

Williamson County Art Guild

Building Community Through Creativity

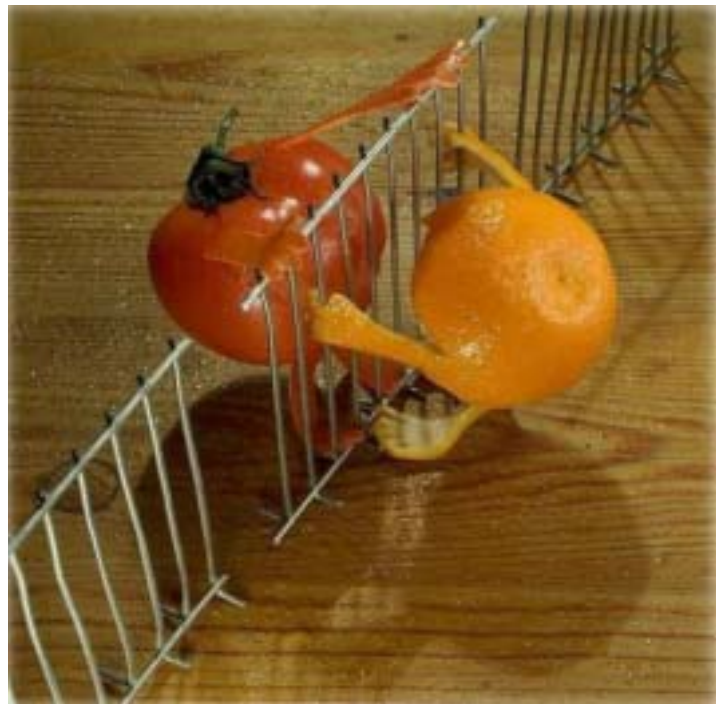
October 2008

ART SCENE IN GEORGETOWN CHANGING

September and October are exciting months in Georgetown for the arts. **GEORGETOWN ART WORKS** presented the **Fall Art Hop** currently being held at various locations in the city. Georgetown Art Works is a newly formed non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the arts in the City of Georgetown. Jerry Seagle, a well-known national painter, who is a member of both the American and National Watercolor Societies, juried the show and Susan Kirshman, well known in her field, juried the photography. This exhibit, the first to use multiple venues, is something new for Georgetown. It is displayed in four different locations around the city. By doing this, the planners were hoping to get people moving around town and more involved in First Friday. The show is on display until October 30 in 4 locations, in the Georgetown Public Library, Framers Gallery, Annarella and 8th Street Studio. The opening, held First Friday October 3, was well attended and gave the public an opportunity to wander around town viewing the different art and photography. If you haven't already done so, take the time to visit these exhibits. I was amazed that this organization was able to put together such a successful juried art show in less than 4 months. Bravo!

On Tuesday Oct 7 and Thursday Oct 9, the First Annual **SUMMIT OF THE ARTS**, hosted by the **CITY OF GEORGETOWN ARTS AND CULTURE BOARD** was held in the Georgetown Public Library. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce, the Georgetown Symphony Society, Williamson County Art Guild, Williamson County Chorus, Palace Theater, Festival of the Arts, Southwestern University Dean of Fine Arts, Artworks, Performing Arts Alliance, Georgetown Heritage Society, Georgetown Public Library and members of the Georgetown Arts and Culture Board were in attendance. Each organization was asked to send 1 or 2 representatives to one of these meetings.

I attended the Tuesday session and was very excited by the prospects and enthusiasm of all those attending. The meeting moved along quickly and all those present agreed upon three important things. 1. All the groups agreed that a citywide calendar of events is necessary so that groups have more information for scheduling and to limit overlapping functions. 2. Secondly, all agreed that we need to move forward now on some sort of joint citywide advertising for the various functions. 3. Larry McCormick advised the group that the number one priority needed was to come up with a Master Plan. He agreed to write a questionnaire, a wish list for the arts, to be presented to all the groups who could then distribute it to their members. Hopefully this would give the committee some general guidelines for writing this Master Plan. When we receive this letter I will put it in the newsletter so you can all participate. Many other things were discussed and will be dealt with at future meetings, but overall I was very impressed with the possibilities available for Georgetown. Cooperation and communication among the various groups will do a lot to get things moving and it was exciting to see this. More coming! Sue



YOUR TIME TO SHINE at the WCAG LIBRARY SHOW

Saturday, November 1st. drop off art work which is properly labeled with name, price and phone number at the Georgetown Library 10:00 A.M.

