

The Water Mark

Central Florida Watercolor Society

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From the President's Palette

Wow, this year went by fast- our next meeting is our last of this year! It is always fun to shop the silent auctions and tables - and sell the stuff you don't need. So dig out the art books and all the other art stuff you don't want anymore and sell it. The Silent Auction splits the proceeds of the sales (50% back to you and 50% for the building fund!). Or come to find art items you may have been looking for.....it is great fun! Also, you have the option of renting a table and paying \$10.00 per table (reduced from last year). With table rentals, you get to keep all the proceeds. So gather all your arts and crafts, set up craft tables, pottery or just your old paintings. Stuff moves fast!

Our workshop at Webster University was a super success. The staff and administration made us feel at home and Ken Austin gave a superb workshop. All in attendance were more than pleased with the facility and Ken's instruction. All said it was one to remember.

We have had wonderful volunteers this past year. Please take a moment to thank them, because it is their efforts that have made our Watercolor Society what it is today! A special thanks to our Board of Directors who guide our organization with their special jobs and ideas. We are one of the largest art organizations in Central Florida. Currently, watercolor media is the fastest growing in the nation according to the retailers.

Fay Tambrino has asked to be nominated as your President. So please come to vote for President and a new slate of Officers.

The past two years as your President have been rewarding and fun for me. I am grateful to the members, the volunteers, Board Members and Officers, for making the past two years so successful. Reminder again, membership dues (\$35) are due at this May meeting to get your name in the directory.

Take care, do good work, and keep those brushes wet,
Bob Hague rmhague1@earthlink.net

OUR NEXT MEETING

Sunday, May 4th at 1:30 pm
Florida Hospital
Barker Center Conference Center

Election of New Officers and Board Members

The May meeting brings us to our last meeting of the season and it is sure to be lots of fun. **Elections** of our 2008-2009 officers will take place at this meeting. And we still need volunteers for several positions. Sy Rosefelt is the Nominations Chairman; please contact him at 407-332-6157 for additional information on volunteer opportunities.

Silent Auction – Mini Mart Sale

Our annual **Silent Auction** will be the same as last year. Each item (new or used) for sale will have a starting price assigned by the seller. This price will be listed on a piece of paper next to the item. If someone sees something they want to purchase they simply put their name on the piece of paper and show the bid price. However, (and this is where the fun starts) if someone else really, really wants the same item and is willing to pay a little more, they can list their name under any other names and show how much they are willing to pay. This will benefit everyone. Remember one-half of the sale price goes back to the seller and the other half goes to the CFWS's building fund. All bidding will end at 3:00 p.m. and the highest bidder gets the item.

The **Mini Mart** – is an opportunity for you to sell your “other art” – jewelry, cards, prints, handmade items, books, etc. Also, if you have a lot of art supplies that you no longer use, here is a chance to sell those items. The cost to reserve a table will be **\$10.00** – all proceeds from the sales are yours. **Mark each item you want to sell with a tag or sticker showing your last name and asking price.**

BOARD AND COMMITTEE POSITIONS

It takes many volunteers to achieve our goals. For those of you who want to make a difference, we have positions open or becoming available for next year:

- **President**
- **Secretary**
- **Vice President**
- **Treasurer**
- **Show/Galleries Coordinator**

Please consider offering your time and talents to CFWS.

IMPORTANT DATES

May 12 Officer Elections and Art Sale/Silent Auction
Sep 7 Meeting and Plein Air Painting – Mead Gardens
Oct 5 Meeting and Demo by Janet Rogers
October 6-9, 2008 – Janet Rogers
Nov 2 Meeting and Demo by Rudy Drapiza
Dec 7 Holiday Get-Together

PLEIN AIR GROUP

The weather has side-tracked our past plein air events, so Sy Rosefelt will fill us in on the next plein air trip at the meeting.

CFWS Membership

As approved by the CFWS Board at the November 5, 2006 meeting, Club dues will be raised to \$35 for 2008/2009. This will put our dues at the same rate the majority of the Florida area watercolor societies are charging. Payment by check is preferred (made out to CFWS and mailed to the address on the back page of this newsletter.) Nancy McCarthy (nancy-mccarthy@cfl.rr.com) Membership Chairman.

KUDOS and EXHIBITS

Nancy Larkin was accepted into the TRI STATE EXHIBIT again this year with a painting of white birds of paradise. It will hang until June at the LeMoyné in Tallahassee. It was painted on rice paper.

Elizabeth Bondurant had two pieces selected for the Orlando Museum of Art's 1st Thursdays show entitled "Beat-niks and Bongos: Abstract Art."

