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MEETING TIME AND PLACE In person meetings have resumed, and members are invited to wear masks as desired. Refreshments may be brought to share by anyone wishing to do so, however there will not be a sign-up sheet for these, until further notice.

The next meeting will be on September 1, 2022 at 7:00 pm and will continue to be on the first Thursday of the month in September, October, November, March, April, and May.

There will be no meetings in December, January, and February, 2022. The next official meeting will be on September 1, 2022.

ESAL WEB SITE: www.esalart.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Hello ESAL members! We resume our regular ESAL meetings this Fall. Fall is on its way! We all look forward to the Autumn colors and inspirational beauty. We have one of our own members, Nichole Brown, who will offer a presentation on found or re-purposed materials. She is an award-winning artist and has just finished a popular show at the Monroeville Public Library. Glendon Hyde will not be presenting due to health issues. We wish him a speedy recovery. I hope you are continuing to create art. Pablo Picasso said, "Art washes from the soul, the dust of everyday life." Share your creativity with others! I am looking forward to seeing you on September 1 st at 6:30 pm for socializing, 6:45 pm for Show and Tell, Presentations starting at 7pm and the business meeting starts at 8 and finishing at no later than 9:00pm at the latest.

Best wishes to all of you. Be safe and healthy!

Dan Yaklich

TREASURER'S REPORT As reported, the account balance is \$4,170.97

DUES (Will resume at previous amount) \$25/person \$30/couple

ANNUAL ESAL SHOWS 2022

CCAC Boyce Show and the Penn State Show Canceled.

Show at **Brushes and Beans** scheduled for November/December. See attached registration sheet. Description follows:

Our First Post-pandemic Group Show

*As discussed at an earlier meeting, the owners of **Brushes and Beans Café in Murrysville**, (Mark and Amanda Clemente) have been approached about the possibility of hosting a group show for ESAL in the fall. They both greeted the idea enthusiastically, so a two-month*

show for November and December, 2022, has been scheduled. This will replace our show and Christmas/holiday party opening that was previously held at Penn State, New Ken., and will follow much the same format. Entries, (one per person) can be the artists' choice, provided they are originals, completed independently of any classwork. The show will not be judged. However, during the month of November, patrons of the café will be encouraged to vote for People's Choice awards. (ESAL members who visit the show during November are also eligible to vote!) The awards will then be presented at the opening party on December 3rd . Entry forms are being prepared and should be available at the Sept. 1 st meeting, and will also be emailed to members. Paid-up dues (\$25 single or \$30 couples) before October 1 st is required for show participation!

A word about Brushes and Beans for those who are not familiar with this business: They are a fairly new business in Murrysville, and provide a combination coffee café and pottery studio. They are located in the same plaza as Shop 'n Save, along Rt. 22, where there is always plentiful parking.

Since opening about a year and a half ago, they have generously offered their walls as display space for local artists who had been having an especially difficult time finding show venues during the pandemic. They strive to be a community resource in this and other ways. There is no charge for shows, and they retain only a 10% commission for any artwork sales. They handle all sales there, giving the buyer the option of taking their purchase immediately or of leaving it (with a "sold" sticker) until the show's end.

We will be hanging our show on the pottery side of the building, while Gabby Nastuck, formerly the Latrobe Art Center director, will be showing her work in the café area. There is a smaller "party room" off of the café where we are invited to bring and set up our usual assortment of appetizers, desserts, and wine for our party, which will also be open to the public. As a courtesy to our hosts, we are strongly suggesting that our members purchase drinks, other than wine, (and including bottled water) from the café menu.

Other details will be provided on the entry form, and additional questions can be answered at the Sept. meeting. We encourage everyone's participation in this show to kick off our new season of in-

person activities! Hope to see you all on September 1 st !

PROGRAMS

September – Nicole Brown, Found Materials Artist

Creating art from discarded materials: An outstanding artist and ESAL member, Nicole Chmel Brown, will guide us to create a variety of delightful items from "trash". Those attending will leave the meeting with two beautiful works created from discards. Nicole Brown will share some of her art creations and explain how her artistic career has centered around discovering beauty in what others view as junk.

NOTE that this meeting originally included a second artist who is since unable to attend due to health reasons.

Be sure to be part of this first meeting of the 2022-2023 year as our membership continues another exploration of the range of art and artists in our midst and explores their passions shared with ESAL members and friends...as well, this meeting should inspire you to take a second glance at your discards!

Join with us at Christ's Lutheran Church lower level meeting room at~6:45 pm for our Show and Tell of personal art work and for the program at 7:00 at the church location at 5330 Logan Ferry Road, Murrysville, PA 15668.

