



*President:* open

*Vice President:* open

*Secretary:* Colette Girard & Cindy

Koshalek

*Treasurer:* Mary Reines

*Past President:* Linda Krantz

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Dec 6. January Showcase registration begins

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Dec 25. January Showcase deadline

Jan 4. January Showcase drop-off

Jan 14. Bimonthly Members Meeting

Feb 1. January Showcase pick-up

**Welcome!**

Welcome and thanks are due to Dee Relyea and Shannon Clayton for joining the MAG leadership team.

Dee will assume the role of Membership Chair ([newmembers@madisonartguild.com](mailto:newmembers@madisonartguild.com)) and Shannon will be the

Social Media chair ([sm@madisonartguild.com](mailto:sm@madisonartguild.com)). Their contact emails are available on the website at

<https://www.madisonartguild.com/about/leadership/>

and in the members only section under member list.

President and Vice President Positions are open. Please consider volunteering.

## Art Night!

This month's Art Night will be held at 6pm on Wednesday, Dec 11th at the home of Cindy Koshalek.

551 Hickory Ct. Verona

608-438-7633

We request that you are Vaccinated and Boosted. Masks are optional.

There are two cats in the home, but they are too shy to share their artwork.

Please bring your art work, finger food or wine to share. Or just bring yourself!

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Please consider opening your home for an Art Night. You can set the number of attendees depending on your space by sending a sign-up sheet. You also determine the date. Art Nights are wonderful evenings of art, thought and camaraderie.

If you would like to host an open Art Night, please send an email to [newsletter@madisonartguild.com](mailto: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.

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Thank you to Barbara Vater for hosting Art Night in November! 18 members, including 3 attending their first Art Night, gathered at Barbara Vater's house. There were lots of laughs and a feeling of support for all.



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## Tentative Future Art Night Schedule

December: Cynthia Koshalek	June: James Shulkin
January: Shannon Clayton Barill	July: open
February: Jennifer Angelo	August: open
March: open	September: open
April: Pamela Bleimehl	October: open
May: Elizabeth Shaw Neviaser	November: 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.

## January Member Meeting

The next bimonthly members meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 14 at 6:30pm via zoom. A link will be provided in the January newsletter.

## New (old) exhibit opportunity

Last year, we announced an opportunity for members to exhibit at the Urban Land Interests offices in downtown Madison, and many of you took advantage of it. Paul Fenn, the director of the office, recently reached out to once again offer the opportunity to MAG members. He thoroughly enjoyed working with those of you who exhibited in 2024. They have been extremely accommodating to exhibitors and will even host a reception for you. Here are the details:

“As of right now, our 2025 gallery schedule is essentially wide open, so I thought I'd ask if you'd be so kind as to remind your members of this opportunity to show their works. Please don't hesitate to have them reach out to me and I'd be happy to walk through the details.

Paul Fenn, Coworking Manager,  
Urban Land Interests- Building the Future  
608.441.5123  
608.469.6804  
[pfenn@uli.com](mailto:pfenn@uli.com)  
[www.uli.com](http://www.uli.com)  
10 East Doty Street, Suite #300  
Madison, WI 53703”

## Art Fair Lottery

Thank you to artists who are already enrolled in the MAG Art Fair Lottery. Most spaces were filled at the annual dinner drawing, but a few members have since withdrawn. If you are interested in participating in MAG's tent at the Middleton Art Walk, at Paoli Art in the Park, or serving as the 2nd Alternate for Art Fair on the Square, please email a response to [cmgirard2@gmail.com](mailto:cmgirard2@gmail.com) and confirm that you meet the criteria listed below. The drawing will be held at our member meeting on January 14, 2025.

