ARTIST GUILD SHREWSBURY



A Community Arts Organization

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Robert Wilson Demonstrates Pen and Ink Drawing~April 2nd

At the next AGS meeting on April 2nd, Robert Wilson, art teacher at the Floral Street School, member of the AGS Steering Committee and the leader of our International Art Exchange program, will show some of his favorite pen and ink drawings and describe his drawing techniques. Robert will then lead the group in a few drawing exercises. Drawing pens and paper will be provided. This will be a fun and informative program. Please try to attend.

Art Exchange Reminder

It is time to hand in your art work for this year's Art Exchange program. Please bring it to the meeting on April 2nd. Bob Wilson is working on assembling the package of finished work to mail to Tokyo.

Our Annual Juried Art Exhibit at the Tatnuck Bookseller is a Great Success!

More than 60 works of art are on exhibit at the Tatnuck Bookseller in Westboro. The winners were announced and honored at the Opening Reception held on Sunday, March 4th. They are:

1st Place

Jackie Stein's watercolor Capturing Time

2nd Place

June Melden's watercolor BlueCabbages

Honorable Mention

Mary Dunn's oil painting *Three in a Row* Joe Allen's digital photo image *The Diners*

Best in Show

Debbie Schradieck's watercolor Gannet

Congratulations to all! Len Haug of the Princeton Art Society judged the show. Len has entered more than 25 art competitions in the past few years and has often taken first, second or the viewer's choice award. Len won Best in Show at the Falmouth Artist Guild in 2010 with one of his collages. You can see Len's work at Lenhaug.com.

The exhibit is full of interesting work and I believe, shows a higher level of artistic achievement than the work at last's year's show. So, not only is the show the biggest AGS has ever put on, it is also the best!! Don't miss it!

Important Reminder: The exhibit will be taken down on Thursday, March 29th. Please pick up your work between 4:00 and 6:00 P.M. Pam Haynes will be in charge. Be sure to initial the inventory sheet before you take your work. If you cannot pick up your work on the 29th, Pam will bring it to the May AGS meeting.

May Meeting: May 7th ~ 7pm.

The May meeting is the last meeting of the season for the Artist Guild and it is a wonderful social event with a few things to eat and the Election of Officers (see article below). A few years ago we began to include a peer critique in the December and May meetings and these have been well received. Please bring one or two pieces of your work to participate in this fun and helpful event.

In addition this year, two people will give short presentations. Jen Falcon, our youngest member and a teacher at WAM, will show her photos and give a brief talk about a grant she received last year. Nicholas Laflin, a website designer, will tell us about websites he has put together for various artists to help them market their work. The talks will be short and informative.

We will also talk about the proposed Second Annual Art Festival at Dean Park in August and ideas about how the members can best display and sell their work at that event.

Steering Committee Nominations

The AGS bylaws call for the following positions on the Steering Committee: Chairperson, Treasurer, Publicity Secretary, Chairperson, Membership Chairman, Newsletter Editor, Website Chairperson, and Program Chairman. In addition, a three member nominating committee is to be appointed by Feb. 1st each year. The Steering Committee is responsible for the general management of the Guild including decisions about programs, exhibits and other activities. Members are elected at the May meeting.

Members presently serving on the Steering Committee are listed in the grey box to the right. The following members have stated that they do not want to be nominated for re-appointment: Nancy Allen, Deb Schradieck, Pam Haynes, Kathy Grimley, Marg Needels, and Lynn Carter. They will end their terms with the May meeting. Grimley is presently the only member of the Nominating Committee.

The Guild is a community organization that runs as well as it does because of the efforts of its volunteer officers. Please consider volunteering for a position on the Steering Committee! It is not as much work as you think and the turn-over in committee members is what keeps the organization lively. I will help the person who replaces me and so will each of the "retiring" officers. We now have 50 members!! Please say "Yes, I'll help" and keep the Guild going strong.

~Nancy Allen, Chairperson

AGS Member Discount

Please present membership card to receive discounts. Members of the AGS receive a discount at the following businesses:

Art Emporium 18 Lyman St. Westborough, MA Marlborough, MA

Post Rd Art Center 1 Boston Post Rd

Gaston Art & Frame 257 Boston Turnpike Shrewsbury, MA

Newsletter Publication:

Please note distribution practices. The AGS Newsletter will be published in September, November, January, March, and May and as needed. It will be distributed by e-mail to all members who give their email address. If you have information to be included please send to: artistguildshrewsbury@gmail.com

Entry forms, membership applications, and exhibit details are available online. Please contact Marge Needels (508-842-3924) if you cannot get it on-line.

MEMBER ELECTRONIC GALLERY

Members are invited to display images of their work on the AGS website. Members must provide their photo, a brief biography, and digital images of the artwork. Send photo, bio, and images to Lynn Carter, the AGS webmaster, at artistguildshrewsbury.com or see Lynn at the next meeting.

Our mission is to encourage artistic awareness and enjoyment of fine arts and to encourage growth both on an individual and community level. We are dedicated to accomplishing this goal through exhibits, lectures, demonstrations, instruction, professional workshops, outdoor sketching, plein air, museum trips, and other activities. Our members' artistic interests and talents encompass traditional and contemporary visual arts.

Elected Officers 2011-2012

Chairperson: Nancy Allen Treasurer: Pam Haynes Secretary: Debbie Schradieck Membership: Marg Needels

Program Co-Chairs: Beverly Clark, Kathy Grimley,

Lee Smith and Kay Vuona

Publicity: Kathy Grimley

Newsletter: Melissa Maglio & Nancy Allen

Webmaster: Lynn Carter

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Use this form to join the Guild or re-new your membership. Memberships expire on August 31st. Please include a check for the yearly dues (\$25) payable to Artist Guild Shrewsbury, and bring to the next meeting or mail to: Artist Guild Shrewsbury, P.O. Box 602, Shrewsbury, MA 01545

Name		
Address		
City	_State	Zip Code
Phone	Cell	
Email		
Website(optional)		
What is your preferred medium?		
What is your main area of interest? (Painting, photography, collage, etc)		
Are vou interested in showi	ng your work	?