



# Omaha Artists Inc.

## Newsletter

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**President's Message:** Linda Bennett 712-566-2322

Our first meeting and luncheon of the year was held at Charlies on the Lake. You have another chance to check them out at our next luncheon in October. Our September Fun Shop was great fun learning pastels with Julie Lemon. The upcoming Fun Shop will be cold wax with our own Katrina Methot-Swanson. This should be one not to miss. We currently have a wonderful show hanging at La Casa Pizzeria. If you haven't had a chance to see it yet, it will be up throughout October. A big shout out to the Art Show Committee for all their time and hard work!! We couldn't do it without you. Thank you

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**Wednesday, October 26, Board meeting 11:00-Lunch 12:00**

**Charlie's by the Lake, 4150 South 144th Street, Omaha,NE**

Order from the menu. Reservation deadline is Friday, October 21. If space is needed for program but no meal, make your reservation as such. Reservations should be made at [lunch@omahaartistsinc.com](mailto:lunch@omahaartistsinc.com) or call Carol McCall at 402.499.7071

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**Program:**

Join us for our luncheon speaker sharing an inspirational story of how you can reinvent yourself and your future with a "Leap of Faith". Wendy Deane from Valley, NE sharing her story of the "Accidental Artist living the dream she never knew she had". At the age of 49, she started painting contemporary abstract art for fun with no formal training. She moved from Omaha to Valley—that is when her life changed and a new journey began...the opening of a restaurant, art gallery and loft.

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

Lutheran Church of the Masters 2617 South 114th Street, (114th and Center), Omaha, NE.  
(South rear bottom door)

Wednesday, October 19th, 2016, 9 am to noon Cost: \$4.00 members \$5.00 non-members  
snacks to share, coffee is provided



We are honored to have well-known Artist Katrina Methot Swanson present our October Fun Shop. Her work is displayed at the Artists' Cooperative Gallery and Ginger Hang-Up #39 both in Omaha. The Burkholder Project in Lincoln and the Robert Paul Galleries in Stove, Virginia!

Katrina began her career at her artist mother's knee as well as her father's. She took art classes-joined the Bellevue Artists' Association and went to Metropolitan Community College to become a commercial artist. The next 15 years Katrina won several awards for her watercolor paintings including Winsor Newton Award given by the National Watercolor Society and the Signature Member status...yet, she is an artist of other mediums and art forms. She currently enjoys painting cityscapes, old bikes, cars, chairs and landscapes. She enjoys a lot of color and repeated shapes expressing stories leaving the interpretation to the viewer! This workshop, Katrina will share the "how to of cold wax and oil".

**Supplies** needed for class:

cold wax medium by Gamblin

a variety of oil paints

various brushes

palette knives

tools or things that make marks or impressions in the cold wax and oil

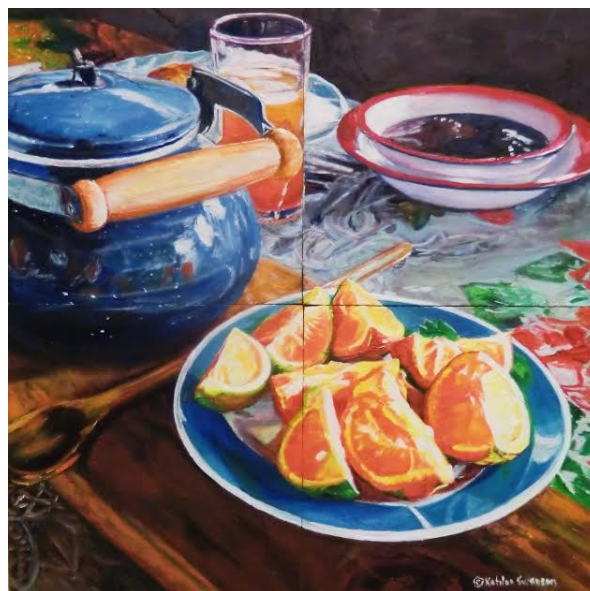
wood panels any size (cold wax and oil take time to dry so you may want to pre paint a few panels so you can experiment)

cold wax and oils are applied to a hard panel surface preferably primed. (It will crack if done on a flexible canvas)

paper towels

orderless mineral spirits

Note: if any questions, please contact Katie Johnson.



**Community Art Reach:** Sara Wamsat 402.884.2277



Small bottles of craft paint all colors/acrylic, construction paper, drawing pads, school glue, glue sticks, pencils, Crayola crayons, sharpeners, and erasers.

Small canvas 11x14, 8x10, and smaller canvas boards and mat board. Watercolor boxes (8 colors), colored pencils, all sizes of brushes - rulers - scissors.

Please start accumulating supplies for Art Reach. Bring to the Fun Shop in November.

**Art Bridge:** Linda Bennett 712.566.2322 [gourdartstudios@aol.com](mailto:gourdartstudios@aol.com)



Art Bridge classes are held on the 2nd Wednesday of the Month, September thru May. Augustana Lutheran Church 3647 Lafayette, Omaha, NE. 9-11 am

Our September lesson of "Hand Designs" was led by Pat Lontor with 65 ESL students. The October lesson will be "Pumpkins." We will be painting on real pumpkins, which will be taught by Ivy Miller. Many thanks to Vala's Pumpkin Patch for donating the pumpkins and Ivy in helping to supply them to us.

