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February Dates to Remember

Saturday, Feb 11 – Artwalk, 5:00-7:00 pm
Saturday, Feb 11 – Critique at Karibo, 9:30 am
Sunday, Feb 12 – High School Student Art Show reception, 1:00 pm
Monday, Feb 13 – Board Meeting, 3:30 pm
Thursday, Feb 16 – Cummer Museum “Cummelia” talk at IAA, 7:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb 21 – Art Chat, 6:30 pm

... Coming in Spring 2017 – Shrimp Festival, May 6-7

If you have an upcoming event/meeting scheduled and want it listed under the “Dates to Remember,” please get the information to Susan McGrath-Smith by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the upcoming newsletter, susan.mcgrathsmith@gmail.com

Message from the President

Committees, committees, committees. As you know the IAA manages its operations, programs and services through various committees. All of our Shrimp Festival committees will shortly begin their preparations in earnest for this year's festival. The Shrimp Festival is a critical financial component for the IAA, constituting 55% of the IAA's income annually. Your active participation on the Shrimp Festival committees is very important to our continued success, so please be sure to stay in touch with your committee chairs as to your duties, dates and activities.

And while hard to believe, it's already time to start thinking about our operational committees for 2017-2018. I ask each of you to please consider taking a leadership role on one of our operational committees or sub-committees for the upcoming year. We need the creativity, commitment and leadership of many members to ensure the gallery and our operations continue to prosper. If you are willing to serve as a committee chair, please contact me or Pam Bennett.

Thanks for all your contributions in 2016, and let's continue on the path for a fun, rewarding, creative and profitable 2017.

Gwen Cowart

Board of Directors

January 9, 2017 Board Meeting

December Board of Directors Meeting Minutes will be sent in a separate Document.

Nouveau Art

For the month of February, we will display the work of, and honor Nassau County High School Art Students. Denise Murphy is the Chair. The Judge is a UNF art student, recommended by Nofa Dixon, Art Professor at UNF. The reception is Sunday, February 12, 1:00-3:00 pm. There will be cookies and sodas for the students and their parents. Art teachers will be present and awards announced. Sharon Haffey will take photos for IAA and other publicity directed by Marla McDaniel and Cori Beychok of our Marketing & Communications Committee. The Nassau County High School Art Students Show will be in the Nouveau Hall at IAA Gallery until March 4.

It will be followed by the Members Show, "My Favorite Subject", which will have receiving on Monday, March 6, 9:00 am-noon; reception, March 11, 5:00-7:00 pm. Members may submit two entries, depending on the number and size of the overall entries. Georganna Mullis is the Chair and will select the Judge.

For April/May, the theme is "In Bloom"; receiving, April 3; reception April 8. Barbara Fuller is the Chair.

Keep creating!

Louise Mozena, Chair, Nouveau Art

2017/2018 Nouveau Art Show Themes

February – Nassau County High School Student Art Show. Receiving Feb 3/ 4; Reception Feb 12, 1:00-3:00 pm. Chair Denise Murphy

March – Members' Show "My Favorite Subject". Receiving Mar 6; Reception Mar 11. Chair Georganna Mullis

April/May – "In Bloom". Receiving Apr 3; Reception Apr 8. Chair Barbara Fuller

June/July – "America the Beautiful". Receiving Jun 5; Reception Jun 10. Chair Rosemary Skidmore

August/September – "Sunshine". Receiving Aug 7; Reception Aug 12. Chair Barb Wylie

October/November – "Autumn Colors". Receiving Oct 2; Reception Oct 14. Chair Marlene Strobach

December – "Celebrate". Receiving Dec 4; Reception Dec 9. Chair Diane Hamburg

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January – "Celebrate" continues. Chair Diane Hamburg

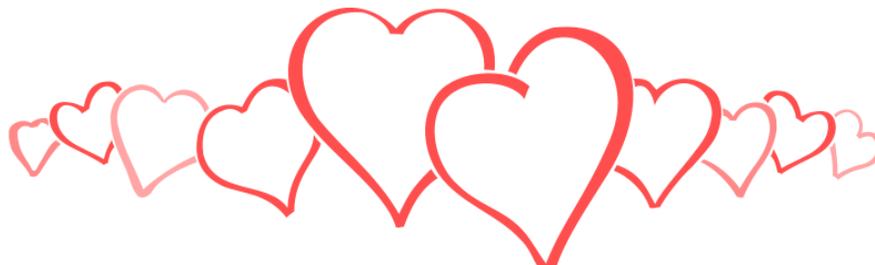
February – Nassau County High School Student Art Show. Chair Denise Murphy

March – Members' Show "Splash of Color". Chair Karen Trowbridge

April/May – "People". Chair Jim McKinney

Please note: Receptions are at 6:30 pm, unless otherwise noted, and are held at our IAA Gallery, 18 North 2nd Street, Fernandina Beach.

