



Omaha Artists Inc.

Newsletter

April 2015

Omahaartistsinc.com

President's Message: Katrina Methot-Swanson 402- 932- 0509

Hello Omaha Artists,

I have agreed to return as President next year and so has Vice President Susan Stevens and Treasurer Jo Anne Nielsen. We urgently need a Secretary or Co-Secretaries for the 2015-2016 board year. Our bylaws require that we keep notes of our board meetings.

Please consider filling the Secretary position. Contact me if you would like to know more about the position at 402-932-0509.

Thanks,
Katrina Methot-Swanson



Board Meeting 11:00 / Lunch 12:00 Wednesday, April 22nd, 2015

Westside Community Center, 3534 South St., Omaha, NE., north door entrance.

Reservation deadline is Wednesday, April 15th. No cancellations or additions after this deadline. You are responsible for payment if not attending after making a reservation. If you need space for program and meeting, no meal, make a reservation as such.

Call Carol McCall at 402.499.7071 or email oaimeal@omahaartistsinc.com for your reservation, do not contact Westside. Please bring exact amount of \$12.00, we cannot make change.

#1 Chicken Picatta with Lemon Caper Sauce

#2 Tomato basil Bisque plus Gourmet Grilled Cheese

Caesar Salad– Romaine Hearts with Classic Caesar Dressing

Entrees include salad, rolls, coffee, iced tea or water

After Hours: Dori Settles 402.660.2329

A BIG Thank You to Doris Helfrich for hosting the March After Hours. The members in attendance said they really enjoyed learning the technique and the opportunity to see the Potting Shed.

There will be no April After Hours. Watch the newsletter for information about May.

Fun Shop: Lavonne Tripp 402.896.1441



Lutheran Church of the Master, 2617 So. 114th St. Omaha, NE.
 Wednesday April 15th, 2015, 9:00 a.m. Cost \$4.00 members/ \$5.00 non-members
 Please bring snacks to share.

Mixed Media Collage: Lynde George

Fashion was my career choice since the age of 5 following a day at work with my grandmother, a high end seamstress in NYC, and experiencing 7th Avenue, the heart of the fashion industry. I explored art from that point on beginning with a paint by number kit, art classes in school and on to private art lessons in oils, and private classes in fashion design in Europe. It was then off to college where I majored in Applied Arts, specializing in clothing and textiles and interior design at Syracuse University. I worked in both fields at businesses and colleges across the country, following my completion of an MBA from Creighton University. Since retiring, family, art lessons, attending the various art venues in Omaha, traveling, creating, collecting, Joslyn and OAI /ANAC have filled my days.

Class Objectives: To experiment with 12-20 mixed media techniques: To complete joint works of art using mixed media: To conclude with an individual work of mixed media (afternoon session). 9:00- 10:30 Experimentation to create a catalogue of various mixed media techniques. Can bring small same size substrates if you wish to create a book like reference or journal... index cards work. 10:30-12:30 Collaborate in Group Project, working together while learning how various media mix and work by adding interest and variety. **(Bring Lunch if you are staying for the afternoon session and or video)**

12:30-2:00 Individual project to use mixed media and collage elements to complete an original work of art.

Required Supplies: 2 substrates, such as matt board, canvas, watercolor paper...scissors... favorite glue...wax paper...weight, such as a book2 fast drying mediums of choice, like markers, colored pencils, watercolors, inks, pastels, or acrylics ...brushes, pallet knives or other tools (no oils please)...Any artwork you deem unsuccessful to collage, tear, rework with other media...Cardstock, spiral bound watercolor paper or index cards for catalogue of Mixed Media.

Suggested Supplies... Please bring 4 or more items to share or trade: Cutting tool, old photos, fabrics, laces, trims, buttons, pins of all kinds, yarn, wire, needle and thread, stencils, rubber stamps, transparencies, clip art, vellum, tracing paper, doilies, maps, old books, sheet music, any ephemera, tissue paper, puzzle pieces, hole punch, match book covers, staplers, labels, any flat or almost flat leftover items.

Items will be supplied for each table from my stash of goodies– Wallpaper books, magazines, bubble wrap, corrugated boxes, sheet music, some acrylic mediums and more.

