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**ARLINGTON HEIGHTS ART GUILD NEWSLETTER**

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**FEBRUARY**

**Meeting date: February 20, 2020**

Happy February to all Arlington Heights Art Guild members! Join us at our next meeting, February 20, and shake off any winter blues you might be feeling. Also, please read this latest edition of our Newsletter. It’s jam-packed with important information for all Guild members. If you have anything you’d like included in this Newsletter, let me know. My email is in our Directory. Thanks!

Trish Ramsey, Corresponding Secretary

**MEETING FORMAT and THE USUAL REMINDERS**

*Please note that the social part of the meeting starts at 7:15 p.m., although coming earlier is fine.*

*The business part will begin at 7:30 p.m. If you would like a ride to or from meetings, please contact Tara Riley at 847-431-8639 prior to the meeting date.*

Marcia Kozak will read the Treasurer’s Report at the meeting. Also, she will have a Treasurer’s Report available at the meeting for members to peruse.

**OUR 2020 DEMO SCHEDULE**

Many thanks to Eileen Fogell for her efforts in lining up the following demonstrating artists:

2/20/20 Carol Zack, Mixed media, oil, pastel

3/19/20 Paulette Colo, Oil

4/16/20 Rashmi Ranganath, Acrylic

5/21/20 Critique

**MEETING AGENDA**

* General announcements from President Tom Warnke and others.
* February artist demonstration, Carol Zack.

**FEBRUARY’S DEMO**

**Mixed media, oil, pastel** – Carol Zack

Carol Zack is an award-winning artist specializing in creating, selling and exhibiting pastel paintings. She has experience in providing pastel workshops and classes, fine art judging, and custom framing. She is also active in several local and national arts organizations and involved in supporting community arts activities.

Carol holds a Bachelors of Arts Education from Vanderbilt University and a Masters in Art Education from the University of Illinois, Champaign, IL.

She has most recently been a student and colleague of George Shipperley and David Hettinger. She has also studied with noted U of I professors, watercolorist Edward Betts and oil painter Mark Sprague -- and very early on with Arthur Orr and Fred Attebury.

For more information, <http://www.zackartistry.com>

**MEMBERSHIP**

If you’re interested in becoming a member of the Arlington Heights Art Guild, you may pay at the February meeting. You may also send your check/membership forms to our P. O. Box, c/o Patti Jostes. New membership forms can be downloaded from our website, <https://arlingtonheightsartguild.com/>, and will be available at the meeting.

**OUR GUILD HISTORIAN**

Please feel free to submit any “historical” Guild photos to Jill Stark, our Social Media Committee Chair and Guild Historian. Jill’s email is in the directory. Thank you, Jill!

**ONGOING and FUTURE EXHIBITS**

The Guild arranges for members to display their work at various local venues. You must be a member to participate. Special thanks go to Sue Ciccone and Paula Rebbeck for their time and effort to get our work in the public’s eye.

**Arlington Heights Senior Center**

Members may display their work in Program Room 1 for two months or be invited to exhibit their work in the Hallway. This is a wonderful opportunity to have your work seen by many people in the community! Contact Paula Rebbeck for information.

* The current exhibit (Program Room 1) will be on display until March 26. Pick-up and drop-off is from 12-1:30 pm. All Guild members are invited to bring two pieces (only) of their artwork to exhibit on the exchange day, which is usually the fourth Thursday of every other month, from 12-1:30pm.
* Janet Pawlowski and Joan Zoia are exhibiting their artwork in the Hallway at the Center, from January 8-March 6.
* Eleanor McDonald is exhibiting her artwork in the Dining Room at the Center, from January 8-March 6.
* A special exhibition will be at the Senior Center from March 26-May 25. Three organizations are involved in this exhibition: the Senior Center, Thomas Middle School, and Arlington Heights Art Guild. It is, therefore, referred to as the Trinity Exhibition. Arlington Heights Art Guild members are invited to bring one piece on March 26 to be included in the Trinity Exhibition. A reception will be held on Wednesday evening, April 8, from 6-7:30pm, at the Arlington Hts. Senior Center.

**Libraries, Municipal Buildings and Other**

Our members are invited to display their work at various facilities. Space constraints may limit the number of members. Sign-up information is available at each meeting.

