



ARLINGTON HEIGHTS ART GUILD NEWSLETTER

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MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

Welcome to the 2022/2023 season of the Arlington Heights Art Guild! Our first member meeting for this season will be **in-person on September 15** at the Wheeling Township Community Center, 1616 N. Arlington Hts. Road, Arlington Heights. We follow Covid protocols at each individual's discretion. Hope to see you all there!

AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM PAST PRESIDENT, TOM WARNKE:

Greetings to all of our members and welcome back! As we embark on a new season, I can't emphasize enough how important it is for members to get involved. As you know, we have no current President. The board members have agreed to manage the board and member meetings on a rotating basis. This is placing yet another burden on a few people who work hard to make the Guild a viable organization for their and your benefit.

Within the next year, it is likely that other board members will resign after many years of dedicated service. If we don't have new members step up to take on these responsibilities, the future of the Guild will be at stake. Anyone who is interested in contributing a few hours a month, 8 months a year, please contact me or any other board member whom you know. This is not a dire situation now, but we don't want it to become one. PLEASE HELP!

*Sincerely,
Tom Warnke*

MEETING FORMAT and THE USUAL REMINDERS

The social part of the meeting starts at 7:00 pm. The business part begins at 7:15pm. Coffee will be available, but there will be no other refreshments. You are welcome to bring your own. Marcia Kozak will have a Treasurer's Report available at the meeting for members.

OUR 2022/2023 DEMO SCHEDULE

Many thanks to Eileen Fogell for her efforts in lining up the wonderful demos for this season!

9/15/22	Joan Grommes Franzen – watercolor
10/20/22	Brian Sauerland – pastel
11/17/22	Kittie Yohe – mixed media
1/19/23	James Swanson – oil
2/16/23	Dotty Carringi – pastel
3/16/23	Anastasia Mak – acrylic
4/20/23	Marilyn Weisberg – oil

September 15, 2022 – Joan Grommes Franzen, watercolor

Joan Grommes Franzen studied at the University of Wisconsin - Madison and the American Academy of Art in Chicago, Illinois, receiving degrees in both fine art and commercial art.

Memberships:

- The Palette and Chisel Academy of Fine Art, Chicago, IL
- The National Society of Arts and Letters
- Member of the Transparent Watercolor Society of America
- Geneva Lake Art Foundation

She received a grant for instructing students in pastel at Maine East High School, Park Ridge, IL. She says, "This was one of the most rewarding and satisfying experiences of my career."

Joan has been an art instructor for over 40 years, teaching watercolor, pastel, and colored pencil. She teaches students 18 and older, whether just beginning or advanced. She teaches classes at the Morean Art Center, including surrounding areas of St Petersburg, Florida, and in Williams Bay, Wisconsin. She has taught at The Clearing in Door County, Wisconsin and The Studio in Mount Prospect, Illinois. "It is a gratifying experience to see so many students who love working in one or all mediums and accomplishing so much in such a short period of time."

Joan ran the Williams Bay Juried Art Fair, in Williams Bay, Wisconsin, for 12 years.

"I enjoyed helping so many talented artists, to show their works, in all fields of art whether painting, sculpture, wood, jewelry, etc."

https://artworkbyjoan.com/html/about_joan.html

MEETING AGENDA

- General announcements from Board members
- September demo

MEMBERSHIP

Directories for 2022-2023 will be available at our September meeting **Or** – you may request a PDF of the Directory if that's more convenient. Patti Jostes can email it to you. If you know of other potential members, direct them to our website, www.arlingtonheightsartguild.com. Membership forms can be downloaded from the website.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

- **Artists' Association of Elk Grove Village** - Visit aaegv.org for information.
- **Des Plaines Art Guild/Park Ridge Art League** – Visit dpag.org for information.
- **Colored Pencil Society of America** – Visit cpsadc103.org for information.

EXHIBITION OPPORTUNITIES

1) The **Arlington Heights Senior Center** is open for exhibits from our members. The Dining Room, Hallway and our usual room at the end of the building (Room 1) are available. Several of our members (myself included) have sold paintings while exhibiting at this location. It's a wonderful opportunity to show many of your works on individual wall spaces. Anyone interested needs to **contact Paula Rebbeck** (847-359-5918). Thank you, Paula!

