

Williamson County Art Guild

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Building Community Through Creativity

"ArtSpace Out" "Hill Country Art Space" ALIVE AND WELL!

Notes from Larry McCormick's presentation to the Georgetown City Council

After two days of meeting with Artspace, their report concluded that our population was too old and too affluent to serve their Artspace goals. They further concluded that we would probably be unable to draw young low-income artists to our community from Austin. On the other hand, they recognized that the non-residential component was a good strategy for Georgetown to strengthen its downtown and enhance its appeal as a destination. Further, they indicate that such a project would have a broad base of support in the community. They noted in their final report that the attendance at the meetings spoke well for the prospects of an arts project in Georgetown.

The steering committee will now move ahead to try to find a private developer for the project. The next immediate bridges to be crossed will be to establish a project management board and to define carefully the content of the project.

While all this is in the works, the committee is continually trying to bring art related businesses into the downtown that will move toward the goal of making Georgetown a destination.

For a full copy of report given to the City Council, contact Larry McCormick mccor@suddenlink.net



"Beethoven" by Alyssa Peters



Art Quiz. Do you know this painting? Hint
Italian artist, Year 1600, hanging in Santa Maria del Popolo,
Rome. Known for his unique handling of paint. Answer in
July Newsletter

STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

WCAG is happy to announce the winners of 2007 Art Scholarship Awards. First place went to **Alyssa Peters** for the work titled "**Beethoven**". This painting was awarded first place for its unique and interesting use of space and color. The artist exhibits good drawing and composition skills. Second Place went to **Kristen Girouard** for her photograph "**Pond**". This artist presented several outstanding photographs. "Pond" was chosen for the interesting design and use of line. Third place went to **Yesica Moran** for the drawing "**Initiate**" showing exceptional drawing skills.

The winning students will present their work at the June General Meeting. Thanks to all the students who entered this year and Congratulations to the winners.

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New Look for Newsletter

Thanks to Melissa Conniff for her great effort on the newsletter. Her outstanding work at this tremendous job is much appreciated. Thanks Melissa! A change in software; thus the newsletter has a different look. Remember to sign up for e-mail newsletter if you have e-mail. It saves the Guild money, volunteers time and you get the view in full color. We send it out as a PDF file so all computers can view it. If you do not have Acrobat Reader in your computer it can be downloaded for free. www.adobe.downloadmetropolis.com. The new cut-off date for getting information to me for the newsletter will be the 10th of the month. Anything received after that date will go in the following month's publication. I need your ideas, your suggestions, your personal accomplishments in the art world, pictures of your work. Please send pictures in .jpg format, any size is fine. Thanks, Sue Gray Newsletter Chair. snoslergray@yahoo.com or to me at wcartguild@yahoo.com.

From Your New Membership Chair Susan O'Conner

Welcome everyone! The new year for the guild begins the first day of June. we have many plans for this new year and hope to see everyone get active and involved. If your address has changed, please email me at wcartguild@yahoo.com so we can keep our database up to date. Just a reminder...membership fees are due by the end of this month. (If you joined after Jan 1, your dues cover this new year also. Welcome to all our new members. We look forward to seeing you at the meetings. Susan

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

May 26, Saturday Carol Lights Studio Tour. Meet at Gallery at 10AM. Carpool to her studio in Walburg. Lunch together afterwards.

May 31, Thursday May pick-up and June drop off for gallery. 3Pm to 6PM. Remember, no storage space for pick-up work.

June 1st First Friday

Great night out in Georgetown. If you have art in the gallery for June, be sure and support the Arts.

June 2nd and 3rd Georgetown Festival of the Arts

WCAG will enter the Festival. For information on showing there, contact Show Chair, Charlotte Sylvest @ 863-7739 or grisling2@verizon.net Please see information in this issue.

June 5th: 6:30 Social Time 7:00PM General Meeting.

Meeting will be held at the Windberg Art Center north of Georgetown. See Pat Langley's notes for directions. Student winners will present their art.

June 10 Newsletter Deadline. Because we have moved our meeting forward one week we will be publishing the newsletter one week earlier. Please be sure and have your information to Sue Gray wcartguild@yahoo.com before or by the 10th of each month. Any data received later than that will go into the following newsletter.

