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Williamson County Art Guild

Building Community Through Creativity

Calendar of Events:

3/24 & 3/25:

Gallery Change-out

4/4:

General Meeting

4/7:

First Friday

4/11:

Board Meeting

4/15:

Newsletter Deadline

4/27 & 4/28:

Gallery Change-out

IMPORTANT: Please note the switchout dates are Thursday and Friday this month, in order to have the show in place for PoppyFest.

4/29 & 4/30:

PoppyFest



Details of April Meeting

The April General meeting will feature a presentation by Karen Burgess. Karen specializes in collage/mixed media artwork. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. April 4th at the Framers' Gallery.

Directions:

From I-35 go east on University Ave (Hwy 29) to the intersection of Main St. Turn left on Main go past the courthouse to 610 S. Main St. (on west side of the street between 6th & 7th Streets).

Time to Nominate New Board Members!



The election for the new Executive Board members is coming up very soon, voting will take place during the General Meeting on **May 2nd**. Normally, the Parliamentarian would be heading up a Nominating Committee at this time and would be collecting names of members interested in becoming officers. However, that chair is currently vacant, so we need someone **right away** to step in and volunteer to head the committee! Also, according to the By-Laws we need 5 volunteers to form the Nominating Committee in order to prepare a new slate of officers.

In the meantime, we are asking all members to please do some reflection on the possibility of volunteering for an office. The Guild needs your time and talents in order to keep going. Some officers will not be running again plus there are several vacancies on the current Board, so we really need participation from our members. Being a Board member is somewhat time consuming, but is also very rewarding. Please step up and help in any way you can.

Another Open Letter To Members

Our guild is a great opportunity for the non professional artist in central Texas. We have a great gallery, show opportunities, great programs to learn from, and an opportunity to network with other artists. It would be a shame to lose it all. But I am afraid that is the direction we are headed. It must be very frustrating for the gallery chair to put in all that work hanging the art and then not have the artists follow thru with their commitment to open it. We come up with opportunities to show our work and only a few take advantage of it. We plan great speakers and programs for our meetings and about only 25 people come to hear it. We have some good art festivals but it's always the same few workers that do the work. Our gallery is losing \$300 a month. We had a great way of raising monies for our scholarship fund, with the art walk, but the other organization involved does not want to continue it, mainly because of our lack of participation. And right now the board questions if we could do it on our own. We have not even been able to fill several positions on the board. The few workers that have been carrying the work load are getting burned out. They are feeling a level of frustration because no one else is stepping in.

We need new people to step up to the plate and become leaders, to help run the shows, to fill in the new opening positions on the board, to keep the gallery open and vibrant, to run projects that will continue the scholarships. I believe we are at a point that if this doesn't happen the guild will cease to operate. Have you ever wondered why that most WCAG presidents, after their term ended, drop out of sight?

Thank you,
Fred Bolgen

Happy Birthday!

Hope Bagnull, Giselle
Hoopes, Rita Pena, Nelda
Smith, Don Snell and
Theresa Vaughn

Remember: Members get
one free hanging at the
Gallery during their
birthday month!



Announcements & Events:

- Yuma Price has more art items that she needs to dispose of. There are: art books, picture frames, paintings, mat boards, display boards, paint brushes, silk screen apparatus, and misc art supplies. All will be sold very reasonably. Come to 103 Tanza Ct. on Thursday, March 23 between 3 and 5, or on Saturday March 25 between 2 and 5. For more information call Mary Klein (Yuma's daughter) at 863-0695.

- Congratulations to Charles and Lynn Kessel. Charles won 2nd place in Watercolors and Lynn won both 2nd and 3rd places in Miniature Watercolors at the juried show held by the Llano Fine Arts Guild in February. This show is held each year by the Llano Fine Arts Guild. They have a really nice Gallery and offer art classes, too. They are located 2 blocks north of the bridge in Llano at 503 Bessemer. 325-247-4839

- Just a "heads up" note: SWAP & SELL at the WCAG May General meeting coming up in just a few weeks. Members are invited to bring art related supplies, etc. to swap or sell to other members.

