



# Omaha Artists Inc. Newsletter

October 2015

Omahaartistsinc.com

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



Hello Omaha Artists,

We have a lot planned for October. On October 14 Carol Coppi will be teaching "hand designs" to ESL students along with other volunteers from the Omaha Artists Inc. There will be a reception for the "Small Image" art show at Esprit Whispering Ridge on October 15th. On October 21st the Fun Shop will feature Linda Bennett where she will teach a class on alcohol inks with a Zentangle twist. Our October 28th Luncheon at Westside Community Center will feature Kim Hawks from Kimba's Touch Pottery.

I would like to encourage members to connect on Facebook through our face book page <https://www.facebook.com/OmahaArtistsInc?fref=ts>. It's a good way to promote our shows and to make art connections. Several artists post pictures of work they have done and it can be a fun way to connect.

President,

Katrina Methot-Swanson

**Luncheon:** Wednesday October 28: Board Meeting 11:00 am: Lunch 12:00 pm

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

Reservations due Wednesday, October 21. Reservation dates are Firm, no cancellations or additions after deadline. You are responsible for payment if no attendance after making reservation. If you need space for program and meeting but no meal, make reservation as such. Call Carol McCall at 402 499 7071 or Email [oaimeal@omahaartistsinc.com](mailto:oaimeal@omahaartistsinc.com) for reservation. Do not contact Westside. Please bring exact amount of \$12.00 we can't make change.

#1 Beef Bourguignon- pieces of Tender Beef sautéed with Pearl Onions and Mushrooms, simmered in Burgundy Wine Sauce.

#2 Mushroom and Rice Stuffed Bell Peppers.

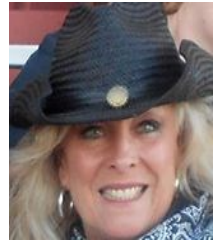
All entrees include Classic American salad, rolls, coffee, iced tea or water.

**Programs:** Dori Settles 402.660.2329

In October, we look forward to meeting artist Kim Hawks, owner of Kimba's Touch Pottery in Elkhorn.

I hope you can attend the luncheons to learn more about these wonderful business owners and artists who I am sure will inspire you to great things!

**Fun Shop:** Katie Johnson 402.310.0349 ktj50love@gmail.com



Lutheran Church of the Master, 2617 South 114th Street, Omaha, NE (114th and Center)  
 Wednesday, September 16, 2015, 9:00 am. Cost \$4.00 members/ \$5.00 non member.  
 Please bring snacks to share and a friend.

**Workshop: Alcohol Inks with a Zentangle Twist with Linda Bennett.**

**Bio:** Linda Bennett is a self taught artist. While using alcohol inks on gourds realized the different looks per application. Then experimenting with different techniques and surfaces with alcohol inks has recently started adding zentangle style designs and patterns to some of this work

**Supplies:** Andirondack brand -alcohol inks (at least 3 different colors)

91% or higher isopropanol alcohol

4 sheets Yupo or reusable palette paper ( approximately 5x7 up to 6x8) no larger

Latex gloves

cotton balls, white felt pads and or cosmetic sponges

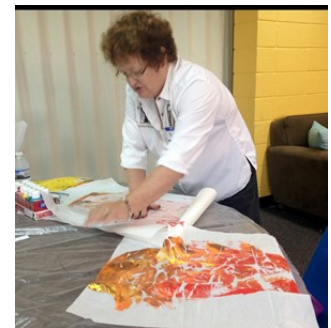
Work pad - either thick newspaper multiple layers of absorbent scrap paper

Black ultra fine Sharpie, LePen, copic, micron pens 0.5, or colored gel pens (white is nice)

*Linda will bring extras of these items to share.*

**Optional supplies:** Plastic coffee stirrers and or pieces of plastic cards, canned air, small atomizer size spray bottles, eye droppers, small liner brushes (not good ones) masking fluid, goo gone, liquitex glaze medium or Golden blending solution, Q tips

Below: pictures of the fun doing tissue paper collage by Lucy Hartman during the September Fun Shop.



**Art Bridge:** Carol Coppi 402.339.7289



All ESL Art Bridge classes are held on the 2nd Wed. of the month Sept.-May at Augustana Lutheran Church 3647 Lafayette, Omaha NE. 9am-11am.