May-June 27 WCAG Georgetown Library Art Exhibit

Support our members, come and bring your friends to view the exhibit at Georgetown Library

June 28th Georgetown Library Exhibit Pick-up

Pick up art 11Am to 1PM in room 205.

TREASURERS REPORT April to May 2007

Checking	\$1594.77
Building	\$2574.61
Scholarship Fund	\$4063.41



TIME TO START CREATING POPPIES FOR NEXT YEAR!!!

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Its has been an exciting two months since I took over this position and also very challenging. I am so pleased with the changes that are being made but more so with the new board of directors who have already jumped in running at full speed. Most of them are new members with fresh ideas and a lot of enthusiasm. Its not that we older members are lacking but it just seems more exciting now. The most exciting is our new gallery. The last three First Friday's we have had more visitors than any other shop in town, in fact, I was told that we had more people in our gallery than all the stores combined. People came in and stayed, partook of the refreshments and talked to the artists, bought art and appreciated the art of others. This has become the "In Place during First Friday. I believe this is due to the inclusion of the two art groups represented here.

It is time to renew your membership. If you are wondering if you should I would suggest that you look into all the good changes that are being made and realize we are just getting started. Many new events are being planned, too soon to tell you about, but very exciting. If you have any questions, please come in to The Framer's Gallery and talk to me.

Thanks, Fred



"Waiting"

Fred Bolgen

Did you know that your creativity is an gift that you already have? Your artistic sense is already in you. If you paint or draw with the talent you have right now, everyday, you will get better. And remember, except in the Middle Ages, no one ever went to jail for breaking art rules! So have some fun and get busy.

*"Don't be an art critic,
but paint, there lies
salvation"*

Paul Cezanne

Brief Notes: May 1 General Meeting

The Guild has been approached by Mike Windberg about using their facility north of Walberg for our general meetings. A motion was made to try the Windberg facility at a meeting to be set in the future. A session with Dalhart Windberg was suggested as the program. Sue Gray said the cut-off for the newsletter will be May 10 so send articles and pictures to her by or before that date. Gallery – Sonia Mathis. There are 6 large panels available each month. The smaller panels are available for monthly hangings at \$7.00 per piece. If you bring a piece that will fit over the electrical panel (15 to 20 wide by 30 to 40 tall) you can hang it for free. Birthday hanging is still free. Hospitality for 1st Friday is handled by the artists hanging that month. A studio tour of Carol Light's studio is scheduled for May 26th. Meet at Fred's Gallery at 10:00 to car pool. The proposed Board Members for the next term were presented as follows: **President, Fred Bolgen: Gallery, Sonia Mathis: Hospitality, Kathalee Holmans: Membership, Susan O'Conner: Newsletter, Sue Gray: Parliamentarian, Larry McCormick: Program, Pat Langley: Secretary, Juannell Owens: Show, Charlotte Sylvest: Treasurer, Linda Stinnett: Exhibit, Johnny Parsons: Publicity, Open.**

Motion was made to pass the slate of officers as presented. Motion was seconded and passed by the majority vote of members in attendance. Linda Stinnett presented her interpretation of the challenge painting for the month with the theme of Wings. Next month's challenge theme is "Sound". Pat Langley, Program asked for suggestions of topics for meetings, Future program topics suggested were sculpture and encaustic painting.

Brief Notes: April 10 General Meeting

Meeting opened, minutes read, treasurer's report given. Chuck Rousch provided information on Justice Center. They need more volunteers. Jackie Tarter give a report on the Red Poppy Café. Fred Bolgen stated that the Guild would not be in the Red Poppy Festival as no one volunteered to run it. Larry McCormick gave an update on the ArtSpace project.

Motions made, seconded and passed

1. Reinstate the Exhibit Chair position to the Board
2. \$200.00 Donation to the library.
3. New hanging procedures for gallery (see article on new gallery rules)

Honorary Memberships were given to J. C. Sloan and Steve Benton. JC Sloan was present to accept. Drawing on tickets, JC Sloan won and gave his winnings back to guild> Note that May meeting will be held First Tuesday at the Library. Challenge painting for next meeting, subject "Wings" Sue Nosler Gray gave an informative talk about her work and philosophy. Pamela Heller

Guidelines and Opportunities for New Gallery Space

Here are a few reminders about the new gallery. As of the meeting on April 10, 2007, the two side walls of the gallery will be split into 6 panels approx. 4'x8' each. The hanging fee for the panel will be \$25 per month, and the panel may be shared or for a single artist. Pedestals are available at \$5 per month. There is a 5% handling fee for any work sold.