### Criteria for participation in the MAG 2025 art fair tent:

You have been a member for at least one year and have paid dues for the upcoming year

You have volunteered at least once in the past year

You exhibited in either the January Showcase or the Summer Salon in 2024

You did not participate in a MAG tent art fair in 2024

You must have a body of work large enough to fill one quarter of the MAG tent

Note: You may participate in only one MAG tent event in any given year

### You may indicate your 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice from the following:

- \* Middleton Art Walk in May
- \* Paoli Art in the Park over Labor Day weekend
- \* 2nd Alternate for AFOS in July

## January Showcase

It's not too early to start thinking about which art piece to show in 2025. MAG members are invited to enter for this one-month exhibit in January at UW Hospital. It is a highly trafficked venue so it will increase our exposure in the community. Registration forms will be sent out early in December. Please look in your email for it.

DEADLINE- DECEMBER 25

DROP OFF- JANUARY 4th

PICKUP- FEBRUARY 1st.

Instructions will follow registration. Each artist may enter one piece to exhibit.

Questions? Contact [janshowcase@madisonartguild.com](mailto:janshowcase@madisonartguild.com)

## Goodman Center Show

The annual MAG show at the Ballweg Gallery of the Goodman Community Center is coming up fast. We have that space for the month of February. Alex Andros is organizing and will send out more detailed information soon. Think about one or two pieces you would like to show and watch for news in your inbox.

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## Volunteer Corner

As a volunteer -run organization, MAG depends on your involvement. There are a number of volunteer positions available.

**For volunteers: if you are involved with a committee and are planning on a vacation, please notify other members of your absence. This is very helpful in planning, and avoids gaps in organizing. Thank you!**

**President:** the President keeps the organization running by coordinating groups and activities, answering questions, and providing oversight. There is a good framework of activities that will support the new President. The President also runs bi-monthly meetings (creates an agenda and runs the meeting), communicates with folks in leadership positions, and contributes articles to the newsletter.

**Vice President:** supports the President as needed and runs bi-monthly meetings in their absence.

**Art Fair Chair:** oversees our art fairs and makes sure that there is communication between the Chairs/Co-chairs of each art fair, the President and treasurer. They also help the chairs of each art fair understand the policy that covers involvement and helps with the annual lottery for tent participation.

**Nominating Committee:** Talks with members about volunteering and passes names of people who are interested in becoming involved on to Board members for consideration and appointment.

### January Showcase Assistant:

Nancy Mather is looking for assistance with the UW January Showcase for 2025 and possibly become Chair in 2026. There is minimal time involved for the assistant. Duties include assisting the chairperson with registration, typing labels for the art, help coordinating volunteers, and being present for the days of delivering or picking up of art. If you are interested, please contact Nancy Mather at [janshowcase@madisonartguild.com](mailto:janshowcase@madisonartguild.com)

## Annual Dinner Report

The Madison Art Guild's Annual Dinner was held at Imperial Garden Restaurant on October 23rd. Forty-five members were in attendance for a social hour followed by a five-course meal and dessert.

A lottery was held for participation in MAG's three 2025 tent events, and artists were chosen for Art Fair on the Square, Middleton Art Walk, and Paoli Art in the Park. Because there were not enough entries to fill all three events with alternates, an additional lottery will take place in the coming months. Door prizes were awarded to lucky recipients.

Exiting President, Linda Krantz, announced the names of our newest MAG members who juried in this Fall. Several of those talented artists were present, and shared examples of their artwork.

Many thanks to Cindy Koshalek who chaired the entire event and donated door prizes. Thanks also to the volunteers who assisted.





## November 12, 2024 Member Meeting Minutes

### In Attendance:

Board Members: Linda Krantz, Cindy Koshalek, Owen Gwynne, Nancy Mather, Mary Reines, Colette Girard.  
Members: Barbara Koykkar, Jennifer Angelo, Theresa Drinka, Ann Kleckner, Linda Farrelly, Julie Raasch, Dee Relyea, Jill Cori-Lippert, Barbara Vater, Jane Foos, Mary O'Leary, Karen Saunders, Sara DeHann, " iPhone Joan".

Since MAG has not yet filled the position of President, Co-Secretary, Cindy Koshalek led the meeting. At 6:30pm, the meeting was called to order. The first order of business was to approve the minutes from our September meeting. Mary R made the motion to approve, and Ann K seconded. The September minutes were approved.

