



Topeka Art Guild & Gallery, Inc.

FEBRUARY TAG NEWSLETTER 2010

Your connection to the creative side of Topeka

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT by Marie Plinsky

We are so excited to be so close to our next Fund Raiser, Paint Pink for Uninsured Women of Marian Clinic. These funds will go to help pay medical costs of women of Shawnee County that are uninsured. I think is a wonderful use of our talents to help others in our local area.

Please understand that the payout of commissions will be different because of the joint effort of TAG and Marian Clinic. Marian Clinic ask that we change our focus from just cancer to women's health in general. One big surprise in organizing this has been the response of musicians. Many times 2-D and 3-D artists are ask to just give product without compensation to charity groups. The Paint Pink committee has been surprised to learn that the musicians that we have ask to help us, have no problem asking for compensation. Maybe artists should learn from this example.

The Board and Gallery Committee are both looking for members to fill positions that will open in May 2010. The Board has found that members that have connections in the community are very helpful. If you have someone to suggest to the Board please let one of the Board members know the name and phone of that person. The open positions are Historian, Workshops, Membership, Newsletter and Grants.

The Gallery Committee needs 3-D chair, High School Exhibits/Scholarships, and E-mail . Any member of the gallery committee can give you more information on the tasks each of these positions require. The more quickly the positions are filled the more efficient the gallery and board will continue to be.

Please help us get the word around Topeka about the Feb./March Fund Raiser. There are fliers in the gallery members make take to place in local business. Be creative, take one to your dog groomer, hairdresser, massage therapist, favorite restaurant, etc.

*******PAINT PINK GUIDELINES*******

Entries for Paint Pink must be in a black frame, but can be any size, any subject any medium, INCLUDING 3-D!!!! Let's fill the gallery with great new art works. We need to offer works in many different price ranges to allow more people to purchase--5" X 7" to 48" square. All sales from Paint Pink will be distributed as follows: artist - 50%, TAG - 25%, and Marian Clinic – 25%. There will be NO DISCOUNTS on art for February and March due to the changes in commission for this show!! Also, if you choose to donate all the proceeds of the sale of your artwork, your entry fee will be waived.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

**FEBRUARY 4, 2010
VIP RECEPTION FOR
PAINT PINK
FIRST FRIDAY
5-8PM**

**FEBRUARY 5, 2010
FIRST FRIDAY
5-8PM**

**STUDENT SHOW
JEFF WEST**

**FEBRUARY 7, 2010
MEMBERSHIP
MEETING
2-4PM**

**FEBRUARY 8 2010
5:30 GALLERY
COMMITTEE MEETING
6:30 BOARD MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 15,2010
DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER**

**MARCH 12,13, 14, 2010
ALL MEDIUMS STILL
LIFE II
9AM-5PM**

**MARCH 20, 2010
WATERCOLOR I
LANDSCAPE,
PORTRAIT OR OBJECT
10AM-4PM**

**UPCOMING SHOW
PROMISE OF SPRING
ENTRY DAY MARCH 28**

FEBRUARY ARTIST OF THE MONTH – BOBBIE RIEGER

1958, Bobbie Rieger received an A.A.D. from William Woods College in Fulton, Missouri. She attended Washburn University of Topeka, graduating with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree and a Teacher Education Degree in 1964.

"Art has always been a part of my life from childhood to an adult. Art is life, life is art." Bobbie says. Not limiting herself to any one media, she works in watercolor, oil, pastels, ink and acrylic. Combining sometimes several media in her paintings. She has been honored with various awards and has had her work accepted in numerous juried shows in Kansas.

Artists Association - Rural Urban Show - Winner
Artist Collection, Topeka, KS
Collective Art Gallery, Topeka, KS

Framewoods Gallery, Topeka, KS
Grace Episcopal Church - Cloister Gallery - Topeka
Historic Columbian Theatre, Wamego, KS
Kansas Post Card Series XXII
Pittsburg Art Council - Pittsburg, KS - One Woman Show(45 items)
Topeka Art Guild - Summer Show - Honorable Mention
Topeka Art Guild Fall Show - Second Place
Topeka Art Guild - Winter Show
The Art Guild Topeka Public Library Show
Topeka Public Library - Honorable Mention
Topeka Urban Art Show - Artists Association - Judges Award



WORKSHOPS

Dorothy Foster "All Mediums Still Life II"

March 12,13,14 (Fri., Sat. & Sun) 9 to 5, Members \$75 and Non-members \$95.

