

# Omaha Artists Incorporated

## News

January 2013

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**Dates to Remember:**

**January 7**

**Winter Art Show**

Registration 11-1pm  
Council Bluffs, Iowa  
The Center

**January 11**

Reception 4-7pm

**January 16 Fun Shop**

3rd Wednesday at  
Lutheran Church  
114th & Center 9:00

**January 23 Meeting**

Luncheon 12:00  
Westside Community Center  
3534 So. 108th St



**President's Message: By Carolyn Ransom**

Dear Friends,

Here's hoping you all had a wonderful holiday season. After December it can seem like an awfully long wait for spring. But we have our Winter Show to look forward to, and I hope everyone can take advantage of this chance to chase away any winter "blues" with color and enthusiasm. We have our first Funshop of 2013 on January 16 and Members Meeting on January 23. Mark your calendars now and read the Newsletter for more details.

Seeking a way to help me better appreciate the coming cold weather and what I perceived as not so much as a lack of beauty, but rather a certain dullness in winter, I came across this:

"I prefer winter and fall, when you feel the bone structure of the landscape – the loneliness of it, the dead feeling of winter. Something waits beneath it, the whole story doesn't show." (Andrew Wyeth)

May these words inspire you to embrace the starkness while knowing the hidden beauty within is only sleeping until it is time to be revealed!

Carolyn Ransom 402-250- 8911



**January 23 Meeting / Lunch: Chair: Jeannie McCarthy 402 880 9793**

Westside Community Conference Center, 3534 South 108th St. Omaha, NE. 68144, North door entrance. Board Meeting 11:00 am , Lunch 12:00 pm.

Reservations must be received by **Friday Jan.18** If we need to include a space for program and meeting only, no meal, you need to make a reservation as such. Reservations dates are FIRM, no cancellations or additions after the deadline. Please consider this requested etiquette and the difficulties presented to do otherwise.

All meals, French salad, with bibb lettuce, roma tomatoes, red onions and French vinaigrette.

Our meat option #1: will be sweet and sour chicken with rice.

Option #2: will be veggie egg rolls, steamed jasmine rice, and sweet and sour sauce.

Email your reservations to [jndschaefer@yahoo.com](mailto:jndschaefer@yahoo.com) (Jean Schaefer) Or call Barbara Mitchell (402) 339-2604.



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## Fun Shop January 16

Chair: Marilyn Bieg

402- 453- 6248



Marilyn

The November Funshop was a combination Funshop and OAI business meeting. Greeting cards were made for use by our Courtesy Chair, Dorothy Tuma. Thank You, Thinking of You, Sympathy, Get Well, and Welcome to the Club.

LaVonne Tripp will be the instructor for the January 16th, Funshop. "Let the Water do the Work" We will play with some fun exercises to demonstrate how the water can do the most magnificent things. No need to bring any reference. We will also do an exercise on how to paint tree branches.

Do bring:

5 quarter sheets 140 lb cold press watercolor paper (watercolor blocks will not work)

watercolors, any brand

watercolor palate

brushes, flat 1 inch, couple medium and smaller rounds

drawing pencils and kneaded eraser

sturdy board to hold watercolor paper, no need to size, staple, or tape, clips will be fine. You will want to position the board at 15 degree angle for painting.

Water container and paper towels

We will be making the paints very juicy, so have plenty of room on your palate.

## Art Bridge 2012-2013

Chair Carol Coppi 402-339-7289



On December 12, we cut out "Snowflakes" guided by Melody Stohlman and Barb Mitchell. Sixty five candy gift bags were given to our students and teachers. Thanks to our many teacher/helpers (see above photo) and Omaha Artists for art supplies to meet the challenge of our many ESL students who meet at Harvest Community Church each week.

January 9 will feature a "potato print snowman" lesson taught by Barbara Mitchell. We try to stay current and snow seems to be an obvious theme!

Carol Coppi, Art Bridge Co-ordinator

## Art Shows and Art Shows

Chair: Sharon Clawson 572-8486



### OMAHA ARTISTS, INC. WINTER "BLAST OF COLOR" ART SHOW

at "The Center", 714 South Main St., Council Bluffs, IA

REGISTRATION: Monday, January 7, 11 - 1 pm.

RECEPTION: Friday, January 11, 4 - 7 p.m.

TAKE-DOWN: Thursday, February 28, 11 - 1 p.m.

