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June 3. Summer Salon Drop Off

June 4. Last day to RSVP for Salon Awards Reception

June 3-July 29. Summer Salon

June 11. 2023 Salon Awards Reception

June 22. Art Night

Note from the President

Well, the weather has finally decided to turn toward warmer temps, and many of you are making plans to either attend or participate in the multitude of art fairs held locally and regionally. Visiting an art fair can be what Julia Cameron, in her 1999 book "The Artist's Way" describes as an Artist Date. She describes it as an expedition to explore something that interests you. Artist dates fire up the imagination and encourage the play of images and inspiration. They feed our creative work. Put on a pair of comfortable shoes, make a plan, and head out!

~Linda

Art Night!

Art Night will be held on Thursday June 22, 6pm at the home of Karen Watson-Newlin.

34 Hawks Landing Circle, Verona.

Cell: 608-335-9491

Parking is available on both sides of the street. Please be vaccinated and boosted if you plan to attend. Bring artwork to share, finger food or a bottle of wine to share.

We are looking for artists to host these events in their home, studio or other venue. The host gets to select the date (ideally, we will get a variety of days of the week) and sets the COVID protocols for that month.

If you would like to host an open Art Night, please send an email to newsletter@madisonartguild.com. Note that if no one volunteers to host by the 20th of the previous month, that month's art night will be via Zoom.

Tentative Future Art Night Schedule

June: Karen Watson-Newlin, 34 Hawks Landing Circle, Verona

July: Laura Reed

August: Linda Krantz

September: Cindy Koshalek

October: Brandy Clower

November: open

December: open

January: open

February: open

March: open

April: open

May: open

Art Night Photos wanted!

If you are hosting or attending Art Night, please remember to take a few photos for use in our social media accounts and for marketing purposes. Please ask permission before taking photos of attendees or artwork being shared.

Thank you to **Aileen Musa** for hosting Art Night in May. A good time was had by all!



Bylaws Update

We have a committee that is ready to begin working to update the bylaws, and will be meeting soon. The purpose of bylaws for corporations is to establish the company's management structure, procedures, and dispute resolution processes. This legally binding document serves as an operating manual for the corporation. MAG was incorporated in 2006 as a 501c3. Once prepared, the bylaws draft will be presented to MAG leadership and then membership for discussion, voting, and adoption.

MAG Virtual Show & Fundraiser

The Virtual show has ended and we had 8 sales for a total of \$950. Artists and art purchasers have been contacted, and most, if not all, of the art has already been delivered. Thank you all for participating in this event and helping us raise funds for Arts for ALL. We have raised \$266 for Arts for ALL.

-Ann Kleckner

2023 Summer Salon Drop Off

Are you exhibiting this year at Salon? We hope to see you on Drop Off day, June 3 between 9am and 10:30am. Any questions, send an email to salon@madisonartguild.com. Detailed instructions for Drop-off were emailed on May 24 and a reminder will go out May 31. For those who are registered— See you on Saturday, June 3!

MAG Summer Salon Awards Reception

Join us on Sunday, June 11th to celebrate the 2023 Salon Awards. A reception will be held at the Goodman Center Ironworks Building, starting at 6:30pm. Salon judge, Rachel Durfee, will be in attendance to share her comments and to hand out certificates and awards. A slide show of the exhibit will be available for viewing since the UW Hospital is still closed to visitors. Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served in the Evjue Room. The Goodman Center is located at 214 Waubesa St on Madison's East side. If you plan to attend and have not yet responded, please RSVP to ColetteGirardArt@gmail.com and specify if you intend to bring a guest. The RSVP deadline is June 4th.

Web Design Collaboration Project

Are you in need of a website? Madison College advanced design students can help you for free.

From the [project website](#):

“This project is the foundation for the Web Design Project Management course at Madison College as part of the [Web & Digital Media Design program](#). Every semester, our faculty seek out non-profit organizations, community artists, and small community organizations that might be interested in working with our graduating

students to design or redesign a website. The goal of the project is to give students real-life experience working with a client while under the assistance and advisement of an experienced designer and instructor. At the end of each term, our clients, ideally, walk away with a beautiful new site that they love and our students walk away feeling confident in their skills as independent designers.”

For more information, go to <https://sites.google.com/view/mc-wdpm-project/home>

Paoli Art in the Park Update

The Madison Art Guild will not have an official presence at the Paoli Art in the Park event, although some of our members will have their own booths. The call for someone to help chair the event was not completely fulfilled. One person volunteered to be co-chair, but the call for a second co-chair was not answered. There's always next year...

