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**Important Upcoming Dates**  
 May 12. Virtual MAG Bi-monthly Meeting. 6:30 PM  
 May 14. Virtual Art Night! 6:00 PM  
 June 27. Tentative Salon Drop Off  
 August 1. Tentative Salon Pick up

**COVID-19**

The Make Art Together event scheduled for May 3 has been cancelled.

The June MAG Salon has been postponed. See below for more details.

Art Night and the bi-monthly meeting for May will be Zoom meetings and anyone is welcome to join in.

New Member Jurying was re-scheduled for May. However, the libraries remain shut down, prohibiting access to their meeting rooms. We are monitoring the situation and are hoping to re-schedule jurying for August or early September when, hopefully, groups of 20 or more are allowed to gather. The new membership committee prefers in-person jurying because of the difficulty some artists have in photographing their work and also because intricacies of 3-D pieces often cannot be seen in photographs.

While everything seems in limbo at this point, we are focused on keeping communication open and problem solving as we go.

## Art Night!

The pilot Virtual Art Night went well. We will announce dates as usual in this space and keep you up to date whether the event is virtual or in person.

Our next Art Night is a virtual event on Thursday, May 14, 6 pm sponsored by Mary Palmer.

Topic: May Art Night

Time: May 14, 2020 06:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81218860654?pwd=dIZLNGM3NmpzME5DcktyT0JDY2NjZz09>

Meeting ID: 812 1886 0654

Password: 098193

If you have never been to one of these, this is a low risk way to try it out. Socializing, sharing of art and critiques for those who wish. Have a work of art to share, relax with your favorite food or drink or just hang out with us!

## Tentative Future Art Night Schedule

June – Aileen Musa

July – Cindy Koshalek

August - Tom Kuchenbecker

September – Merikay Payne

October – Kerri Shannon

November – Bettina Madini

## MAG Bi-Monthly Meeting

This will be done via teleconference on May 12 at 6:30 PM. Everyone is invited to attend. You just need a device with a webcam and a microphone. This includes most cell phones. Join a few minutes early to make sure your connection works. This is a great opportunity to attend without having to leave your house.

Join Zoom Meeting by clicking on this link.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84272898706?pwd=WENOUzd2VkUzK3lpTFBCU1cwYlQ5dz09>

Meeting ID: 842 7289 8706

Password: 061604

Agenda:

- Welcome- Chris and Karen
- Treasurer's Report- Tom
- Art Night Meetings Update and Feedback using Zoom/ Moving Forward Procedures
- Salon Update and Possible Options amid the COVID-19 crisis- Colette
- Drawing of Names for the MMoCA Holiday Art Fair
- Update on the AFOTS- Terry
- Reschedule of Make Art Together Update- Ruth
- Fall Jury of New Members – Theresa and Martha
- October Meeting and possible awards venue, etc.
- Website Update- Chris and Jeff

If you would like to add a topic or concern, please contact Chris or Karen ([president@madisonartguild.com](mailto:president@madisonartguild.com)).

**All MAG Members 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.

## Summer Salon

Due to Covid 19 restrictions, our Summer Salon exhibit which was scheduled for installation on June 6th has been postponed. To ensure the safety of all MAG members, the awards ceremony scheduled for June 14th has been cancelled for this year. We hope that the UW Hospital will be open to visitors by July, but we have no guarantee. If a physical exhibit is not possible in July, we will explore the option of a virtual exhibit. Awards could still be given and announced via the website. We will keep you informed as we receive updates from Mandy Kron, UW Hospital Art Coordinator.

## MAG Member Exhibitions

Our own Ruth Manning was visiting in Spain recently and survived a close encounter with the Corona virus. She is regular sketcher and her experience in pictures was featured in the New York Times.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/30/style/coronavirus-diaries-social-history.html>

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Send details about your solo exhibit to Chris ([president@madisonartguild.com](mailto:president@madisonartguild.com)) by the 20th of the month to appear in the next newsletter.

You can promote other art events such as sales or multiple artist exhibitions on the MAG Facebook page. Send an email to Mary Palmer (fb@madisonartguild.com) to get a post on Facebook.

## Facebook

Did you know that the Madison Art Guild has a Facebook page? <https://www.facebook.com/Madison-Art-Guild-185447994965667/>

While Facebook began as a way for young people to connect online, it has become a staple for businesses and community organizations. There are a number of reasons why it's so important. Our Facebook page does many things for us as a guild.

- We get to learn a little bit more about those who are in our community of creatives, which only helps us become more creative in what we can do and what we could offer to current and potential members.
- A Facebook page allows us to humanize our organization by sharing some of the fun and functions we all enjoy as members.
- Facebook Is good for Search Engine Optimization (SEO). The more you put out on the web, the more people can find you.

So join in and like our Facebook page and interact let us know what's going on in your creative world so we can get to know each other better, see it grow!

Send images or notifications of events for posting to our Facebook page to Mary Palmer at fb@madisonartguild.com

## Role Specific Emails

Not sure who to send an email to? MAG is now using "madisonartguild" emails which include a function name. These are automatically forwarded to the person(s) who is currently filling that role.

Here are the new emails to use. These emails are in the membership list that was just sent out and will soon be on the Website.

president@madisonartguild.com

vice-president@madisonartguild.com

secretary@madisonartguild.com

treasurer@madisonartguild.com

artfair@madisonartguild.com (for Art Fair on the Square and Winter Art Fair)

janshowcase@madisonartguild.com

salon@madisonartguild.com (for Summer Salon)  
newmembers@madisonartguild.com  
comm@madisonartguild.com  
web@madisonartguild.com  
newsletter@madisonartguild.com  
memberlist@madisonartguild.com  
events@madisonartguild.com (Make Art Together)  
fb@madisonartguild.com (for all social media)

## **Membership List**

The Membership List is maintained by the Membership List Coordinator.

Please help MAG keep your contact information current by contacting the Membership List Coordinator, Barbara Koykkar(memberlist@madisonartguild.com), if your email, address or phone number changes.

## **Add Your Art to the MAG Website**

All members are encouraged to put their art on the MAG website. Note that members who have not put any of their art on the website will be listed at the bottom of the page.

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 Heather Maxwell at web@madisonartguild.com or Chris Echtner at president@madisonartguild.com.