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## February Program—The Art of Clowning

Do you know that you are acquainted with a performance artist in our midst? In February, our own WCAG President, Mary Beth Martin, will share some information about the art of clowning:

props, makeup, and other interesting insights. Mary Beth will also share with us how her career as a clown has colored her work as a visual artist. Mary Beth made a formal study of clowning when

she attended Clown College, and she will talk about her experiences with and without grease paint.

**The challenge for February's meeting is "something funny"!**

### ART in Art, TX

#### Plein Air Paint Out

March 27, 2010

Interested in attending and meeting other outdoor artists? [Join an art guild](#) and join the fun! More information to come—see your guild news or contact Kim Hoerster at [artinarttxpainters@gmail.com](mailto:artinarttxpainters@gmail.com).

Guilds invited: **current membership in your guild to attend:**

PAA (Plein Air Austin)

LAG (Llano Fine Arts Guild)

PAW (Plein Air Williamson County)

WCAG (Williamson County Art Guild)

OPA (Oil Painters of America) Texas bunch

FAAHC (Fine Arts Association of the Hill Country)

**March 26 will be paint outs around beautiful sites in Mason, TX**

**A kick off site and time will be designated for Fri and Sat.**

**"We are created creative and can invent new scenarios as frequently as they are needed."**

**- Maya Angelou**

## *From our Gallery Chair*

Lowana Carter

This month we have 75 small works by 16 artists. Sherry Adamo, monoprint/ink, Lowana Carter, oil, Kellie Foster, giclee, Gretchen Hecht, pastel/ink, Gregory Heflin, wood/stone, Pat Hillcoat, watercolor, Jan Huntley, oil, Kristine Kainer, oil, Pat Langley, collage, Sonia Co-

lonna-Mathis, pastel/pencil, charcoal, Violet Nicklen, collage, pastel, Robert Theriot, oil, watercolor, graphite, Kerry Whitfill, oil, Fran Sina Young, oil, Sandra Youngblood, photography, and Bill Zama, digital/photo. Pat Hillcoat and Sandra Youngblood sold pieces. Congratulations. You should visit this show and see

what a variety of works our artists can do.

There is a lot of space available for Feb. First Friday will be Feb. 5th with changeout Wed. and Thurs. mornings, Feb. 3rd and 4th. This is a wonderful exhibiting opportunity.

### *Calls for entries/ classes*

The **Georgetown Hospital Show** deadline to drop off entries is February 2, 2010 at 1:30 pm. To enter, contact **Diana Einwich**. During our last meeting, many people signed up, so hurry, there may still be room for a few more pieces.

The **Painting with Pixels** will be held in April. Watch for details coming soon!

**Imagine art show**, sponsored by the Round Rock Arts Council, deadline for entries is Jan 29. For more info go to their website or email [info@roundrockarts.org](mailto:info@roundrockarts.org).

**Framer's Gallery is offering the following classes:** Photography Boot Camp starting Jan 11, Mon mornings from 9 am—11 am, taught by Wes Odell. Fun and Freedom with Acrylics, starts Jan 12, runs from 1—4 pm, taught by Sue Nosler Gray. ABC's Watercolor, no starting date yet, taught by Nancy Brown. Oil Painting on Wed mornings, no start date yet, taught by Patricia Lyle. Mask-making by Sonia Colonna-Mathis, starts Jan 12, Tues nights from 6—8 pm. Drawing starts Jan 13, Wed evenings 6—8 pm taught by Kim Hoerster. Call the Framer's Gallery for more details.

**Life Drawing** sessions are open at the Windberg Art Center on Thursdays from 6—9 pm. There is a \$10 model fee. Call Nancy Boulmay at (512)869-7885 for questions. No reservation required.

## Kudos

**Jeanne Lubey** is presently exhibiting a series of 22 paintings on Yellowstone National Park at the Mayburn Planetarium and Space Theatre in Killeen, TX through January 2010.

**JoRene Newton** will be showing her work in a variety of media at Down the Alley Bistro in Georgetown during the month of January.

**Mary Beth Martin & Michelle East** both entered the Killeen "Thiel-Silcox Fine Art Competition" (November 2009). Michelle's painting "Knife and Pears" (acrylic) won Best in Show & Mary Beth's won Honorable Mention- "Pure Joy" in the Charcoal/Pencil/Pastel division.

Artists' work featured at **Franklins** in upcoming months: January, **Floyd Riley**, February: **Gwen Dennis**. March, **Robert Theriot**, April, **Nancy Brown**.

**Wes Odell** has placed 6th, 7th and 21st (out of 123) in various recent challenges on [www.dpreview.com](http://www.dpreview.com), online photo competitions.

**General Monthly Meeting Minutes****January 5, 2010**

The Monthly General Meeting of the Guild was called to order at the Wyndberg Gallery by President Mary Beth Martin at 7 pm, January 5, 2010.

New members (Nadine Brown,) and Guests (Dee Day, Sue Costa and Betty Smith) were introduced and welcomed.