November – Anne McCartney, Art Judge

PERMANENT EXHIBIT OPPORTUNITIES

Murrysville Library

Following is the Murrysville Library exhibit schedule for the rest of 2022:

September; Jan Landini
October: Darlene Miklos
November: Lynn Jaques
December: Sue and Dan Yaklich

The library has hired a technology specialist who is available to artists who would like to present an evening "Art Talk" along with their exhibit. Artists can now have their "Talk" and works of art put on video so that others not in-person at the time may still see and hear the artist's presentation. (For additional first-hand information on this new feature, see Betty Trout who very successfully took advantage of this wonderful new opportunity!)

After 10 years of coordinating these monthly exhibits, I am ready to pass it along to a new person before the new year. It is an important, enjoyable, and not-too-time consuming job maintaining our library space fully occupied with wonderful shows. I have enjoyed meeting and getting to know many members through this activity, and will gladly support a new coordinator as he/she become familiar with the "routine." Please let me know directly or through the president if you would consider doing this and/or have any questions!

Barbara Jewell

Redstone Highlands - Members exhibiting - 2022

Eileen is still looking for people to exhibit for February/ March; April/ May, June/ July; August/September and October/ November 2022. Eileen Yeager will be showing her Original Prints in December and January,

Contact Eileen, efyeager3@gmail.com, or call 412-491-1192 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. There is now a floor plan with sizes of all the walls to help you in your planning.

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

From Betty Trout:

I was juried into Westmoreland Art Nationals at WCCC with "Seaside Spin Catching the Wind" and at Westmoreland Arts & Heritage Festival with "Best Friends". "Best Friends" received the Executive Director's Choice Award! June & July

I was juried into Cranberry Artists Network's Martinis with Monet Exhibit with "More Apples!" and "Past the Sunflowers & Up the Hill". July & August

In an additional exhibit to Greensburg Art Center's Plein Air 15601 Exhibit, I exhibited a few plein air oil paintings with five other artists. July & August

I was juried into Latrobe Art Center's Mister Fred Rogers Fine Arts Exhibition with "Downtime".

Also from Betty:

Calls for Artists (See attachments)

SPCARTS 27th Annual Regional Juried Art Exhibition at Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art (SAMA)

Pitt Greensburg General & Juried Art Show

Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art Fall Plein Air Paint Out (SAMA)

From Sue Yaklich:

My church has some primed cotton canvas from Blick, 3 yards, that they would like to sell. They purchased it by mistake. The cost was \$33.84.

From Larry Brandstetter:

Cranberry Artists Network - 2022 Martinis with Monet Art Expo. I was awarded Best in Show for my 'Brightly Whispered' collage.

The Central Pennsylvania Festival of the Arts, Images 2022 Exhibition. 285 pieces entered with 50 being accepted, I had two juried in and received a Merit Award for collage 'Spike n' Louis'

Associated Artists of Pittsburgh selected '6 week gig' for the 2022 New Members Exhibition at Slippery Rock University

North Hills Arts Center is hosting the 2022 Members Art Show. September 13th to 31st ~ Opening Reception September 10, 2022.

I have three brand new pieces featured in this show.

From Cindy Berceli:

"Let's Get Real" is an exhibit of Barb Jewel, Jan Landini and Cindy Berceli's work at Missing Pieces Gallery, Honesdale, PA in the Poconos September 9th - October 22nd, 2022.

Jan Landini and Cindy Berceli have paintings in the Merrick Masters Exhibit at the Merrick Gallery in New Brighton, PA. The Opening is August 28th from 1 - 4pm, the show will hang through Sunday August 11th, 2022.

Cindy Berceli had a painting juried into 'Pure Color 2022' International Exhibition with Pastel Society of North Carolina September 1st - September 30, 2022.

From Suzanne Kemper:**CHRISTIAN ART SHOW**

The 46th Annual Christian Art Show at Calvary Lutheran Church, Murrysville will be held Saturday & Sunday, October 22 & 23. Christian artists of all ages and skills are invited to enter their original art. Pre-registration deadline is Friday, October 7. Entry forms are available by calling Sue Kemper 724-327-4230 or e-mail suznbobk@aol.com.

From Eileen Yeager:

Eileen Yeager's piece "Mother of Dragons Tree", a Collage, was juried into the Mister Fred Rogers Show at Latrobe Art Center by Susanne Slavick an artist, curator and a professor at CMU, The Show runs from September 1 - 30, 2022.

Eileen Yeager's piece "Ukrainian Wheat Fields 2021-2022" a Monotype Collage was juried into the September Open Exhibition at The Art League Gallery in Alexandria, VA by Aaron Morgan Brown, Artist, The Show runs from September 7 - October 2, 2022.

Eileen Yeager is teaching Printmaking Classes at Greensburg Art Center. A Monotype Sampler in Sep and Oct (4 Weeks) Tuesdays, 1 -4 p.m and a Printmaking Reproducing Your Image(working on metal plates in Oct and November (4 weeks). Also Matting and Framing Workshops on Saturday 1 -4 p.m. in Oct, Nov and Dec. 4 Classes. Email efyeager3@gmail.com for more information or go on the GAC website.

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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.