You may enter two artworks per show. Fees: Members \$15/one entry, \$25/two entries; Non-Members \$25/entry. The limits for 2D and 3D art are not to exceed 144 united inches (e.g., the outside measurements of the four sides of the frame, or four sides of the 3D artwork, are not to be greater than 144 inches; for example, 36" + 36" + 36" + 36"). Note: no more than two entries per artist will be accepted. Work should be ready to hang with appropriate hanging wires (NO saw tooth hangers or tiny hooks).



Amelia Island Art Chat

Now that January is behind us, it's time to think about hearts and flowers and music – sort of, anyway. For February, award-winning portrait photographer and photojournalist Page Tehan is offering a photographic journey into Cambodia after the fall of the Pol Pot regime. She will take us into remote areas to view, up close, the renewal of village life, and offer a glimpse into the lives of current-day Cambodians. There will be time for questions about her subject matter and her thoughts on photography.

For March, we were thinking about a garden art theme, until Barb came up with an evening given to dulcimer music and dulcimer-making – heads up, 3D artists! All we will say about April for now is that poet T. S. Eliot called it "the cruelest month, breeding lilacs out of the dead land".

Art Chat is held on the third Tuesday of each month. It begins at 6:30 pm with a bit of food and wine. Presentations begin at 7:00 pm.

Barb Wylie and Virginia Dunlap, Co-Chairs, Arrangements Committee

Gallery Director's Corner

Vickie Maley vickie.maley@comcast.net

LOVE OUR GALLERY AND OUR ART! February – our month to spread the love of art!

Our sales showed a decline in the last few months of 2016 despite an uptick in Amelia Island tourism for the year. Hopefully, as our president suggested in our business meeting, this is just connected to the public's concern about the national economy overall.

Visitors to our Gallery love our art! Comments are complimentary about the Gallery and the artists who contribute, both associate and exhibiting artists. Public relations experts say that one comment to one person can spread to at least seven people. So one comment, whether positive or negative, can have much more effect than we realize when we say it. So let's sell our art!

We have something for everyone! Spread the word about our wonderful artists when people enter our Gallery and as you discuss art in your community and social engagements. Let people know that almost all of the art in the Gallery is original work. The styles, genres and mediums are varied for such a small Gallery. All the hanging art, jewelry and 3D art in artists' assigned spaces are original pieces. We do have one bin of original art. And the art sells for comparatively low prices. Many of our artists show in other galleries and win awards, too.

Quality art for a few hundred dollars is a rare and wonderful find, but if someone cannot spend that amount, we also have reproduction art, which is found only in the Reproduction Area and two bins. This is an opportunity for folks to buy quality prints of our artists' original art at a very cost effective price.

Finally, Picasso reminds us that "the purpose of art is washing the dust of daily life off our souls." Anyone can spend a few peaceful moments walking through our beautiful Gallery washing off their dust, clearing their minds and appreciating our art – for free! And then, they can tell a few of their friends about their wonderful experience at the Island Art Gallery in Fernandina Beach.

Vickie Maley, Gallery Director

What's Happening Here and There by *Barbara Fuller*

Wow! We have acquired 20 new members in this past month. How exciting is that! A hearty welcome to all of you! Lis Krawiecki, our Secretary and thus our membership guru, has had a goal of increasing our membership to over 200. She reached that goal on January 19th when the 201st person, Bernadette Burkemper, became that member. Did you come to the "Art Chat" meeting on January 17? If you did, you heard about the exciting outreach plans in place and some plans for the future. Perhaps you knew about some of them and that is why you joined us. If you signed on for art classes, that is good, too. Just know that we would like to keep you busy and we have so many projects to keep you occupied.

Did you know about our children's program? This will be the third year for the kid's camp held on the third week in July. Volunteers are always welcome to help or to teach. The children have a fun week of doing just about anything you can think of, art wise. There is also an ongoing, once-a-month program for children. Each month there will be a different teacher. Check with Sharon Haffey at sshaffey@aol.com. I know that she would appreciate your help and ideas.

One of our new members, Pipar West, will be teaching a five-week class in "hand building" clay, for kids in the second to fifth grade levels. It starts on Wednesday, February 8 at 4:00 pm. Anyone who would like to help Pipar, email her at piparwest@att.net.

As though Pipar weren't volunteering enough of her time with her kids' project, jumping in as she did with both feet (obviously those not made of clay), she will also be taking over from Paula Porterfield-Izzo as liaison to The Council on Aging. For the past three years (I think), Paula did a great job creating art projects for the seniors. The time came to pass the paint brush, so to speak, and Pipar who was an art teacher for 17 years, reached for it.