- **Patti Jostes** and **Joan Zoia** are exhibiting their artwork in the Hallway until November.
- **Lee Ann Kuhn** and **Jan Pawlowski** are exhibiting their artwork in the Dining Room at the Center until November.
- Various artists are displaying their works in Program Room 1 until September 22. On that day, current exhibitors need to pick up their pieces between noon and 1:30pm. Also on the exchange day, all Art Guild members are invited to bring 2 pieces of their artwork for display. Please come to Room 1 between noon and 1:30pm.

2) Various other exhibition opportunities are thanks to [Sue Ciccone \(847-271-0866\)](#), our Exhibitions Chair.

- **Prospect Heights Library** - Title/Theme is "**COLOR MY WORLD.**" Drop off Thursday, 9/1 at 1:00pm. Pick up Friday, 9/30 at 1:00pm.
- **Arlington Heights Historical Museum** - The museum is changing their permanent exhibit and is having a 300 member event on 9/9. We are invited to participate. Title/Theme is "**FALL IN LOVE WITH ART.**" Drop off Wednesday, 9/7, 1:00pm. Combined "Meet and Greet" Friday evening, 9/9 (time TBD). A second showing to be Mid-October (TBD). Pickup date end of November (TBD).
- *A Note from Sue: "I am no longer accepting submissions for the Arlington Heights Historical Museum; however, there are still openings for the Prospect Heights Library. Please provide your information ASAP."*

Contact Sue Ciccone for information about any of these opportunities:

- Send the following information to Sue. For all exhibits provide: Title, Medium, Size, Price, Artist Name, and Contact.
- Artwork needs to be framed and wired (ready to hang). Artwork on wide canvas needs to have finished sides and not left white unless background is white.
- Do you have a Title/Theme suggestion for the second showing at the Museum? It should be broad enough to encompass all entries. Let Sue know!

If you haven't previously shown your work, now is a good time to start. If you have any exhibit questions or thoughts please contact Sue.

[Sue Ciccone](#)

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OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

1) From Kari Johnson, Business Manager, Mainstreet Art Center and Mainstreet Gallery:

Display your artwork at Mainstreet Gallery

Mainstreet Gallery in Lake Zurich's Main Street District is a new Fine Art Gallery exhibiting work from local and regional artists. The gallery represents artists in many different media and is always looking for new work to keep the gallery fresh. If you're interested in filling out an application to jury into the gallery please contact Kari Johnson, at kari@mainstreetartcenter.com

2) From Kari Johnson, Business Manager, Mainstreet Art Center and Mainstreet Gallery:

Mainstreet Art Gallery Receptions & Open House

Please join Mainstreet Gallery for our monthly gallery receptions!

*In September Artists' Reception on **Friday, September 9th from 5p-8p at 16 E. Main St. in Lake Zurich's Main Street District.** In November, we'll be hosting a Holiday Show Reception on **Saturday, November 12th from 4p-7p.** We exhibit and sell contemporary fine art, including paintings, works in clay, glass, wood, jewelry and gift items from local artisans. Come appreciate art, sip some wine, and join us for a wonderful night supporting our local community of artists and artisans.*

Our regular hours are Wednesdays and Thursdays, 1p-5p; Fridays and Saturdays, 1p-7p, and Sundays, 12p-5p.

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GETTING THE WORD OUT

Art-related News from and about our Members – All Arlington Heights Art Guild members are encouraged to share their exciting news about exhibits, contests, and other happenings for inclusion in this Newsletter. **Please contact Trish (Prakope) Ramsey (patricia.prakope@gmail.com) by the 25th of the month for inclusion in the next month's Newsletter.** If you miss that deadline, your news will be held for the following edition. We can only include local items of interest in this newsletter. However, for information about other events around the country, please visit www.festivalnet.com.

1) **Tobi Abrams**: Two of her paintings were juried into the Boyer Center for the Arts Paper Art Show. She also has a painting juried into the Blue Cat Gallery and two paintings in the North Shore Art League Abstraction Art Show.