Sunday, November 2nd. Hang show and pick up any pieces that will not be hung, You will be notified.

Monday, November 3rd. Artist Reception 6 to 8 P.M.

Saturday, November 29th Take down and pick up paintings

This exhibit is for Williamson County Art Guild members only. It's a great chance to strut your stuff.

Bring up to 3 pieces. If we have to pare down the numbers, we will have an impartial judge who will do so for us. We will hang at least one piece from each participant.

We have lots of space, both the mezzanine, that we had last year, plus the hall which has more space than the mezzanine area and is very well lit.

If you have 3 dimensional works, you will need to provide a sturdy pedestal for it.

We will be hot on the heels of the Georgetown Art Works Fall Art Hop, so you can show different work, the same work, whatever. The public may be more aware of art at the library and we may get better traffic.

EXHIBIT AND SHOW COMMITTEE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 19 ART for ANIMALS, A Chocolate Affair Silent Auction "Bid on wonderful artwork donated by local artists and unique paintings by the animals themselves. All proceeds benefit the Georgetown Animal Shelter. \$5.00 per person and the ticket price includes chocolate desserts, coffee bar and a quartet concert. Tickets are available for purchase at the animal shelter, Georgetown Visitor Center and The Framers Gallery. The event will be held Sunday, October 19, 2008 from 2 to 5 PM at the Georgetown Community, San Gabriel Park."

October 26 ART TO THE TUNE OF 1 pm to 4 pm. Red Poppy Cafe outside.

November 1 Saturday November Library Show Drop off paintings at library 2. Sunday, Hang Show. 3. Artists Reception Monday, November 3rd. 4. Take down show on Saturday, November 29. More information at next general meeting.

November 5,6 Gallery Change Out and Hang.

November 7 Friday, First Friday

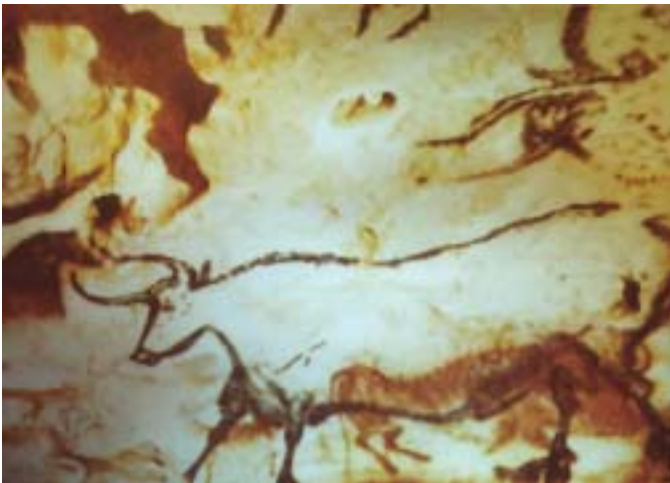
November 11, Tuesday General Meeting at Windberg Art Center Ron Cowick has an inspiring talk and demo about Silversmithing and Precious Metal Clay. Note, this is second tuesday because of election.

December 9, Christmas Party The Christmas Party will be on Dec 9th at Fran Sina Young's home. More information to follow.

ART QUIZ

For those of you who responded to the art quiz last month, thank you. It was great getting your notes in the mail. Because these responses were so interesting, I'll quote some of them here. *"This is the wonderful Hagia Sophia in Istanbul, Turkey. My daughter and I visited Turkey about 10 years ago. The architecture was fantastic, the people very friendly. The Hagia Sophia was built by the Byzantine emperor, Justinian in 537 AD. It was a church for 916 years, then a mosque for 481 years and in 1935 was declared a museum by Turkey's first president, Ataturk. It was the largest church in the world for 1000 years."*