Program:

Luncheon Program for April 22nd, will be a short movie about "Fun Shop". Starring our members and Fun Shop Artist teachers. The movie by Karen First-Meeks, an Omaha Artist member, has an English degree, is a former professional computer geek, a collector of hobbies and a new fine arts student.

Please bring your recommendations, ideas, and suggestions for artists and mediums you would like for next years Fun Shop.

ANAC: Association of Nebraska Art Clubs

**"CROSS YOUR ART" 2015 ANAC Conference to be held in Columbus, Nebraska,
Wednesday, June 10 thru Saturday, June 13, 2015.**

ANAC Selection Show

Hot Shops 1301 Street Gallery Saturday, April 11, 2015 Registration: 10:30 –11:30 a.m.

Two pieces of art are allowed for selection and both are eligible.

Label both pieces on the back of your art with **Your business card with the name of your art on it.**

ANAC paperwork and a \$5.00 fee per art piece **Must** be completed **If Chosen.**

Paperwork and Pick up time: Saturday, April 11, at 2:30 pm.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call an ANAC committee member.

Jo Anne Nielsen 402.253.8162 Sara Wamsat 402.884.2277 Dick Brown 712.328.8603

Judging for Selection show will be, (Saturday, April 11 from 10:30 am thru 2:30 pm during the Spring Show at the Hot Shops.) There is NO formal show. See March newsletter for ANAC Exhibit Rules.

Artist

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Membership: Tearee Caswell 402.350.5661

Helen Loftis 209 Charles Dr. Underwood, IA 51576 phone 712.566.2498 hel- en@hotmail.com Spouse, Dennis Media: Colored pencil, watercolor

Nycole Chirhart 5422 S. 188th St., Omaha NE phone 402.960.8758 nycole.chirhart@gmail.com Spouse, Brian Media: oil

Kelli Sweet 8617 S. 104th St., LaVista NE 68128 phone 402.216.6292 Spouse, Drew Hallock degreesbykelli@hmail.com Media: acrylic, collage, fabric, glass, glass beads, jewelry, metal, mixed media, prints (mono), quilting, watercolor

Melody Stohlmann 10305 310th St, Murdock, NE 68407 phone 402.440.6287 Spouse, LyliMedia: acrylic, assemblage, collage, fabric, mixed medium mosaics, watercolor

Art Shows and Art Show: Sharon Clawson 402.572.8486



April Showers Bring..." Spring Art Show at the Hot Shops

Judge Jamie Burmeister's artworks have been exhibited in galleries, museums and public places throughout the world. His "vermin.me" project has resulted in over 1000 installations of small ceramic figures, called vermin on 6 continents, 42 countries and 46 US States. Burmeister's pieces have been exhibited including shows at the Des Moines Art Center, Bemis Center for Contemporary Arts in Omaha, Akron Art Museum, in Ohio, Sheldon Museum of Art in Lincoln, and the Nicolaysen Art Museum in Casper, WY. His numerous awards include Nebraska Art Council's 2010/2007 Individual Artist Fellowships, Omaha Entertainment and Arts 2007 Best Public Art, and 2006/2013 Three-Dimensional Sculpture awards and residencies at the Kimmel Harding Nelson Center in Nebraska City, NE and the Serenbe Artist in Residence in Chattahoochee Hills, GA. He received an M.F.A. in Sculpture from the University of Nebraska in 2005 and currently lives and works in Omaha, NE.

Great turnout for our Spring Show with 48 artists entering 80 pieces of art! The reception will be Sunday April 12, 2-4 pm. With food and drink, awards and judge's critique. Hours for Hot Shops at 1301 Nicholas Street are 9-6 weekdays and 10-5 weekends. Stop in and see our show thru April 26.

