



January 2024

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's always exciting to begin a new year as we plan programs and events for our MMA members. I encourage all who have not yet sent in their membership fee for 2024 to do that asap so that we can better plan for the year. I challenge every member to invite one or more persons to a meeting and encourage them to become members!

Welcome to our new MMA Secretary Jane Lankford who will for the time being continue also as our Historian. I encourage everyone to consider volunteering to be a part of one or more committees as we plan for 2024.



Mid-Missouri Artists, Inc. Minutes-November 30, 2023

The meeting was held at Jo Narron's Art Studio with 13 members in attendance.

The meeting started with President, Rebecca Limback, welcoming members and visitors.

Treasurer's Report

Bill Wayne gave us an oral report and stated that a written report will be in the next newsletter.

Old Business

Reminder to sign up for the Christmas dinner/party.

New Business

The Hanging system at the Community Center schedule*:

December & January -Tara Dunbar and anyone else who would like to display.

February - Area art educators.

March—April – MMA with the challenge theme "Rusty."

An updated slate of officers was presented for 2024. No new nominations were made from the floor. Sue made a motion to accept the new slate and Gary seconded. The vote was unanimous to accept the following officers:

President Rebecca Limback

1 st Vice President Allena Yates

2 nd Vice President Holli Burge

Treasurer Bill Wayne

Secretary Janie Lankford

Meeting Adjourned—Program: "Ammunition" by Jo Narron

**Hanging System Schedule changed – see other information in the newsletter.*

Submitted by Jane Lankford



Photos—top, Painting by Jo Narron in her "Ammunition" presentation; bottom, sculpture in Jo's sculpture garden.

MMA Christmas Party – December 14

The annual MMA Christmas party was held Thursday, December 14, at RISE Café. The Café prepared the meal and plates of appetizers. Following the meal, members of the New Century Dulcimer Ensemble (Many are also MMA members) led the group in singing Christmas carols. Many beautiful ornaments were exchanged.



Treasurer's Reports Summary

Following are some of the main details from the Treasurer's Reports. Full detailed reports are available for anyone who wants to see them.

Checking Balance

\$3,965.26

Savings Balance (Scholarship Funds)

\$2,693.97

MMA CDs: \$12,200.35

Scholarship CDs: \$28,532.04

Interest earned on Scholarship CDs in 2023: \$771.02

(Scholarships paid 3 @ \$250 ea - \$750)

As CDs mature in 2023, will be reinvested at higher interest rate.

Holiday Arts and Crafts Show Net Income \$699. (\$117.44 less than 2022). (Equal amount to Warrensburg Parks and Recreation.)

Summer Paint-In (Gelli print workshop)—cost to MMA after fees paid: \$253.39

Christmas Party (Dinner at RISE) – Cost to MMA \$114

Partial Fixed Expenses Planned for 2024

Storage Unit \$480 (rise in price) – looking for other options

PO Box \$166 (rise in price)

Program Presenters \$100 each

Donation to Parks and Rec. for facilities use \$200

Awards for Jr50 at Missouri State Fair \$75

Thank you to our Treasurer Bill Wayne for keeping detailed records and providing reports that include a



Survival Donations

Collection boxes for donations of children's art supplies were placed at the November Holiday Arts and Crafts Show and at Bar-B Mercantile and the Lutheran Church, resulting in an amazing collection of items to be used by Survival to help meet the needs of their clients. MMA



rounded out cash donations to add a check for \$200 to aid in purchasing needed art supplies. Survival greatly appreciates these donations and sent a nice thank you letter. Plan on donating again in 2024—keep an eye out for great bargains on useful supplies!

January 25 MMA Program

MMA welcomes in 2024 with a program by Jerry Ricker who will show us ways to promote our art.

With a background that includes booking and promoting major talent through his actor brand name of Rick Jey our January presenter (and MMA member) found that his interviews of artists have provided many opportunities for artists in Mid-Missouri and beyond. He will share some of these marketing tools as our guest speaker for the January 25 program.

Jerry is also an artist, focusing on work in oils and has had work juried into the MO50 several times. He hosts three television programs: "Spotlight on the Arts," "Bout Town...the Series," and "Quilting Inside and Out." He is the organizer and host of the annual "Call for Nature's Art" exhibit held at the Runge Conservation Nature Center in Jefferson City. His interviews of artists (including

several MMA and SVAA members) can be viewed on YouTube under "Rick Jey Presents" or in his streaming Premium network connected to Roku, Apple TV and Fire TV (Amazon) under "Rich Jey Presents" at GIAJ Global Media OTT Network. Link: giajglobalmedia.lightcast.com

The January 25 meeting will begin at 6:30 in the Arts and Crafts Room of the Warrensburg Community Center. Come with some suggestions for the 2025 MMA Art Challenge.