The back 2 panels and column will be set aside for those who would like to bring one or two pieces and those who would like to display free for their birthday month. The cost will be \$7 per picture shown, and the picture cannot exceed 39" in width. Anyone that can bring in a piece to cover the breaker box door (at least 15" wide and 31" long to 21" wide and 40" long) will be able to show that piece free.

The gallery chair will have a calendar to sign up for panels in advance. Members who had a panel the previous month may sign up for the next month as well, but will be placed on the list after those who have not yet shown. To sign up for a panel contact Sonia Colonna Mathis at home 869-2484 or by cell 512-497-3035.

The DROP OFF for the JUNE show and PICK UP for MAY will be THURSDAY MAY 31st from 3pm - 6pm. Those dropping off need to make sure they contact our Hospitality Chair Kathalee Holmans about bringing part of the refreshments for the artist's reception on First Friday. REMEMBER there is no storage space for any art that is not picked up on the pick up date. **There will be a penalty fee of \$1 per day, and the art will be stored off premises.** In an emergency, if you are unable to pick up work on time, please contact Sonia Mathis or Fred Bolgen to make special arrangements.

Thanks Sonia!



News from the Program Chair Pat Langley

New and exciting things are going on in the WCAG!! We are planning programs for the coming year. You may make suggestions for programs to me via e-mail at wholang@verizon.net or call me at 864-9981.

Tues. June 5th is our next meeting. We have been invited to have this meeting at Windberg Art Center. Come at 6:30 PM and visit with your fellow members and have a little refreshment. The meeting will start promptly at 7:00PM. This will be a chance to see this new and wonderful art space. We will be able to have an informal chat with Dalhart Windberg. See you at 6:30 PM. Directions to the Windberg Art Center:

From Georgetown/Round Rock: Take IH 35 North & take the Wallberg/972 Exit 268. Continue North on the 2-way feeder road for about 2 miles until you reach the Windberg Art Center on the right.

From Sun City & Williams Dr. Georgetown: Williams Dr to Shell Rd. Take Shell Rd to 195 & continue across 195. Shell Rd is now 143. Continue on 143 & it will cross over IH35. Take the frontage road north to Windbergs on the right. Sun City may want to go out the back to 195, then to 143. From Temple/Jarrell: Take IH35 South, then exit #271, Theon Rd, taking a left over IH35, then a right on the 2-way feeder road. After a couple of miles, the Art Center is on the left.

IRS Status of WCAG

WACG is listed in good standing as a charitable organization on the IRS's public charities list. If WACG has had less than \$25,000 in gross income per years, it has not been liable to file the annual non-profit income tax return. Form 990A is for organizations with \$25,000 to \$100,000 income, and Form 990 is for those with over \$100,000 income. However, as of next year, May 15, 2008, all nonprofits with under \$25,000 in gross income must file an information return each year, providing the name, Federal I.D. number, and names and addresses of officers, etc. The President or the Secretary should probably write to the IRS and request a Federal I. D. Number, (if you don't already have it), and maybe a copy of the Determination letter for the WACG files, which will state the determination that the IRS made for WACG to be a nonprofit organization.

This information provided by Grace Gerace, CPA. Thanks Grace!

Congratulations! The WCAG and the Board of Directors of the Georgetown Public Library have put together a mutually beneficial art show. Using the same hanging system as St David's Hospital, our work will be shown with innovation and class. The show can be viewed from May 17 thru June 27 at the new Georgetown Public Library. WCAG is the first group to utilize this new exhibit facility. As the incoming Exhibit Director, I will organize as many exhibits as possible to publicize the WCAG and individual members.

Johnny Parsons

WCAG MISSION

Stimulate Maximum interest in education in the arts in Williamson County

We feel that education is only a small but important part of who we are. We are soliciting recommendations to expand our "Mission Statment" so that it better reflects our goals. Give it some thought and send your ideas to wcartguild@yahoo.com

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Art Classes, Workshops & Shows to Enter

1. **The Art Center of Williamson County** is located in Round Rock at 601 Great Oaks Blvd. The Art Center provides a variety of art classes and workshops.

