



Wy'east Artisans Guild

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Newsletter

September 2010

The newsletter of the Wy'east Artisans Guild comes out the first week of the month. If you have content to include that is of interest to the Guild, please send it to Gail Bumala at laboom@cascadeaccess.com or P.O. Box 1180 Sandy, Or. 97055 by the 25th of the month prior to publication. Are you going to be featured in a show or a gallery? Let us know!

Meetings Resume in September

Meetings resume Sept. 13 at the Clackamas County Bank Conference room at 38965 Proctor Blvd, located directly across from the Subway Shop. Meetings are held every second Monday. The doors open at 6:30 p.m., program at 7:00. Guests are most welcome.

A Very Special Program

Bring something for show and tell that you've worked on recently or that you feel defines you as an artist. Let's get to know each other's work and show our guests what we can do. We will be choosing a "Theme Show" theme at the meeting, so come and VOTE on your favorite theme idea.

ALERT! We need speakers for our next 7 meetings. Send Becky H. ideas for speakers or programs. We need something ASAP for the Oct. meeting!

Figure Drawing

Plein aire Figure drawing was a hit with the members. We had a good turn out and feel the experience is worth repeating next year. The attached photo is clothed and rated 'for all ages'. Kate Conrad is looking for a replacement as the coordinator for figure drawing. Thanks Kate you are doing a great job!

Theme Show Take Down

"It's a Circus" has come down and is ready for pick up. Joan Ragan sold her Flying Turtles, congrats! With all the pieces sold at the Sandy Library, the take down was easy. Contact Becky H. to retrieve your work. She will bring anything left over to the next meeting.....after that she say's possession is 9/10th of the law.

Guild Community Involvement

The Guild is doing a series of art show- fundraisers at Sandy Actors



Theatre with the following themes:

Sept 16---Dogs

Feb 10----Monsters (The play is a comedy farce)

April 7-----Lunatic, Crazy, Insane, Madhouse art

June 2-----Family, memories, Alzheimer art

The idea is: **We invite everyone we know!** We have a meet and greet between the Guild and the other attendees and then everyone is able to see the play for free. The art hangs until the end of the play: 5 weeks. Artists may sell work if they choose, with no commission to the theater. All donations at the door goes to us and we will spend a portion of the money to install a hanging system in the lobby. This will give artists a new venue for artwork Two arts groups working together to enhance arts in the community, it's a good thing! When you receive the invitation to the show **forward it to people you know...let's fill the theater!** **Please, all members send out these invitations to help the Guild and the arts community.**

Solace in Silk Project



On Sept 1, Syd Kruse and Becky presented a basket of scarves to Dr Devon Webster, M.D. Gralof videoed the presentation and will edit the video and put it on YouTube. This was at Northwest Cancer Specialists, 265 N Broadway in Portland. It was quite emotional and Dr Webster thought it was a really great idea. She is a breast cancer survivor herself, so Syd invited her to choose a scarf and Syd is undergoing chemo there, so Syd chose a scarf. The NCS has their own marketing dept and their representative, Angie Henderson, was also there. She will be interviewing Syd for her "life story" and will include the scarf presentation. Our next presentation will be at the Legacy Mt Hood hospital in Gresham.

Lending Library

LENDING LIBRARY is available. Steve Piper is holding the Library Box. He will have the box at the monthly meetings.

From the President

Ideas Submitted for Next Year's Theme Show

We have some really fantastic ideas here. Take time to ***pick your top 3.***
The vote will be at the next meeting....September 13

New ones....

1. ***Whimsy** - This could offer both realistic and abstract possibilities.
2. ***Around the World-** Art from afar.
3. ***Space-** Something to do with outer space.

