



March 3, 2025

General Art Meeting Minutes

Quote: "Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time."

Welcome Guests

Dawn Faulkner, Judith Troast, and Ginger MacGowan introduced themselves.

Opening Comments:

Karen O'Donnell welcomed guests and members, introduced use of sign-in sheets at meetings for a record of attendance, and called for approval of last month's meeting minutes. Minutes were approved.

Good News:

Elena Pratt has a solo exhibition at the Art Center in Orange in March, with a reception the evening of March 6. She also has a juried piece at Liberty Town's March exhibit, "Coffee Culture."

Ten club members will be participating at the 74th Annual Fine Art Show and Sale, March 14-16, at the Dorothy Harts Community Center in Fredericksburg: Karen O'Donnell, Pete Brown, Bill Mann, Peggy Schull, Catherine Hillis, Ginny McCluskey, BJ Elvgren, Gary Close, Christy Rappoport, and Eve DeVito.

Karen Falcon is introducing a new section in the newsletter called "Recommended By." She is looking for anything art related that members find interesting or have experienced, such as newsletters, articles, TV shows, events attended.

Special Events Committee (SEC):

Jill Iglehart mentioned some of the activities SEC is considering, including Zentangle in May, the exhibit at the Orange Art Center in September, and "White Christmas" at the Riverside Theater in December. The Studio Tour will take place May 3 and 4. Last week's visit to the Van Gogh Immersive exhibit was organized by SEC. SEC meets the second Monday of the month at Fareways at 2 and welcomes new members and ideas.

Treasurer's Report:

Eve DeVito answered questions regarding the budget, a copy of which had been emailed to members. The budget was approved.

Fareways Exhibits:

Karen Weingarten reported that installation of the golf simulator will affect the availability of the Trophy Room for displaying art. She is trying to contact Chaz for information regarding the May exhibit.

Vice President's Report:

Jim Funk announced that Catherine Hillis will conduct critiques of members' art at the August meeting. Jim had two members introduce themselves: Joe Freeland and Dee Knapp. Kathy Walters promoted a jewelry making class at the Creative Gatherings Studio.

Jim led the creative exercise, which consisted of small groups talking about what they did as a child that was creative.

Artist in the Spotlight:

Edward Murray described a process that involves drawings, photography, acetate, and silk screening and showed samples of the artwork, as well as a pinhole camera he built.

The next meeting is April 7.

Attendees at March 3,2025, Meeting

Karen O'Donnell
Daria Bessom
Eve DeVito
Jim Funk
Jill Iglehart
Dee Knapp
Edward Murray
Isabel Emmert
Allita Irby
Ginger MacGowan
Judith Troast
Maribeth Logan
Christy Rappoport
Pete Brown
Karen Espinoza
Kathy Walters
Toni Ruther
Joanne Algera
Tom Latta
Karen Weingarten
Jane Neubig
Janet Stockman
Nan Lamb
Ellen Raguetta
Aura Aten
Gary Close
Bill Mann
Cheryl Funk
Lew Wills
Joe Freeland
Elaine Freeland
BJ Elvgren
Dawn Faulkner
Peggy Shull
Toni Maltagliati