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### **Treasurer's Report**

Our current financial status was read from a report submitted by Treasurer, Mary R. As of 10/30/24, MAG's Total Cash was \$15,138.72. Restricted Funds (Salon Memorial Prizes) totaled \$3299.42 and Unrestricted Operating Funds totaled \$11,839.30. It was noted that revenue from member dues is about \$300 more than last year.

### **MAG Zoom Account**

Former president Linda K had generously used her private zoom account to conduct MAG meetings. Discussion favored establishing a MAG account and various types were examined. Julie R and Ann K offered input and agreed to help with the setup process.

### **Art Fair Lottery Update**

There were not enough lottery participants this year to fill all openings in MAG's art fair tents. We currently have 5 participants and 1 alternate for AFOS, 4 participants for the Middleton Art Walk and 3 participants for Paoli Art in the Park. Tent coordinators are in place for AFOS and for Middleton. It will be necessary to hold a second lottery at the January meeting. Colette will announce a request for participants in the December Newsletter and also in an email blast shortly before the meeting.

### **Board Meetings**

Theresa D suggested that, going forward, a meeting of the MAG board was in order. We have not held a board meeting since the newest amendment to our bylaws was passed. There was general approval and Colette G agreed to send an email to current board members requesting input regarding date, time and virtual or in-person.

### **Newly Filled Positions**

Dee Relyea will act as Membership Chair.

Shannon Clayton agreed to Chair Social Media.

Colette Girard will Co-Chair the Annual Dinner along with Existing Chair Cindy Koshalek.

Jennifer Angelo will assume responsibility as Salon Co-Chair for the Reception.

New member Sara DeHann has agreed to organize a MAG July-August exhibit at the Firefly Coffeehouse.

There has not yet been a response from the manager since she was initially contacted by Linda K.

Cindy K moved that Board members in attendance approve these chair positions and Theresa D seconded the move. Attending board members approved the positions.

### **New Members**

Seven of MAG's fifteen new members have already submitted their volunteer preferences for the upcoming year. Colette will contact the remaining eight members.

### Art in the Schools

Barbara K shared that the traveling art exhibit of MAG artwork is currently installed at Crestwood Elementary. She said that the school is hosting an art night on Dec 10th, from 6-7pm, and interested artists are invited to participate.

### New Business

The topic of updated MAG brochures and new lanyards for art fair participants was discussed. Sara D and Dee R offered their assistance to help as graphic designers. Both Ann K and Julie R also stepped up to help. Our existing (but outdated) MAG brochure was created by member Tom Kuchenbecker. Colette G will forward that layout to Sara and Dee.

Owen G reported that new members will be able to upload their profile information to the website in about two weeks.

Barbara V reminded everyone that art night would be held at her home on 11-14-24 at 6pm.

Cindy asked for a move to adjourn the meeting. Theresa D so moved and was seconded by Mary R. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29pm. The next MAG meeting will be held on Jan 14, 2025.

Minutes Submitted by:  
Colette Girard

## Bylaws, continued

### Article V: Membership and Dues

1. Membership in MAG is available to any visual artist, amateur or professional, and other persons with an interest in the visual arts who live in Dane County.
2. MAG provides equal opportunity to all persons without regard to race, color, religious affiliation, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, or disability.
3. MAG membership classifications include Artist, Associate, Honorary, Inactive, and Friends of MAG. All members (except Honorary and Friends of MAG) shall complete at least one volunteer activity annually.
4. **Artist Members** have passed the jury process, paid dues, and annually enter one or two original artworks completed within the past 2 calendar years into either the Summer Salon or January Showcase (according to individual show guidelines). The artwork must not previously have been submitted or shown in a Summer Salon or January Showcase. Artist Members shall have the right to participate in MAG's programs and vote at general membership meetings. Benefits of Artist Membership include, but are not limited to:



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1. a) Attendance at instructional and informational programs offered by MAG
  2. b) MAG Newsletters
  3. c) Participation in MAG group exhibitions with opportunity to sell when available
  4. d) Voting privileges
  5. e) Attending or holding workshops
  6. f) Social Functions
  7. g) Exhibiting samples of work on the MAG website
  8. h) Volunteering for a minimum of one MAG function per year

