



Spotlight on Wes Odell

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Before moving to Sun City in early 2004, WCAG Secretary Wes Odell lived “all over the West” making photographic images. Wes has been an amateur photographer most of his life, had his own darkroom when he was 12, is still a “film-shooter;” and has proficiency with the Adobe Photoshop “Digital Darkroom.” Classic monochrome images are his favorite subjects, but he enjoys experimenting with Photoshop “artistic renditions” such as watercolors, and pen and ink.

Wes has won many awards including two First Prizes at the 2005 Texas State Fair, one First at the 2004 Texas Fair, and several prizes at Utah State and Salt Lake County Fairs and other exhibits. He regularly wins awards from the Photographic Society of America, including a Photograph of the Month. His work has been published by the Utah Travel Council.

With an Engineering degree from Utah, an MBA from Stanford, Wes joined IBM in 1962 and moved up in the sales and marketing ranks to Marketing Manager of the Salem Oregon Office. In 1970 at the birth of the commercial computer software era, Wes left IBM and worked for the next 11 years in three burgeoning software companies where his specialties included finance, administration, computer opera-

tions, marketing, and corporate management. He rose to Executive Vice President and was the Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer/Secretary of a publicly traded company.

In 1981 following a successful corporate turnaround, Wes retired to teach Management and Marketing for three years at Southwestern Texas State University, now Texas State University, essentially to “pay back” by teaching young people. He formed a manufacturers’ representative company and did some consulting until fully retiring in 1994 and moving to a suburb of Salt Lake City.

He and his wife, Marge (who Wes says is an even better photographer), have lived in Sun City for five years (where he adds it doesn’t snow.) They have two children and two grandchildren.

In Salt Lake, in addition to renewing his photographic interests, Wes became extremely active in environmental activities. He was named to the Salt Lake Olympic Committee’s Environmental Advisory Committee, and was eventually rewarded with an Environmental Achievement Award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency. He led one of the regional environmental advocacy organizations concentrating on

the preservation of the Wasatch Canyons east of the city. Following the 2002 Olympics Wes helped to found the Soldier Hollow Legacy Foundation. Soldier Hollow has become the most successful of the Olympic venues with its youth and adult cross country skiing and biathlon activities.

From our Gallery Chair—Outgoing

Sonia Colonna-Mathis

Well WCAG, It has been fun, and Lowana Carter will be taking over the position of your Gallery Chair Person. Panel and Single spaces are available for June, July, and August...so please get hold of either me or Lowana to reserve your space. Lowana can be reached via email: llcarter2@verizon.net or 869-8858.

Remember that while the guild will not be meeting during July and August, First Fridays continue through out the summer and the gallery will be changing out.

The rent for one panel is 25.00 (a 4 ft x 8 ft space) and single pieces are 7.00 each for the month. A few reminders: You may hang one piece free during the month of your Birthday! You may also hang one free if it can cover the Breaker Box Panel which is approximately 15" wide by 30" plus tall. The winner of The Peoples' Choice Award may hang one piece free the following month. Also, if you are scheduled to show during any month, you should try to attend the First Friday Artists' Reception and bring a goodie to eat or drink.

Everyone come out to support your fellow artists at the receptions and Don't Forget to Vote for The Peoples' Choice Award!

From our Hospitality Chair

Kim Hoerster

Here are the first three months' sign ups for snacks and drinks. We will publish the entire year's signups in September. Thank you for signing up and contributing to YOUR Art Guild. I will email reminders. Please email changes if I miss-spelled your name to Kim Hoerster Gkhoerster@aol.com.

SEPTEMBER

Salty snack - Violet Nicklin
Sweet snack—Sherry Adamo Pratt
Beverage—Robert Theriot

OCTOBER

Salty snack—Judy Ommen
Sweet snack—Linda D'Elia
Beverage—Sandy Youngblood

NOVEMBER

Salty snack- Fran Sina Young
Sweet snack- Pat Langley
Beverage- Wes Odell

Let's Get to Know Each Other

WCAG President, Mary Beth Martin, announced in June that we have all summer to design our own name tags to wear to the WCAG meetings. We ARE artists, aren't we? Everyone should use whatever medium they wish to make a "permanent" name tag, and the tags will be judged at our first

meeting of the new season, Sept 1, 2009.