Lowana Carter. *"This is the Hagia Sophia in Istanbul. It was originally a basilica, then became a mosque. Now it is a museum and sits facing the other most famous mosque in Istanbul, the Blue Mosque."*



We have

been fortunate to visit the Hagia Sophia as our daughter-in-law is from Istanbul and she and our son live there now." **Bob Phillips.** *"This month's architectural masterpiece is the Hagia Sophia located in Byzantium/Constantinople/now Istanbul, Turkey. It was built around 535 AD and its name translates as, "Holy Wisdom." Originally serving as a church, the Hagia Sophia later became a mosque, and now functions as a museum. Thanks for the memories."* **Kristine Kainer.** I also received a note from **Willie Holmans**, who loves to respond to these quizzes....credit to you also Willie, you got it right! Thank you all so much for participating!

Now for all you art history students!. On your left. Remember my email is snoslergray@yahoo.com

Kudos to WCAG Members!

Nancy Brown has a beautiful collection of her paintings hanging in Franklin and Company Fine Jewelers. The show will be up through the end of November.

Wes Odell and Jim Bilbro are exhibiting their photographs in an interesting three-person show at the Healing Arts Gallery of St. David's Georgetown Hospital. The show will hang through the end of October.

Wes Odell won Honorable Mention for his images submitted to the Photographic Society of America (PSA) competitions in both July and August. Earlier in the year he received PSA Green Eagle Certificates in both the B&W and the color competitions. (He was the only participant to receive certificates in both competitions.)

Please share information about any special recognition you or your friends have received recently — juried group shows you're in, solo shows you're having, prizes you've won, etc. Send your info to jackie_tarter@verizon.net.



**Sunday , October 26, 2008
from 1 to 4 PM**

"Art to the Tune" at the Red Poppy Cafe located at the Georgetown Library, 8th Street and Austin Avenue. Enjoy an afternoon of music and art. You may draw, paint, pastel or use any media you enjoy most. Looking forward to sharing ideas and conversation.

Exhibit and Show Committee



MONTHLY CHALLENGE

Mary Beth Martin has provided us with subjects for our upcoming monthly challenges. Remember, if you would like to participate, bring your work to the monthly meeting.

November: Birds

No meeting in December, Christmas Party

January: Eyes

February: Humor

March: In the Candle Light

April: Up Close and Personal



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from the Gallery Chair

The Holiday Season is almost upon us WCAG! The Gallery is bursting at the seams this month, and is receiving a lot of attention. The exhibitors this month are: Wes Odell (photography), Edward Neveu (oil), Phil Brubaker (oil, pastel), Mary Beth Martin (graphite), Janelle Smith (acrylic), Nancy Crimm (Oil), Judy Ommen (water based media), Janus Innes (collage), Connie Hartsfield (photography, oil, watercolor), Lowana Carter (oil), Gwen Dennis (collage, watercolor), Jan Huntley (oil), Lonnie Leach (photography), Linda D'Elia (oil), FranSina Young (oil), Merijane Chalmers (collage), Betty Lemley (acrylic), and Kathalee Holmans (multi media).

Our winner of First Friday's Peoples' Choice Award for the month of October is Jan Huntley for her oil painting, Lighthouse On The Point. Congratulations, Jan!

The Gallery is already full for the month of November, but I am still taking reservations for December. We will be doing a theme show of miniatures like we did last year. (9x12 or smaller) Each person may bring 4 miniatures for 10.00. You can just bring one or two at 2.50 each. To sign up you can email me at soniamarie.cm@netzero.com, call me at the gallery weekday mornings until 1pm 863-2214, or by my cell phone 512-497-3035.

Thanks Everyone!

Sonia

PONDERINGS ON ART AND HISTORY

When the world is in chaos, the country divided in half thinking their man will save the planet, the world's finances in turmoil and unrest all around, it's time to think about history.

History is the great leveler. When you look back in time to all the major civilizations that have come and gone, it sometimes puts things into perspective. Look what history has left us: some amazing art and architecture. Why, we wouldn't even know about history if there had never been any artists or craftsmen. Go back in time as far as you can, and it is ART that tells us about the past. Artists were creating in Palaeolithic times. That's amazing isn't it? We have the masterpieces from Egypt, Asia and the Middle East. Where would we be today without the mosaics of Byzantine Art, the sculptors of Greece and Rome, and Leonardo and Michelangelo and so on. We not only look at beautiful work, but the work takes us there.....back in time.

