



# OPEN CANVAS

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE LEAGUE OF MILWAUKEE ARTISTS

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## Presidential Perspective

### President's Letter November 2022

Dear League of Milwaukee Artists,

As we welcome the shorter and colder days of our Winter months, I hope we find warmth amongst our family and friends. I find these months a great time to reevaluate how my valuable free time is spent and make appropriate changes that align with my current life. I have really enjoyed my volunteering with LMA.

During our November meeting we will be voting for Board Members. The typical length of time a board member would serve used to be two years; but recently that has been extended due to finding replacements. Please think about an area where you would like to be of service to LMA. You will get much more out of it than you put in. If you have any questions about a chair position, please call me and we can discuss it.

Our meeting this month is going to be great! Collette Ody Smith, an LMA member, will be our guest. Thank you to Bob Fesser for arranging another memorable program.

A special thank you to all our board members\* who make LMA a premiere art organization.

I hope to see you all there!

Judy Gahn Murphy  
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## LMA Meeting Information

Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month starting at 9:30 am (ending at approximately 11:30 am). We meet at Cardinal Stritch University, 6801 North Yates Rd, Milwaukee, in the Joan Steel Stein Center for Communications & Fine Arts

**ROOM CFA 125** (Map available on LMA website here:

<https://milwaukeeartists.org/meetings-1>

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**Upcoming Meeting Preview: Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>.**



**Colette Ody Smith will be our guest speaker at this Saturday's LMA meeting.**

**Colette will be doing a live "recap" of her YouTube videos and will be demonstrating -**

- Several of her painting techniques
- General process: underpainting with watercolors, etc.
- How she chooses a reference photo
- Composition tips
- Color choices

**She will also be showing and discussing several pieces and giving us the story behind the art.**

**It promises to be a very good meeting, so we hope to see you there!**



## *Artist Opportunities*

Are you teaching a workshop or know of a space looking for artists? Tell us about it here! I've also found various opportunities from my usual sources. **If you know of an opportunity that you'd like to share with fellow artists, please email me sometime before each newsletter deadline!**

*Do you know how to access the web pages I refer to in "The Open Canvas"? A link will be underlined, and usually a bit "grayed-out". Simply put your cursor on top of the link and click! It should take you automatically to the website or page.*

*I am going to post again some websites that you can check for artist opportunities. Below these, I have handpicked a few that may be of special interest or that caught my eye!*

**If you haven't signed up for CAFÉ you should! It will bring many art opportunities from all over to your inbox. Most of them you won't want to enter, but every now and then there's a great opportunity!**

<https://www.callforentry.org/>

<https://www.galleryring.org/call-for-entry.html>

<https://www.artworkarchive.com/blog/5-opportunity-sites-every-artist-should-know-about>

<https://www.onlinejuriedshows.com/preDefault.aspx>

<https://www.artworkarchive.com/blog/see-the-world-for-free-ish-with-these-7-artist-residencies>

***Here's a bunch of opportunities from right here in Wisconsin!***

**Thelma Sadoff Center for the Arts in Fond du Lac welcomes Solo Exhibition Proposals for the 2023-2024 exhibition season. Proposals will be accepted through November 30, 2022. Notification of acceptance will be emailed by December 31, 2022. Works in all media will be considered. Exhibitions will span a six week period. <https://www.thelmaarts.org/call-for-artists/?fbclid=IwAR29NIXzZd9VmenaXHZL1XDAnwzNOqB5kxAd7Tp8m1Y3eKnuw2r-D9wtGNw>**

**CVA Wausau 33rd Annual Midwest Seasons**

**Submissions Deadline: November 21, 2022, at 11:59 pm**

**Exhibit Dates: January 6 - March 18, 2023**

**About: An artist's artistic, geographic, and cultural roots play significant roles in their artistic process and statement. New Growth hopes to follow**

**years of turbulence with a focus on positive life changes, unexpected new opportunities, and the journey we all take as artists. The exhibit will highlight original fine art inspired by an artist's perspective of their "roots" and artistic journey. Interpretations of the theme may be broad and entries are not limited to representational works. This exhibit features awards.**

**<https://www.cvawausau.org/calls-for-entry>**

**This show is online:**

**"Critters 5" GROUP EXHIBIT**

**<https://www.artconnective.org/call-for-art>**

***Finally, here are some classes put on by LMA Members!***

**Enjoy an art class using various mediums and learning techniques through demos and critiques, most supplies are available in class.**

