline Oct 10th. MAG Fall banquet. 5-9 PM. Vintage Brewing Oct 14th. Make Art Together. 1-4 PM Oct 26th. Art Night! 6 PM Nov 14th. MAG Bi-monthly meeting. 6 PM.

Art Night!

Our next Art Night is **Thursday, October 26th.** Join us at the home of Nancy Mather. 6218 Seven Pines, Madison, 53718 at 6 PM Bring art to talk about, a beverage or finger food to share or just bring yourself!

Thanks to Kerri Shannon for hosting our September Art Night.

Tentative Future Art Night Schedule

November – Barbara Vater, Nov 16 December – open January - open

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



Attention Members: Timeline Change Proposal

In order to synch member renewals with the new member sign up it was proposed to move member renewal to August 1 - September 15. This would accomplish having new members and the members at large share the same membership timeframe without having to prorate their first year. In addition, by separating membership renewal from the Summer Salon Signup there's less confusion. We will be voting to approve this change at the Annual Dinner Meeting.

MAG Fall Banquet

Our Fall Banquet and annual dinner meeting is scheduled for October 10th at the Vintage Brewing Co. located at 674 S. Whitney Way, Madison, 5-9. You should have already RSVP'd to attend.

Cocktails are at 5:15 - 6:00 with Dinner scheduled for 6:30.

We'll start with cocktails and light appetizers and introduce our new members. Then on to the picnic buffet which includes a hearty variety of sandwich options and salads. We have a private dining room which includes a private cash bar.

The drawing for AFOS will be later in the evening (see below). Also we will be discussing and voting on the membership renewal time line proposal.

New Members

The Madison Art Guild added seven new members on September 16. Make sure you give them a warm welcome at our Annual Dinner Meeting on October 10 when the new members will tell us a little about themselves and their art.

We would like to welcome our new members and look forward to their participation in the Madison Art Guild.

Here is the list of new members:

Dan Bassett - Sculpture Terrence Doeler - Acrylic Mary Reines - Watercolor Christina Bray - Mixed Media Kathryn Akbik - Ceramics Ann Kleckner - Fused Glass Kiki Cao - Drawing



Art Fair on the Square Drawing

New Procedure for Choosing MAG Artists to Participate in AFOS:

• Each year as part of the membership form, members will have the opportunity to check a box to indicate they are interested in participating in the pool to determine which artists will participate in the AFOS the following year.

• These artists will be cross-checked to insure they qualify:

- By participating in either the January or Summer Salon
- Have not been a MAG artist in the AFOS MAG booth for THREE years.
- New members will qualify to enter the AFOS drawing at the end of their first year of membership.
- Those artists that qualify will have their name entered into the AFOS pool.

• At the Annual Dinner Meeting, artists who attend and have indicated they are interested in entering the pool will be able to enter their name a second time. Therefore some artists will have their name entered twice.

• Alternates who do NOT participate in the year they were chosen as alternates will be the AFOS artists for the following year.

• At the Dinner Meeting, the president(s) will draw the number of names to complete the roster of 6 artists and 2 alternates. Those artists will be the artists who will be featured in the Madison Art Guild's AFOS booth.

- A yearly drawing for AFOS artist participants accomplishes the following:
 - · having a consistent way for members to indicate their interest in participating in the AFOS

• encouraging more participation in the Annual Dinner Meeting by the incentive of giving the member an extra chance to be chosen.

If you are interested in participating in the drawing for the 2018 AFOS and didn't check the box on your membership renewal form, please email Sherry Klinkner BY October 1.

MAG Member Shows

Colette Girard & Rose Kratchman. "Unusual Perspectives"

Overture Galleries, Gallery II. Girard's photographic images encourage an appreciation of the vividness in the visual world.

Reception Friday October 6, 6 to 8 PM on the Promenade Terrace



Karen Watson-Newlin. "Seasonal Shifts" Steinhauer Trust Art Gallery, UW-Madison Arboretum November 3- December 30, 2017 The exhibit will feature acrylic landscapes paintings on canvas based on Dane County parks and gardens during all seasons of the year.

Do you have a local one person or two person show? We would like to highlight a few of these in the newsletter. Send information about these shows to David Williams (<u>davidowilliams7@gmail.com</u>) or Chris Echtner (<u>cechtner@att.net</u>) by the 20th of the month to appear in the next newsletter (usually distributed near the 1st of the month.)

Volunteer Opportunities

Here are Opportunities to help MAG. We have the following open positions:

Vice President. Can be a shared position.

Email communications. We need someone to email our monthly newsletter to the membership as well as occasional reminders.