Gallery Chair—Incoming

Lowana Carter

The exhibitors for June are: Jan Huntley (oil), Violet Nicklen (acrylic, mixed), Carol Nunnally (oil), Judy Ommen (mixed media), Luisa-Maria Potter (mixed media), Floyd Riley (oil, giclee), Gini Sheffield (acrylic), Jason St. Peter (digital photography), Sandy Youngblood (photography), Bill Zama (digital photography), and Lowana Carter (oil).

Our winner for the Peoples' Choice award this month is Carol Nunnally for her oil Byre House, Ireland. Congratulations, Carol!

There is a lot of room available for July so please sign up for a panel (\$25.00) which will hold up to 6 pieces or singles (\$7.00 each). Change out date will be Thurs. morning July 2nd. Even though we do not have guild meetings in July and August, First Friday continues and draws many

people in the community. It's a wonderful opportunity to get your work before the public.

Please make sure each piece is ready for hanging and clearly identified with your name, the title, and medium.

Thanks from your new gallery chair, Lowana Carter, lrcarter2@verizon.net

It's All About Us—Library Show Fran Sina Young

Mark your calendars for Thursday Aug. 20, to drop off your art work at the Georgetown Library from 2 to 8 P.M. (This is a revised date)

We will be hanging the artwork Friday, Aug. 21.

The Artist Reception will be Monday, Aug. 24 from 6 to 8 P.M.

Take down will be Saturday, Sept. 26 from 9 A.M. to 1 P.M.

This show is for Williamson County Art Guild members only. It's a great chance to show the community who we are. We have a lot of space for a lot of good art. Come show everyone what you've got.

Bring 1 or 2 pieces. Most me-

diams accepted. The work must be current, not older than 2 years. Work must be properly labeled on the back with your name, title of the piece, size, medium and price if any. The back of the piece should have a wire hanger securely attached no more than one third down from the top.

If you are bringing 3 dimensional works, you will need to provide sturdy pedestals for them.

“A sincere artist is not one who makes a faithful attempt to put on canvas what is in front of him, but one who tries to create something, which is, in itself, a living thing.”

Fall Art Hop

Georgetown Art Works, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the arts in the City of Georgetown Texas, announces a call for artists for the Fall Art Hop, a juried art show and stroll, to be held October 2nd - 30th, 2009

in the historic district of Georgetown, Texas. Original works by painters/mixed media artists, photographers and printmakers are accepted. Deadline for entries is July 24. For more info, go to www.georgetownartworks.com

or call Judy Ommen at 512-868-1277.

Treasurer's Report

Nancy Brown

June 8, 2009

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| First State Bank | Balance 5/31/09 | | Balance 6/5/09 |
| Checking | \$3881.40 | | \$4500.95 |
| Building | \$2574.61 | | \$2574.61 |
| Education | \$2369.86 | | \$2398.36 |
| | \$8825.87 | | \$9445.42 |
| Income | | | Expenses |
| Checking | | | |
| Membership Dues | \$940.00 | Rent | \$162.00 |
| Scholarship Raffle | \$28.50 | Hospitality | \$76.99 |
| | | Bookkeeping Supplies | \$9.96 |
| | | Gift | \$100.00 |
| Total | \$968.50 | Total | \$348.95 |
| Education | -0- | | |

KUDOS

Sherry Adamo has a one-woman show in the Framer's Gallery during the month of June. Her subject is Chakras (energy centers in the body) in collage and paint (plastic & light).

Wes Odell and **Roy McDonald**, along with another photographer, have a three-person Photography Exhibit at the Georgetown Healing Arts Gallery, running through the end of June. Roy is a new member of the WCAG.