Join Dorothy as she teaches this still life workshop. She will be teaching simple set up using principles of composition, blocking in the painting, photographing set for reference and completion of a painting. She requests that registrants provide their own items for still life arrangement.

Connie English "Watercolor – Landscape or Portrait or Object"

March 20 (Sat) 10-4. Members \$50 and Non-members \$80

Connie will teach her method of watercolor techniques which are free flowing and full of delightful color.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

THANKS

Thanks to Kyle Lear with Shelter Insurance for providing the food for Charles Benton's First Friday reception. Charles' wife, Linda and their daughter Abby Lear did an amazing job setting everything up

for the reception and their help was greatly appreciated.

FIRST FRIDAY RECEPTIONS

Dorethy Hancock (246-0860) is asking that if anyone has colored tablecloths that we could use for First Friday receptions, please call her 1 to 2 weeks in advance. Keep in mind that tables are 8 feet long, so 2 "normal" tablecloths would be necessary, or a sheet. In subsequent months, a color scheme will be planned around the show's theme. Donations of finger foods are welcome and encouraged, as well. Please let Dorethy know what you have in mind. It's so much easier with everyone putting their resources together! Thanks!"

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

There will be a membership meeting on Sunday, February 7th from 2-4 pm. We will discuss selling art from the TAG website followed by a critique of each other's artwork. So bring in your art and get opinions from other members. Refreshments will be served. See you there!

INSPIRATIONS AT THE CLASSIC BEAN

Inspirations at Fairlawn Classic Bean: Nov. Dec. 2010

Call for Painters! So far we have had a positive response from TAG members interested in the Inspirations Exhibit at the Fairlawn Classic Bean scheduled for November and December of 2010. We are pairing photographers and painters together. Painters will work together with willing photographers by painting their interpretation of a TAG members photograph. Photographers who have expressed an interest in sharing their photography with willing painters for this exhibit are:

Charles Benton: 273-7980

Dorethy Hancock: 246-0860

Grant Jaquith and Delores Healey: 234-2644, website: www.northwindimage.com

Tammy Patterson: 267-1491, website: www.tscpgraphics.com

Joe Sutcliffe: website: www.indigostudio.us.

(Joe has ask you contact Tammy if you are interested in his photographs)

To view their photography: Browse the websites or contact the photographer if they do not have a website.

Both the photograph & painting will hang together, all artwork will be for sale in this exhibit.

If you would like to participate in the "Inspirations" exhibit or have any questions, please contact Tammy Patterson at: 267-1491. She needs to start planning on how many entries we will have and know who you are pairing with as soon as possible along with a copy of the photograph being used. Below is an Inspirations example:



Photograph



Painting

TAG WEBSITE – SELLING FROM THE WEBSITE!!

The Board has decided that it is time to make a move towards selling art from the TAG website.

In the last decade the Internet has become a powerful platform for communication and for doing business. It is the easiest way to reach the largest amount of people, in the shortest amount of time, with the smallest amount of money.

In order for this to work we are actively seeking artists who are comfortable with being promoted on a very public sphere such as the Internet. You must have at least ten to twenty pieces available for sale and be able to provide replacements as pieces are sold. You must be accessible and able to be reached by phone or email in a short amount of time. You must be willing to cooperate fully and put forth the effort to help us make sales and promote you.

Some of the things that will be asked of you are:

- You will need to provide a very detailed description of each work including images of work (You will be provided with a detailed form.)
- You will need to provide an insightful artist bio with picture included (You will be provided with a form.)
- You will be responsible for shipping your work through FedEx (customer will be charged for shipping).
- You will be responsible for providing prices including shipping costs and insurance. (You will be provided with a shipping chart.)

If you are interested in selling your art from the TAG website, or if you have questions at all please contact Pam Renovato at 817-8058 or alpha_9772@yahoo.com.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

- Marie Plinsky and the Allen Community College Design class I will have their architecture drawings on display at the Upstage Gallery (7th & Jackson) for Feb/March 2010. The class toured the Jayhawk Hotel and took photos of the architectural features and made drawings of that item.