The following exhibits are on the 2020 calendar:

* Transitional Care Center of Arlington Heights—January 3, March 6, May 1, July 3, September 4 and November 6.  This is an ongoing exhibit with take-down and install on the stated dates at 1 pm.
* Friendship Village—Install on Saturday, January 4 at 1 pm, and take-down on Wednesday, March 4 at 1 pm.
* Village of Arlington Heights—March through May. After signing up with Sue, exhibitors must send information about their work to Derek Mach at the Village. Drop-off and pick-up dates are the first and last week of exhibit period. Since the Village hangs the work, no one is required for the installation and take-down.
* District 214 Senior Celebration Day 2020- Tuesday, March 24, 2020 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm, Forest View Educational Center at 201 S. Goebbert in Arlington Heights. Drop off and set up on Monday March 23 (we will be given a time slot at a later date for drop off). March 24th drop off and set up time is 8:00 am. Loading and unloading will be at the curb; however there will be carts available. We are bringing in a few grid walls and D214 will provide covered tables. You may not directly sell items on the premises; however we are still working out details for accommodating buyer interest. We currently have 7 artists interested in participating in this event and have openings. If you would like to show your artistic skills, we are looking for 1-3 volunteers to take a turn demoing during the day. This is the first year that District 214 will include art at their Senior Fair. I am told that last year the attendance was ~1000.
* Mount Prospect Library—August. We’ll have the display cases in the front lobby. *Annalee Strasburg has volunteered to manage this exhibit.*
* Prospect Heights Library—August. Lobby and all hanging cases.
* Schaumburg Library—October. Exhibit space to be confirmed.
* Palatine Library—December. Second floor rooms and cases. (Special note from Sue: this is a tentative location for this year. Remodeling of the library will begin in August and may change exhibition opportunities. We may have to reschedule for next year).

If you are a regular participant in these exhibits, please do your best to attend the February meeting when we will have sign-up sheets for members willing to manage each event. If you have questions, please contact Sue Ciccone by email, ssmitz@ymail.com or by phone at 847-271-0866.

**OUR WEBSITE and MEMBER GALLERY**

The following members are currently exhibiting their talent in our website’s **Member Gallery** through February, 2020: **Ken Nosalik**, **Bob Packheiser**, and **Joan Zoia**. If members want to show their work on the Member Gallery, please contact Tom Warnke. Tom will need 3 digital images.

**OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

**Artists’ Association of Elk Grove Village -** September through May, monthly meetings are on the 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:30 pm at the Elk Grove Village Library\*, Main Conference Room, 1001 Wellington, Elk Grove Village. Meetings are free to members, $5 for guests. (\*Occasionally, meetings are held in the Pavilion. Always check the website before attending. <https://aaegv.org/>)

**Des Plaines Art Guild/Park Ridge Art League – “**Paint & Sip” events are held Fridays from 7- 9:30 pm, at Lake Park Pavillion, 1015 Howard St, Des Plaines. Cost is $30, which includes all materials and artists are encouraged to BYOB. Register through the Park District/adult classes or call 847-293-8431 for more information. Dates: March 27, April 24, May 22, and June 26. Visit <http://www.dpag.org/> for more information.

**Colored Pencil Society of America -** Meetings are generally held on the 3rd Sunday of the month, September, October, January, February, March, April and May at the [Palatine Public Library](http://maps.google.com/maps?q=700%20N.%20North%20Court,%20Palatine,%20IL%2060067&rls=com.microsoft:en-us&oe=UTF-8&startIndex=&startPage=1&um=1&ie=UTF-8&sa=N&tab=wl), Palatine, IL, starting at 1:30 PM until 4:00 PM. Meetings may include demonstrations, mini-workshops, draw-ins, and critiques. For more information, visit https://www.cpsadc103.org/or contact Sylvia Westgard.

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

Jill Stark is our Facebook liaison. If you have any questions or suggestions for our page there, please contact her. Jill’s email is in the directory. Our Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/AHAGuild/>. Please LIKE and FOLLOW to spread the word about our Guild and our activities.

**PLEASE** remember to bring a can/non-perishable food item for the Wheeling Township Food Pantry.

**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. Please contact Trish Ramsey for inclusion in the Newsletter. We can only include local items of interest in this newsletter. However, for information about other events around the country, please visit <https://festivalnet.com/>

* **Mary Kay McMahon, Rita Molepske, Bob Packheiser, Tara Riley, Tom Rybarczyk and Tom Warnke** are participating in an event sponsored by Artists’ Association of Elk Grove Village. At this event, poets will read poems based on paintings by exhibitors. Reception and readings will be on Saturday, February 15 from 2-5 in Addison, IL.
* **Trish Ramsey**, **Tom Rybarczyk**, and **Mike Stone** have their artwork displayed in banner form along Northwest Highway and Arlington Hts. Road in Arlington Heights from January through March.
* **Tom Rybarczyk** was the guest artist at the January 22 meeting of the Artists’ Association of Elk Grove Village. He gave a “Big Brush Abstract Watercolor” demo where he shared three different abstract watercolor techniques. Thanks, Tom!
* **Jill Stark’s** “Soft Roselight” is on display at Evanston Art Center Faculty Exhibition, January 11-February 16, 1717 Central Street, Evanston, IL 60201.
* **Jill Stark** is also teaching a one-day watercolor painting workshop at EAC, February 16th,1pm to 3pm. Here’s the link for more info: <https://www.evanstonartcenter.org/school/watercolor-american-sign-language-ages-16>.
* **Joan Zoia** sold her pastel, “The Fox,” while on display at the AH Senior Center, Program Room 1.