NO THEME, THREE ENTRIES FOR \$10.00, NO COMMISSION TAKEN, ANY SIZE ALLOWED  
PLEASE FOLLOW ART SHOW GUIDELINES IN YOUR ROSTER!!

No saw-tooth hangers, only wires! Clean mats and frames! You can enter something you did in a workshop as long as the work is your own - no instructor touches!!

QUESTIONS? Call Sharon Clawson at 402-572-8486, or any other art show committee member as listed in the current roster.

DIRECTIONS TO "THE CENTER" Cross I-480 into Iowa and merge onto US-6 (Broadway). Stay on Broadway and continue on it as it makes a slight right (near down-town area). Then make a quick right onto Pearl St. which becomes South Main. 714 South Main is on the right side of the street - parking is behind the building. Or take I-80 east bound, exit 92 North, CB Business District/Lake Manawa, it is before the I-29 turn off. Off exit turn left onto 92 North (aka South Expressway) going towards downtown Council Bluffs. Merge to the right lane and continue northbound, going over via-duct. Turn right at first stop lights exiting the via duct. Go to stop sign on Main Street, which is one way to the right. 2 Blocks to 7th and Main and the Center. You may also turn on 8th as the Center is a full block.

### Bio for judge Bonnie O'Connell

Bonnie teaches at UNO, and got her BA from the U. of WI, and her M.A. from the U. of Iowa. She directs the Fine Arts Press and teaches courses in book arts (letterpress printing, typography, book design, bookbinding, and papermaking), alternative media and color theory.

Quoting from her Artist's Statement:

"Recent studio work combines the tactile, textural qualities of hand papermaking with the mechanics of binding to create both supportive structure and metaphorical meaning. In the ongoing search for evocative materials I've tapped the natural world as well as flea markets for printed ephemera, postcards, talismanic objects, framing devices and containers. The seductive surfaces and eloquence of these seasoned materials which carry a history and the residuum of other hands, often calls for the unpredictable marriage of assemblage and bookbinding."

for a look at some of her work go to [bonnieoconnel.wordpress.com](http://bonnieoconnel.wordpress.com)

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The art show is considering raising the entry fee for art shows to \$15.00. We will bring it before the executive committee in January, and let you know if it is approved. The fee has not been raised in many many years, and the costs for the show go up each year.

Keep in mind our **SPRING THIRD ANNUAL "ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE"** at The Designers Furniture Studio at 12321 Emmet St in Omaha. **THREE PIECES, LARGER SIZE IS ENCOURAGED, NO THEME 25% COMMISSION TAKEN. DATES - tentatively - May 14 - June 11, 2013.**  
Keep painting, artists!!

**Clarification** of the **BARB LINDER WATERCOLOR AWARD** - at the last show, the judge wanted clarification on what constitutes watercolor, since there were entries in water color pencil, and ink with water color. After discussion with the art show committee, we have decided that watercolor shall include water color pencil, since it is just solidified watercolor. But if there is ink used in the painting with watercolor, it will be classified as mixed media. We feel this is what Barb would have wanted for this award named in her honor.

**GOOD NEWS - WE WILL BE AT THE HOT SHOPS 1301 GALLERY NEXT OCTOBER!!!** The theme for the show will be: **"The Illustrated Song"**. For this theme, find some lyrics to a song that you would like to illustrate - ( up to 150 words) - it could be the chorus, or a verse - and you will again have to do some typing - type up the title to the song along with the words that you are illustrating, so we can print this up and put next to your piece of art. This should not feel too restrictive - after all, there are so many themes - but it should be a fun way to come up with ideas for your art.

Art Show ENTRY FORM	Art Show ENTRY FORM	Art Show ENTRY FORM
Artist: _____ _____	Artist: _____ _____	Artist: _____ _____
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Medium: _____	Medium: _____	Medium: _____
Number: _____	Number: _____	Number: _____

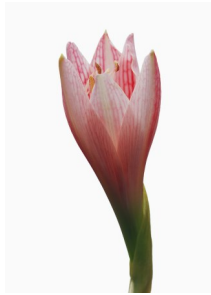
## Courtesy

Chair: Dorothy Tuma

402-334-0975 Email [dtuma@tconl.com](mailto:dtuma@tconl.com)

Thinking of you cards sent to:

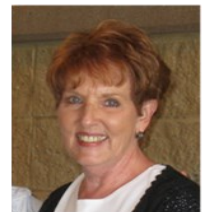
Debi Plog  
Pat Lontor  
Lavonne Tripp



## Member FYI & By The Way

All the roster's have been mailed out and if you haven't received yours , please call Dick Brown, 712 328 8603 Also please check your name and all information to make sure that everything is correct.

