



April 2008

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## The Stone Carver



Our October 2007 issue featured a story by **Rachel Trockman**, "The Musings of a Stone Carver." This month, Rachel will do a presentation that will show her process for Sculpting. See Page 4 for the time and place for our **April Program!**



The piece in the upper right corner is named "**Mind, Body: Woman.**" This work was accepted in the **Minnesota State Fair Fine Arts Exhibit 2007.**

Rachel has recently retired from practicing medicine at Hennepin County Medical Center. She has been making art since the early 80's and studied with **Florence Hill.** She has studied sculpting at the Minnetonka Center for the Arts and has worked in clay, bronze and began stone carving in 2001. Rachel will share images of her carving process.

The photograph of Rachel and another Mind, Body sculpture was taken at the Minnesota Sculptors Exhibit last year at the Arboretum.

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## President's Corner

by Ron Wilson



**Cal deRuyter** gave our group a very interesting Demo in March. One tip that I especially enjoyed was his "Stink Test" method. He sets his paintings up for a week or so around his TV and if he still thinks they work as good art in that time, they pass the test.

He also said that with watercolor, all colors are opaque if you leave most of the water out. He worked right out of the tube and sometimes squirted paint directly on his paper and spread it with the end of the tube.



From the beginning when the sky was yellow to the end when it was multi-colored it was fun to see the painting develop and change!



### We will all miss 2 members of MAA

**Dr. Jim Duffy** passed away in February. His Basilica paintings were on Display along with 8 other artists. He donated two paintings to the Basilica.

We will also miss **Bill Smeltz** who recently passed away from Parkinson's Disease. He did Perfectly executed oils of glass!

**We have been invited** to show our paintings in Jackson, MN during their annual "Race Days" for the "Art in the Park" Festival in the Festival Park in downtown Jackson. They charge \$20.00 for a 12x12 space. You can bring a tent or paintings and support and sun protection. The date is Saturday, July 19, 2008. If you are interested, for more details, call **Gene Terres at 612-825-4512**

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## Brag Box

"If Ya Done it, it  
Ain't Braggin"

Member  
accomplishments  
Exhibits,  
winning awards . . .



Over 500 artists submitted over 900 entries to the 32nd Annual Exhibition of the Transparent Watercolor Society of America. **Judy Lieber's**, "The Russian Girl," was one of only 85 paintings selected by the esteemed Juror, Ted Nuttall.

**Ed Shimek** also was accepted into this Exhibition! We would definitely say Ed is getting **RESPECT!!**

The show will be held at the Bloomington Art Center.

This celebrated event will be held at the Bloomington Art Center on June 14, 2007.

10:00 a.m. - Demonstration by Cheng Khee Chee

3:30 p.m. - Gallery Walk by Juror Ted Nuttall

7:30 p.m. - Award Ceremony

Put it on your calendar!

**Kathy Braud** had art accepted into the 2008 Red River Watercolor Society Juried Spring Show.

Her work was also accepted into the juried 2008 Minnesota Watercolor Society Spring Show.

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Dear Friends,

Mike just listed one of my new boat paintings on Ebay. I'm sure it's a long shot to try to sell a painting on Ebay since there are thousands of them but we thought it would be fun to try! If you'd like to check it out I think you can find it by putting in : **Marjorie Moody** Original watercolor. It's one of my new Boat Series paintings.

Another boat painting was recently accepted in a national show. My next home art show will be Sunday, June 1st.

You can also see paintings on my website:

[http://web.mac.com/mjzphoto1/iweb/Moody/Marjorie Moody.html](http://web.mac.com/mjzphoto1/iweb/Moody/Marjorie%20Moody.html)

Hope you are all feeling well and enjoying Spring!

Take care, Marj

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**Marilyn Brown** has her work up at **Curran's Restaurant** April & May





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the Winter  
Exhibit:  
Carol by  
Harry  
Heim

*More Brag Box!!!*

**Judy Lieber** won 2nd place in the Lake Country Pastel Society show for her painting entitled, Fashion Queens. The exhibit is at the Robbin Gallery in Robbinsdale.

Her oil painting, Jazz, can be viewed at the Thrivent Bldg downtown. **Ginny Olson & Ron Merchant** also have paintings in this show which traveled from the Elk River National Show held earlier.

Deadline May 2008 News  
Friday April 25, 2008  
10:00 A.M.  
See Page 2 for Editor Information

### *April 2008 Program*

Our meeting will be April 15th,  
2008 at the Bloomington Art  
Center.

Come at 6:30 for Social Time.  
Presentation on Sculpture  
at 7:00 p.m.

By Rachel Trockman

### *Future Programs*

Our May Meeting will be our  
Spring Exhibition. See details on  
the exhibition form. Be sure to  
plan to visit at the reception!