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MINNESOTA ARTISTS' ASSOCIATION / SINCE 1937

The First all Media Art Organization in Minnesota

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!



Birds of a Different Feather by Terrie Christian

Do you long for a group that supports artists that make different choices in their medium and style? If so, then **Minnesota Artists' Association** is for you!

There are organizations in our area that just are for a particular medium such as watercolor or pastel, etcetera. We know of no group for oil painters, colored pencil, collage artists and others you can probably think of.

ART IS A STATE OF MIND

Do you want to hang out with artists that are doing all kinds of different art? We have artists that are practicing styles from realistic to pure abstract and everything in between. Artists who want to experiment in subject matter and mediums are welcome with us. Landscapes, portraits, figures, fantasy, what do you want to create? **Minnesota Artists' Association** welcomes you to join us. We also have members who range in age from their twenties to their eighties!

SOME BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

- A Monthly Newsletter from September to May
- Monthly meetings from Fall to Spring
- Demonstrations and Figure Drawing
- A web site where you can feature your own paintings
- Two membership Exhibitions per year with prizes
- A Potluck/Show and Tell Party

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President's Corner *by Ron Wilson*

I hope everyone had a good summer and had some time to paint.

The **MAA Board** would like to bring you up to date on what was discussed at our board meeting on August 22. Board members present were **Judy Lieber, Sylvia Rudolf, Terrie Christian,**

Gene Terres, Jeanna Meyer, Amanda McCarty, Ron Wilson, and Charlie Breems .

We first of all thanked **Amanda** for the great job she has done on the **MAA website**. Check it out at: mnartistsassociation.org, if you can. It is proving to be an effective vehicle for obtaining new members. We have links to our website on other arts organizations, including mnartists.org and Springboard for the Arts. **Charlie Breems** will look into getting links on the local art supply store websites. Thanks to new member, **Stephan Chase** for adding his paintings to the website gallery. Any MAA member can put two paintings on the site. Call **Amanda McCarty** if you need to know how to do that. Amanda has agreed to work on newsletters with **Terrie**, in place of **Onnalee Graham**, who has asked to be let out of that commitment. We thank **Onnalee** for her years of dedication to the newsletter and our new color brochure.

Gene reported that the Powderhorn Art Fair went well and resulted in an award from Powderhorn, but rain on Saturday cut into sales. The board decided to replace the used canopy with a new E-Z Up canopy for next year. If anyone knows where we can get a good price on a new one, call **Gene Terres**. I have decided to ask someone to be Gene's assistant Powderhorn chair, as our participation in the art fair is a big job and Gene has been doing it by himself. We will also be asking next May for members interested in showing in the Powderhorn Fair to commit to helping set-up and take down, as we do with shows.

Gene has applied for a grant from the Minnesota Sesquicentennial committee for expenses for MAA members to do twelve Minnesota historical paintings as a Sesquicentennial calendar. More on this if our application is accepted. Paintings of the of St. Mary's Basilica by MAA members were chosen for its 2007 calendar, and Gene is lining up another church for a similar calendar.

Sylvia reported that the fall show will be a little later this year, in December and January, at Eden Prairie government center, where we have shown before, with an added "Holiday Boutique" promotional event aimed at city employees and residents. As you can see by the card in this issue, dues are due now (September) and only current paid members can enter the December show.

This was a long-winded president's column, but the board wanted all MAA members to know that we have exciting things happening in MAA. Tell your artist friends to check the website, mnartistsassociation.org, and become a member.

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Meet Charlie Breems
Who has agreed to become our Vice President. We appreciate his willingness to serve the Members of MAA

Brag Box

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

Member
accomplishments
Exhibits,
winning awards . . .

Just being accepted into the Minnesota State Fair is a big deal. There have been actual shows made up some years of the paintings that were rejected! Several **MAA** members were excepted and some won awards!

Kathy Braud won 3rd Honors for her painting "Park Trails". **Watercolor**

Rita Beyer Corrigan won 3rd Place for her painting "Morning Walk". **Pastel**

Emmy White won Honorable Mention for her painting "BLT's For Lunch". **Watercolor.**

Ron Merchant's Oil Painting "Street Walkers" was accepted in the show.

Ginny Olson's Watercolor Painting "Into the Silence" was also accepted.

Congratulations to you all! If I missed anybody, please let me know and we will publish your award next month.

A Note of Gratitude!

*I want to give a special thank you to **Onnalee Graham** for her years as Newsletter Editor. During her several years as Editor, Onnalee took the Publication from a mimeographed look with black and white imagery to the color we enjoy today. She was able to do this because of her resourcefulness in finding an inexpensive source of inks and her willingness to use her own personal printer to make our copies on. She also taught me the program we use to create the newsletter. **Terrie Christian***

Programs

By Judy Lieber, Program Chair

Because of scheduling conflicts, there will be no program in September.

Our first program will be on the 2nd Tuesday in October, which is a week earlier than our normal time.

Greg Lipelt will be giving a Demo on **ADDRESSING RIGIDITY.**



Mark your calendars for Tuesday, October 8th from 6:30 to 9:30. Greg's Demo will begin at 7 p.m. The location will be at the St. Louis Park City Hall Conference Room. Look for an article from Greg in our next newsletter, and a location map for your convenience.

We expect to be able to return to our usual meeting night of the 3rd Tuesday beginning in November. More on Programs to be announced next month.

Bring your own paintings to share at meetings.



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**Deadline For October 2007 News
Friday, September 26, 2007
10:00 A.M.**

See Page 2 for Editor Information

*A Note from Your Editors:
Please send articles and photographs
For the Newsletter.*

We would welcome pictures that you take yourself before you put glass on your paintings Do you have something to say about art? Please send a short article about yourself or your thoughts about art. See e-mail addresses in the Board of Directors Box. on page 2.

The painting on the front page top right of this Newsletter is by Terrie Christian
Can you See the Rings?



Gene Terres

October Program

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Conflicts we will not have
a program in
September.**

See Page 3 for details.

**Special Thanks to
Gene Terres
For his dedication to
Our booth at the
Powderhorn
Art Fair
This year the Fair gave an
Award to MAA for
The Exhibit.**