**This class is offered through MATC at their Walker's Square Campus Tuesdays 12:30 - 2:25pm starting January 17th , 2023 for 16 weeks. The approximate cost is \$135. Sign up begins November 15th through MATC.edu or call me at 414-617-7917. This class is taught by Judy Gahn Murphy**

**The Tuesday class is a prerequisite for a painting class offered onn Thursday afternoons.**

**Try your hand with Watercolors with Erin Callahan Blum in these four workshops. Non-members are welcome. See her website for full information: ErinBlumArt.com**

**Cedarburg Senior Center, Wednesdays, 1:00-3:00 pm**

**\* SNOW FOR CHRISTMAS - NOV 2, 9, 16**

**\* POINSETTIA: THE CHRISTMAS STAR - NOV 29, DEC 6, 13**

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**\* Port Washington Adult Community Center, Tuesdays, 1:45-3:45 pm**

**BIRDS: WATERCOLOR AND PEN - NOV 8, 15, 22**

**PEACEFULL PEOPLE - NOV 30, DEC 7, 14**

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## *Member Doings*

**Here I'll post exhibits you are in, awards, or special recognition you have received. I'll also be happy to post "Marketplace" art items you may be wanting to sell. I do not post members that are in our own shows. Go see them in person!**

Please remember that all submissions to the newsletter need to be sent directly to me at [jtsmith5@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jtsmith5@sbcglobal.net)

**Cherie Burbach** is exhibiting at the Winter Exhibition November 20-January 8, 2023 at the Anderson Arts Center in Kenosha. She will also be part of "The Little Show at the Cedarburg Cultural Center, December-January, "Small Art Big Stories," now through December 31st at the Arts Mill in Grafton. She is also part of the Art Bar's Holiday Exhibit, now through December 31st in Milwaukee.

**Laurie Runnoe** has a watercolor accepted to the Second Annual: A Year in Review-2022 exhibit at the Art Garage in Green Bay. The exhibit runs from November 9th to December 31st. Laurie also has a painting accepted to the Anderson Art Center Winter Juried Exhibition in Kenosha. The exhibit begins with a reception November 20th and runs to January 8, 2023.

**Donna Weise Pehoski** was accepted into the juried show at the Anderson Art Gallery in Kenosha. Opening on November 20<sup>th</sup>. The show runs through January 2023

**Margaret Schumann** was accepted into the Watercolor Wisconsin Show at the Wustum Art Museum in Racine. The Opening Reception is on December 11th from 1 to 3 pm. The show will hang until April 16th. She also has work in the WRAP show at the Beloit Art Center hanging until November 25th.

**Jeanne Bril** received Best in Show and tied for Artist Choice award, at Wisconsin Pastel Artists (WPA) exhibit at Sabrosa Cafe in Milwaukee. The WPA show will be on display until Monday November 28 and includes approximately 50 pastel paintings from local artists.

**Bob Fesser** had two encaustic paintings juried into the "**Further We Reach, The Closer We See**" MARN Members Exhibition. Both "Crab Nebula" and "Elephant Trunk Nebula" were accepted as part of the exhibition. The exhibition will be held at the MARN Art & Culture Hub November 19th through January 22, 2023. He has also been asked to provide a piece of his encaustic realism work for the permanent collection at the Museum of Encaustic Art in Albuquerque, NM. Per Douglas Mehrens, the curator for the museum,

Bob's recent posting on social media of "Up Close and Personal: Iris" highlighted the realism that makes Bob's work so different from other encaustic art. Since that painting sold, other pieces are being considered for the collection."

In addition, Bob's "Wild Flower" encaustic painting is in the Holiday Membership Exhibition at the Plymouth Arts Center. The exhibit runs from November 25th through January 23, 2023, with an Artist's Opening Reception on December 2nd from 4:30-7:30pm.

**Irene Taylor** has won a regional WalMart mural contest for the Capitol Drive WalMart. A \$500 stipulation was granted, and the piece will be installed at the entry area after the store remodel. The design depicts Pewaukee Lake and local highlights.

**Brian Buchberger** was invited to exhibit his recent work "Liquid Snow" in the fall Martini Girls "One-Off" show at Milwaukee's Art+Bar in River West... His oil-on-canvas painting was awarded an Honorable Mention, and also was sold during the show.