Opportunities to get involved

- **Summer Salon Co-Chair**

We are in need of a Summer Salon Co-Chair for 2024 to oversee the Salon awards process. This position includes management of ribbons, certificates, award checks and the development of media categories. The Co-Chair will also choose a judge for the exhibit, inform her or him of all artwork specifics, establish reimbursement, report on and notify award winners and make sure that the exhibit is photographed for social media. This position is also responsible for organizing an in-person Awards Reception. Current Co-Chair, Marcia Nelson, will handle all aspects of Registration and oversight for artwork drop-off and pick-up. Colette Girard, who has been in this role for 7 years, will support your learning and acclimation to the role. Any member interested in becoming the 2024 Salon Co-Chair is invited to “walk through” the position responsibilities with Colette this year. Contact Salon@MadisonArtGuild.com with any questions.

- **Membership Chair**

Do you love meeting new people? Want to help new members with the application process? We are in need of someone to fill the Membership Chair. This person is responsible for accepting and responding to email inquiries from prospective members, sharing information about membership, jurying process, and membership application dates.

It's a great opportunity to get to know the artists who are interested in becoming members. During the application/jury process, the Membership Chair communicates with our webmaster Owen Gwynne to assure a smooth online process. The chair also finds and secures a professional artist juror who is not a MAG member. Currently the application process is open early August through early September, with juror decisions and

notifications in late September. This means that the bulk of work is done July-September in about 2-4 hours per week during that time. The rest of the year is simply responding to email inquiries as they come in, plus time spent in the early summer to find and secure a juror. Reach out to newmember@madisonartguild.com for more information.

Bi-Monthly Meeting Minutes May 9, 2023

The meeting was called to order by president, Linda Krantz, at 6:31pm.

In attendance: Linda Krantz, Mary Reines, Marcia Nelson, Ann Kleckner, Nancy Mather, Linda Farrelly, Martha Fitzmier, Jillian Cory Lippert, Jane Foos, Colette Girard.

President's Welcome

Linda Krantz expressed appreciation for new members who have previously attended bi-monthly meetings and, going forward, wishes MAG meetings to be seen as more user friendly. She proposed that MAG's Board Meetings be renamed Bi-Monthly Meetings. The reason for the change is to dispel the notion that the meetings are closed, and for board members only. The goal is to encourage more members to participate. A move to vote on the proposal was made by Colette Girard and was seconded by Ann Kleckner. The proposal was unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

Mary Reines presented the pros and cons of changing the current dates of our fiscal year (6/1 – 5/31) to a calendar year. On the positive side, using a calendar year is easier to budget. The only downside is that, since the bulk of our funds comes in at the end of the year in the form of membership dues, our funds would appear lower for much of the year. This proposal will be addressed at the time we change our by-laws.

After reviewing MAG's YTD Income & Expenses, as compared to our 6/1/22-5/31/23 Budget, Mary determined that we were "basically doing pretty good". Our cash on hand is \$8944.16, which includes \$4734.74 in Unrestricted funds and \$4209.42 in restricted funds.

Comms Committee Report

Jill Cori Lippert plans to step back from her volunteer position which entails emailing the monthly newsletter. The comms committee will meet on Thursday to determine "who's doing what" and will have more information to share after that meeting.

Virtual Show Report

Ann Kleckner shared that, to date, the virtual show has received 5 bids and 1 item has sold. A total of \$625 has been raised, prior to deducting the charity donation.

Summer Salon Report

Marcia Nelson reported that registration is underway, but moving rather slowly. She mentioned that it is not uncommon for artists to wait until the final week to register.

Colette Girard noted that Martha Fitzmier has again agreed to assist the judge on June 4th and will open cabinets to provide access to 3D art. The entire exhibit will be photographed and then presented as a slide show at the awards reception. The Evjue Room at the Goodman Center is already booked for June 11th and Kim Eitland has agreed to handle AV responsibilities. Judge Rachel Durfee will attend to hand out awards. Because there is only one week between judging and the reception, the schedule is tight. Hopefully there will be time to print brochures.

Paoli Art Show

One volunteer has stepped up to co-chair this event, but a second co-chair is still needed.

Acknowledgements

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Metals Workshop

Martha Fitzmier and Julie Raasch will present "Transforming Metals" on June 30th, at 10am, in Martha's studio. No experience is necessary and fee for materials is \$15. Each participant will create a leaf pendant plus a bracelet. Enrollment is open to all MAG members, but is limited to the first 8 members who apply.

Open Forum

Speaking as a new member, Jane Foos presented a number of questions and observations. Discussion followed regarding how to best welcome and inform new members. The benefits of an emerging artist forum were considered.

At 7:20pm, Ann moved that the meeting be adjourned and Mary seconded the move. All approved. The next bi-monthly meeting will be held on July 11th at 6:30pm.

Minutes submitted by: Colette Girard