

# Omaha Artists Inc. **NEWS**

October 2014

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**President's Message:** Katrina Methot-Swanson 402.932.0509



At the September meeting we installed officers and our program was about Copyright laws. It was a very enlightening talk by Patent Attorney, Tyson Benson. I'm looking forward to the evening meeting in October. Dori Settles has arranged to have musician Mark Gutierrez as our presenter during the evening. He began playing guitar in the 5th grade and has played in many types of bands including jazz, Christian rock, blues, mariachi, country and folk. He'll be bringing his ukulele and a few extra for us to try out. It's sure to be a fun night.

Katrina Methot-Swanson

## **Dinner Meeting 6:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, October 22nd Board meeting 5:00 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Westside Community Conference Center, 3534 South 108th St. Omaha, NE 68144-north door entrance

Italian buffet style dinner will include Garden Salad, Italian Sausage with Peppers, Chicken Parmesan, Fettuccini Alfredo with Herb Garlic Sauce, Breaded Eggplant, Breadsticks and Dessert. Includes coffee, water and iced tea.

Reservations are due by Wednesday, October 15th. Reservations are Firm, no cancellations or additions after the deadline. Please bring the exact amount, \$21.00, we can not make change.

Call Jo Anne Nielsen at 402-253-8162 or contact Sharon Clawson at [oilunch@gmail.com](mailto:oilunch@gmail.com) for reservations. Please reserve your place as soon as possible. Do Not Contact Westside.

If you would like to come to the dinner for the program and meeting only, No Meal, you need to make a reservation as such.

**Programs: Chair:** Dori Settles 402.660.2329

October's program is Mark Guierrez / Ukulele. He will talk, play a few songs and bring along extra ukulele's for anyone who would like to try their hand at the end of the night.

**OAI After Hours: Chair:** Dori Settles 402.660.2329

**The OAI After Hours group will not meet in October since the general meeting will be held in the evening.**

In November, OAI After Hours will visit the Artist Cooperative Gallery in the Old Market and migrate to the Hot Shops to work on cards for the Hospitality Committee. The date will be announced in October.

<b>Fun Shop</b>	<b>Chair:</b> Lavonne Tripp 402.896.1441
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### **Acrylic Painting with Karen Thurlow - Paint a Floral Bouquet with a different approach**

You will have the opportunity to paint a floral that will be striking in color and execution. It is all about composition, and simple use of darks and lights.

This will be a fun easy project that anyone, no matter where you are in your art study will be able to succeed.

### **MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES**

1 or 2 **small boards** (canvas or otherwise) 12x12, 11x14, or any size no bigger than 16x20. I like squares and oblongs but use a size that you like. If you are fast, bring 2.

**Acrylic paints:** whatever you have, either tube or liquid. I like Golden and Liquitex.

Bring the colors you have but need red, blue, and yellow, one cool color and one warm. For instance: Cad. Yellow and Yellow Ocher. Cad. Red Light, and Crimson, Ultramarine Blue and Light blue Permanent. If you have to buy new, these colors or similar ones will work. Other colors such as greens, oranges, purples please bring them if you have them. A tube or bottle of white paint. I will bring some paint that I will share.

Bring something for a **pallet**, a paper plate will work fine, **container** for water, at least the size of a cottage cheese container

**Brushes:** What you would normally use for acrylic paint. Different sizes are good, but you don't need anything bigger than a 1 inch. And a few smaller brushes will be helpful.

If you wish, bring an easel that can be set on a table or you can also work flat if you prefer.

**Paper towels** or old rags, **Color wheel** if you have one, I will have extra that can be borrowed.



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Karen Thurlow was brought up on a farm near Red Cloud, NE. Art was not much thought of in that part of the country but Karen expressed a strong interest in drawing at a very early age. She drew on any scrap of paper available and was encouraged by her family.

Karen paints murals and other forms of art in private homes and public places. Many times it will be quite involved and cover four walls and a ceiling; other times it might be only a vine over a window or a small flowerpot. She really enjoys this business, it fills the need to paint "big". Karen also paints furniture and boxes. Each piece of furniture seems to take on a life of its own when she starts to paint. Karen enjoys the journey and is often surprised at the end results. Some pieces end up being fun and funky, some are nostalgic, some pretty and prim. Karen just loves to make art, no matter what the subject or media.