**Nick Schroeder** was accepted for *The Little Show* at the Cedarburg Cultural Center. He will be exhibiting five ceramic wall tiles on the theme of Bauhaus artists. The show runs from December 3, 2022, through January 15, 2023. The opening is Saturday, December 3 from 5-7 p.m. with awards at 6 p.m. Nick also had a ceramic wall triptych accepted for the *Annual Winter Juried Exhibition* at the Anderson Arts Center in Kenosha. The show runs from November 20, 2022 through January 8, 2023. The opening is Sunday, November 20, from 1 to 4 p.m. He has also had a 3-D ceramic wall tile accepted for the *7th Annual 5x5x5 Show*, at the River Oaks Square Arts Center in Alexandria, Louisiana. The works in this show needed to be 25 square inches or smaller. Exhibition dates are November 11, 2022, through February 4, 2023. The opening is November 11th.

**Audrey Dulmes** won 1st Place at Wisconsin Pastel Artists Show at Sabrosa Cafe in Bayview. The show is up till end of November. She is also in the Cultural Center Little Show with 5 small pastels. It runs Dec 3-Jan 15.

**Ann Baer** is part of a women's show, "Mannequin or Manikin" at Aquae Nguvu Gallery. The show examines some recent and current societal trends. The gallery is located in the Marshall Building in Milwaukee. The show runs until November 12th. Her crocheted wall hanging, "Hell Won't Have Him" has been juried into The Winter Juried Show-Anderson Arts Center in Kenosha. Reception 1:00-4:00, November 20th. The show concludes January 2, 2023. Ann also had three collages

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juried into the Small Art, BIG STORIES Exhibit at the Arts Mill. Located in Grafton, the show runs until December 31st.

**Karen Utech** will be showing 3 watercolor paintings (Tree Swallow, Winter Blush, and Blossoms) at The Arts Mill in Grafton. small art BIG STORIES. Opening reception is Nov 4th 6-8. The show is Nov4th to December 31st. She will also be showing 5 watercolor paintings in The Little Show at Cedarburg Cultural Center from Dec. 3rd to January 15th. Opening reception to be determined. In addition, Karen will be showing a watercolor painting titled "Peeking Through" at Anderson Art Center - The Kemper Center. Opening reception is Nov. 20th from 1-4. The show is from Nov 20th to January 8th

**Lindsay Schwarz**, paper collage artist had two compositions accepted for viewing, courtesy of 'Wisconsin Women's Network' at UW's children's hospital during November.

**Carolyn Simpson** will have one painting in the Watercolor Wisconsin 2022 show, open December 14-April 15 at the Racine Art Museum's Wustum Museum of Fine Arts.

**Judy Gahn Murphy** had 2 watercolors accepted into Watercolor Wisconsin at the Wustum Art Museum in Racine. The show will run December 11th, 2022 - April 15th 2023. Judy also had a watercolor and casein painting accepted in the Cedarburg Art Museum show Objects of Desire September, 29th - January 8th 2023.

**Marcy Weinsheim, Cherie Raffel and Donna Staats** have been accepted into The Little Show: Cedarburg Cultural Center's 2022-2023 Annual Juried Exhibit.  
On view: December 3, 2022 - January 15, 2023  
Opening Reception & Awards Ceremony: Saturday, December 3: 5-7pm  
Awards announcement at 6pm.



## Milwaukee Art Museum Update

From Member Mauree Childress:

Your Milwaukee Art Museum has new hours: Wednesday, 10am-5pm; Thursday, 10am-8pm; and Friday-Sunday 10am-5pm.

- Ten years ago, the Milwaukee Art Museum became a leading institution for American and European self-taught art. *Playing Favorites* is a celebration of the large gift from local collector Anthony Petullo. This exhibit on the Mezzanine features drawings and paintings by self-taught artists such as Minnie Evans, Martín Ramírez, Alfred Wallis, and Adolf Wölfli
- Visit the second floor Bradley Family Gallery to see *The Ashcan School and The Eight: "Creating a National Art."* The exhibit re-examines the artists and the social issues they depicted, drawing parallels to those still relevant today. Some praised the artists as "creating a national art" while others dismissed them as painters of rubbish or "ashcans."
- Also on the second floor in the *Layton Art Collection Focus Exhibition* is Edouard Castres's painting *Convoy of Wounded (Franco-Prussian War 1870)*.
- In the Herzfeld Center for Photography and Media Arts is *On Repeat: Serial Photography*, which draws on the Museum's collection of 1900s and 2000s photography and examines the ways artists have used serial and sequential imagery to explore their subjects.

The Museum Café on the Café Level, under Windhover Hall, is open. The menu features snacks, salads, and sandwiches. Indulge in art-inspired beverages by Discourse: Coffee Workshop. The Kohl's Art Studio is open Friday–Sunday, 10am–4pm. Reserve your admission tickets and find information on parking, safety protocols, and more at [mam.org/visit](http://mam.org/visit).