MAG Dine Out coordinator

We are seeking a volunteer to organize a MAG dine out night at an area restaurant. The restaurant will donate 15-20% of MAG member sales that night back to MAG and MAG would donate those proceeds to a local charity. We hope to make this an annual event. If interested contact Tom Kuchenbecker at kuchtom011@gmail.com

Make Art Together

Make Art Together: October 14, 2017 Come join us our first meet up of what MAG is calling "Make Art Together"

Here are the details:

What: Let's Draw Together, facilitated by Ruth Mannning
When: Saturday October 14, 2017, 1-4pm
Where: Home of Chris Echtner, 6621 Montclair Lane in Madison, thanks Chris!
Bring: Sketchbook, drawing tools (pencils, pens), some basic watercolors, and a brush to use.

No Cost, No Sign-up, this is a MAG member benefit. Questions?, email me at <u>rcmanning1@gmail.com</u>



Hope to see you there!



Sketch by Ruth Manning

Dane Arts First Floor Gallery

Dane Arts is pleased to announce a call for art for the 2018 season of the Dane Arts First Floor Gallery! There will be four art shows during the year. The quarterly shows will run January through March, April through June, July through September, and October through January.

The purpose of the gallery is to offer Dane county artists a place to show their work in a frequently visited public space, and an opportunity for the public to discover and enjoy the work of local artists.

Artists of original, two-dimensional, ready-to-hang, works of art may apply for consideration to exhibit. Artists must be 18 years of age and reside in Dane County. Artist groups may also apply.

Deadline: Friday, October 20th, 2017. The jury will select art for all four shows from this submission.

For more information, and to submit an application, please go to:

http://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/L4OoQ6pedM8HwT1

Questions? Please feel free to contact Pam Andros, gallery coordinator, at 608-261-9780 or via email at <u>Andros@countyofdane.com</u>



Website

All members are encouraged to put their art on the artists page of the website. To log in click on the 'member area' in the upper right of the website main page, you will be asked to login with your email address and your password. If you've forgotten it can be reset by clicking on 'forgot password'. An email with a link to reset your password will be sent to you.

You may now view instructions by clicking on the 'admin area instructions' box or click on 'my profile' to add your artwork, artist's statement, etc.

If you still need help contact: Tamara Tsurkan at <u>tamara@art-by-Tamara.com</u> or Chris Echtner at <u>cechtner@att.net</u>

Madison Art Guild Meeting Minutes

Minutes from September 12, 2017 6:30 PM Fitchburg Library

In attendance: Sherry Klinkner, Chris Echtner, Tom Kuchenbecker, Nancy Donahue, Theresa Drinka, Barbara Vater

1.) Annual Dinner Meeting – Fall Banquet

Vintage Brewing Company on Whitney Way from 5PM to 9PM

Sherry reported that the food and accommodations are reasonably priced. Food buffet is a light dinner. Cash Bar for alcohol and non-alcohol beverages.

2.) Treasurer's Report

Tom reports that our balance is \$15,521.86 including the CD.

As matter of good practice Chris and Sherry reviewed all account balances at the meeting 116 members renewed and eight members discontinued due to a variety of reasons: many of them attributable changes in life situation. All dues have been received.

3.) Membership Report

New member jurying is on Saturday, September 16th at the Meadowridge Library At this time there are five applicants whose work will be juried. Because more people left MAG than are joining, our membership will be down a bit.

4.) AFOTS 2018



Steve Ralser plus two alternates from this year plus three people whose names will be drawn at the annual meeting will be participating. Two new alternate names will also be drawn

5) New Timeline

Chris and Sherry recommended that, beginning in 2018, a September to September timeline will be put in place for all memberships (new and ongoing) so there will be only one annual dues collection per year. Details for this will be presented for membership discussion and approval at the October dinner meeting.

6.) Open Positions

We are still in need of a VP.

Discussion: Nancy Donahue suggested developing a process for reaching out to members for involvement in accordance with their areas of interest. This information has been provided on the membership application form in the past but also needs updating. (Possibly on the renewal form.) It was recommended that Nancy contact Colette Girard to find out what information she might have on file and go from there. Nancy plans to begin working on this early next year.

7.) Website

Tom Kuchenbecker and Theresa Drinka plan to meet and review the MAG website. Then they will connect with Tamara Tsurkan to discuss potential updates and website maintenance. One concern is that members who are not displaying their work on the website create a considerable amount of empty space on the first page. They will also look into updating info and also look for ways in which the website could be more useful to members and appeal to potential new members.

Next bi-monthly meeting Tuesday, November 14, Fitchburg Library, 6:00 PM October 26 Art Night 6 PM - Nancy Mather's, 6218 Seven Pines Ave, Madison November 16 Art Night 6PM - Barbara Vater's, 6902 Whittlesley Road, Middleton

Meeting adjourned 7:45 PM

Submitted by Nancy Donahue