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MEETING TIME AND PLACE In person meetings again have been discontinued because of an increase in Covid infections. This will be a month to month decision.

The next meeting will be a ZOOM meeting on December 2, 2021. 7:00pm As in the past, members will receive a zoom email with instructions a day or two before the meeting date.

There will be no meetings in January and February, 2022. The next official meeting will be on March

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

ESAL WEB SITE: www.esalart.org

Hello, everyone! As I write this message, it is almost Thanksgiving time, and though we have been through almost 2 years of tough times, I find myself thinking about all the things in my life for which I am very grateful. Things like family, good health so far, friends, especially all my ESAL family. Yes – there have been disappointments and some hardships for us all, but we are still here and I believe it's better to focus on the positive things, which invites more positive things to enter our lives.

If you have been attending our Zoom meetings and/or reading the minutes from them, you will know we have been discussing what to do (if anything) in December, January, and February. Because we decided not to have our traditional Holiday show at the Penn State New Kensington gallery, we have opted to hold a member Show & Tell online on Zoom. Yay!!! After this event in December, we will take our usual break in January and February.

Here is how you can participate in our Show and Tell:

Send an email to Tom Gallovich at esal@tomgallovich.com and attach a photo of something you what to share. Name the file with the title of the painting: for example sunrise.jpg or ForestLandscape.jpg Don't worry about the size because Tom will take care of that. Make the title of the email to Tom something like "SHOW AND TELL PHOTOS" in all caps, so it will grab his attention. He is preparing a slide show with these photos to present for our December meeting. He is also considering placing this slide show on our website as our December demonstration.

This will be fun and a great way to share with our group something you have been working on. No regular meeting – just our show and tell, and a holiday (online) get together. My wish for everyone is to have a safe and happy holiday season starting with Thanksgiving this week.

Lots of love to all of you and hope to see you on Zoom December 2. Be safe and healthy!

Arlene

TREASURER'S REPORT As reported, the account balance is \$ \$4329.67. DUES \$10/person \$15/couple

ANNUAL ESAL SHOWS 2021

CCAC Boyce Show and the Penn State Show Canceled

PROGRAMS

Members Show and Tell by way of ZOOM. See Presidents Message for details.

PERMANENT EXHIBIT OPPORTUNITIES

Murrysville Library

Murrysville Library; Remaining exhibits for 2021:

October: Jan Fiorina (724-516-9262) **November:** Norma Rowley (412-824-3199) **December** (and maybe January): Peter Cehily (412-979-2953).

As always, call the person ahead of you to schedule a changeover date so that screens are not left empty between shows. Always remember to call the person AHEAD of you on the schedule to arrange for a changeover date. (Screens should not be left empty between shows.) Do make an effort to stop by to support your fellow artists and leave a comment.

Questions? Call Barbara Jewell

The calendar is NOW OPEN for 2022, to anyone who has not had a show at this library in 2021. Call or email me ASAP if you would like to reserve a month!

As of now, exhibiting artists are invited to schedule an evening "Art Talk" on Mondays or Tuesdays. At that time you may bring items in addition to your exhibit to sell, such as cards, prints, or other items with your images not able to be hung on the screens. If you would like to schedule an evening event, you need to call the library director, Amy, to find out which dates are available, (and to be sure that evening events are still being allowed during your month!)

The library will send out email publicity announcements if you provide information ahead of time. Questions? Call me. Barbara Jewell

Redstone Highlands - Members exhibiting - 2021

Eileen Yeager will take over as Redstone Coordinator from Lane Neff.

Norma Rowley is scheduled for April. **Ellie Brendlinger** will do May. **June & July**: Lynn Jacques (724) 339-9038. (Lynn graciously stepped in to show in June, and has agreed to continue her show through July.

Rick Armstrong had a Photography exhibit in August and September.

Eileen Kopelman will be showing her Oil Paintings, some with Gold Leaf in October and November.

Eileen Yeager will be showing her Original Prints in December and January,

We are looking for artists to exhibit for a 2 month show for the rest of 2022 (F&M, A&M, J&J, A&S, O&N, D&J)

Contact Eileen, efyeager3@gmail.com, to receive an email about showing at Redstone. Including number of pieces, hanging system, how to visit to see if the venue is right for you, etc. You do not have to commit before getting the info and visiting.

It is well known the Redstone and their patients and visitors really enjoy the work our members hang there. Quite a few pieces of art have been sold.

Since the pandemic has hit us all, the Redstone has established a procedure for anyone preparing to hang their work.

- --When you are ready to hang your work call the Redstone and make an appointment with Amanda.
- --At the appointment time you will have your temperature checked and answer questions. Then you will be admitted to hang your work.
- --For take down the same procedure will be used.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Greetings. The new membership year 2021-2022 has arrived already! Can you even believe it?! This year the membership dues are going to remain at the reduced rates. We are going to have the first meeting and perhaps the first few meetings via Zoom as we did last year due to Covid issues that are arising again The rates are **\$10 for a single and \$15 for a couple**. All payments have to be by check only and mailed to me at my home address (112 Cehily Road, New Kensington, PA 15068). Please make the checks payable to ESAL.

As always I plan to publish and email to all members the **updated directory/ list in December and again in the Spring**. Our **deadline for payment is going to be <u>the first week of December</u>.** Also please email me with any updates or changes to your contact information.

Best Regards to All Peter Cehily Membership Chair

Larry Brandstetter recently sold eight of his pieces. **Mineral Point Gallery in Wisconsin** purchased two 16x20 mixed media collage paintings and a series of six 18x24 color pencil drawings.

Latrobe Art Center sold three of Larry's works ~ "Mutton Field Trip" a graphite (Ticonderoga#2) drawing. A pen & ink piece, "Every Minute", inspired by the novel, a tree grows in Brooklyn and a vintage 1975 color pencil drawing of colorful butterflies.

Brandstetter had three pieces accepted into the **Tuscarawas Art Guild Juried Fall Exhibit in Ohio.** At the November 20th reception, he was awarded a Merit Certificate and medal for his whimsical collage, "Spike n' Louis".

MEMBER'S WEB SITES: An email to the Editor (gordonsarti@gmail.com) indicating your web site address will have it listed in future Newsletters for the enjoyment of ESAL members.

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EDITOR'S CORNER: Remember everyone, to receive the monthly Newsletter you must have an accurate and up to date email address. Send any email changes to gordonsarti@gmail.com and it will be forwarded to the Membership Chair to keep the official record updated. All submissions should be a Veranda font size 8 or 9. A reminder: All paid members will receive the official membership list from the Membership Chairperson via email. The personal contact information of each member is considered confidential and is not to be shared with non-paid members.