OPPORTUNITIES

- **Rethink Topeka**, a one-day art event will take place Saturday, April 17, 2010, downtown to display the juried and chosen multimedia pieces entered in the event. www.rethinktopeka.com is the website or contact Justin Marable at rethinktopeka@gmail.com
- **The Midwest League of Schools Art Day** will be held in Alma at the Wabunsee High School. The Art Day will be on March 3, 2010. Artists will need to give 1 hour long workshops to 18-20 students at a time. If interested, contact Caroline Smith at 785-765-3315, or csmith@usd329.com
- **Secretary of State Building**- Members have the opportunity to show at the Secretary of State administration offices downtown. (120 SW 10th) This will be an ongoing exhibit that will be rotated every 4 months. The size of the framed artwork should be approximately 20" x 28" or smaller. This is preferred due to wall space. They require screw eyes and wire hanger to be secure. Sawtooth hangers are not allowed. There will be no commission taken from any sales. The next rotation will be the end of March 2010. Priority will be given to artists who enter one of the two next gallery exhibits (Dec/Jan and Feb/March shows). If interested, please contact Tammy Patterson at tscpgraphics@yahoo.com or 785.267.1491.
- **Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Topeka** would like artists to show in their buildings. 10-12 pieces, 2 month show. Call Julie 969-1124 or julieh2525@yahoo.com

THANK YOU

Thank you to the following members who made a contribution to TAG during December: Cynthia Enstrom and Bev Eschmann. Contributions are slowing down, **IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE CONSIDER A CONTRIBUTION TO TAG!!! Remember TAG is a non-profit group and your donations are tax deductible.**

ARTISTS WORK SOLD IN NOVEMBER

Congratulations to Dorethy Hancock, Tammy Patterson, Karen Lee, Naomi Cashman, Connie English, Marie Plinsky, Albo Glass, Phyllis Cory, Cher Olson, Cynthia Stotlar, Bobbie Rieger, Chris Prevost, and Dorothy Foster for sales of their artwork during December.

DONATIONS 2009--

Junior Partner Level

Creative Business Solutions - In Kind - computer and monitor

Contributing Partner Level

Kansas Tire & Auto Inc.

John R. Hamilton

Sabatini Family Foundation

Russell & Pat Windsor

Associate Level

Artist Collection-Ron Koerperich

Mark & Sharon Boranyak

Connie English

Louise Hamilton

Joanne Harrison

Southwind Gallery, Gary Blich

Friend Level

Roscoe and Mary Ann Earp

Barbara Hesse

Dave and Marie Plinsky

Olive Ubel

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If you are new to staffing, please call Dorothy Foster at 228-0315 or Marie at 232-3076 for last minute instructions.

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AMERICAN
MASTERPIECES

GALLERY COMMITTEE

- Gallery Committee Chair- Angela Lexow
- Secretary-2011, Louise Hamilton
- 3-D Chair -
- Corresponding Sec -2010-Dorothy Foster
- Entry Chair- 2012-Linda Humphries
- Selection/Judging-2011-Angela Lexow, Tammy Patterson, Michele Leivan
- Reception – 2010-Dorethy Hancock
- HS Exhibits- 2010-Lila Bartel
- Hanging-, 2012Angela Lexow, Tammy Patterson, Dalyn Patterson
- Off Site Exhibits-2011- Grant Jaquith, Delores Healey
- Email Chair -2011-Cynthia Stotlar
- Staffing Calendar - 2011- Dorothy Foster
- HS Scholarship-2010-Lila Bartel
- TAG Artist's Biographer-2012-Cynthia Stotlar

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President-2010-Marie Plinsky
- Vice-President-2010-Cynthia Stotlar
- Rec.Secretary-2011-Mark Saylor
- Newsletter – 2011-Angela Lexow,
- Office Manager- 2010-Roscoe Earp
- Marketing/Promos-2012- Autumn Prosser
- Web Master- 2011-Pam Renavato
- Historian- 2010-Phyllis Cory
- Gallery Rep – 2011-Louise Hamilton
- Workshops-2010-Cynthia Stotlar, Phyllis Cory
- Bylaws- 2011-Mark Saylor
- Membership Chair – 2010-Margaret McElroy (directory)
- Grant Chair – Barbara Ballentine
- Special Events – Cynthia Stotlar
- Cynthia Enstrom-2011, Claudia Larkin-2012, Douglas C. Fincher,-2012