2024 MMA Art Challenge Exhibition: Rusty

Bring your work created in response to the 2024 Art Challenge theme of Rusty to the February 29 meeting—we will hang our work that night! Be sure your work is "hangable" with wire. We'll plan to leave the exhibit up through April—probably taking it down at the April meeting.

Clip and save!

Mid-Missouri Artists 2024 Schedule

Meetings the last Thursday of the month 6:30 p.m.
(unless conflict with holidays)

Regular Meetings – Arts and Crafts Room 6-8:30 p.m.

January 25

February 29

March 28

April 25

May 30

June 27

August – Missouri State Fair

September 26

October 24 (31 is Halloween)

November 21 (28 is Thanksgiving)

No regular meetings July, August, December.

December 12 – Christmas Party

Special Events

June 24-July 19-- MMA Summer Exhibition

July 13--Annual Paint-in--

May 3-5 – Spring Fine Arts Show

November 1-2 – Holiday Arts and Crafts Show

Call for Entries

Blue Springs Spring Art Show—March 2-3

Registration form at [www/facebook.com/bluespringsartleague](http://www.facebook.com/bluespringsartleague)

Some forms will be available at the MMA January 25 meeting.

UCMO Gallery of Art and Design

Kleppe Visiting Artist Lecture rescheduled for February 26—4 p.m.

Gallery 115—Second Nature—Gary Staab—Main Gallery Empowered—curated by Scott Barton.

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www.midmissouriartists.com

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Members—send your web site address to rlimback@iland.net to be listed here and on the web site.

January Meeting: Thursday, January 25 – 6:30 p.m.

Note: USPS mailed newsletters cost approximately 90 cents each—help us save money by using email if possible!



Mid-Missouri Artists, Inc. Membership Application

2024

NEW

RENEWAL

Please send my newsletter by (circle one) email USPS

Name/s _____

Address: _____

E-mail _____ Telephone _____

Type of Membership (circle one)

Active Member \$20
Active Member & Spouse \$25
Family Membership \$30

Senior (age 62+) \$15
Senior & spouse \$20

Student (includes college) \$0

Send check along with this form to: Mid-Missouri Artists, P.O. Box 116, Warrensburg, MO 64093. Questions? Call Bill Wayne 660-624-4944.

Membership fees are due January 1. Members in good standing receive a monthly newsletter informing them of area art shows and results, MMA business, upcoming programs, workshops, and other activities. Members are also eligible to vote for executive board members and enter MMA art shows at a reduced rate. Members receive a 20% discount on art supplies at the UCM bookstore by showing a current membership card.



Community Center Art Displays

In December Tara Dunbar displayed work with a holiday theme on the hanging system in the Warrensburg Community Center. Currently on display is a wonderful exhibit by Warrensburg art educators. (Anyone who would like to display work on one or both sides of the hall should contact Rebecca Limback to get on the schedule. Be sure to visit the Community Center to view the work of Warrensburg's talented art educators!

Tara Dunbar's "Music Note Snowman"

2024 Warrensburg Art Educator's Exhibition



Left to right: Alexis McConell, Amanda Sale, Candace Cameron, Dinah Orr, Lara Shaw

MMA Summer Exhibition 2024 – Schedule Exhibition June 24 - July 19

Artwork Dropoff

June 17 & 18, 8:30 am to 11:30 am and 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Artwork pickup

July 22 & 23, 8:30 am to 11:30 am and 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm
(more details nearer the time of the event)

Liberty Center Artist in Residence (Sedalia)

Vicki Weaver is looking for artists to fill the Artist-in-Resident at the Liberty Center during 2024. The Artist-in-Resident program is on every Saturday for 1 month from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. The artist will be able to set up a display in the lobby and sell work, and the artist will keep all the proceeds. You can contact Vicki at 660-281-2286 or vweaver@sfccmo.edu. Vicki will also help with the set up and take down of the artwork.

Artists are asked to demo any aspect of their process and display and sell their work. Artists are asked to email a short description of their work as well as a good image of their work to LCAA for social media use. LCAA does not take any commission on sales. LCAA will post on FB about current AIR - we (the board and friends) try to share etc to get the word out. Faith has been doing a front page article in the Democrat for each artist. Artists will get a code to enter the south door during their residency. There is SOME storage in the undercroft area for any display furniture and or work they might want to leave during the week.

Brett Butler – Exhibition in Liberty Center

Brett Butler is exhibiting his photography work in the Liberty Center in January with an opening reception on January 11.