**UPCOMING ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES**

These artist opportunities have recently been brought to our attention.

1) Jill Stark is teaching a one-day watercolor painting workshop at EAC, February 16th,1pm to 3pm. Here’s the link for more info: <https://www.evanstonartcenter.org/school/watercolor-american-sign-language-ages-16>

2) The Northbrook Arts Commission is proud to host award winning artist, Spencer Meagher, for a two day watercolor workshop, Saturday, March 28 & 29. Bonnie Siegel, Northbrook Arts Commission, 847-921-5239. [www.northbrookarts.org](http://www.northbrookarts.org). Thanks to Tom Warnke for passing along this information!

3) Prairie Plein Air Competition, April 24 - May 8

<http://www.villageofschaumburg.com/depts/cultural/pca/visual/prairie_plein_air.htm>

4) Prairie Arts Festival, May 23 and 24

<http://www.villageofschaumburg.com/depts/cultural/pca/visual/prairie_arts_festival/default.htm>

Thanks to Eileen Fogell for passing on this information!

5) Mural Opportunity: A note from Melanie Kaplan, Communications and Development Coordinator, Housing Opportunity Development Corp., 847-564-2900 [www.hodc.org](https://www.hodc.org/):

*I am reaching out from the Housing Opportunity Development Corporation (HODC) on behalf of the tenants in one of our supportive housing developments in Arlington Heights, Heart's Place. Heart's Place is an apartment building that serves as home for people living with disabilities. Our building celebrated the open house for Heart's Place in September, 2019, and will soon achieve full capacity.*

*As a special welcome for the residents, we are looking for support of an art project in which an artist who is experienced in working with this population would lead residents in creating a group mural in the main entryway of the building. Research has found that such a group art project can generate opportunities for discussion, create a sense of community, empower residents with a sense of ownership of their environment, and increase self-esteem.*

*As community leaders and supporters of art in Arlington Heights, I’m reaching out to see if this is something your group would support. I would be happy to provide more specifics and to meet with your members if you are interested. With gratitude,* Melani Kaplan

If you are interested in this inspirational project, please contact Melani Kaplan directly.

**SAVE THE DATE(s)**

June 11- Field Trip to Cedarburg. Thanks to Eileen Fogell for planning our summer field trip!

August 30 - A Walk in the Park, 2020.

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**MINUTES FROM JANUARY**

**Arlington Heights Art Guild – Meeting January 16, 2020, 7:30pm**

Art Guild Member Meeting notes 1/16/20

Meeting opened 7:30pm Intro by president Tom W.

Please remember to read the newsletter for important guild information.

Big thank you to Sue Ciccone, for stepping up to help with exhibits. Sue is replacing Joan Zoia who stepped down from the exhibits committee position.

Reminder to please use the website for member contact

 Treasurer’s report: Marcia

$2456.77 last meeting receipts $216.30 other expenses:

$1967.33 balance, $3849. Savings

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Pattis Jostes, Membership- we have one new member in attendance, now 85 members.

 Exhibits: Sue Ciccone; Please sign up for Arlington Heights Village hall, Transition Care March 6- and Friendship Village.

 Village Hall March- May, work must be sent in for approval.

District 214 Senior Celebration Day at Forest View Learning Center: Tuesday March 24 10am-2pm we will have tables, grid walls and demo artists painting there.

Prairie View Center in Schaumburg is looking for artists to do solo art shows.

Plein Air competition and show in Schaumburg April 24- May 8. Enter as an individual show after will be at the Prairie Center in Schaumburg.

August; we have shows in both Mount Prospect and Prospect Heights Libraries.

Scholarships: Rita Molespke if you signed up for judging; check email for the judging days and times.

Field trip: Eileen Fogell; Trip to Cedarburg Wisconsin for the Plein Air Show. Date: Thursday June 11. Bus ride will be covered depart 8am- return 4pm.We have reserved a bus.

Trinity Exhibit at Senior Center in March: April 8th reception 6:00-7:30. Middle School, us and at Senior Center. Drop off one painting (only) March 26th is the exchange date bring only one piece of art to exhibit.

Introduction of special guest artist Peter Thaddeus, acrylic painter.

Minutes submitted by Tara Riley, Recording Secretary