Images: Friedrich Schröder-Sonnenstern (German, b. Lithuania, 1892–1982), *The Demoness of Urgency (Die Dämonin der Eile)*, 1958. Crayon and colored pencil on paper. 25 × 35 in.



George Benjamin Luks (American, 1867–1933), *Bleecker and Carmine Streets, New York*, ca. 1905. Oil on canvas: 25 × 30 in.



## *Around the Web*

### **Surfing the web!**

Here you'll find a link or 2 to an interesting art related article, blog post, or whatever! You will need to put your cursor over the link and press CTRL, then click to read the entire post. Email me with any links you'd like to offer to share. Try something-you'll like it!



*Disclaimer: some of these sites are commercial and may have the bane of pop ups or ads trying to get you to sign up for their newsletters, etc. They all are safe however and I've visited them and find them worth the look.*

**This will take you to “Realism Today” which has many good articles about many cool things!**

<https://realismtoday.com/?s=How+To>

**This is a great source for news about Native American Photographers.**

<https://hyperallergic.com/775727/native-photojournalists-photo-essays-smithsonian-nmai/>

**Another online magazine with some great articles!**

<https://underpaintings.com/category/free-content/>

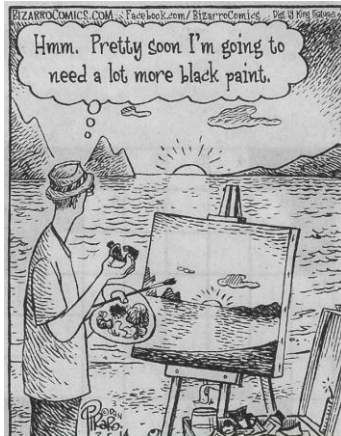
**A shameless proud Papa (me) showing off some YouTube videos my son created. He is the Director of Media at Oak Spring Garden Foundation, which was created by Bunny Mellon ( designer of the White House Rose Garden for her “bestie” Jackie Kennedy). The property not only has fantastic artistic gardens but also boasts of having millions of dollars’ worth of rare botanical books and artwork. BTW, he is also the narrator for the last 2 videos. Ok, ok, it’s a stretch to say these are art related but the gardens ARE a work of art!**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xQyjoMDJWMs>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MTm6RqFLJgQ>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6EYKSHtWvtg>

## The Funny Page!



**Don't blame me-I didn't write 'em!**

I tried to paint the sky, but I blue it.

You can blend the rules.

I woke up at the crack of drawn.

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Art: It's not for the paint of heart.

I started a new diet, so I'm counting galleries.

I love listening to mosaic.

It was a pigment of my imagination.

**I used to do fine arts, until I decided I didn't like the arts.**

Now I'm doing just fine.

**How many artists does it take to change a light bulb?**

Ten. One to change it, and nine to reassure him about how good it looks.

**What did the artist draw before he went to bed?**

The curtains!

**My art teacher said my self portrait looked horrible.**

However she did say it was extremely realistic and lifelike.

**Did you hear about the boy who had a fight with his art teacher?**

He drew blood.

**Why are you staring at an empty piece of paper?**

I'm drawing a blank.

## *Last Page Stuff*

### Exhibit Opportunities

May Klisch is always busy working on finding venues for LMA exhibitions. Here is a reminder of our policies:

- You must be an LMA member in good standing. Due to Covid 19 the requirement of attending two meetings in 12 months has been waived. All other requirements apply.
- **ONLY WORKS THAT HAVE BEEN CREATED WITHIN THE LAST 3 YEARS AND HAVE NOT BEEN PREVIOUSLY EXHIBITED IN ANY OTHER LMA SHOW WILL BE CONSIDERED.**

Keep your eye out for emails about some upcoming shows. They will also be announced on our website and in “The Open Canvas” newsletter (this thing right here).

Know an artist friend who should join LMA? Tell them to go to our website to find out how to join! The submission links for 2021 are on our website here: <https://milwaukeeartists.org/join-lma>

### *Upcoming New Member Jury Dates*

<u>Submission Deadline:</u>	<u>Announcement Date:</u>
<u>11-18-2022</u>	<u>11-23-2022</u>

*Start planning which piece of art you'll bring to our December meeting for “Show and Tell”! It's going to be at the Grohmann Museum downtown and will be at a new time: 10:30 to 12:00. You'll get an email!*

***Speaking of emails, check your Spam folder if you have not been getting emails from LMA. Because we use a service which sends out mass emails, some of you may be having them sent to Spam. Don't forget to look at our website though, ([www.milwaukeeartists.org](http://www.milwaukeeartists.org)) and our LMA Members Facebook page!***