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9. i) Running for, being elected to, and holding leadership positions within MAG
10. j) Entering current work into the January Showcase and/or Summer Salon is

expected

**E. Associate Members** are artists/aspiring artists who have not been juried into MAG.

Because they do not participate in the jury process, they have the right to limited participation in MAG's programs. Associate members have the option of jurying in as Artist Members at their discretion when regular jurying occurs. Associate Members pay dues as established by the Board of Directors commensurate with the time of year their membership begins. Benefits of Associate Membership may include, but are not limited to:

1. a) Attendance at instructional and informational programs offered by MAG
2. b) MAG Newsletters
3. c) Workshops
4. d) Social Functions
5. e) Volunteering with an Artist Member for a minimum of one MAG function per year

#### **F. Inactive Artist Members**

Members who do not take an active part in the year's required programs (i.e., January Showcase and/or Summer Salon) or volunteer in any way due to temporary absence or health concerns may revert to inactive status for up to two years upon notification of the Membership Chair. While a member is in Inactive Artist status, they pay dues and retain access to the Member Section of the MAG website. An Inactive Member may regain Artist Member status along with its benefits and responsibilities before the two-year grace period expires without having to pass jury again by notifying the Membership Chair of this change in their member status.

#### **G. Honorary Membership**

Artists who have been members of the Madison Art Guild, Inc. for at least five years and who, because of health issues, find it difficult to continue to produce art and participate in MAG events, shall be granted Honorary Membership by the Board, be exempt from paying dues and volunteering, and receive all membership communication during the period of their health issues.

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## H. Friends of Madison Art Guild, Inc.

Any person who supports MAG's purpose, either through financial contributions or active support shall be considered a Friend of MAG.

### I. Dues

Annual dues are set by the Board and approved by the membership at a general meeting and are non-refundable. Membership dues will be collected by the Treasurer and must be paid by September 15 of each year, except by Honorary Members. Members who have not paid their dues in a timely manner will receive one subsequent notice of payment due.

On October 1, a late fee will be added to the amount of dues owed, and if dues plus the late fee are not paid by the end of the calendar year of dues lapse (December 31), that member will lose their membership status and be required to participate in the jury process to return to Artist Member status.

## Email Request Form

Do you need to send out information to the general membership? To avoid confusion, please make sure you use the [Email Request Form](#) on the [Members Page](#) of the website. Using the form ensures that your request goes to the right person. Please submit your request at least a week ahead of when you would like it to go out so the volunteer has ample time to set it up. Thanks!

## MAG on Social Media

Have something you would like announced on social media? Please email [sm@madisonartguild.com](mailto:sm@madisonartguild.com).

Please like and comment on MAG's [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) pages. It helps extend our reach so we can let future members and patrons see what we're up to.

Our private [Facebook group](#) allows us to share the latest news, show off your art, get feedback, ask questions, etc. amongst ourselves.

## Newsletter Submission Policy

The Madison Art Guild newsletter is intended to be a source of information for members about the activities of the organization. As such, we do not include personal advertisement of upcoming shows or items for sale.

Please use our 'Members Only' Facebook page for this.

## MAG Calendar 2024-25

<b>December</b>	Art Night	Artful Gathering	
<b>January</b>	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	January Showcase
<b>February</b>	Art Night	Artful Gathering	Goodman Community Center Show
<b>March</b>	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	
<b>April</b>	Art Night	Artful Gathering	
<b>May</b>	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	Middleton Art Walk
<b>June</b>	Art Night	Artful Gathering	Summer Salon
<b>July</b>	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	Summer Salon, Art Fair on the Square, Firefly Coffeehouse Show
<b>August</b>	Art Night	Artful Gathering	Firefly Coffeehouse Show, MAG Picnic
<b>September</b>	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	Paoli Art in the Park
<b>October</b>	Art Night	Artful Gathering	MAG Annual Dinner
<b>November</b>	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	