Congratulations to our winners:

First Place:	Pat Lontor	"Spring Miracles"	oil
Second Place:	Tearee Claire Caswell	"Poppies"	fabric, beads
Third Place:	Becky Kinloch	"Hibiscus"	oil
Fourth Place:	Tamara Tsvid	"Lilacs"	watercolor
Honorable Mentions:	Gracie Schroeder	"Tulips on Silk"	watercolor on silk
	Becky Kinloch	"Bike Rides"	oil
	Barbara Mitchell	"Poppies"	watercolor
	Judith Cross	"Turbulence"	steel sculpture
Barb Linder Watercolor Award:	Tamara Tsvid	"Rose"	watercolor
Joy Long Memorial Award for Best Use of Light and Atmosphere:	Jean Barban	"Robin on Rooftop"	oil

Barb Linder Watercolor Award - This show was the last time that this award will be given out. Barb Linder's family made a nice donation to allow for this award for several years but that money has now been used up. We hope that watercolor artists will still continue to enter our shows - I do believe the award sparked more watercolor entries over the past few years, and I'm sure Barb would have been pleased to see that. Thanks to her family for their generosity!

Please remember to pick up your art on Sunday, April 26 from 1-3 pm. **Do Not** pick up early without calling Sharon Clawson to make arrangements, otherwise you will not be allowed to enter our next show!

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Fall Art Show: Small Image Show at Esprit Senior Living Center, 1755 Emmet St. October 3-December 2015. A Small Image Show means the image can be no larger than 18 inches on two sides. Such as 8x10, 4x14, 12x6, etc. You can frame the image to any size you like, and can enter up to 3 pieces for the entry fee of \$15.00. Unfortunately, no sculpture or items needing pedestals will be allowed at this show. No theme. Any questions call Sharon Clawson at 402.572.8486.

Winter Show will be February of 2016 at the Jewish Community Center. No theme.

Courtesy: Dorothy Tuma 402.334.0975 ddtuma@gmail.com

Welcome: Heather Tomasello, Jacqueline Smith, Cindy Rae Mathiasen, Nicole Chirhart, Helen Loftis, Rhonda Bruggeman, Cheri Ginsburg, Michelle Murdock, Kelli Sweet

Get Well: Jo Anne Nielsen, Cyndy Ulrich

Thinking of You: Tearee Caswell, JoAnne Amoura

Sympathy: Sara Wamsat and to the Family of Joan Hamilton

A very big thank you to everyone in Omaha Artists who attended and extended sympathy to our family... memorials, and prayers. Your wonderful cards and notes were so appreciated. My Mother loved Omaha Artists and I thank you for the wonderful memories we had together with all of you....Sara Sumnick Wamsat

Art Bridge: Carol Coppi 402.339.7289

“BRIDGING cultures and languages thru ART”

Welcome sweet Springtime... and no one welcomes it more than our warm weather ESL students from Burma and Sudan!!! We marvel at how they brave our Omaha winters to attend English classes. They are an encouragement to us.

Wednesday, April 8Watercolor/oil pastelsBarb Mitchell



Member Shows and Awards:

Carol Coppi's "Inspirational" oils are featured April thru June at Tripointe Coffeehouse. 138 North Washington St. (84th St. downtown Papillion) Tues –Sat. 10 am to 5 pm.

**Reception to be held Saturday May 9, 10am thru noon.

Opportunities:

INK RESIST CLASS offered by *Jean Barban*. Learn the technique of how to do an ink resist painting using water colors, tempera and India Ink. You will be guided through the steps in creating a fun, frame able and interesting art piece. Wed., May 6, 2015, 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. Held at Hobby Lobby, 13780 Millard Ave. \$20, minimum of 12 students. Bring a brown bag lunch and your favorite beverage, bottled water and dessert will be offered. Supply list provided upon receipt of payment. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope and check (payable to) Jean Barban, 706 S. 196th Ave., Omaha, NE 68022. Call Jean at 402.906.9394 for any questions.



Secretary: General Meeting Notes: Lisa Lathrop 402.715.5740

Meeting held on March 25th, 2015 12:30 pm at the Joslyn Art Museum.

Call to order and welcome new members: President Katrina Swanson

Treasurer's Report: JoAnne Nielsen reported we have \$5,877.16 in the checking account.

ANAC: Jo Anne Nielsen announced April 11th will be the selection show. Members whose work is not hung in the Spring show should bring their pieces to the Hot Shops (1301 gallery) between 10:30-11:30am that day. Pieces already hanging in the Spring show will be moved to a separate area, judged and then re-hung. Members can return at 2:30pm to retrieve their pieces if they are not entered in the Spring Show.

