



July 1, 2024

General Art Meeting Minutes

Welcome

Karen Falcon opened with a couple of quotes:

- It took me four years to paint like Raphael, but a lifetime to paint like a child.
- *Pablo Picasso*
- Before a child talks, they sing. Before they can write, they draw. As soon as they stand, they dance. Art is fundamental to human expression.
- *Phylicia Rashad*
- Every child is an artist. The problem is staying an artist when you grow up.
- *Pablo Picasso*.

We had a guest named Lou. He brought three paintings to the critique and a couple of wooden walking sticks he had embellished.

Creative Exercise

Karen Falcon led a creative exercise where we all fold a piece of 8x10 paper into thirds. One person draws the top of a person in the top section and passes it to someone to draw the middle of the person in the middle section - but without looking at the other drawing. Then a third person draws the bottom of a person on the lowest section - again without looking at the previous drawings. Then we all show the final drawings. It was fun to do and funny to see the final outcomes.

Painting objects at the Clubhouse

Remember to bring a smooth, glass or ceramic tile, cup, glass, etc. - whatever you want because we will be painting on them. We will provide the paints and instruction and some brushes and cups for water. We encourage many of you to bring your own brushes, particularly soft brushes since they work best with this medium. We will paint our items and let them dry completely. We will then bake them at home. To

bake: put items in a cold oven, then turn it on to temp and then turn it off and remove the piece once the oven is cold. Full directions will be provided. Jill Iglehart has vases for anybody that needs something - just contact her a couple of days before the meeting at jilligle@gmail.com. Make sure to clean your glass really well before bringing it. Spritzing with rubbing alcohol works best as a final level of cleanliness. Once the item is painted, you can lightly wash it (no scrubbing or dishwasher). If you paint the outside of a glass (and not the rim), you can drink from it, but you cannot serve food that touches the paint on a platter, bowl, etc.

Our Next Meeting - NEW LOCATION FOR THIS MEETING

Our next Art Meeting will be in the lower level of the clubhouse from 10am-12pm with critique at 9:30. We moved the meeting for this one time only because we can't paint in our regular room and we can in the new location.



September meeting

Reminder that the September meeting is on September 9th not the 2nd due to the holiday.



Member Introductions

Two members introduced themselves to the group so we could get to know them better: Ginny McCluskey and Maribeth Logan. Ginny is primarily a watercolorist but dabbles in pastels occasionally. Maribeth dabbles in almost everything and has her own studio here in Lake Of Woods called Creative Gatherings. She teaches classes there. For more information go to creativegath@comcast.net.

Fareways Update

As of June 27, we sold 11 pieces to 2-D art for 1098 and sold nine pieces of 3-D art for \$489. That's a total of 20 pieces for \$1587. The next change over at Fairways will be on 9/14 with the reception on 9/21.

Quilling Event

August 14. Sign up on the sheet. It will be from 5 PM to 8 PM - first come first serve. It will be in room 2, which is our regular meeting room and we will provide wine and snacks and the tools and materials for a quilling project. Since the club is paying for this, it will be for members only. This (or similar) will be the project:



Board Elections

December is our Elections time. It's time that our current board members step down so that others may join in the fun. They are all very rewarding roles and a lot of fun. You really get to know your fellow artists in these roles and get to influence how the club operates. Each role has a two-year term limit. We will soon post updated written roles and responsibilities so that you can better understand each Board role. Feel free to approach a member of the Board to talk about their role.

Karen Falcon - President *

Karen O'Donnell - VP *

Joe Freeland - Treasurer *

Eve Devito - Secretary *

Sigrid Wares - SEC Lead

Lisa Spencer-Ballard - Publicity and SEC CoLead

Membership - Janice Barker

All contact info is listed on our roster.

(*) Elected positions

Mosaic Mural Project

As mentioned in previous meetings, any member can buy a "tile" from us for \$20 (which is normally \$40). This "tile" comes with a full set of directions, a color pallet and paints, etc. You paint it, take a picture of it and submit it no later than September 1. All these pictures will be put onto outdoor tiles and installed on the side of a building to create a huge mural. One currently exists in Charlottesville. For more information: <https://register.muralmosaic.com/>

Good news

Sigrid had artwork accepted at Art First! in Fredericksburg. Come see her artwork on the first Friday Art Walk in Fredericksburg this month or any other time.

Treasurer's Report

Joe Freeland stated that we have \$5816 left in our fund. We still have a couple events coming up and the Fall Art show to put on, plus miscellaneous expenses coming up, but we will have the funds to cover them.

Fall Art Show

This year we will not have collaboration projects included in the raffle or Silent Bid. Right now, we are also thinking to have the Silent Bid held on Friday at the Reception only. Karen O'Donnell is looking for high-end donations of artwork for the bids. Eve is running a group to manage the raffle items. Registration for the show will be online versus submitting in paper registrations.

Next Special Events Committee (SEC) Meeting

SEC meeting will be July 8 and Fairways meeting room at 2:00 pm. Feel free to come and check it out.

Other news

- Jane Neubig brought some margarita glasses for the board to paint and sell at the show.
- Jane Neubig wanted to say "thank you" to Ginny McCluskey, Pete Brown, and Linda Sutphin for their donations for Child Help. There is still time to donate if you're interested. A friendly reminder that the 10th hole of the golf course is of great interest to the golfers and artwork of it will sell!
- We have a kids art camp on July 15-19. See Jill Iglehart if interested in helping. The daily art formats have changed so you may want to contact Jill if interested in helping on a day with a particular curriculum.
- We want to thank those who volunteered to donate artwork to Saint Jude: Aura, Peggy, and Christy.
- Last month's meeting minutes were approved by Karen O and then Dee.

Artist in the Spotlight - lead by Lisa Spencer-Ballard

In keeping with the theme of finding your inner child, Sigrid and Lisa led *Artist in the Spotlight*. Lisa made little magnets for everyone saying: *Every child is an artist. The problem is staying an artist when you grow up. Pablo Picasso*

All members were directed to a table with an instructor at each table. Each instructor handed a member a colorful packet Lisa created for every member, containing decorative papers and instructions on creating an Origami paper airplane. Instructors at the tables helped them how to make the planes. The group made all their airplanes and flew them around the room. It was a riot to watch.

Members enjoyed it and actually took their little planes home. 😊 Full-blown adults were flying their planes around the room - often aiming at others - some pilots were diabolical. (No names will be mentioned.)

