

Peninsula Art Association Newsletter, January, 2020

Happy New Year to all!!! Deb Hart is home recovering from spine surgery she had earlier in December, so I (Robyn Patterson, aka. Old newsletter gal) will be writing this month's newsletter! So let's all wish Deb a speedy recovery!

What a fun time we all had at our Christmas Party. As usual, the Christmas gift exchange was exciting, the food was delicious and the company was delightful! For all those that missed this event.... There will be another one next year!

Next club meeting is January 9th at 1:00 at the Shelton Civic Center on Cota St. For January's program, Jonelle Adams will show us how to make beautiful silk scarves. This will be hands on instructions using two different techniques: First by using vibrant colors from alcohol inks and the other using colored tissue papers. Jonelle will supply each of us with two silk scarves to work with and supplies to dye and set the colors. The cost will be \$15 (you will receive two scarves). What a great way to dress up the ole blue jeans and Tee's. Look through your wardrobe and get an idea what colors you need! So, for the men in the club, this could also be a great gift for Valentine's Day, Mother's day or Easter, or....

Februarys meeting we have Jamie Lightfoot, a pacific northwest artist who will talk about how to make a painting or piece of art "sing" and put emphasis on the warmth and coolness of colors. She will also touch on how to take photos of your art work. Lighting, cropping, angles... whether for websites, show entries, or? Learn something new! For her full bio, check out website

https://jamielightfoot.com/.

Next meeting we will be discussing some up and coming "give back to the community" art projects. We touched on a few ideas in our November's meeting, one being a tour of Harstine Island's Cat Sanctuary. The Wild Field Advocacy Center of Washington is a safe haven for aproximately50 wild cats, including Cougars, Bobcats, Tigers and Snow Leopards. This is an opportunity to tour the facility, take photos, sketch and learn more about these animals. I've heard some wonderful comments about this sanctuary and sounds like fun. Check out their website and learn more about them. This is a non-profit organization and we (PAA) would give a donation for the tour.

The second project, doing some kind of art project (i.e. collage of tombstone rubbings, sketches, photos???) of the many historic tenants residing at the Harstine Island's Cemetery. There are very ornate and interesting grave markers from the early 1800's to present. We have been given permission to do this and our art piece will hang in the community hall, just a short distance away. Open to ideas on how to present an honorable and respectful art display. We would make this a field trip on a sunny day and bring a sack lunch. Our etchings, rubbings, photos etc. would be consolidated somehow in our art piece. Some may want to work on this throughout the summer when we don't have any official meetings! A great way to keep in touch! Also doing some research where on the island they resided...they were real pioneers! What a great opportunity to give back!

Don't forget to have your art entries ready for the Spring Art Show. Show dates are early this year! Show will run March 23 through the 27th. Art entries are March 20 and 21st. Reception on Saturday the 28th. We are well into our planning phase and people should start to see our mailers and flyers. Please sign up for docent duty – come to our next meeting and sign up for those choice hours!... After that, Jora comes a callin'. We will also need help setting up the panels and bringing food for the awards ceremony. (Not sure if we have a theme or anything like that...but we had some delicious food last year!) Next meeting we will have sign-up sheets available.

Come check out our new, up and running website!!! www.sheltonarts.com Don't forget the "s" on the end of Sheltonarts... otherwise, you'll go to a completely different website! Several members have already posted their artwork here - so contact our web designer, Renee Olson, at malkuri@comcast,net. Renee can get your artwork added to our website.

Jora is looking for your membership dues! No penalty for paying on time!!! (or late!) Dues are \$25 for single and \$30 for the family plan. What are the benefits of paying these dues you ask? You receive a \$5 dollar per entry discount on your Spring Art Show entries, and your very own Prospectus mailed to you personally AND this lovely newsletter sent to you every month! (Wow!!!, pinch me next time you see me!) If you can't make our next meeting, you can always send a check to:

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