Gallery Update

IMPORTANT: The PoppyFest will be held on Sat & Sun, April 29th & 30th so the April switch-out will be on **Thursday, April 27th and Friday, April 28th**. The show will then be hung on Friday night and will be in place for the busy weekend!

HANGING FEES: Here are the current Hanging Fees for the Gallery:

(Combined Width + Length)

< 28 inches	\$ 2.50	Sculpture	\$ 5.00/pedestal
> 28 inches & < 62 inches	\$ 5.00	Jewelry	\$ 5.00 per ½ jewelry display case
> 62 inches	\$10.00		(must be individually tagged)

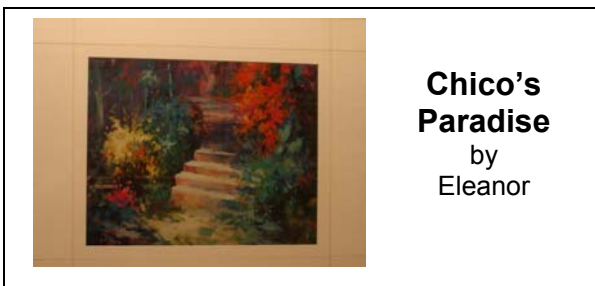
Space will no longer be rented by the panel. No commissions will be charged on Sales from the Gallery.

March Artists Showing in the Gallery:

Dottie Foreman	Kitty Lee Myers	Bob Kissel	Greg Heflin
Charles Kessel	Eleanor Romeo	Kathalee Holmans	Linda Figg
Patricia Feille	Brenda Briggs Shannon		

Special Shows for April and May: Reminder: The Gallery will be having special shows this spring in addition to hanging regular art pieces. In **April** we are inviting anyone who entered the contest for PoppyFest to hang their **PoppyFest** entries at the Gallery. Then in **May** we are inviting members to hang their **past People's Choice Award winners**. (Regular hanging fees and docent duties still apply.)

Peoples' Choice Award: Congratulations to Eleanor Romeo for winning the Peoples' Choice award with her signed and numbered limited edition print "Chico's Paradise". Remember, any artist winning the People's Choice award will not only get the framed certificate but will also get one free hanging at the Gallery the following month! (Docent duties still apply.)



Upcoming Shows

PoppyFest is coming up April 29th and 30th. The Guild will have a members' booth available during the show, be sure to contact Lucas Adams to reserve space for your artwork and to sign up to help setup/man the booth.

2006 Festival of the Arts in June: (Contact Fred Bolgen for info at 863-2214)

Art Around the Square: Get your creative juices flowing and plan to be a part of this special exhibit. This is an open show for members of 5 local art groups, sponsored by the Georgetown Symphony Society. The artwork should relate to Haydn, his works, or music in general; and will be on display at multiple locations around the Square during the entire month of June.

Art In The Park: Saturday June 3rd & Sunday June 4th. The Guild will have a booth available if we have members wishing to participate in this wonderful sales opportunity.

Art Notes

1. Classes and Workshops by Patricia Lyle:

- “**Painting the Light – Impressionistic Techniques**” workshop: Apr 29th (Sat) 9:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. to be held at the Art Center of Williamson County. Call 512-248-8690 for details.
- **Classes at Art Center of Williamson County:** Tues 10a.m. to 1p.m. and 4p.m. to 8p.m.. Wed 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Thur 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.. Various media, Children and Adults.
- “**Painting the Colorful Landscape**” workshop (Sun City Georgetown): Mon, May 15th, Wed May 17th and Fri May 19th. Call Doris Manning at 512-966-0259 for registration info.
- **Paint in Patricia’s Studio:** Private lessons by appointment, Mondays (call 238-0293 for info & reservations)

2. Upcoming workshops at the Art Center of Williamson County. For more info on these and other upcoming workshops and times check the website at www.artcenterwc.com or call Guild member Michael Hammons at 512-244-3403.

