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Important Upcoming Dates

- Early Feb. Pick up for January Showcase
- Feb 16. Virtual Art Night. 7:00 PM.
- Feb 24. Principles of Design Theory Talk. 6:30 PM
- Mar 9. MAG Bi-monthly meeting. 6:30 PM

Art Night!

Our next Art Night is a virtual event on Tuesday, February 16 at 7 pm.

Use the following link to attend.

Topic: February Art Night

Time: Feb 16, 2021 07:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88470813949?pwd=b0hVd3JkVVpHU25kY2txenI4NGtqdz09>

Meeting ID: 884 7081 3949

Passcode: 690798

We will rotate days of the week until such time as we can safely hold these in someone's home or studio. 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

Wednesday, March 17

Thursday, April 15

Tuesday, May 18

Wednesday, June 17

MAG January Showcase

Pickup

On February 6, volunteers will pick up artwork from the hospital. Individual artists need to pick up from those volunteers. You will pick up from the same person that handled your drop off. A separate email will be sent to notify you of the times and dates that you can pick up your work.

Thanks to all for participating!

If you have any questions, please contact Tim at janshowcase@madisonartguild.com.

Get Involved

We have a number of opportunities for members to participate in important positions within MAG leadership. MAG relies on volunteers to keep our organization going.

Web Support

With our new website we are looking for someone to help our web team to manage web updates, create user profiles and post documents.. We will train you! If you have WordPress experience, all the better. Note that we have retained the person who built the new site as technical support. Contact web@madisonartguild.com or president@madisonartguild.com.

Social Media

We are looking for someone to take over our social media position. You will only need to make posts upon request – you will not be responsible for creating content. In the past, this has mostly been Facebook but we are looking to expand our group presence to Instagram also. If Social Media is something you enjoy, why not help out MAG at the same time? Send your interest to president@madisonartguild.com.

Treasurer

We are looking for a new treasurer in training. Tom Kuchenbecker is stepping down in June. He has agreed to train someone who is interested in taking on this position. Treasurer is a board officer and so we are looking for

a two year commitment. Contact treasurer@madisonartguild.com or president@madisonartguild.com to volunteer or get more information about this position.

Vice President

Participate in discussions at bi-monthly meetings. Familiarize yourself with the workings of our organization in order to succeed to the office of president in October 2022. Contact president@madisonartguild.com.

Winter 2021 New Membership Application Process

Do you know someone who is interested in becoming a MAG member? The Winter Membership Application process will open in February and conclude at the end of March. As in the past, the application process will be entirely online. The MAG website team is currently at work on the necessary technical details, and we will announce the rollout of the online application as soon as it is ready.

If you have questions, please contact Martha Fitzmier via email at newmembers@madisonartguild.com or by phone at 404-695-0771.

Artist Profiles on the MAG Website

Many of you have not yet created a profile on our new website. This is an opportunity to create an additional online presence and is available for just a few minutes of your time.

To get started, first set your password.

To get a user name, send an email to web@madisonartguild.com. They will also send you a link to start the process. Enter your user name or registered email address.

Check your email inbox for a message from Wordpress@madisonartguild.com & click on the link to reset your password. If you don't receive an email be sure to check your SPAM or JUNK folder.

Create a new password, at least 8 characters long. Include a combination of UPPERCASE, lowercase, special character(s) and number(s). Be sure to remember your password (or store it in a safe place)!

Next visit the Member Portal to login.

Go to madisonartguild.com and click on Members. Logon with your user name and password. Then Click on SUBMIT YOUR INFO.

Type in or copy/paste your artist's statement and other information.

Upload your images where indicated. Note that up to six mages are allowed. You do not need to include all six.

Click the Captcha box and submit.

Our webmaster will be building your profile from the information you enter here. It may take a few days for the webmaster to complete your profiles. If you run into trouble you can contact web@madisonartguild.com for assistance.