Teresa Chin did a demonstration on Gyotaku – or Japanese fish printing - at the Gold Coast Watercolor Society in Ft. Lauderdale in April 2008.

Helen Benet was invited to show at the Equus IV: The Art of the Horse. The exhibition showcases beautiful, powerful and meaningful images of horses in paintings, photography and sculpture by prominent Florida Artists and is on display April 10 – May 25.

Eight Florida artists will be exhibiting their work at the Art House in Casselberry, Florida. The show will run from May 5 to May 30. An artists' opening reception will be held on May 10 from 6 p.m. till 8:30 p.m. The show features paintings by **Helen Curry Benet**, Al Carroll, **Sally Gilmour**, **Lorri Iribarne**, **Arlene Kartak**, and **Betty Kirk**. Art House is located at 127 Quail Pond Circle. For additional information call Arlene Kartak at (407) 834-6388 or Helen Benet at (386) 748-4770.

On the third Sunday of each month, CFWS members are invited to a plein air paint-out. This will continued throughout the year at three locations– (1) The Polasek in Winter Park. (2) Leu Gardens in Winter Park, and (3) The Central Florida Zoo in Sanford. Free admission and free parking are included. The Polasek request we park in their East side parking area. Selling arrangements for your displayed art at the Polasek are the same - up to four paintings at your easel – but no prints! You set the pricing but the museum cashier will handle all sales - credit cards, check, cash, etc. (20% will go to the museum and 80% to the artist – to be sent via mail within a week or two. Selling arrangements with Leu Gardens and the Zoo are still being worked out. Contact John Koehler for more information 407-654-5694.

We are proud to advertise for **Webster University**. They are generously providing the CFWS membership with workshop facilities for the coming year...



CFWS SURVEY – 2008 - Workshops

WHILE THREE TIME A YEAR, CFWS BRINGS IN NATIONALLY-RESPECTED INSTRUCTORS TO CONDUCT 4 DAY WORKSHOPS AND PROVIDES A FREE DEMONSTRATION TO OUR MEMBERS, THIS SURVEY IS ABOUT:

ONE OR TWO DAY WORKSHOPS (LOCAL INSTRUCTORS)

A ONE-DAY A WEEK PAINT-IN CERTAIN MONTHS OF THE YEAR

PROVIDING OTHER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS.

- ▣ **THE ONE OR TWO DAY WORKSHOPS WOULD BE LIMITED TO 15 STUDENTS, AND BE TAUGHT BY OUR MORE EXPERIENCED MEMBERS/INSTRUCTORS AND SCHEDULED BY OUR BOARD MEMBERS.**

YES I WOULD TAKE ONE OR MORE A YEAR.

NO I'M NOT INTERESTED.

WHAT SHOULD THE PER-DAY PRICE BE FOR THESE BUDGET WORKSHOPS?

WE HAVE CONSIDERED \$30 PER DAY PER STUDENT. WHAT DO YOU THINK OUR FEE PER DAY SHOULD BESHOULD BE?

\$ _____

- ▣ **MANY ART SOCIETIES HAVE A ONE-DAY A WEEK OPEN PAINT-IN.**

THESE WOULD BE SCHEDULED ONLY CERTAIN TIMES OF THE YEAR. THIS IS WHERE ARTISTS BRING CURRENT PROJECTS AND WORK TOGETHER FOR FOUR HOURS.

YES I WOULD BE INTERESTED.

NO I'M NOT INTERESTED.

YES NO \$5.00 PER SESSION

- ▣ **PAINTING AND DRAWING THE PORTRAIT OR FIGURE FROM LIFE**

HIRING A CLOTHED OR UNCLOTHED MODEL \$10.00 TO \$15.00 PER 2 ½ HOUR SESSION.

YES NO PORTRAIT

YES NO CLOTHED FIGURE MODEL

YES NO NUDE FIGURE MODEL

- ▣ **SOCIAL (COFFEE) GET TOGETHERS (NO MORE THAN 15) HOSTED BY A MEMBER.**

THIS IS CALLED AN ART DVD PARTY WHERE THE GROUP WATCHES A CURRENT ART DVD AND DISCUSSES IT.

YES HOSTING, NAME _____

YES NO PARTICIPATING

NAME _____ DATE _____

Please complete this survey and return it to Bob Hague (rmhague1@earthlink.net) or bring to the May meeting.



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**Membership dues for 2008-2009 are \$35. Please mail your dues to:
Nancy McCarthy
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Payment by check is preferred.**

Newsletter Articles and Member News
Please send your news, articles, workshop dates & announcements to Ann Hague at amhague01@earthlink.net or 4044 Misty Morning Place, Casselberry, FL 32707.
Deadline is the 15th of each month.
Thank You!

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AND COMMITTEES
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