Oct. begins with our "Intro" lesson on design using the most basic ingredients... our hands, pencils, markers and crayons. The ESL students come up with amazing drawings learning to "overlap" and choose colors. Love this lesson and the start of the "Art Bridge" year.....Carol Coppi

Wed. Oct. 14..... Hand Design.....Carol Coppi

**Courtesy:** Dorothy Tuma 402.334.0975 ddtuma@gmail.com

Cards sent this month: **Get Well** - Barb Mitchell **Welcome** - Heather Mauer

*Dear Omaha Artists, Inc.,*

*On behalf of Joslyn Art Museum, I would like to thank you for your gift in memory of Helen Patane and in memory of Pat Hanson. Because of your generosity, Joslyn is able to provide access to a variety of exhibitions, public programs, and outreach opportunities to Omaha area residents and visitors alike. Please know how much we appreciate your support and commitment to Joslyn.*

*Sincerely, Hillary Nather-Detisch-Director of Development*

## Opportunities

Plain Aire event in Historic, Seward Nebraska, October 10 and 11. Please see the September newsletter for additional details. Contact Jeanne K Hain Wiemer of The Red Path Gallery 402.540.6929 or Lois Smith 402.276.1437 for questions. Online entry is <http://mkt.com/red-path-gallery/historic-seward-plain-aire>.

You are invited to the ART Venture Kick-Off Reception at the Hot Shops on Tuesday, October 20th from 6-8pm. If you would like more information about ART Venture, the Reception date and time, or how to become an Art Venture artist, you can visit with OAI members Katrina Swanson or Dori Settles, or reach out to Lori or Wendy at the Girl Scouts office, 402.558.8189.

Pat Lontor and four other artists who paint portraits from a live model every Sunday evening in her basement studio are having a show of their work at Gallery 92 West, 92 West Sixth Street, Fremont, NE. The show runs through the month of November with the opening reception Friday, November 6th, 5-7pm. Come see how very different each artist interprets the same model.

The Painting Lab with Randi Hunter at Smiling Turtle Art Spot studio. Open for you to work on your painting projects, watercolor, acrylic, oil, mixed media... BYO -art supplies, snacks, drinks. Painting Lab runs weekly, Tuesday nights from 6:30-8:30 pm. Starting October 6th, \$20.00/week, or sign up for a 6 week session for \$90.00. RSVP with Randi at (402) 213-9031.

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



### Bio for Judge of 2015 Fall Small Image Show

Richard Markoff grew up in Alliance, graduating from Alliance High School before attending Doane College and Chadron State College where he earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

He taught high school art for 37 years in Rocky Ford, Colorado, McCook and at Omaha Northwest. Markoff was a founding member of the Gallery 13 in Omaha in 1985 and has been an active member of the Artists' Cooperative Gallery in Omaha's Old Market for many years serving as a board member and on the Hanging Committee and Membership Committee. Additionally he is an associate member of the Burkholder Project in Lincoln.

"I consider myself a series painter. Having taught school for 37 years, I have had to use different styles of painting in my teaching; therefore I have continued to do so through the years. I paint ten to fifteen paintings per series from surrealism to modern abstract utilizing acrylic and mixed media. I am a stern advocate of art elements and all my judging reflects that belief."

### RECEPTION FOR THE FALL SMALL IMAGE SHOW: Thursday, October 15, 5 - 7 p.m.

directions for Esprit Whispering Ridge (17555 Emmet Street): a few blocks west of 171st and Maple, turn south on HWS Cleveland Blvd. Go 2 blocks and turn right on Emmet St. - you'll see the sign for Esprit Whispering Ridge Senior Living, the big building and parking lot.