Opportunities

Loretta Lam, author of the book, [Mastering Contemporary Jewelry Design](#), will be speaking via Zoom on February 24th from 6:30pm to 8pm. She will be talking about the principles of design theory and practical applications for our art. These principles can be applied to all artistic media. All members of MAG are invited to participate. The cost is \$15. Contact Martha Fitzmier at mfitzmier@gmail.com, if you would like to attend.

Food For Thought Fundraiser

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Food for Thought Fundraiser. With your help, we were able to reach our donation goal of \$1000. Congratulations to the following artists whose sales contributed to our success: Chuck Bauer, Norma Hove, Kristin Johnson, Ruth Manning, Mary McCormick-Wixson, Sue Sewell and Joel Wish.

January Bimonthly Meeting Minutes

January 12, 2021

MAG Board Meeting via Zoom

Secretary Notes submitted by Cynthia L. Koshalek

Members present: David Williams, Karen Watson-Newlin, Chris Echtner, Tom Kuchenbecker, Colette Girard, Theresa Drinka, Tim Seery, Kaaren Oreck, Martha Fitzmier, Andrea Murray, Terry Sullivan, Wayne Grulke Rueter, Kristin Johnson, Barbara Koykhar, Sue Sewell, and Cindy Koshalek

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm By President David Williams

Treasurer's Report - Tom

Jan 2021 MAG Treasurer's Report

Checking Act \$ 6,804. 82

CD balance \$ 5,041.35

Total Jan10, 2021 \$ 11,846.17

Paid \$150 to Nate Wielgosh for Jan-Mar website consulting via check
Paid \$100 to Madison Public Library Foundation for 2021 yearly donation via check
Paid \$1000 to Second Harvest for Food for Thought virtual art show donation via check (Received 10 checks from member sales for \$1000)
Filed Fed Tax Exempt form 990N for fiscal year 2019. Paid \$40 filing fee via credit card
Filed Wi Non Stock Corp Annual Report for 2021. Paid \$10 filing fee via credit card
Paid \$1100 to Madison College Foundation for 2021 Spring & Fall scholarships by check

Food For Thought - Colette

10 pieces sold by 7 people

Made our \$1,000 goal

Tom has sent a check for \$1,000 to Second Harvest. Need to improve the art site for easier access and viewing of the artwork.

Send e-mails to Colette for suggestions about ways to make it better.

January Showcase - Tim

48 participants

83 artworks

Drop Off ran smooth. Feb. 6th is pick up date by same members who did drop off.

Mandy sent photos of exhibit. A suggestion was made to put them on our website or on our Facebook page.

MAG Web Page - Andrea

Can still set up your profile on the website.

Chris sent one reminder on username and how to set up on our website.

Send out another e-mail reminder to members.

May need a Zoom training meeting on how to upload info onto our website.

David's Video has info on how to do this, but Is the link still there for members to use?

New Member Jurying - Martha

Need new member information up on our website by the beginning of February. Contact Nate to get this information onto our website. It would also be nice to have it on our Facebook page. Our page on Facebook is not working at this time. We also need a new coordinator for our Facebook page. Suggestions and discussion on people who are good at Social Media.

Bylaws Change

Andrea sent out information. 44 members voted for the bylaws change. No one voted against it. Bylaws change is accepted.

The change will be added to the existing bylaws. They will be uploaded and kept on an electronic file. The Master copy will be kept by the President in one location.

Leadership Recruitment - David

Volunteers are needed for the following positions.

Facebook/ Social Media

Vice President

Treasurer

Technical Support/Website

Need to send out a separate e-mail to ask for volunteers . Tom is happy to train someone for Treasurer before he steps down in June.

Need someone with Word Press experience for helping with the website.

The master membership list is now in a spreadsheet format in one location for easier access for everyone.

Donated Artworks - Karen

Viewed the art works and their suggested value as researched by Karen.

Discussion on fundraiser versus member auction. What will the money be used for?

Suggestions should be sent to Karen.

Member e- mails - David

Ten members still have snail mail.

Some have e-mail accounts, but don't use them. Let's find out what they really use.

7:56 pm - Meeting adjourned