

MADISON ART GUILD
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Important Upcoming Dates

Oct 15. Late Dues Deadline
Oct 20. Art Night. 7:00 PM.
Nov 9. MAG Bi-monthly meeting. 6:30 PM.

Art Night!

The in-person October Art Night will be held on Wednesday, October 20 at 7:00 pm (the same night the MAG annual dinner was supposed to have occurred). All participants are required to be fully vaccinated and to wear masks. In light of the current guidelines for safety, we will not be sharing food or beverages this month. Hopefully, the traditional art night format will return in the near future but for now this is the format decided on by the host.

Hosting the art night is Karen Watson-Newlin at 34 Hawks Landing Circle, Verona, WI. There is street parking available on both sides of the street, but not directly in front because of a fire hydrant. Please bring a work in progress or finished to share.

*Also, please email Karen at kwatsonnewlin@tds.net if you plan on attending.

Tentative Future Art Night Schedule

November: Nancy Mather



December: Paul Nelson

January: open

February: Tim Seery

March: open April: open

MAG Annual Dinner Meeting

Due to the Delta variant and surge in Covid cases the board has decided it would be in everyone's best interest to cancel the dinner planned for October. We are hoping to reschedule the event for spring. Members who have already paid will receive a refund. The announced auction will be held in the Spring.

Stay safe and fingers crossed we can gather in spring!

Welcome our new Fall 2021 MAG Members

Congratulations and welcome to our new members: Nathan Krenz (pastel), James Shulkin (mixed media), Dustin Williston (oil), Kristin Ellis (glass), Gwynne Owen (drawing), Adam Snook (collage), Karen Faller (mixed media). We will welcome them at a virtual "Meet & Greet Our New Members" event. Watch for details to come.

Annual Dues

ANNUAL DUES AND MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

You can still renew your membership by paying your annual dues if you haven't yet. The late rate is \$60. Payment is due on or before October 15th.

To pay by mail, make check payable to Madison Art Guild and mail to:

Madison Art Guild

P.O. Box 45442

Madison, WI 53744-5442

To pay via PayPal use this link: https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd s-xclick&hosted_button_id=8MB48J9LSN2MS

Drawing for 2022 MAG Art Fair on the Square and MMoCA Winter Art/Gift Fair

This drawing will be held at the November bi-monthly board meeting. MAG Members are eligible if they have been a member for a full year, have renewed their membership by September 15 and have completed their



MAG membership duties by participating in at least one MAG show and volunteering for at least one task or event during the year.

Information on how to enter the drawing will be coming soon.

Volunteer Spotlight

We have a number of opportunities for members to participate in important positions within MAG leadership. All MAG members are expected to volunteer in some capacity each year.

Each month we will highlight one particular needed position. Note that training and help is available. In some cases we are looking for a secondary person to help.

Spotlight on Virtual Show Chair

The virtual show chair position is currently open. MAG had our very first virtual show late in 2020. There were a number of sales that resulted from this show. We would like to be able to continue this as an annual event as a benefit to our members. (There are no dates set for our next show.)

The mechanism to host the show online is already set up so the Virtual show chair is not responsible for any technical or web tasks. The chair just needs to arrive for dates, formulate an announcement and be able to collect and organize images of artwork to be included in in the virtual show. Guidance will be provided to the lucky person to grab this position.

And more...

We are looking for help for the following: Vice president, New Member Jury Chair, Communication co-chair, website co-chair, virtual show chair.

Please contact president@madisonartguild.com if you have an interest or contact the current chair to learn more (find "Leadership" on our website.)

MAG Website Artist Profile

We now have 68 artists represented on our Artists Profile page—just over 50% of MAG Membership.

If you are a current member and do not have a Artists Profile, you may add your profile information at any time during the year.

To do this, please email web@madisonartguild.com with the following information:

Your name and what media you work in

Artists' Bio (250 words or less) This can be short & sweet!



1 to 6 images (medium resolution .jpegs, each no larger than 1MB.)

Each image should be titled with Last Name, First Name_Title of Work.

If you need advice on taking photos of your artwork, contact us!

If you aren't sure about file size or what the heck a .jpeg even is, contact us!

It's that simple. We'll do the rest!

If you have questions please email web@madisonartguild.com or reach out to Andrea Murray at 608-239-7972.

