

May 2, 2016



Collage

From the President

We had a great April meeting; The teachers and winners of the Tour drawing prizes were present and were very grateful and excited. The Art teachers explained how they use our gift certificates to purchase items they wouldn't otherwise afford, to expose the students to such things as working at a standing easel, or working with clay building or printmaking tools. One of our tour winners spoke about how grateful she is to the art league for giving those in the community venues to attend and meet new friends. Please remember to greet our new members and help them feel welcome.



Local Student requesting Art Mentor: Julia is 16 years old. She works mostly in colored pencil, charcoal and has recently picked up painting with acrylic. She is talented and would greatly benefit from mentoring. Please let Bonnie know if you would be willing to share your knowledge with this art student.

Summer Project: The Board discussed an "Art Squared" art show and sale suggested by Claudia Smith, which she has participated in and found exciting. In the event we decide to pursue this idea, we will begin with using TWO small paintings as our Summer Project to be judged at our October all membership meeting. We thought it would be good to make the available paintings harmonious in color and subject matter to make it better for people to put together a grouping of the small paintings if they wish. It was suggested a Southwest Ancient and/or Modern Theme would cover a large area of ideas for the artists to utilize. It was decided to have black backgrounds using gallery wrapped canvas or cradled board that the sides are painted black or, build your own cradle board that equals 6" x 6" x 1 1/2 deep. Bright Colors used in the paintings with earth tones along with turquoise/blue...typical southwest colors. The artists would submit two paintings. Since this will be the summer project, the paintings will be judged as a pair and the winning artist would win the \$100 prize money. The potential is that all of the paintings submitted for the summer project in October would eventually culminate in our first Art Squared event at a yet unspecified date.

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May 2 Meeting

6-6:20: Critique 6-6:30 p.m.: Sign in and set up of Artist of the Month, Social Time 6:30-6:45 p.m.: Meeting
6:45-7:45 p.m.: Program/Demonstrations 7:45-8:10 p.m.: Break 8:10-8:30 p.m.: Awards/Announcements.

The Critique at 6-6:20 is done by Michael Roberts; this is for unfinished or finished art, this does not include Artist of the Month projects.



Peter Jones, artist and photographer will demonstrate some of the techniques and processes he has learned in Adobe Photoshop to create his unique, surrealist digital artwork. He will share how these processes have affected his artistic evolution in the past 25 years. Additionally he will have original examples of his digital prints for members to view.

Membership Dues 2016

The dues of \$30.00 remain the same as last year. We prefer checks only as this makes bookkeeping easier and more accurate. Application on back of newsletter. Please add the new people to your directory.

Information about our Art League Web Page

Lloyd Tarr, who is our website contact, has offered to add your work to our website at no cost. Lloyd has only six member galleries up on the web page. He has offered to include any member who would like to have a gallery page to send him a picture of themselves, preferably working in their studio, a bio and the pictures they want displayed (limit it to 20 pictures to start with). Send your info to **lloyd Tarr** <lloyd@tarrs.com>, this is a great opportunity to market your work free of charge.

From the President continued

The Executive Board Members discussed their board positions and most will remain. Barbara Oehl and Pat Lain will retire. Pamela Shearer will replace Barbara as secretary in January 2017. Jane McElroy will replace Pat Lain. Justine will replace Bonnie as President in January 2018. (That means that you have a unique opportunity to be President for just one year, 2017, with a named replacement. Please contact Bonnie if you would be willing to replace me.)

We were unable to change the date of our member and juried show. It will remain in March.

Call to Artists: Tempe Center for the Arts Juried Biennial - CLAY

The exhibition falls on the nine-year anniversary of the opening of Tempe Center for the Arts. The exhibition will feature works on clay, art made of clay and artists inspired by clay, a tradition for ninth anniversaries. Only Arizona residents are eligible to apply. Artists will be chosen by a jury panel. 2016 exhibition dates and locations are determined by the City of Tempe.

JURY PANEL: Peter Held, art appraiser/consultant; Garth Johnson, curator at ASU Art Museum Ceramics Research Center; and Patsy Cox, artist and outgoing NCECA president.

Fee: \$25 application fee **Deadline:** Monday, May 30, 2016 (5 p.m.)

Fountain View Gallery

Members who have paintings hanging in this gallery must take down on Monday, May 9, between 9 and 11 a.m. There will be no new hanging at this time.

Community Center Gallery

Members must take down their paintings and art work on Thurs. May 28.

A Congratulation Shout Out to Chris Peterson

Chris (Fountain Hills Middle School Teacher) was honored for Excellence in Education by 99.9 KEZ and Taylor Morrison for the month of April. One of his students nominated him. One of his reasons: "Not only is he patient with us middle school monsters, but he is all-around an astounding teacher." CONGRATULATIONS from the Art League.

Coffee at Fountain View Bistro

A reminder to all new members that there is a group of our artists that meets Wed. mornings at 10:00 a.m. for coffee at Fountain View Bistro. It's right inside the main entrance at Fountain View Village. It is a good opportunity to learn more about what goes on within the art league. Friendship, Conversation and Coffee are Free.



SPRING POT LUCK MEETING



Tracy Perry, teacher; Karla Primosch, teacher; Kathryn Keefer; Barbara Drake, and Tricia Turnball, teacher. The teachers received \$500 Gift Certificates from AZ Art Supply for their classrooms. Kathryn Keefer purchased the painting that Barbara Drake had donated the proceeds to local charity, which included the Student Arts Fund.

April Artists of the Month



Above: 1st Place: Dick Cardinal won with the pastel of a cat named Priscella. It was gifted to his granddaughter Olivia's swimming team roommate Alyssa. They swim for UNLV in Las Vegas.



Winners

50/50 Winner of \$93 was Mary Beth Isenberg.

AZ Art Supply \$25 Gift Certificate was Debra Novatny.

Below: 2nd Place: Justine Mantor-Waldie shows her intricate ink and etching on black scratch board, "Desert Prickly Pear."

Tour d'Artistes Winners

Nancy Eisenberg won the Milan Mixed Media painting.

Mary Lou Crane won the Horse Sculpture made by Dennis Weber.



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Return payment and the completed portion of this application to address above.

Name: _____ Medium/Patron: _____

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I will assist with exhibitions I will serve on a committee I will help with membership

I will accept a Board position I will serve on a telephone committee I will help with publicity

I will plan a workshop I will teach a workshop I will demonstrate at meetings

I will help with refreshments I will help with a newsletter Other _____

Attached is: Check # _____ Cash Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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