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#### **Important Upcoming Dates**

Nov 14<sup>th</sup>. MAG Bi-monthly meeting. 6 PM. Nov 16<sup>th</sup>. Art Night! 6 PM.

# **Art Night!**

Our next Art Night is **Thursday**, **November 16<sup>th</sup>.** Join us at the home of Barbara Vater. 6902 Whittlesey Rd, Middleton at 6 PM. Bring art to talk about, a beverage or finger food to share or just bring yourself!

Thanks to Nancy Mather for hosting our October Art Night.

#### **Tentative Future Art Night Schedule**

December – Theresa Drinka January - Ruth Manning February - open March- Barbara Vater April - open May - Mary McCormick Wilson June - Aileen

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



## **Next MAG meeting**

Members at large are encouraged to attend the bi-monthly MAG meetings. Your participation is needed to help keep the MAG infused with new ideas on how to continually improve the guild's service to its members and to raise the community's awareness of this group of talented artists.

The next meeting is:

Tuesday, November 14, 6:00 PM

Fitchburg Public Library, 5530 Lacy Rd, Fitchburg, WI 53711 (Google Map) in the second floor small conference room.

All MAG members are encouraged to attend.

#### **New Members**

The Madison Art Guild added seven new members on September 16. 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 Lili Cao – Drawing

# Annual Dinner Meeting / Art Fair on the Square Drawing Results

The annual dinner meeting was fun and well attended. We met six of the new members, approved moving the member renewal time to August 1 - September 15 and drew the names of the artists who will participate in AFOS 2018.



#### Art Fair on the Square Drawing Results

2018 Participating Artists:
Merykay Payne (2017 alternate)
Karen Boer (Happuch) (2017 alternate)
Steve Ralser (AFOS coordinator)
David Williams
Theresa Drinka
Tim Mulcahy
2018 Alternate Artists:
Heather Maxwell
Rob Igl

### **MAG Member Shows**

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.

Barbara Vater will be the featured artist November at Middleton Art and Framing, 6771 University Avenue with a reception Friday Nov 3, 5-8pm

Ruth Manning, "Substitute Tales" Diane Endres Ballweg Gallery, Goodman Community Center December 1 – December 28, 2017 Substitute Tales tells the story of observations made by a substitute teacher in the Madison School District with drawings and tapestry weaving.

#### Susan Liimatta

An exhibit of 22 photographs at the Oasis Cafe at 2690 Research Park Drive, Fitchburg through the end of November.

This collection of photographs includes landscapes, nature, images of copper mining ruins taken in Arizona, Wisconsin, and the Upper Peninsula over the past 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 20<sup>th</sup> of the month to appear in the next newsletter.



# **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 an annual 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. If interested contact Tom Kuchenbecker at <u>kuchtom011@gmail.com</u>

## **Make Art Together**

Six MAG members were glad we weren't UW Badger fans on Saturday October 14<sup>th</sup>; it was pouring rain and we were toasty warm at Chris Echtner's home sketching and making art together.

I shared a couple strategies for approaching a complicated object when you draw and Chris provided some interesting objects including my favorite, an ancient unusable electric fan. I brought my trusty rubber chicken, a discarded squeaky toy meant for my dog. Really you can draw so many things.





Some take-aways:

- It's fun to share our art making tools
- Drawing a portable fan is hard
- Blind contour is fun ("but why can't I look?" Nancy)

- And finally, a sustaining note from Colette, "What a fun time. I'm now super focused on the concept of 'negative space'.





I'm especially excited that one of our new members, Tina, decided to join us and as usual we learned so much from each other.

We spent some time talking about future opportunities for Make Art Together because we pretty much decided we need to keep going. Stay tuned for further news in the New Year.

As always, send ideas to your art making organizers and thanks for opening your home to us Chris. Ruth Manning, <u>rcmainning1@gmail.com</u> Pam Andros, <u>pandros@att.net</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>