

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDAR**

**Tuesday, April**



**5th**

**2022**

**MEETING STARTS PROMPTLY**

**AT 7:00 PM**

*Our meetings take place at  
Meininger/Mahany  
Sr. Community Activity Center  
3500 Marais, Royal Oak  
(Off 13 Mile,  
between Main & Crooks)*

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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Hello Everyone,

I hope you enjoyed Winnie's presentation. Short and sweet and it was really good to see her. Can't believe she did all those neat effects with her cellphone!

Guess I'll have to try some of those things with mine. Planning on getting an upgrade this week, so we'll see how it goes.

It's a beautiful day out today, so I guess maybe spring is on its way. For the first time in years I can actually say I've had enough snow.

I'm looking forward to the SOAA elections. Even though we didn't meet during COVID lockdowns, I still worried about SOAA and all of you. I hoped you were well and that we'd be able to meet soon. I obviously need to get a life. Which I'm working on. Soooo, see you April 5th and keep on making beautiful art.

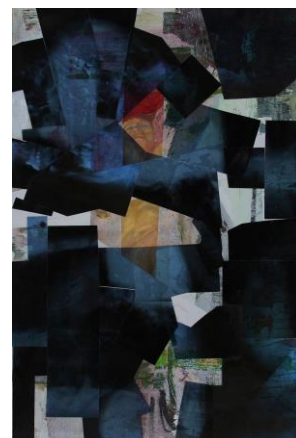
Mardi Chapman  
SOAA President

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# ArtVine

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

**APRIL NEWSLETTER**



*Our Speaker for April*

## MARAT PARANSKY

SOAA is proud to welcome local mixed-media artist and instructor, Marat Paransky, to our April Meeting. His studio work includes Sculpture, painting, drawing, photography, and more. He is a teacher, speaker and lifelong artist known across the country for his work.

Marat's themed projects include research-based art on social issues, text pieces on the art world and his more spontaneous works which include assemblages of found objects.

Several of our SOAA members are regular students in Marat's classes taught at NEXT Continuing Education in Birmingham. He also has classes at BBAC, Troy Community Center, and elsewhere. For us, we expect Marat will explain his work in Decalcomania, a technique used by some surrealist artists which involves pressing paint between sheets of paper. Then he will show us how it is done. It should be very interesting!

### SOAA BOARD

Mardi Chapman, President  
Bonnie Haines – Vice President (temp) & Recording Secretary (Board Meetings)  
Pat Hughes – Treasurer  
Terri Selik – Artist of the Month  
Beth Breneau – Recording Secretary (General Meetings)  
Mike Byrne – Programs  
Bev Stief – 50/50 Raffle tickets  
Joan Pettigrew - Facebook  
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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- April 5 April Monthly Meeting –  
Marat Paransky, Artist & Teacher
- May 3 May Monthly Meeting  
Officer Elections
- June 7 June Ice Cream Social &  
Officer Installations

### AT OUR MEETING: (please be on time)

- Please sign in and take a name tag
- If you bring a guest, have them sign in and introduce them to some of our members.
- Place your snack item in the provided space
- **DON'T FORGET - Set up your Artwork for our Artist of the Month competition.**

### ARTIST OF THE MONTH ENTRY

#### TIPS:

- Your work must be your own.
- You may submit up to 2 pieces per meeting in any medium and category.
- Artwork brought in previously may not be shown a second time. Once only please.
- Place your art in its proper category area:  
Representational, Portrait,  
Abstract, 3-D

## MEMBERSHIP

For new members, dues are **\$30 individual or \$35 to include adult family members**. For Returning members who have not already paid dues for this year, contact Pat Hughes at our meeting for your adjusted dues amount.

Make checks payable to **South Oakland Art Association (spelled out please)**

We'd love to have you join us! Bring a friend that might be interested in joining.

**Membership Directory:** Once we get our meetings on a regular schedule, we will continue to work toward putting together a new directory. If you have any information updates, please see Pat Hughes.

## The SCOOP



A Visit from Our Friend

## Winnie Chrzanowski

In case you missed it, our March speaker was our friend and former SOAA member, Winnie Chrzanowski. Along with a smile and some of her creative work in photography, Winnie brought us some great tips on making your travel photography easier and turning it into art. Using an I-phone/android, Winnie travels the world without worrying about that heavy old camera bag and gear. She wrangles up images and at home she then manipulates them using FREE photo enhancing apps (ex. Snap Seed) to add texture and special effects. She was fun and amazing. Thanks Winnie!

### Step Up! It's Almost Election Time!

Our April meeting will bring announcements of candidates ready to lead our organization into the future. Once again in May, we will be holding an election of officers and we'd love to see some new faces and hear some new voices. Terms are just two years with installation at our June Meeting. Why not come share your ideas and help make SOAA grow.

Offices include President, Vice President, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary and Recording Secretary. **Job descriptions are included on page 3** of this newsletter.. Even if you haven't held a position before, please step up and volunteer. It's great to hear new ideas!



## Elections of officers

### SOAA Officer Elections:

This is an election year for SOAA's officers, who serve two year terms.

The elected officers are; President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary. A roster of candidates will be presented at the April general meeting and posted in the newsletter. Elections will be held at the May general meeting. Installation of officers will occur at the June general meeting.

The standing committees are appointed by the president and approved by the board. After the election of officers, any vacancies on these committees will be announced.

### Position descriptions from the by-laws:

- A. President: 1) presides at the general meetings and the board meetings, 2) prepares the president's message for the monthly newsletter, 3) prepares the agenda for all general and board meetings, 4) assists with SOAA projects and activities, 5) Encourages member participation in SOAA activities, 6) appoints any new committees as deemed necessary by the board.
- B. Vice-President: 1) attends all general and board meetings, 2) presides over any meeting at which the president is absent, 3) assists the president with the agenda, SOAA projects and activities, 4) encourages member participation in SOAA activities.
- C. Recording Secretary (this position is currently being held by one person at the board mtg. and one at the general mtg., but one person can do both.) 1) attends all general and board meetings, 2) records the minutes of all general and board meetings and gives a copy to the president and the vice- president, 3) distributes copies of the board minutes to the board members, 4) maintains a notebook with the minutes from all meetings.
- D. Treasurer: 1) receives, accounts for and deposits in a bank all funds of SOAA, 2) Gives receipts for monies due and payable to SOAA, 3) reports to the board on the financial standing of SOAA and prepares a monthly financial report, 4) prepares an annual financial report, 5) prepares a projected budget for the fiscal year, updated on an on-going basis, 6) Assists with SOAA exhibits by collecting entry fees, all sales receipts, preparing a financial report and paying artists their share of sales.
- E. Corresponding Secretary: 1) attends all general and board meetings, 2) Sends thank-you notes to people who present programs, people who provide meeting sites for special programs or activities, 3) sends any letters as requested by the board of Directors, 4) sends cards for illness, sympathy, or congratulations, when appropriate.

# Artists of the Month

## MARCH

### ABSTRACT



Betsy Grim – 1<sup>st</sup>  
"Sea Breeze"



John Shen – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
"Autumn"

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR  
ARTIST OF THE MONTH  
ENTRIES...

### PORTRAITS



Sallie Reinsel – 1<sup>st</sup>  
"Mr. Bear"



Richard Vance – 2<sup>nd</sup> tie  
"Putin's Mother-in-Law"



Therese Christman – 2<sup>nd</sup> tie  
"Maddy's Graduation"

### REPRESENTATIONAL



John Rash – 1<sup>st</sup>  
"Landscape #2"



Sallie Reinsel – 2<sup>nd</sup>  
"Pleasin' Poppies"



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