As a courtesy to our speaker the Agenda was modified so her presentation could go first.

Ms. Carolyn Todd, MFA (Fine Arts), a member of the Austin Wax Encaustic Club, and a Supervisor at the Texas Education Agency, was introduced. Ms. Todd was a 3<sup>rd</sup> Place winner in the Williamson County 2009 Fall Art Hop. After a description of encaustic art and its history which goes back 25,000 years, Ms. Todd gave a very informative demonstration and discussed how it is done. We learned about texture, thickness, opacity, temperatures, "pots and pans," blending, bonding, etching, and beeswax, all of which are aspects of this unique art technique.

Following the break, the Challenge showings, and the Raffle, Mary Beth introduced Carol Medford of Plein Air Williamson County -PAWS-, a new club starting in Williamson County. Carol encouraged people to come and paint; and Jan Ligameri, Guild member and Volunteer in charge of the St. David's Healing Arts Gallery, thanking her for her support. Jan has a one-person Exhibit during January at the Hospital; and thanked Diana and John Einwich for hosting the Guild's Christmas Party to enthusiastic applause. Mary Beth then asked for Officers Reports:

Diana Einwich, Exhibits, closed out the entries for the February 2<sup>nd</sup> St. David's Hospital Exhibit stating that the 18 exhibitors could each submit two pieces of art (and photography.) Entrants need to send information to Joyce Seebock at [JSeebock@verizon.net](mailto:JSeebock@verizon.net) defining the size, title, medium, and price of each piece PRIOR to January 26<sup>th</sup> so that this information may be printed in the Gallery's program.

Diana mentioned the "Painting with Pixels" exhibit and competition will be in April, with more details to follow. So start your thinking.

Nancy Brown mentioned the Guild's "Lending Library," pointing out several items on display.

Kim Hoerster, Hospitality, thanked all who have been contributors to the snacks and drinks program, appealed for a member who could arrive at 6pm each meeting to start the coffee pot, and announced the Plein Air event to be held in Art, Texas near Mason, and appropriately named "Art in Art"....March 27<sup>th</sup>, with more information in the newsletter.

Lowana Carter, Gallery, announced that three images had been sold from the "Small Images" that have been on display during December. The Gallery will revert to its normal format prior to February's First Friday with panels renting for \$25 and individual spaces for \$7. Bring new images and retrieve your old ones on Wednesday and Thursday February 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.

Sonia Mathis announced the winter curriculum of classes to be held at The Framer's Gallery.

Kirk Witmer, Web Master, described a program to be implemented whereby he will create a "Guild Supporters" page on the Guild website for advertisers to place a business card size ad for the remainder period to May 2011 for a fee of \$10. The money to go toward the Guild's annual fee to host our website. Each ad will have a link to the Supporter's own website. Ads must be approved by the President or the Board before posting. Ask your vendors!!!!

Kirk also said that there have been no new Personal Profile postings to the website in several months. Get with it and show your stuff.

Mary Beth announced the January 12<sup>th</sup> Guild Board Meeting and asked any member to send her a confidential email if they have suggestions or complaints they would like addressed.

Mary Beth announced the February Program will be "The Art of Clowning" including a demonstration "How to Make Clown Props" out of foam, a 3-dimensional art challenge.

Mary Beth announced the February "Challenge" to be "Something Funny," an appropriate challenge to go with the Clown program.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:40pm.

Wes Odell  
Secretary

## *Board of Directors*

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### *Who’s Bringing the Goodies? (to the meetings)*

February  
 Salty—Nancy Brown  
 Sweet—Margaret Rousch  
 Beverage—Lonnie Leach  
 H2O bottles—Charlotte Sylvest

March  
 Salty—Mary Beth Martin  
 Sweet—Bill Zama  
 Beverage-JoRene Newton  
 H2O bottles-Billie Jo Holland

### *Membership Updates from Sue Nosler Gray*

*December New Members and Renewals*

*Thank you and WELCOME TO WCAG!*

Name	Address	Phone	Email	Type
Teressa Beckham	2408 First view Leander, TX 78641	512.577.1421	txtlites@mac.com	New
Lydia Edwards	185 Prairie springs Loop, Georgetown, TX 78626	512.656.6550	Ledwards99@gmail.com	New
Sabine Kulinski	17400 Montana Falls Drive, Round Rock, TX	512.853.0469	sabinekulinski@gmail.com	New
Gordon Bina	110 Running Water, Georgetown, TX . 78633	512.868.0203	normnd@suddenlink.net	New
Darlene Douglas	151 Trail of Flowers, Georgetown, TX. 78633			Renewal

**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**

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:**

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.**

## Williamson County Art Guild

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## *Treasurer's Report*

*Nancy Brown*

Beginning Balance		\$ 9,247.08
Deposits	\$350.00	
Checks	\$220.80	
Checking Balance 12/31/09		\$9,376.28

### **Calendar of Events**

General Meeting—Feb 2

Hospital show drop off work—Feb 2

Gallery change out—Feb 3 & 4

1st Friday—Feb 5