- **Workshop with Vicki McMurray:** April 5th - April 7th (Wed - Fri), 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- **Pastel Workshop with Steve Napper:** April 22nd - April 24th (Sat through Mon), Time to be announced.

3. Guild member Linda Figg is teaching art classes for children at the Dragonfly-Pond Studio, new classes start in mid-April. Call her at 512-255-3404 or 507-1771 for more information. The studio is located west on 1431 about 1/3 mile past Sam Bass Rd. Turn left on Raley Rd and the studio is the 3rd place on the right, 108 Raley Rd.

NOTE: there will be a “Student Art Show” and a free Art Festival on Sunday, April 2nd, from noon to 4 p.m. at the Dragonfly-Pond Studio. There will be fun games, entertainment, food & beverages, and of course, Art! The studio is fun to see and there are lots of animals on the property including a llama, horse, goat, peacocks and more. Please come by and join the fun. Call 259-0303 for more info.

Directory Updates and Additions

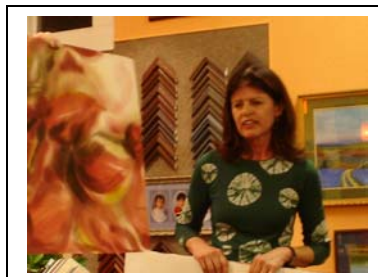
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March Meeting In Review

Jan Heaton gave a really wonderful presentation during the March meeting. She discussed her marketing techniques and brought samples of her portfolios, plus shared her inspiration and techniques used to create her ethereal multi-layered watercolors. Our thanks to Jan for a very informative and enjoyable presentation!



Shows, Announcements, Opportunities

1. Guild member Don Snell has a piece hanging in a special exhibition at The People’s Gallery in Austin City Hall. There were more than 1000 entries and 100 pieces were chosen for the exhibit. They are placed all over the building. Don’s work hangs in the 2nd floor hallway near City Council Members’ offices. The exhibit will be on display for the entire year.

2. WCAG member Patricia Lyle together with Donna Bland are putting together an art trip to San Miguel de Allende, Mexico, this summer (anticipated dates July 16 through July 23rd). Optional painting instruction with Patricia or Donna will be available for \$25/day. For more information about the trip in general, prices, plans, etc. please contact Patricia at eti4@earthlink.net or 512-796-6552, or Donna at paintingsbydonna@hotmail.com or 210-885-8549.

3. The Main Street Board in Georgetown is pleased to announce a new mural to be painted on the side of the Visitor’s Center. Work will start on the mural in May. It will feature photos & text regarding Georgetown History.



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Join the Art Guild

You are invited to join the Art Guild by dropping in at the Gallery or by sending a membership form & check to:

**Williamson County Art Guild,
109 E. 8th Street
Georgetown, TX 78626**

Membership Fees:

Individual: \$30.00

Student: \$18.00

Senior: \$20.00
(60 & over)

Family: \$35.00

Sponsor: \$50.00 to
\$249.99

Sustaining
Membership: \$250.00

Copies of the membership form are available at the Gallery and online at www.wcartguild.com. Contact Pat Langley at 512-864-9981 for details on joining.

Submissions to Newsletter

We welcome items for the newsletter. If you have any helpful advice or bits of information about the arts community, or artwork in general, please contact Newsletter Chair Kitty Myers at:

512-218-9836

or email to:

sisterheart2@yahoo.com

Please consider signing up for the e-newsletter as it saves the Guild a lot of money through the year on postage and printing costs. If you haven't already signed up please send a note to Kitty Myers at wcartguild@yahoo.com and we can get you on the list.

DEADLINE: 15th of the month

The Williamson County Art Guild is a non-profit 501c (3) organization, organized & operated for educational and charitable purposes. Its specific focus is to stimulate interest in art in Williamson County through art in exhibits, artists' programs and sponsorship of scholarships and workshops.

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