Karen has taught art classes and workshops throughout Nebraska. She also judges artwork for various organizations and schools. She is past president of the Association of Nebraska Art Clubs (ANAC). She belongs to the Fremont Area Art Association and is a past president. Karen's work is currently being shown at the Noyes Art Gallery in Lincoln where she is a co-op member.

## Association of Nebraska Art Clubs (ANAC)



Jo Ann Nielsen



Dick Brown



Sara Wamsat

**At the 2014 ANAC Conference** held in McCook, NE, two Omaha Artists Inc. members received Honorable Mention's. **Joy Long** for her oil "Mountain Meadow" and **Sara Sumnick Wamsat** for her acrylic/collage "Around the Bend".

## Attention ANAC Members

ANAC dues have gone up to \$12.00 this year. If you have already paid \$10.00 for ANAC with your Omaha Artists Inc. membership you will have to pay an extra \$2.00. Jo Anne will be publishing a list of who needs to pay the extra \$2.

If you have any questions, please call Jo Anne Nielsen 402-253-8162.

## The 2015 ANAC Conference will be held in Columbus, Nebraska June 10-13, 2015

The Theme for the Conference is 'Cross Your Art'

Host Club: ANAC Board and Committee's

## Opportunities

Call to Artists: Old Market Artist Co-op is looking for 2-d artists. For more information contact: Deirdre Johnson, [oldmarketartist.com](http://oldmarketartist.com) or 402.296.0501

Mima Barrett's final art show is at The Arboretum (across from Methodist) 8141 Farnam Drive, Omaha NE.68114, opens Oct.11-12 thru Nov.4th.

Artists in Session: First Friday of each month starting in October. 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Sump Papillion Library, 222 North Jefferson Street, Papillion, NE. 68046. Contact Janice Merrill at 402.880.7470 or email [jmerroill8@cox.net](mailto:jmerroill8@cox.net). Please bring your own supplies and lunch. There is a large space and kitchen available. Adults only please.

**Courtesy:** Dorothy Tuma 402.334.0975

Welcome cards were set to :  
Debbie Kostinec, Sierra Kostinec, and Carmel Simmons.



**Community Art Reach: Chair:** Sara Sumnick Wamsat 402.844.2277



Now is the time to start gathering art supplies for Community Art Reach. Please help continue this giving opportunity.

The supplies will be gifted to the Lied Transplant Center's Life Care Center Art Cart for patients awaiting transplants. Art Bridge also receives extra supplies for their classes. If you are unable to attend or shop for supplies a monetary donation helps to fill in areas we need or are short on.

Please place in extra large ziplock bags, Crayola crayons, erasers (not novelty), pencils, sharpeners, small drawing pads, construction paper, scissors, colored pencils, markers, boxed watercolor sets (Crayola brand are best) Art-how to books, mat board cut 8x10 or smaller, sets of assorted brushes and foam brushes.

Thank you,  
Sara Sumnick Wamsat

**Art Bridge 2012-2013 Chair** Carol Coppi 402-339-7289



We were off to a good start this September with a "Hand Design" lesson. We had 60 students and met 2 new ESL teachers, Chris and Michaela.

Artist Josie McKissick is teaching the next lesson scheduled for Oct. 8th, "Leaves".

**Art Show and Art Shows Chair:** Sharon Clawson 402.572.8486



**Fall Art Show "Ancestral Connections" Hot Shops Art Center**

Important dates:      Registration:    Sunday, November 2, 1-3 pm  
                                 Reception:      Sunday, November 9, 2-4 pm  
                                 Take down:     Sunday, November 30, 1-3 pm

The **theme** for this year's Hot Shops Art Show is "**Ancestral Connections**". Your art can reflect something of your own ancestry or an ancient interpretation of how and where life originated. It could be a connection you have to something from the past, something old, something primeval, etc. Or something more current that reminds you of your mom or someone from the past. No write-ups this time explaining your work, so let your imagination fly, and have fun with the theme!

**Important size guidelines "Ancestral Connections" art show:**

We will be enforcing size guidelines to avoid overcrowding. Sizes refer to the outside edges of the frame.

