

MuseLETTER

Minnesota Artists' Association since 1937

Mark Your Calendar

Social time from 6:30-7p
Program starts at 7p

Tuesday, October 20, 6:30 - 9 PM. 7 PM program brought to us by the *Springboard for the Arts*, an hour-long **Zoom workshop on how to write an artist statement**, followed by a **Show & Tell** of our 3D Challenge Creations

Thursday, November 12, 6:30 PM Zoom meeting with talk by juror Bonnie Lauber-Westover & announcement of awards

Tuesday, December 15 - potluck & show & tell - dependent on Covid-19 status

Tuesday, January 19, 6:30 - 9 PM - TBD

Tuesday, February 16, 6:30 - 9 PM - TBD

March - Edina Art Center (EAC) exhibition -

Tuesday, April 20 - 6:30 - 9 PM - demo at JuliAnne Jonker's studio

Tuesday, May 18 - 6:30 - 9 PM - potluck & show & tell - dependent on Covid-19 status

October Meeting

Write an Artist Statement Like a Pro

- How do you self-identify as an artist?
- What do you create?
- What makes you interested in what you do?

Get to the core of who you are as an artist, and you'll be able to mold your statement to any scenario, whether it is for your website, applying for funding or writing a proposal for a project.

In this workshop, you'll get a hands-on, step-by-step approach to writing a range of statements that best represent your work as an artist.

Stay tuned we'll receive a pdf from the presenter in advance of the event.

Tips for the 3D challenge

Gary Carlson, the found object artist we just saw in September, made some suggestions for those of us that don't normally work in 3D:

- Have a center of interest
- Use the same principles we use when painting - color, line, texture, shape, etc.
- Keep it simple - don't use too many objects; don't make it too big - 16 x 20 or smaller
- Do a high relief rather than full 3D; start with some backing material - plywood, foam core, etc.
- Make a mobile
- Carve wood
- Use clay

The main thing is to have fun and not worry about creating something spectacular, although you might!

There will be two People's Choice awards (\$75 gift certificate each for Wet Paint) for the 3D Challenge! We'll be voting at the end of the meeting on October 20th. Good luck!



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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Success with Zoom and the Carlsons!

We had 17 participants including the presenters. Gary and Mary Ann Carlson shared photos of their amazing found art sculptures describing in detail the gathering and storing of the objects, the process of creating them and the way that they stow & transport them to gallery shows.

We saw pictures of their property with a huge barn structure that houses their gallery and had a tour of the inside of their workspace.

Gary was the main presenter but we also saw a few of Mary Ann's sculptures as well. They make a great team with each one creating their individual artworks (very different from each other) but providing feedback & support when requested.

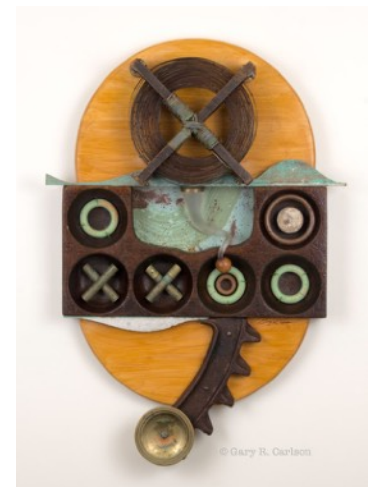
Gary taught photography so he makes sure the photos of their art are professional and Mary Ann does the computer finishing touches making sure the color is accurate.

The work was exquisite, sometimes making a statement and, other times, humorous. Composition and balance are key elements in Gary's work. A finishing touch of crystal clear acrylic spray (matte) retains the colors caused by oxidation on his found objects.

It was an inspiring evening!



Gary Carlson, Gothic Spring



Gary Carlson, River of Souls

MAA Fall Members Exhibition Registration Due October 15th

Exhibition Dates: **November 12, 2020 - January 1, 2021**
(Virtual only)

Entry Form Deadline: **Thursday, October 15, 2020**

Juror: Bonnie Lauber-Westover

Zoom awards presentation: **Thursday, November 12, 6:30 PM**

Entry fees: \$15 for 2 entries; \$10 for 1 entry - Must be a member

Requirements:

- All work must be original, created solely by the artist.
- You must be a current member of MAA.
- Photographs & hand pulled prints are acceptable.
- Works previously displayed in MAA exhibitions are not acceptable.
- One or two works can be entered.
- The Ames Center receives a 25% commission on all sales.