MAG Social Media

You can post your own announcements on the Facebook group ("Madison Art Guild", https://www.facebook.com/groups/1584283475114837) once you have joined it.

Contact Kristin to have any announcements posted on Instagram - "Madison_Art_Guild". Please find and "follow" the Instagram account if you are on Instagram. You will be followed back.

Bi Monthly Meeting Minutes

MAG Board Meeting Minutes, 9-14-21

<u>In Attendance</u>: Dave Williams, Andrea Murray, Martha Fitzmier, Terry Sullivan, Chris Echtner, Kristin Johnson, Mary Reines, Mike Topper, Colette Girard, Barbara Koykkar, Linda Krantz, Suzanne Gernandt, Theresa Drinka, Nancy Mather, Barbara Vater.

Treasurer's Report

Prior to the meeting, Mary distributed (via email) an income and expense statement along with a treasurer's report. As of 8/31/21, MAG has \$10,120.07 in cash, of which \$5,420.57 is available for use and \$4699.42 is restricted. As of 9/14/21 we have received dues from 93 members. Mary noted that our budget is based on receipt of dues from 120 members. MAG purchased two folding tables and two fitted covers for use at AFOS.

Seven people paid their membership dues twice. It was suggested that dues reminder emails be tweaked to be more specific. After discussion, it was decided that dues email notices should instruct members to keep track of their payments and might also suggest logging into PayPal for confirmation. After the deadline has passed, MAG should send out an email noting the increased fee for late dues payments.

Anyone wishing to view the treasurer's report, send an email to treasurer@madisonartguild.com

New Members



Of twelve new member inquiries, only four have paid the jury fee. The new member application process is now fully automated. We still need a volunteer to fill Martha's position. It was suggested that the jury process remain virtual, but that the final stage might be in person. It was also mentioned that we could return to holding new member application once yearly in Fall.

After we recently received a new member application from someone living in Racine, Dave pointed out that our website information was inconsistent regarding residence requirements and should be clarified. During discussion, it was noted that only a few of our current members reside outside the limits of Dane County. We reviewed the pros and cons of extending residence limits to counties surrounding Dane. After discussion, Chris made the motion that MAG Bylaws be amended to state that membership is limited to those who reside in Dane County. Colette seconded the motion and a show of hands was requested. Of board members in attendance, one voted to reject the motion and the rest voted to accept. After the motion passed, it was decided that current members who reside outside Dane County would maintain their membership and would also maintain the option to renew.

AFOS

Terry reported that he will retrieve the tent from storage and deliver it to the square. He noted that the five MAG participants would likely be allowed to "dolly-up" early. Since Rob IgI has volunteered to help set up the tent, a practice set-up by participants was determined to be unnecessary. Kristin will post images and AFOS promotion on social media.

Details of the 2021 MMOCA Holiday Art Show have not yet been announced.

Storage Unit Inventory

Chris reported the sale of MAG's old tent and panels to an artist friend. A check for \$250 will be forwarded to our treasurer. It was decided that, for the time being, MAG should keep the tent weights.

Annual Dinner

Due to continuing Covid health concerns and restrictions, as well as the inability to socially distance at the Vintage, it was decided that our annual dinner (currently scheduled for Oct 20th) should be postponed. Karen (via Chris) suggested holding the dinner in Spring, possibly outdoors. MAG has not yet paid a deposit to the Vintage so we will not lose any money. Members will be notified of the postponement via a communications email and those members who already paid for the dinner will receive a refund.

We discussed holding the drawings for AFOS and MMOCA participation at an upcoming board meeting or at the rescheduled dinner. MAG has a survey monkey account that could be used for managing the drawings.



Following the deadline for membership dues, an email will be sent to paid members with information about the drawings.

Empty Positions

We still have several vacant positions to fill. Since no one has stepped up to chair a winter virtual show, none will be held this year. Thanks to Marcia Nelson who has volunteered to co-chair the Salon with Colette.

There was discussion about the volunteer requirements necessary to qualify for participation in the AFOS drawing. It was suggested that new members complete a volunteer survey indicating their interests.

The person responsible for organizing the annual meeting will be recognized as a committee chair.

Minutes submitted by Colette Girard

Have a question or concern about MAG but not sure whom to talk to? Please reach out to us by email! You can find the email to use at https://www.madisonartguild.com/about/leadership/