Summer Art Camp for children ages 6 thru 12 years. June 4th thru 8th; June 11th thru 15th will be taught by **Stephanie DeLaughter** and **Joann Galazios**. June 18th thru 22nd will be taught by our special guest artist - **Patricia Lyle** who is also a member of WGAG. **Neal Nichols, Jr.** from Eastham, MA will be teaching June 26th thru 29th, teaching children 6 thru 12 years, one point perspective.

Micheal Hammons has two openings for the summer on Tuesday mornings. This is a beginner or intermediate adult class for oil, watercolor or acrylic.

For more information on the summer art camps and other projects, contact Micheal at 512-248-8690 or go to the website. www.artcenterwc.com.

2. **Diana Kipfer** is the owner of Sweet Liberty Creations gallery in Liberty Hill. For more information regarding her classes visit her website at www.pmcquild.org or call 512-778-5657.

3. **Linda Figg** is teaching art classes for children at the Dragonfly-Pond Studio. Call her at 512-255-3404 or 507-1775 for more information. the studio is located west on 1431 about 1/3 mile past Sam Bass Road. Turn left on Raley Road and the studio is the 3rd place on the right, 108 Riley Rd.

4. **Patricia Lyle** "Paint in Patricia's Studio: Private lessons by appointment, Tuesdays and Wednesdays. (Call 238-0293 for information and reservations. Her web page www.PatriciaLyle.com

5. **The Sun City Visual Arts Club** (VAC) invites the WCAG members to participate in our art classes held throughout the year at our studio at 1 Texas Drive in Sun City. Presently we offer a variety of classes including acrylics, oils, watercolor, collage, portrait drawing, papermaking and printmaking. For more information Contact Merijane at 512.863.0951 or via e-mail merijanec@aol.com

6. **Windberg Art Center** Life drawing sessions 10-12 Tuesdays. Participants split cost of model. Located on I-35N. Exit Wallburg and drive appx 2 miles on frontage road. Building is on the right and well marked.

Call for Entries

1. **Breckenridge, Texas** 16th Annual Juried Art Competition and Sale. 2 & # Dimensional, no photography. Juror: George Hallmark. \$5,375 awards. \$20.00 per entry - entry deadline June 30. For Prospectus: SASA Breckenridge Fine Arts Center, PO Box 549, Breckenridge, TX 76424, info @breckenridgefineart.org, www.breckenridgefineart.org.

2. **Clifton, Texas** 22nd Conservatory Art Classis Juried Show September 15-23. Digital or slides accepted. \$15 per entry. Entry deadline: June 9,2007 Awards 12,500= . Judge: George hallmark Prospectus: SASA to Art Classic, Box 502, Clifton, TX 76634 e-mail art@bosqueconservatory.com, www.bosqueconservatory.com

3. **Dallas, Texas** Southwestern Watercolor Society 44th Annual Members Exhibition, October 9-29 Slides up to 3, \$30., due July 1, Juror Miles Batt. Bost of Show \$1,500. Whitney Award \$1,000 and more. Watermedia on paper. Prospectus www.swswatercolor.org or SASA to Richard Wilson 9459 Heatherdale, Dallas TX 75243, Memberships accepted with slides.

4. **San Antonio, Texas** Deadline: August 10,2007. American Women Artists National Juried Competition. Show: December 6,January, 2008. LeKAE Gallery, \$35 two entries: \$5 additiona: 5 Maximum. Prospectus entry form at www.americanwomenartists.org. SASE: AWA, P. O. Box 34301, San Antonio TX 78265.



THE NEW GALLERY IS GETTING LOTS OF TRAFFIC
REMEMBER TO ATTEND FIRST FRIDAY'S IF YOU
HAVE ART HANGING IN THE GALLERY!!!!

Art in the Park June 2nd and 3rd

The WCAG will be participating in the Art in the Park show which is running in connection with the Georgetown Festival of the Arts, presented each year by the Georgetown Symphony Society. The location is San Gabriel Park. Setup will be Friday evening (6/1) 5pm – 8pm and booths will be open from 9:00am till 8:00pm on Saturday (6/2), and 9:00am till 5:00pm on Sunday (6/3). WCAG is advancing \$225.00 for the two 12'x12' booths plus electricity hook-up, and the cost will be divided evenly between the first 10 participants to sign up. A \$25 sign-up deposit will credit toward the booth cost.