Square inches are measured by multiplying the length by the width of the outside edge of the frame.

**3 pieces** allowed 11 x 14 or smaller, (154 square inches or smaller). **2 pieces** allowed at 16 x 20 or smaller, (320 square inches or smaller). **1 piece** allowed larger than 16 x 20, with maximum size of **40 x 40**, (1600 square inches).

The square inch measurement gives the option of various sizes, not just 11x14 or 16x20. Please measure your pieces before you bring them in. And thank you for cooperating with these new guidelines.

Artist	Artist	Artist
Phone	Phone	Phone
Price	Price	Price
Title	Title	Title
Media	Media	Media
Number (To Be Assigned)	Number (To Be Assigned)	Number (To Be Assigned)

**Secretary: General Meeting Notes:** Lisa Lathrop 402.715.5740

General Meeting Minutes September 24, 2014 / 12:00 @ Westside Community Conference Center,  
Called to order by President Katrina Swanson

**Treasurer's Report:** JoAnne Nielsen reported \$7,506.86

**ANAC:** JoAnne Nielsen reported that the conference would be held in Columbus, NE, June 10-13, 2015. The theme is "Cross Your ART" and the hosts will be the ANAC Board and committee members. ANAC dues have been raised to \$12 effective 2015. The committee will contact those who have all ready joined with the change. A notice and all pertinent information will also be printed in the newsletter.

**Art Shows:** Sharon Clawson reported that the next show is at the Hot Shops with registration on November 2, 1:00-3:00 and the opening reception on November 9, 2:00-4:00. All the information will be printed in the newsletter and the web site.

**Community Art Bridge:** Carol Coppi reported that 59 students were taught at the September classes.

**Community Art Reach:** No Report

**Courtesy:** Dorothy Tuma reported three welcome cards were sent. See details in the newsletter.

**Programs:** Today's program was a presentation on Copyright by Tyson Benson, a Patent Attorney with the firm, Advent. Tyson discussed important issues through using a power point presentation. Katrina reported that Mark Gutierrez is the presenter at the October evening meeting.

**Publicity:** Duane Peiper is beginning the process for the show in November at the Hot Shops.

**Fun Shops:** Lavonne Tripp reported that Karen Thurlow is the next instructor for October. She will be working in acrylics and will do a simple project with flowers. Her bio and supply list will be in the newsletter and on the website. November's Fun Shop will be in Gallery 1301 at the Hot Shops.

**After Hours:** Dori Settles reported the next meeting will be Tuesday September 30<sup>th</sup> at Smiling Turtle Art Spot. Susan Stevens will present how to create Artist's Trading Cards. There will be no meeting in October since the General Meeting will be held in the evening. The November meeting will be at Artist's Co-op and the Hot Shop at 1301 Gallery, date and time to be decided.

**Host:** No report

**Membership:** Katrina reported the membership is at 135.

**Newsletter:** Deadline for the October newsletter is Friday, September 26.

**Web Master:** Susan Stevens reported that the web site is under redesign. She would like more photos pertaining to events, since there is space to show them. The web site will be secure for future inclusion of the roster. Pay Pal will be available on the website as well.

**Vice President:** Susan Stevens reported on the roster and it will be ready for distribution in October. She reminded that members are not to use the information printed in the roster for personal gain. The formal affirmation vote and installation of officers were held during the luncheon. The Jaskiw Award was presented to Susan Stevens.

**Fun Shops—Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Lutheran Church of the Masters**

**October 15**

**November 19 combines fun shop, meeting and  
potluck at Hot Shops Art Center**

**December No meeting or Fun Shop**

**January 21**

**February 18**

**March 18**

**April 15**

**May 20**

**June 17 combines artist garage sale and meeting  
with potluck-location to be announced**

**Luncheons/Dinner –Wednesday Noon to 2 p.m.  
Westside Community Center**

**October 22 (evening meeting at 6 p.m.)**

**January 28**

**February 25**

**March 25 at Joslyn Art Museum**

**April 22**

**May 27**

**“Ancestral Connections” Art Show at Hot Shops**

**Sunday Nov. 2, 1-3 pm - Registration**

**Sunday Nov. 9, 2-4 pm -Reception**

**Sunday Nov.30, 1-3 pm -Take Down**

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