Our community outreach goes in many directions, or perhaps, in this case the community reached out to us. "Seascapes," a not-for-profit group, donated a large sum of money for community projects, including a beautiful all-purpose park at Egan's Creek. "Seascapes" held a contest asking for sculptors to compete for their designs to be placed in the garden area. Joe Winston, and one of our new members, Songmi Keating, were two of the winners. The foundations for their sculptures have been poured and we will soon see Joe and Songmi's winning designs in place.

The TDC, (Tourist Development Council) is another organization that reached out to the art community. Artists were asked to participate in creating sculptures from beach debris left over from Hurricane Matthew. There were 21 applicants for this creative effort. The winning sculptures will be placed at six beach access points. Reflecting on the marvelous designs made from beach finds that Rosemary Skidmore brings to Saturday's breakfast critiques, I can only say that those other applicants better have really good imaginations. Joe Winston, as we well know, is no slacker when it comes to his winning sculptures and is participating,

too. They and we will know who the winners are by the time you read this newsletter.

TDC has been working hard to encourage and welcome people to the downtown. They were responsible for "Dickens on Centre". Now they are encouraging our boutiques to stay open for the Saturday Night Art Walks. In the next year, we will be seeing so many changes. Go to the town meetings on the second Wednesday of each month to throw your two cents into the fray. We will see a new hotel open across the street from the IAA Gallery. After the dust settles, the occupants won't be able to resist seeing what is behind our colorful walls.

You notice that I haven't even mentioned the Shrimp Festival. I beg, not suggest, but beg you to sign up to work on a Shrimp Festival committee. We need your help to participate in the event that keeps our organization glued together. For the second year, Mark Bennett will be in charge of that huge job. Pipar, mentioned twice above, has volunteered to assist Mark.

In the meantime, we will continue to provide a great variety of classes for grownups and kids. Come to our meetings. Come to our new Sunday afternoon "Art Flicks". Share your ideas with us. When you come into the Gallery, introduce yourself to us. Remember that we each work there just once a month, so the person you said hello to the last time you were there will probably not be the one you meet the next time you walk in. We are really happy when you share your time with us. Participate in the Nouveau Art Shows. (It is the best way for us to get to know you.) Welcome new members! We are so happy that you have joined your and our Island Art Association.

Barbara Fuller

Top Sellers

Thanks go out to the following people who were the top ten selling artists in the gallery for the fourth quarter of 2016.

Camille Breen	Denise Murphy
Gwen Cowart	Paula Porterfield - Izzo
Sharon Haffey	Milt Shirley
Diane Hamburg	Leslie Urban
Lis Krawiecki	Joe Winston

Art Education

Current and Upcoming Classes

Information sheets are available at the IAA Gallery sales desk and information is on www.islandart.org Classes are held at the Art Education Center, 18 North 2nd Street, Fernandina Beach.

Opportunities at the Education Center

Check our website – www.islandart.org – for complete details about each of the workshops listed here.

Watercolors with Cedar Kindy,
Jan. 27 & 28

Drawing Classes with Nofa Dixon,
February 3 & 10 (Free to IAA Members)

Clay Classes for Children with Pipar West
February 8, 15, 22, March 1, 8 (free; \$25 supplies fee)

How to Use Your Cell Phone Camera & the Basics & Secrets of the iPhone/iPad with Bill Raser and John “The Computer Guy” Dyal
February 11

Christine Peloquin Mixed Media Workshop,
Feb 17-18

“Bigger, Faster, Fresher, Looser” Contemporary/ Painting with David Kessler,
Feb. 22-24

Oil and Acrylic Painting with Elio Camacho,
February 26-March 3

Making Social Media Make Sense with Lynnette Najimy,
March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2

Chinese Watercolors with Lian Zhen,
March 16 & 17

Intuitive Art with Candy Schultheis,
March 24 & 25

Watercolor “Skillet” Batik Workshop with Linda Hammons,
April 6

“Go Big, Go Bold” Painting with Filomena Booth,
April 13-15

A Painting a Day with Lisa Kennedy,
April 21 & 22

Painting with Jane Slivka
May 12 & 13

Paper Painting Collage with Elizabeth St. Hillaire,
May 29-31

Ongoing Art Opportunities

Free Children’s Art: Free guided activities provided by local artists for school age children. You must register for each session individually by calling the IAA Gallery at 904-261-7020 or signing up in person at the Gallery desk. The next sessions are February 25 and March 18. There are two groups, one for children ages 6-10, 10:00-11:00 am, and a group for youngsters 10 and above 11:15 am-12:30 pm.

Portrait Group: Come join other artists in creating art with the benefit of a live model. No advanced registration required. There is no instruction, but plenty of positive support from fellow artists. Tuesdays in February, 7:00-9:00 pm. \$5.00 fee. Contact Paul Massing at 904-321-0738.