2) **Tobi Abrams** received an award on a pastel painting in a show at the Bower Center for the Arts.

3) **Eileen Fogell** recently sold a painting at the **Arlington Hts. Senior Center**.

4) **Preeti Iqbal, Mike Stone, and Annalee Strasburg** participated in a wonderful community project in Arlington Hts. The Arlington Heights Arts Commission held an art competition, seeking entries for a mural that would feature the letters of ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, each with an original design that reflected a unique component of the Arlington Heights community, and the people who live, work, and visit our Village. On August 15th, the Village's Arts Commission hosted a dedication ceremony for the new mural in the **Kensington Pedestrian Underpass Tunnel**.

Congratulations to all!

A WALK IN THE PARK

A note from Linda Campuzano, our Art Fair Committee Chair:

"A Walk in the Park Art Fair 2022 was one of the best shows we have ever had. Attendance was amazing with a constant flow of shoppers. Out of the 82 vendors we had, 35 were new. With the addition of new features this year, a Dist 214 student tent, Lynell Ingram our demo artist, and People's Choice Award I think people were eager to attend. Hubby's, our food vendor, was sold out by about 2- 2:30. The threat of heavy rain caused us to close the show at 4pm and vendors were grateful to be given the opportunity to pack up before the storm. Many thanks to all the volunteers who gave their time towards a successful show."

Many thanks to Linda for her tireless efforts coordinating this beautiful event! And thank you to Larry Freson for coordinating the member tent!

**Minutes, Arlington Heights Art Guild Meeting
May 19, 2022**

Tom Warnke, President: Meeting opened at 7:16 pm. Welcome to the last Guild Meeting of the season. Members are encouraged to bid on artworks in silent auction. All monies will go to AHAG Scholarship Fund. Tom gave warm thanks to all volunteers and Board members for making his 3 year Presidency go smoothly. The Presidency position will be empty in September should no one fill it. All members are encouraged to give serious consideration in volunteering to be the next President.

Eileen Fogell, Programs: Explains the silent auction rules.

Patti Jostes, Membership: We have 15 paid membership renewals. New member, Lou Foutris, is introduced.

Marcia Kozak, Treasurer: Grand total in treasury is \$11,090.46 Marcia announced that a \$1,000 check has already been sent to the "Milwaukee School of Art & Design" ; the art school choice for our 1st place scholarship winner. Other checks will follow. Marcia gave a sincere thank you to Tom Warnke for his leadership as president these last three years. A gift card was presented to Tom, as well as a Thank You card signed by Guild Members.

Sue Ciccone, Exhibits: *Contact Sue ssmitz@ymail.com to submit work for exhibits.*

Many thanks to all volunteers who helped hang art at the AH Village Hall and at the Wynburg Café. The exchange of art for the Village Hall will be on June 13th. The exchange of art for Wynburg Café will be June 15th. Send photo of art directly to Sue's email address with the following label information: your name, contact info, medium & price of work. Food subjects are preferred (but some other subjects have been hung) at Wynburg Café. Volunteers are greatly needed and appreciated. Reminder: smaller works are accepted at Village Hall and at Mt. Prospect Library. There are also some shelves provided for 3-D pieces.

Linda Campuzano, A Walk in the Park: We currently have 50 paid vendors, and 19 of those are new to our Art Fair. We have a great variety of vendors this year. Linda introduced, and thanked, Guild Member, Lynell Ingram, for volunteering to do demonstrations throughout the day at Walk in the Park. More volunteers are always needed! Those who have signed up: Linda will contact each volunteer, review what you are asked to do, and at what time during the day.

Larry Freson, Guild Tent: Contact Larry any questions or art submitted for display LF.engis@yahoo.com

Paula Rebbeck, AH Senior Center: Contact her about exhibiting art in various rooms of the Senior Center.

Eileen Fogell, Programs: Introduced Susan Ploughe, invited to critique various art pieces brought in by members.

SILENT AUCTION WINNERS: \$280, in total, has been added to our Scholarship Fund.

Many thanks to Patti Jostes, Mary Kay McMahan, Louis Foutris, Sue Ciccone and Tom Warnke