There were 21 artists who entered our Fall Small Image Show, with 53 works of art. Winners for this show are:

#### 1st place

Linda Bernett	"Garden of Zen"	alcohol ink and pen
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#### 2nd place

Harriet Otis	"Signs of Spring"	watercolor
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#### 3rd place

Patricia Kounkel	"Indian Summer"	mixed media
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#### 4th place

Marilyn Beig	"Morning Light"	acrylic
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#### Honorable Mentions:

Sara Wamsat	"Bye-Lines"	mixed media
Tamara Tsvit	"Rainbow of Fall"	acrylic
Cheri Ginsberg	"Late Afternoon Arroyo Magic"	pastel
Julie Larm	"Contagious"	acrylic

#### Joy Long Memorial Award for Best Use of Light and Atmosphere:

Linda Leary	"Empire State Building Under Brooklyn Bridge"	photography
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Our judge, **Richard Markoff**, asked me to let the artists know that **he will arrive at the reception at 4:30 on October 15 to be available to talk to you about your paintings.**

**Winter Blast Art Show:** Jewish Community Center, 333 South 132nd St. No theme

**Registration:** Sunday, January 31, 2-4 pm

**Reception:** Sunday, February 7, 2-4 pm

**Take Down:** Sunday, February 28, 2-4 pm

**Spring Art Show "Fairy Tales":** Hot Shops Art Center, 1301 Nicholas St. Theme changed to "Fairy Tales"

**Registration:** Tuesday, March 29, 11 –1pm

**Reception:** Sunday, April 3, 2 –4pm

**Take down:** Sunday, April 30, 2 –4pm

Size restrictions apply to **both** of these shows, Winter Blast and Spring Art Show "Fairy Tales:

Size refers to the outside of the frame : 3 pieces 11x14 or smaller

2 pieces if no larger than 24 x 30

1 piece when larger than 24 x 30, max allowed 40 x 40

**General Meeting Notes:** Secretary Linda Bennett 712.566.2322

Omaha Artists, Inc. general meeting was held at Westside Community Center on Wed. Sept. 16th, 2015.

Called to order by President Katrina Swanson. New member Pam Gabriel welcomed.

Treasurer Report by Jo Anne Nielsen of \$6971.41.

ANAC: Per Jo Anne Nielsen conference will be June 8-11, in McCook NE. "Go to the Art Hot Spot".

Art Shows: Sharon Clawson advised of next show at Esprit, 178th and Maple.

Art Bridge: Carol Coppi reports loss of volunteers replaced by Linda Hatfield, Linda Bennett and Linda Leary. Example board of past work in classes brought to review. The Art Bridge program teaches art classes as part of the ESL- English as Second Language OPS programs for refugees of Burma, Bhutan, Somalia, and Sudan. This is 13th year and presently has over 60 students, splitting into 2 lessons of 30.

Art Reach: Kristina Swanson reported for Sara Wamsat, and advises that the program provides art supplies to the Children's Lied Transplant Center. Gathered at the November Fun Shop/Pot Luck Meeting.

Courtesy: Dorothy Tuma advised to check newsletter for cards sent. Memorials were provided to the family of Lisa Lathrop, and Joslyn Museum in remembrance of Pat Hanson and Helen Patany.

Fun Shop: Katie Johnson states September Fun Shop was tissue paper collage with Lucy Hartman.

October 21, will be Linda Bennett with Alcohol Inks with Zentangle Twist.

Hostesses: See newsletter for menu choices. Let Carol McCall know if any special diets requests needed.

Newsletter: Linda Bennett notes that deadline to submit articles is Friday, September 25th.

Program: Per Dori Settles the October program will be Kim Hawkes with pottery. The presenter at today's September luncheon is Kathy Byrnes from Canvas and Cabernet, a venue for classes of paint and sip.

Publicity: Postcards will be available for at registration of our next show per Sharon Clawson.

Website: Susan Stevens advises open for suggestions to improve website.

Vice President: Katrina Swanson reported that rosters should be mailed out next month.

Other Announcements: Katrina Swanson has show at Artists Cooperative Gallery, opening Friday Oct.2 along with Dar Van de Vort and Doyle Howith.

Motion to adjourn Pat Lontor and 2nd by Katie Johnson

**Dates to Remember**

**Fun Shops-Wednesdays 9:00 am  
Lutheran Church of the Masters**

October 21

November 18 combines fun shop and meeting with potluck

No meeting or Fun Shop in December

January 20

February 17

March 16

April 20

May 18

June 15 combines artist garage sale and meeting– venue to be announced

**Luncheons—Wednesday 12:00 noon  
Westside Community Center**

October 28

January 27

February 24

March 23 (Joslyn)

April 27

May 25

**Small Image Art Show– Esprit**

Reception: Thursday Oct 15, 5-7 pm

Take Down: Saturday Jan 9, 2-4 pm

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