4. ***Mountain Wildlife-** Creatures we share the mountain with.
5. ***Outside the Box-** Each entry would have a **box shape** and something **outside** it.
6. ***In a Word-** A one word title with the work clearly associated with that word. All "words" would be an emotion, a value, trait or something like: Joy, Hope, Austerity, Peace, Confusion, Honesty, Loneliness, Fear, Pleasure, Greed, Need, Vigilance, Lust, Introspection, etc.
7. ***Outside, Looking In-** Some of us feel like we're on the outside always looking in.
8. ***A Day in the Life-** This could be a day in the life of an object, yourself or whatever you want it to be.
9. ***Past, Present, Future...**
10. ***History**
11. ***Dreamland-** Either representational (a lovely scene) or not – abstract, emotional.
12. ***At the end of the rainbow-** A scene or a pot of gold or any wonderful thing that ends a dream.
13. ***Patterns in Nature-** This would be anything representing an artistic pattern or design, that is *naturally occurring*. Some examples of this might be; patterns of ice crystals on a frozen puddle, patterns in the clouds, patterns in the mudflats at low tide, patterns in the heavens – i.e., the stars or a nebula, patterns in a zebra or leopards spots, a rainbow or patterns in tree bark..? The possibilities are numerous allowing for something to fit most anybodies art form. I think the media possibilities are limitless too, in that these patterns can be re-created in most any medium. Whether it is painted on canvas, felted, scratched or painted on clay, carved in wood, sown - knitted or embroidered, photographed or collaged or pounded into metal, it can be interpreted into whatever art form you work in.
14. ***Music to Our Eyes-** The show could explore all the different way artists "see" music. There could be artwork that depicts: Musicians and musical instruments; Images from favorite songs; Pieces inspired by music or done while listening to music, etc. Even though I'm not a musician, music means a great deal to me. I constantly listen to songs and instrumentation as I work, and I find music fits perfectly with visual art. I think music is one of the very important things in life, and it would be wonderful to celebrate it in our upcoming theme show.

Please come to the 9-13 meeting to vote!

Fara Humphrey has asked to be replaced as head of Publicity. A big "THANK YOU!" to Fara for all you have done. Now we need someone to volunteer to step up to the task. Someone who can use email and has the Microsoft "Word " program. In addition the publicity is done on a 'schedule' each month, so following a calendar is necessary. Publicity is a team effort. I've been backing Fara up and would be happy to continue transitioning someone into the groove. **Please volunteer for this important job!** Email me to talk it over...please?

You are invited to participate in the 2011 Artist Exhibit Program!

Application Deadline: October 11, 2010(5:00 pm)

The Artist Exhibit Program (AEP) is an ongoing program administered by the Clackamas County Arts Alliance. The Program has several purposes:

- * Provide an opportunity for increased public exposure for the artwork of Clackamas County artists;
- * Provide local artists with skill-building and training opportunities;
- * Educate and encourage appreciation for the wealth of creative talent residing in Clackamas County.

Exhibition and sale opportunities include galleries in the Public Services and Development Services Buildings on the County's Red Soils Campus in Oregon City and a touring exhibition of County offices and libraries. Submitted artwork may also be considered for other galleries administered by the Arts Alliance in Milwaukie, Gladstone and Oregon City.

Two-Dimensional hanging work and 3-D work for case display will be considered (some artwork size and weight restrictions apply: 2-D work should not exceed 48wx 42hx 4d" and 25 lbs; 3-D should fit in the confines of a 30w x 30h x 18d" space and not exceed and 25 lbs).

ELIGIBILITY...

- Artists currently residing or working in Clackamas County are eligible to apply for the Artist Exhibit Program. ("Working in Clackamas County" means artist's studio is in the County, or artist is employed in the County.)
- First-time exhibitors and emerging artists are encouraged to apply; prior exhibit history is not required!
- To accommodate as many artists as possible, those who participated in the 2010 Artist Exhibit Program are not eligible this year but are welcome to apply again in 2012. Staff may also consider previous exhibitors for special exhibits throughout 2011.
- Exhibited work is selected by a jury panel. Selection criteria include: technical proficiency with media, composition and design, and skillful visual communication of subject or concept.
- Most forms of visual art media, materials and themes will be considered for exhibit although specific subjects are not appropriate for our very diverse audiences. These include: nudity, religious symbols, overt political messages, death, and drug/alcohol-related themes. Please inquire if you have questions!

For more complete information on how to apply, visit: <http://www.clackamasartsalliance.org>

Dates to Remember

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| Sept. 13 | Monday program doors open 6:30. Bring show and tell project. Vote on theme show. |
| Sept. 16 | Preview night reception "Dog Show" art at SAT. |

Feb. 10 Preview night reception "A Fine Monster" art at SAT
April 7 Preview night reception "Insanity" art at SAT
June 2 Preview night reception "Family" art at SAT

Wy'east Blog

You may have to sign up for a new Google account to access the blog as an "author". If you choose not to sign up, you can still read the blog at: www.wyeartistsguild.blogspot.com Bookmark the link so you can readily go to it and read what's going on.

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<http://www.clackamasartsalliance.org/network.htm> Arts Network-Links to local, state and national arts organizations.

www.greshamartcommittee.org Promoting arts in Gresham, Oregon.

<http://www.oregonartscommission.org> News about the arts in Oregon.

<http://www.racc.org/about/about-racc> Regional Arts Council-Works to integrate arts and culture in all aspects of community life.

<http://www.portlandart.net> Portland Art, News and Reviews

<http://www.artshow.com/juriedshows> Artshow: Postings of Juried Shows and Contests