Send jpegs & entry form by email to:
marjoriejmoody@aol.com

Prepare jpegs as follows: 1000 pixels or greater on shortest side, no larger than 2 MB, no smaller than 72 dpi.

Artist Name _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Entry #1

Artist Name _____

Title _____

Media _____ Price: _____

Entry #2

Name _____

Title _____

Media _____ Price _____

Please send your entry fee (check made out to MAA) by regular mail to:

Marjorie Moody 1220 Pascal St. No. St. Paul, MN 55108

Questions: Call Marjorie (651) 644-0068 or email marjoriejmoody@aol.com

Fall Show is Virtual Only

Our fall members show at The Ames Center will be virtual only, meaning that it will be online on their website & facebook page but not be physically in the gallery. Their gallery is not currently open due to covid-19. I hope you will still enter the show, though! We will still have it juried and have our usual awards & ribbons!

Three - Awards of Excellence - each \$100.

Three - Awards of Merit - each \$50.

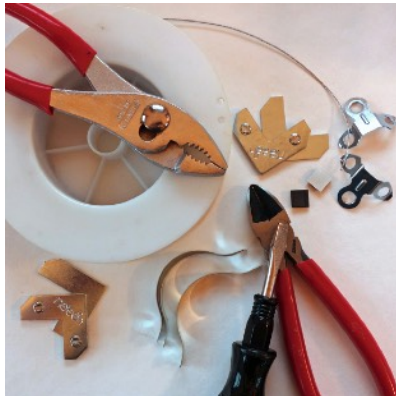
Three - Honorable Mentions - each \$25.

You must be current on your dues to enter the show.

We lowered the show entry fee since it is virtual only so you can enter 2 artworks for \$15 or 1 artwork for \$10.

Feeling Entrepreneurial?

Stephens' Art & Frame, 3600 Lexington Avenue North, Shoreview, MN 55126, is selling their business. The list price includes all inventory, equipment & art. Ben is 76 years old now and ready to retire. For further information, please contact Ben Stephens III at (651) 248-8659.



It's Dues Time

Our annual dues of \$25 (\$40 family membership) are due September 1, 2020 for the calendar year of September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021. Please make the check out to MAA and send with the following information to our new treasurer Wayne Sisel.

- Name
- Full address
- Phone numbers
- Email address

Send to:

Wayne Sisel
1567 Fulham St
St Paul, MN 55108

Member News

Artists, please send your "arty news" to panlener@mac.com with the subject line "MAA Arty News" to have it included in the next MuseLETTER.

Rita Beyer Corrigan

- Accepted into Artistry's Annual Members' Juried Art Exhibition with *Superior Surge*.

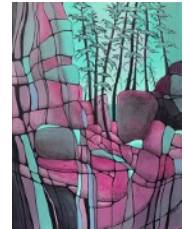


Shakun Maheshwari

- Exhibiting at Art Works 3795 Pilot Knob Rd Eagan through October 23rd
- Art work in the gift shop in October at the Textile center
- Participating in Soladarity; art work at His & Her Clothing - 1197 Payne Ave. October 1-3

Richard Mittelstadt

- Accepted into both the 2020 Fine Line Creative Arts Center Juried Purely Abstract Exhibition; Artistry's Annual Members' Juried Art Exhibition, and will also virtually appear in the virtual MAA Fall Membership Exhibition. *Mountain Trail*



Marie Panlener

- Exhibiting 21 Abstract Watercolors called *A Light in the Window* at the Phipps Center for the Arts through October 18th.
- Accepted into Artistry's Annual Members' Juried Art Exhibition with *Tic, Tac, Toe*.
- Accepted into NSW National Juried Show with *Wind, Wings Farewell*



Emmy White

- Accepted into Artistry's Annual Members' Juried Art Exhibition with *Planning the Day*.
- Accepted in the Mpls/StPaul Airport Slide Show, representing artists with a studio in the NE Arts District.

