



Topeka Art Guild & Gallery, Inc.

**JULY
CALENDAR**

**JULY 3, 2009
FIRST FRIDAY ART
WALK
6:00-8:00 PM**

**JULY 4, 2009
GALLERY CLOSED
FOR HOLIDAY**

**JULY 13, 2009
5:00 GALLERY
COMMITTEE MEETING
6:00 BOARD MEETING**

**JULY 11, 2009
ARTIST'S WAY
WORKSHOP**

**JULY 15, 2009
DEADLINE FOR
NEWSLETTER**

**JULY 19, 2009
MEMBERS MEETING
2-4 TAG GALLERY
COLLAGE**

**AUGUST &
SEPTEMBER
ARTIST'S CHOICE
ENTRY DAY JULY 26,
2009**

JULY TAG NEWSLETTER

2009

Your connection to the creative side of Topeka

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT by Marie Plinsky

We are still waiting to hear from our grants applications to the Kansas Art Commission. They will be a big help in getting through the year.

Several of the new Board members have already jumped into new tasks for us. Doug Fincher is working on a giving letter for donations from our members and Autumn Prosser is redesigning our Membership Application. Claudia Larkin and Cynthia Enstrom are helping with the Kansas Paint Kansas. It is exciting to have new members with diverse ideas.

I know the Gallery Committee has been busy also: Members Meeting, and titles of shows for 2010.

It takes all of us doing our very best to make all of these wonderful things happen. Thanks to all of you for your dedication to TAG and in your spare time work on your new art piece for the next shows.

Big news flash, we have already had some great sales in June.

MEMBERS MEETING SUNDAY, JULY 19 2-4pm at the gallery.

Come for a demonstration by an exciting young artist and recent Washburn graduate--Dan Billen. His medium is collage and he is fascinating! Learn how to see values and improve your paintings. Food and goodies and opportunity to know one another provided. Call Margaret McElroy if you can bring food to help out at 266-5663.

June Artist of the Month – Grant Jaquith & Delores Healey

Delores and Grant started Northwindimage, a landscape photography business, in 2007. Both enjoy scenic photography of the nearby region and are now making their images available for sale and enjoyment by others.

Northwindimage is a member of Topeka Art Guild, Lawrence Photo Alliance, and the Lawrence Art Center. We feel that supporting these communities is important by participating and contributing photo art to various fund raisers including, Family Service and Guidance Center, KTWU and the Lawrence Art Center.

Northwindimage has displayed at Topeka Art Guild, B. A. Designs, PT's Coffee, Center for Manual Medicine, Classic Bean, ERC Designer Showhouse, and currently at Plaza III Grill Gallery in the Bank of America Tower.

We would like to invite you to enjoy our photos at Artist of the Month on July 3rd from 5-8 P.M. at the Topeka Art Guild. Also, please enjoy our work at www.northwindimage.com



Harvest Time is Near



Shed-Still Good



Where's the Horse?

ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

WORKSHOPS

Several workshops have been enjoyed by a few. More members need to wake up and join the workshops in progress. Lots to be learned by everyone!

THE ARTIST'S WAY WORKSHOP

The Artist's Way workshop will continue to meet on the second Saturday of each month throughout the year. Those attending will make a donation to TAG. The class is facilitated by Cynthia Stotlar. If interested, please call her at 785-271-5997. We are studying Julia Cameron's book entitled *The Artist Way*. We have 14 people participating many of whom do not belong to the Guild as the class is open to anyone. We have web designers, quilters, authors and artists. Lots of creativity is beginning to surface and the poets, authors, and fine artists share their ideas and work to recover their creative selves.

KANSANS PAINT KANSAS

For KPK all entries should have a digital photo for the show so that winners can be included in the calendar. The images should be 300dpi so that the images are high quality when printed. We hope to have some photographers volunteer to help at the gallery sometime in the upcoming months to take

pictures of works BEFORE they are behind glass. If you are a photographer and would be willing to help, please contact Cynthia Stotlar at cynthia.stotlar@cbsks.com or 271-5997.

REMINDER

When closing the gallery for the day, please remember to turn off all the lights, turn the air conditioning up and turn the signs to closed. There are reminders of procedures for opening and closing in the gallery if you need a refresher. If you are new and need to work with someone, please let Dorothy Foster know and she can schedule you to work with another member. Thanks!

PLEIN AIRE PAINTING

Some members of TAG are looking to form a plein-aire painting group on Saturdays to paint. If anyone is interested, please contact Margaret McElroy at 266-5663, wmcel48775@aol.com or contact the gallery.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

- Sandy Kay Hunter won a third place ribbon at Prairiefest in Ark City in June. Congratulations!
- After 14 years, Esther Luttrell has completed a book, *"Dear Dean...Love, Mom"* about the death of her son and signed a 3 year contract with a publisher, L&L Dreamspell. It will be released in February and she will spend most of the next year touring and speaking about it.
- Margret McElroy, Connie English, Phyllis Cory and Richard Nelson would like to thank Kathleen Cobb for the gracious way she welcomed the artists to her home for plein-air painting on June 22nd. The members braved 95 degree heat from the welcome breeze-way of Kathleen's home.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the following members who made a contribution to TAG during May: Connie English and Michele Lamb. 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 MAY

Congratulations to Bob Hayes, Pat Kovalchuk, Phyllis Cory, Dorethy Hancock, Michelle Leivan, Lisa McKenzie an Albo Glass for sales of their artwork during May.

TAG Artist Biography

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Type of media you prefer: Watercolor/oil

What got you interested in art? My first grade teacher, Ruth Rose, who told me I was an artist, and I believed her.

What training do you have in art? One year of basic design, drawing, and painting from The University of Southern Mississippi and twenty- five years of workshops in various media.

Why did you decide to join the Topeka Art Guild? For the camaraderie of fellow artists and to connect with local art opportunities.

How long have you been a member of the Guild? Since Jan 2009.

If there's one thing we should know about you or your art, what would it be? Over the years I've noticed that as long as I'm painting, or planning a painting, I easily see beautiful and fascinating things all around me wherever I go. If I take a painting sabbatical, I begin to notice the debris alongside the road. The lesson: Keep painting! Also, I try to remind myself frequently that any small success I may enjoy is by the grace of God.

A quote that you love is: "The art of being wise is the art of knowing what to overlook." William James

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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.

GALLERY COMMITTEE

- Gallery committee Chair- Angela Lexow
- Secretary-2011, Louise Hamilton
- 3-D Chair -2010-Larry Peters
- Corresponding Sec -2010-Dorothy Foster
- Entry Chair- 2010-Chris Prevost
- Selection/Judging-2011-Angela Lexow, Tammy Patterson, Michele Leivan
- Reception - VACANT
- HS Exhibits- 2010-Lila Bartel
- Hanging-2010-Mark Saylor, 2010- Chris Prevost, 2012Angela Lexow, 2012-Tammy 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, Elziabeth Jane
- 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