

# MuseLETTER

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## Mark Your Calendar

**Jan 17, 2023 - Michael Schmidt in-person demo**, Bloomington Center for the Arts, 6:30 pm Social time, 7 pm Demo.

**Feb 21** - zoom - presentation by Jack, Jim & Marie, 6:30 pm Social time, 7 pm Demo.

**Mar 4** - Hopkins reception, 5-7 pm.

**April 18** - Steve Sack presentation, Bloomington Center for the Arts, 6:30 pm Social time, 7 pm Demo.

**May 16** - Potluck - venue TBD

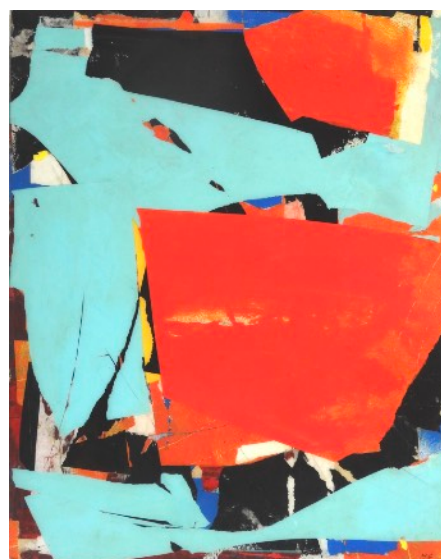
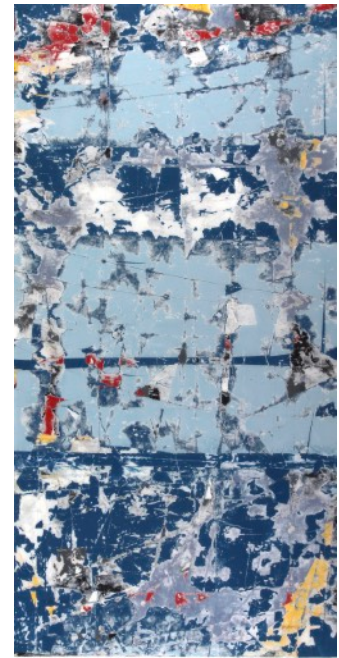
## January Meeting: Michael Schmidt Demo

Need a little color in your life in the middle of another cold, dark, Minnesota winter?

Interested in some new and experimental techniques to freshen up your art making?

Michael Schmidt will be offering a demonstration of his mixed media collage/painting technique. Inspired by the urban landscape, Michael combines painting, printmaking and paper collage to create dynamic and layered abstract paintings.

Michael was born and raised in Canada. He studied History at the University of Toronto and studied Painting at Sheridan College of Art and Design. He moved to the Twin Cities 30 years ago and has worked as an artist ever since. His work has been exhibited locally and



regionally and his paintings hang in private and corporate collections throughout the US, Canada and Europe.

Bloomington Center for the Arts,  
1800 W Old Shakopee Rd,  
Bloomington, MN 55431

Take the elevator or stairs to the 2nd floor, turn left, past the gallery wall and all the way down the hall to Room 2020 on the right.



## Fun and Food at the Potluck



Our annual potluck and show & tell turned out to be a delicious and fun evening even though attendance was down due to the pouring rain and threat of freezing rain. Thankfully all 12 of us got home safely!

We had several hot dishes: quinoa with hamburger, tomato & cheese, a chicken noodle casserole, and a rice and vegetable dish. Others brought a meat, cheese & nut platter with crackers, spicy feta cheese spread & eggplant spread with pita chips, deviled eggs and several sweet treats!

We had quite a variety of show & tell artworks including charcoal

drawings, a mosaic, colored pencil drawings, hand made watercolor cards, a couple of oil paintings, watercolor floral, a large 3D acrylic assemblage painting, and some photography among others. It is always fun to see what people are working on! A couple of new members attended which was great!

Many thanks to Jeanne Emrich for hosting our party at the beautiful Point of France condo party room in Edina! It really is the perfect place to have our holiday party! Thanks to Diane Gilbertson for providing the decorations too!

## Member News

**Sushila Anderson's** "Elephant" is in the "Member Artist Exhibit," at Red Wing Arts Depot



Gallery, 418 Levee St., Red Wing, MN 55066, January 13 - February 18th, 2023 (winter hours for the gallery are Thursday and Fridays, 12-4 pm, Saturdays 10-4 pm, and open by appointment). The Artist Reception is Friday, January 20, 2023 from 5-7pm.

**Sonja Hutchinson's** painting "Making the Cut" has been juried into the 2023 Arts North Exhibition at the Hopkins Center for the Arts. The show runs from January 14 - February 25 with the opening reception on January 14 from 6 to 8 pm.



**JuliAnne Jonker's** work is featured in the Best of Drawing 14th Annual Strokes of Genius presented by the Artist Magazine's an American Artist. Her self-portrait is the opening portrait with a two page spread!



The International Artist Magazine features JuliAnne in their Masters Showcase with her self-portrait charcoal drawing.

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## Mission

The mission of MAA is to educate, encourage, and inspire visual artists of all mediums and skill levels, offer fellowship and a supportive environment for creativity, and be a vital presence in the community through our programs and exhibitions.

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## Member News continued

In the December issue of Fine Art Connoisseur, she was one of the Five to Watch featured artists. Her painting "Cupid and Psyche" is shown with the article.



Her solo exhibition "Alchemy" continues at DAnthony Gallery in Wausau until January 14. Fine Art Connoisseur Online had a feature about the exhibition.



Her painting "Selene Goddess of the Moon" is included in the Era Contemporary Exhibition Legends of the Moon in Pennsylvania at the Tyler Arboretum. "Selene" is also included in the lunar codex of paintings going to the moon! "Selene" was also included in the Beautiful Bizarre Magazine article about the Legends of the Moon Exhibit.



## Documentary Alert

"Manufactured Landscapes" involves the photographs and videos of photographer and visual artist [Ed Burtynsky](#)'s trip through landscapes that have been altered by large-scale human activity.

This film took me out of my comfort zone, but also showed me beauty I otherwise wouldn't have seen. Might be best in several small doses. Available on Amazon Prime. - Marie