HEY EVERYBODY, SURELY THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE WHO WANT TO TOOT THEIR HORNS! Please send Kudos information to Linda D'Elia at ariafresca2@sbcglobal.net for inclusion in future newsletters.

"All children are artists. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up."

Pablo Picasso

Goodbye for the Summer—Ice Cream Social

Meeting Minutes

The Monthly General Meeting of the Guild was called to order by President Mary Beth Martin at 7 pm, June 2, 2009 at the Windberg Gallery.

Mary Beth gave an introduction of herself, her background in the arts and teaching, and mentioned that she had been President of the "World Clown Association." She further described how she wants to continue the work of the previous board and to add to that more workshops, exhibits and competitions. Since we're all artists she announced a Name Tag competition where each member should create her or his own artistic name tag. These will be reviewed at the September and October meetings.

Mary Beth made announcements and led discussions on:

- Mike Windberg will be teaching a Plein Air Painting session on Friday June 19th at no cost. Meet at the Windberg Gallery at 8. It will last until 12.
- Mike Windberg will be teaching an Oil Painting Class in June and July
- There will be an "Open Studio" on Mondays at 6:30 for Figure Drawing with sessions in June on all Mondays, July 2 sessions, and August 2 sessions.
- Dues are now due. The cutoff for being included in the Directory will be July 31st.
- Diana Einwich reminded us of the Library Exhibit from August 21 through Sept 25. Two pieces. More information to follow.
- Diana Einwich complemented Fran Sina Young and the Exhibits Committee for their super work on the "Painting with Pixels" Photography Contest.
- Judy Ommen announced the Georgetown Art Works Contest for this Fall. Additional details in the newsletter.

Lowana Carter announced there are a few spaces left for June and a lot for July in the Framer's Gallery. Other reports were given by Kim Hoerster (Hospitality), Linda D'Elia (newsletter), and Judy Ommen (Programs), primarily requesting members to assist on their committees.

A proposed Amendment to the Guild's By Laws was given its "First Reading" and will be voted upon at the September Meeting.

A Motion, to amend the By-Laws of the Williamson County Art Guild whereby Article IV Officers, Section 1 responsibilities of Individual Officers is hereby proposed to add the position of Web Master to the Executive Board:

"Section M. Web Master

The Web Master shall maintain the Guild's electronic website by posting materials to it and removing materials from it as directed by the President."

The meeting then transitioned to the annual Ice Cream Social and members viewed each other's favorite images that were on display.

The Meeting adjourned at about 8:25 pm.

Wes Odell

Secretary

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 hand 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.

Please print

Name _____
 Company _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Cell _____
 Email _____
 Website Address _____
 Birthday (Optional) _____
 Today's Date _____
 Amount Pd _____ Ck # _____
 How Paid _____

Select Membership Category

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| Individual | \$30 | _____ |
| Family | \$35 | _____ |
| Student | \$18 | _____ |
| Senior | \$20 | _____ |
| Sponsor | \$50 to \$250 | _____ |
| Sustaining | \$250 | _____ |
| New Member | ___ | _____ |
| Renewal | ___ | _____ |
| Member Since | _____ | _____ |

I would like to help out on the following committees:

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| Exhibits _____ | Membership _____ |
| Gallery _____ | Newsletter _____ |
| Show _____ | Program _____ |
| Hospitality _____ | Publicity _____ |

Please be sure to give us your email and correct phone. You will be contacted by the appropriate chairperson.

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Building Community through Creativity

Calendar of Events

July 31—WCAG dues due

July 24--Fall Art Hop entries due

Aug 20--Library show entries due

Sept 1-- Tuesday, General Monthly meeting at Windberg Art Center

Sept 2 & 3-- Gallery Change out

Aug 21— Sept 26 2009 Library Show

Oct 1-- Georgetown Art Works Banner Project **Begins**

Board of Directors

PRESIDENT – Mary Beth Martin

EXHIBITS – Diana Einwich

GALLERY – Lowana Carter

HOSPITALITY – Kim Hoerster

MEMBERSHIP –Sue Gray

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PARLIAMENTARIAN – Pat Langley

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