Photography Interest Group: Free to the public. Come see demonstrations, technical presentations and a monthly critique (show and tell) of photographers’ work. The group usually meets at 7:00 pm on the 4th Thursday of the month in the Art Education Center. For more information, Contact Pat Hooks at path11@comcast.net or 904-277-2595.

Tuesday Afternoon Open Studio: This is a chance to participate in a drop-in studio group. Bring your own supplies and work with other artists. There is no formal instruction, just artist friends supporting and mentoring each other. Tuesdays 1:00- 5:00 pm. \$5.00 fee. Contact Mary Quinlan at 904-321-0112 or macq5050@gmail.com

Thursday Morning Open Studio: Bring your own supplies and work in a supportive atmosphere with other artists. Thursdays 9:00 am-noon, \$5.00 fee. Contact Gretchen Williams at 904-491- 3171 or gretchw@att.net

Thursday Afternoon Open Studio: This is another opportunity to bring your own supplies and paint with a group. Thursdays from 1:00-5:00 pm, \$10.00/month. Contact Jean Riley at 904-261- 5471 or rileystardust@bellsouth.net

Announcements

Can We Do This Together?

Every year, our local Bed & Breakfast Inns conduct a festive event called the "B&B Cookie Tour". For 2017, the event is Saturday, December 9 (approx 11:45 am-5:00 pm). The inns generously donate their proceeds to a nonprofit in exchange for the organization providing volunteers, stationed at the beautifully decorated inns. Last year's proceeds, given to Micah's Place, amounted to \$4,600! Proceeds vary year to year. For 2017, 50 volunteers are needed, and IAA could be amongst recipient organizations, if we submit our application and it is approved. Although we don't anticipate IAA being able to provide 50 volunteers, we could provide 25 and split proceeds with another organization able to provide 25 (*volunteer shifts can be arranged*). Cultivating a relationship with our B&B's could increase awareness of, while leading to more friends and support for IAA. Volunteers don't have to be IAA members - we could bring a friend, and perhaps increase membership, too! Please respond to mailbox@islandart.org, if YOU are willing to lend a hand (and your entire body!) at this event to benefit of IAA programs. IAA's application for consideration is competitive and due no later than February 12, so please indicate your interest as soon as you can. Let's do this together!

Artist of the Month

Chad Bridges is our Featured Artist for February. The Featured Artist reception will be held February 11, 5:00-7:00 pm, during Artwalk. Chad is a 3D artist. During the reception, he will debut his drywall sculptures and PVC pipe sculptures.

Yart Sale Coming Up

Spring Yart Sale will be Saturday, March 4, 10:00 am-2:00 pm at IAA. Clean out your studio, sell unwanted supplies and artwork that you know you will never use, but takes space. Register at the Gallery desk to reserve one of the 12 spots or contact Sharon Haffey for information, 904-310-9194. Participation fee, \$15.00. Tables available to IAA Members only, but the event will be open to the public.

Opportunity for Individual Artists

The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida is accepting applications for individual artist development. Denise Murphy, exhibiting member, is a former grantee. Details and application can be found at <https://www.jaxcf.org/apply>

Clay Classes for Children

Beginning February 8, Pipar West will be offering a five-week class for youngsters using clay. The class will meet in the Art Education Center 4:00-5:30 pm each Wednesday; although the sessions are free, a \$25 supplies fee is required. Sign-ups are at the IAA Gallery desk.

Don't Miss "Art Flicks"

Free Sunday afternoon "Art Flicks" at 3:00 pm in the Art Education Center. Upcoming: February 5 - Rembrandt; February 12 - Rothko; February 19 - Georgia O'Keefe.

Membership

Our membership continues to grow, and we want to keep it that way! Tell all your friends and art lovers that membership is now half price until June 1. We want to welcome back two of our previous members, and welcome our newest members. Please update your Membership Yearbooks. If you don't have one, please stop by the Gallery and pick one up. Please note that unless specified, all addresses are in Fernandina Beach, FL 32034.

Please update your directory with the contact for one of our new member families, and with these changes of address and phone numbers. If your phone number, email or address changes, please contact Lis Krawiecki at liskrawiecki@gmail.com

Welcome back!

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Welcome new members!

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Welcome new members! (Con't)

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Associate member Betty Rufus is now trained and ready to work the front desk. She has reviewed the "*Procedures and Forms Manual*", toured the Gallery, and reviewed sales procedures. Associate members work with an exhibiting member at all times, as they are not under contract to work like exhibiting members and do not have keys. They, therefore, should not be left on their own by exhibiting members, especially to open the gallery or to close the gallery. We are excited that we have a new face who is excited to start working with us.

Welcome, Betty!



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