Art Shows: Registration for the Spring show "April Showers Bring.." is Sunday, April 1st from 5-8pm at the Hot Shops. Jaime Burmeister is the judge. Reception is April 12th from 2-4pm. Take down is Sunday, April 26. Fall Show is at Esprit Assisted Living Center. It is a small image show and will run October through mid December. 8x10 image or 18" combined on two sides. The Esprit is located at 175th and Emmett - behind Hobby Lobby.

Community Art Bridge: Carol Coppi announced the next meeting would be Wednesday April 8th. Barb Mitchell will teach a watercolor lesson.

Community Art Reach: Sara Wamsat gave a reminder for members to pick up items during the year when (sales, etc.). Especially small bottles of craft paints are needed and they are replaced all year round.

Courtesy: Dorothy Tuma referred members to the newsletter. 13-14 cards went out in March.

Programs: The program today is a docent tour of American Modern Collection at a discounted rate of \$5. Next month we will be back at the Westside Community Center and the program will be on our Fun Shops.

Fun Shops: Marilyn Beig reported that Linde George (Opal Parmenter winner) will be teaching mixed media on April 15th. She will stay until 2:00pm.

Hostess: Joslyn Art Museum is the location for meeting today. April's meeting is at Westside Community Center. Meal choices and reservations must be in by April 15th via email or at the Fun Shop.

Membership: Teerea Caswell announced there are now 150 members, 4 new members in last month.

Newsletter: Linda Bernett announced the deadline for inclusion in the April newsletter is Friday March 27th.

New Business: Linda Bernett received the Opal Parmenter Award. She will be taking a workshop with Ken Elliott called "Making It Fine Art."

Unfinished Business: Katrina Swanson announced that no members had stepped up to the request for open Board Committee positions. A few members stepped up to comment on the need and importance of these roles. It is an experience many former members have already had and a great way to get involved in YOUR club. Contact Katrina Swanson for more information or to accept nomination for a position (Secretary, Vice President, or President).

Motion to Adjourn Carol Coppi motion, Dorothy Tuma seconded.



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Membership Application and Dues Notice

Please Print Clearly

Date _____

Last Name

First Name

Address City State Zip

Phone Numbers: Home: _____ Cell: _____

Email Address: _____ Spouse's Name _____

How would you like to receive your newsletter? Email (color version) Postal (black and white version)

Please indicate the media in which you work: _____

\$22.00 Omaha Artists Inc. Membership Dues - One Year (OAI Calendar year is Sept. -Aug.)

Membership includes a web page on omahaartistsinc.com. Your profile picture, a short bio and photo of your artwork. Dues are payable in April, May, and June 1st. If dues are delinquent you may not be listed in the roster.

\$12.00 ANCC Membership— One Year (ANAC year is March - Feb.) A membership in ANAC (Association of Nebraska Art Clubs) offers a statewide competition and annual convention. You may belong to ANAC through only one club. If you wish to join ANAC, add \$12.00 to your check. ANAC dues paid by February 28 allows participation in the competition for that year. ANAC dues paid by March 1 or later allow participation in the competition for the following ANAC calendar year.

Please make check payable to **Omaha Artists, Inc.** and return it with this completed form to Membership Chair:

**Tearee Caswell, 22004 Elderberry Road, Glenwood Iowa, 51534 any questions
phone 402.350.5661 or email teareeclaire@gmail.com**

We encourage you to participate. Please circle your areas of interest

- OFFICES
- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

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What are your recommendation for Fun Shop and meeting programs? If this is not enough space, please use the back



Dates to Remember:

Fun Shop-Wednesdays-9 am to 2 pm
Lutheran Church of the Masters
April 15
May 20

Luncheons-Wednesdays- noon to 2 pm
Westside Community Center
April 22
May 27

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

Spring Art Show at Hot Shops:

Reception: Sunday, April 12, 2-4 pm

Take Down: Sunday, April 26, 1-3 pm

From: Omaha Artists Inc.
President: Katrina Methot-Swanson
2111 South 138th St.
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