For information and to sign up contact Charlotte Sylvest at grisling2@verizon.net or phone 512-863-7739.

Last Signup date: May 21st.

Health and Safety Questions for artists

The most recent Artist's Magazine printed an article by David Pyle regarding "The Top Questions on Health & Safety" We will be quoting more from this article in upcoming newsletters.

"Can making art be injurious to your health" The short answer is no. *Number 1 Question In general, how safe are the materials? As long as you use the materials in the manner in which they're intended and you follow any noted precautions that appear on the label, you can use the products with confidence in their safety. That's the bottom line. Confusion can arise, however, when considering intended or accepted use. What does "intended or accepted use" mean? It means that the materials are not made for ingestion. And they're not intended for skin application. It means that you should treat every product with respect and care and that you should use common sense. All products sold in the United States must comply with ASTM D-4236, and they must say so on the packaging. Without that, they're flat-out illegal"*

The New York Times reports that \$6 billion worth of art is stolen every year, making it the third-largest form of contraband after illegal drugs and black-market items.

In a very interesting article titled "When Ethics Fall" by Peter Plagens appearing in the most recent issue of "ART in America" Mr. Plagens says, "Edward Dolnick counts 551 Picassos, 209 Renoirs, 174 Rembrandts and 43 van Goghs among stolen pictures still missing. If the usual statistic hold up, only about one in 10 of these works will ever return to its legal owner."

The article made me wonder who has all this art. Boy would I like to have one of those vanGoghs. But I have to be satisfied with just looking at them and enjoying. Here is a van Gogh for you all to admire! "Starry Night" by Vincent van Gogh



"Art is either plagiarism or revolution."

Paul Gauguin

WCAG Members Art. You could have your work here. Email to wcartguild@yahoo.com



"Motion"

Sue Nosler Gray



Kathalee Holmans



"Steinbeck Country"

Lynn Kessler

Williamson County Art Guild Membership Application

ANNUAL DUES are payable on or before June 1, the beginning of the WCAG fiscal year. Cash or check payments: no credit cards, please.

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held the first Tuesday of each month at various locations in and around Georgetown. Please check the current newsletter or call The Framer's Gallery for the location of upcoming meetings.

Benefits of membership include newsletters, monthly general activity meetings, opportunity to hang work in WCAG Gallery, opportunity to participate in WCAG led community art shows and social functions, ability to join with WCAG artists in numerous networking situations and meet some outstanding people.

To join, please complete the application below and return with payment to:
Williamson County Art Guild, P. O. Box 1158 Georgetown, TX 78627

WILLIAMSON COUNTY ART GUILD *Membership Application*

Please Print

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Cel _____

Email _____

Website Address _____

Birthday (optional) _____ Today's Date _____

AMOUNT _____ How Paid _____ Ck # _____

Select Membership Category

<u>Individual</u>	\$30 _____
<u>Family</u>	\$35 _____
<u>Student</u>	\$18 _____
<u>Senior</u>	\$20 _____
<u>Sponsor</u>	\$50 to \$250 _____
<u>Sustaining</u>	\$250 _____
<u>NEW MEMBER</u>	_____
<u>Renewal</u>	_____
<u>Member Since</u>	_____



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS !

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JOIN THE ART GUILD

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

**Williamson County Art Guild,
P.O. Box 1158
Georgetown, TX 78627**

Membership Fees

Individual	\$30
Student	\$18
Senior	\$20
Family	\$35
Sponsor	\$50-\$250
Sustaining Mbr	\$250

We welcome new members. Copies of the membership form are available at the Framer's Gallery and online at www.wcartguild.org.

Contact membership chair Susan O'Conner for more information about joining. suberdoo@hotmail.com

**GALLERY: 512-868-3966
www.wcartguild.org**

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 Sue Gray at 512-238-0955 or email to:

wcartguild@yahoo.com

Again, 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 and a great deal of volunteer time. If you haven't already signed up please send a note to Sue Gray at

wcartguild@yahoo.com

We can also help you with any problems you are having downloading the letter.

DEADLINE: 10th of the month via e-mail for the following month. Any items not received by that date will go in the next month's newsletter. Please send pictures in .jpg format.

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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