Someday in the far, far future, some type of human or alien archeologists will be chipping away at the ice that covers what was once the state of Texas and they will come across some artifacts. You can hear them say in whatever language they will be speaking then, "Look!, it used to be green here, and look at the blue flowers everywhere and the trees. They must be oak trees." And, "Look, there used to be some sort of strange animal here and look at their horns"; and "Wow!, The colors they created back then are amazing."

*The point being, get busy, do your art because **history** won't care whether you are a professional or a beginner, but.....**it will care.***

SUE

EVENTS, SHOWS, CLASSES & OTHER

2009 Red Poppy Festival Call to artists for the 2009 Red Poppy Festival artwork. All entries submitted to the Georgetown Convention and Visitor Bureau office at 103 W. 7th St by November 7, 2008. For more information contact Cari Miller at 512-930-3585 or cmiller@georgetowntx.org.

Sweet Liberty Creations Fall classes. For more information contact Diana Kipfer at www.sweetlibertycreations.com

Windberg Art Center Ongoing classes, contact www.windbergartcenter.com or call 512-868-8183

Jean Hestand will demonstrate the technique of Suminagashi, which is, Japanese Marbling. This will take place the First Friday night of November at the Handcrafts Unlimited in Georgetown from 5 PM to 8PM. There will be a hands on process where you will be able to print your design on rice paper. For information contact Jean at 512-341-2478

The Art Center of Williamson County currently located at 601 Great Oaks Drive, B- 103 in Round Rock, have several good upcoming art classes. For more information on their classes go to www.artcenter.com or call 512-248-8690

Sun City Visual Art Club has ongoing classes. Contact Alan Dawes, 512-863-7372 or visit their website www.sctxvisualartsclub.org for more information

Texas Watercolor Society 60th Annual Exhibit Entries Due November 1. Exhibit opens in San Antonio March 2-29th 2009 Juror Pat Dews

Waterloo Watercolor Group 30th Anniversary Juried Show will be open from October 19th through November 17, 2008 at Riverbend Church Art Gallery, 4104 Capitol of Texas Highway, Austin. Christopher Schink juror.

"CWA 40th National Exhibition" - The California Watercolor Association announces a call to artists for its 40th National Exhibition, March 18 to May 24, 2009 at the Presidio Officers' Club in San Francisco, CA. \$17,500 anticipated awards. Juror: John Salminen. Open to all artists, 18 years and older. Paintings must be primarily waterbased media on paper or watercolor canvas. Paintings must be two dimensional. No digital media, photography, prints or reproductions. For full eligibility requirements and prospectus, go to californiawatercolor.org. Nonmembers: \$35/1 image, \$40/2, \$45/3. Deadline: October 18, 2008. Questions? Please contact Marilyn Miller and Maggie Metcalf at Moraga2@pacbell.net or call 925-631-6673.

"Idea of Self Photography Show"-- The Center for Fine Art Photography in Fort Collins, Colorado announces a call to artists for the "Idea of Self Photography Show", February 13 - March 14, 2009. Awards: \$900 plus publication. Open to all domestic and international, professional and amateur photographers working with digital or traditional photography or combination of both. Prospectus: <http://www.c4fap.org/cfe/2008ideaofself/self.asp>. Deadline: November 12, 2008. Entry Fee: \$35 (\$20 for Members) for up to three images. Questions? Contact the office at cfe@c4fap.org or call 970-224-1010.

[/www.artshow.com/juriedshows/index.html](http://www.artshow.com/juriedshows/index.html) FOR MORE INFORMATION

YOU MUST BE AN ARTIST IF:

You bought paint instead of food!

There are Prussian blue fingerprints on your phone!

You know that art does not match your sofa! (love that one)

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 the Windberg Art Center in Georgetown. 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

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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
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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'Connor for more information about joining. suberdoo@hotmail.com

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This list will be added to monthly as our committees expand.

**Thanks to all of you
for volunteering to help!**

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