**Membership: Chair** Lavonne Tripp 402-896- 1441



Please add to your roster, Sheri Dietrich, 1426 S 177 St., Omaha, NE, 68130  
402-706-1586 cell [gandsdietrich@cox.net](mailto:gandsdietrich@cox.net)

I received a phone call from Dave Schaefer, Genie's ex husband. They are very excited to learn of the new recipients of the Genie Schaefer scholarship. Workshops were her favorite things to do. I did not realize this (but maybe some of you did), that Opal Paramentor was her first workshop teacher.....she thought very highly of Opal.

Please do consider applying for these scholarships. See the details in the applications in this newsletter.

Lavonne Tripp

12704 Skypark Drive  
Omaha, NE 68137

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## GENIE SCHAFFER ART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This is a great opportunity to help someone attend a workshop of his or her liking. Genie loved and attended many workshops, where she learned, laughed and made new friends. Genie was a lovely person and it showed throughout her beautiful art work.

**Recipient(s)** shall be picked on February 19, 2012 (Genie Schaffer's Birthday). The Scholarship shall be given at the February meeting of the Omaha Artists. (Check your newsletter for location.)

**Bellevue Artist** please email [jindschaefer@yahoo.com](mailto:jindschaefer@yahoo.com) (Jean Schaefer) or call Barbara Mitchell 402-339-2604 for your reservation and location of the luncheon .

There will be 2 recipients selected and shall receive \$250.00 each.

Requirements for the Genie Schaffer Art Memorial Scholarship:

- a: You must be a member of Omaha Artists Inc. or Bellevue Artist Assoc.
- b: Have a sincere desire to improve his or her own artistic skills.
- c: The Scholarship is to be used for any art workshop conducted by a recognized teacher.

Please fill out application below:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

NAME AND LOCATION OF WORKSHOP:

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IN THE SPACE BELOW, PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW YOU FEEL YOU WOULD BENEFIT FROM THIS WORKSHOP.

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IF MORE LINES ARE NEEDED, PLEASE USE A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER.

**OPAL PARMENTER FELLOWSHIP**

**Applications MUST be received by March 1, 2013**

This fellowship will entitle you the opportunity to attend a workshop of your choice. Members may apply for this fellowship by filling out the application below. The applicant shall be a member in good standing of Omaha Artists, Inc. and have a sincere desire to improve his or her own artistic skills. Members also **must** be willing to share what they have learned, by conducting a Fun Shop after attending their workshop.

This fellowship will pay the recipient \$300.00. For more background information about this fellowship, please see your Omaha Artist Inc. roster.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME AND LOCATION OF WORKSHOP:

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In the space below , please describe how you feel you would benefit from this workshop and how you would share what you learn.

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Sara Wamsat 402-884-2277

**ANAC (Association of Nebraska Art Clubs)**  
**www.nebraskaartclubs.org**



Jo Anne Nielson 402-253-8162

**ANAC (Association of Nebraska Art Clubs)**

ANAC membership Dues must be paid by **February 27<sup>th</sup>**, to qualify for entry in the ANAC 2013 Art Show in Alliance, NE June 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> 2013.

Make check for **\$10.00** payable to **Omaha Artist, Inc.**

**Dick Brown 22002 Greenview Road Council Bluff, IA 51503**

If unsure whether you belong to ANAC check the list below:

**Jo Anne Amoura  
Marilyn Beig  
Christine Book (Kunz)  
Dick Brown  
Sharon Clawson  
Ann Devish  
Paula Fryer  
Deb Groesser  
Marilyn Hanson  
Donna Hill  
Esther Holmes  
Julie Larm  
Joy Long  
Pat Lontor  
June Luebke  
Jeffery Mack  
Judy Maniscalco  
Barbara Mitchell  
Jo Anne Nielsen  
Harriet Otis  
Jane Reed  
Theresa Rhodus  
Heather Rizzino  
Gracie Schroede  
Dorothy Tuma  
Sara Wamsat**



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