**Courtesy:** Dorothy Tuma 402.334.0975 [ddtuma@gmail.com](mailto:ddtuma@gmail.com)

Cards sent:

Welcome: Karen Lastovia and Heather Palmer

Get Well: Patricia Kelly, JoAnne Nielsen

Sympathy: To the Family of Mary Elizabeth Lanning

### Member Shows and Awards

Dorothy Tuma is currently exhibiting her work at the Connect Gallery. Located at 3901 Leavenworth, Omaha NE. 68105. The show is Expression in Fiber Art V This show is running from October 5 to 29, 2016. The opening reception is October 7th, from 5:30-9:00 pm. Among the artists participating are Clare Caswell, Esther Brabec, and Dorothy Tuma.

**Art Show and Art Shows:** Sharon Clawson 402.572.8486 bsclaw001@hotmail.com



### Omaha Artists, Inc. 70th Anniversary Art Show - Results!

The show at La Casa Pizzeria was quite a success, with 43 artists entering the show, and 87 pieces of art entered. Our judge was Allen Vapp, retired Westside High School art teacher. Thanks again to my intrepid group of committee members, who did a wonderful job receiving the art and hanging it. Our reception was well received, bringing in many customers to La Casa. Congratulations to Shirley Schmidt who sold her acrylic painting called "Splash" at the La Casa art show

#### Winners are:

1st Place	Becky Kinlock	"Fall Leaves"	oil
2nd Place	Nancy Ralston	"Water's Edge"	acrylic
3rd Place	Judy Freeland	"A Walk"	watercolor
4th Place	Esther Brabec	"Alaska"	photograph
Honorable Mentions:			
	Debie Plog	"La Casa"	watercolor
	Albert Rhea	"Monarch Lanscape"	photography
	Marilyn Evelo Hanson	"Celebration"	alcohol inks
	Gracie Schroeder	"Waterfront After the Rain"	acrylic
Joy Long Memorial Award for "Best Use of Light and Atmosphere":			
	Thomas Reardon	"Moonlight Flight"	photography

### Omaha Artists, Inc. Winter art Show - "Something Old, Something New"

Jewish Community Center - February, 2017 (actual dates in future newsletter)

This show's theme allows you to enter one piece of art that has been previously entered in one of our shows, and can be something you created long ago. That is the "something old" part. "Something new" means something within the last two years, as is the standard for all of our art shows. So hopefully everyone will have one of each.

Sizes allowed are; - Measured on OUTSIDE of frame edges

3 pieces if 11x14 or smaller

2 pieces if 30x30 or smaller

1 piece if larger than 30x30 Maximum size 40x40

### Omaha Artists Inc. Spring Art Show - "The Fusing of Artistic Minds"

at Hot Shops Art Center, April 2017

Same size restrictions as the Winter Show.

**Secretary: General Meeting Notes:** Barbara Egr 402.686.0521 bschmidski@cox.net

General Meeting was held on Sept. 28, 2016 at Charlie's on the Lake Restaurant. Called to order by President, Linda Bennett. Minutes were not read from August meeting.

**Treasurers** report of \$7,013.15 by Linda Bennett

**Art Shows:** Sharon Clawson reported the LaCasa's show had a big turnout, 43 entered with 87 pieces of art. Take down will be on Monday., Oct 31 11-1 pm. Winter show: Jewish Community Center theme will be "Something Old/Something New." Artists will be allowed to submit an "old" piece of art which has never received an award and a new piece!!! Date TBA. Spring show: Hot Shops Theme: Fusing of artistic minds ~ more information TBA.

**Community Art Bridge:** Linda Bennett advised first lesson was in September "Hands" with 65 adult students lead by Pat Lontor. Oct. class will be "Pumpkins" with pumpkins donated by Valas. Linda reported that number of students will increase within the next 60 days.

**Community Art Reach:** See newsletter regarding donations for the November Fun shop.

**Courtesy:** Dorothy Tuma advised to see newsletter.

**Fun Shop:** Katie Johnson reported Julie Lemons led the September Fun Shop, "Chalk it up to Pastels" with 25 artists attending.

**Host:** Luncheon and program held at Charlie's on the Lake. Oct. format will be the same. See newsletter for additional information.

**Membership:** We currently have 106 members enrolled.

**Newsletter:** Deadline for articles is Friday September 30th send to news@omahaartistsinc.com

**Programs:** Amanda Lustgraaf, Mutual of Omaha-Midtown Crossing representative spoke. She gave an informational, moving program concerning "Horses of Honor-Omaha Trail of Heroes."

**Vice-President:** Roster almost finished per Katie Johnson

**President:** Linda Bennett discussed card making fun shop on Nov 16 will include potluck. Prizes, main dish, cake to celebrate 70th anniversary. Meeting and fun shop all on the same day!

Motion to adjourn – Dorothy Tuma                      Second motion – Katie Johnson

Respectfully Submitted: by Barbara Egr, sec.

**Dates to Remember**

Fun Shops- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday  
Lutheran Church of the Masters

Luncheons-4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 12:00 noon

October 19

October 26

November 16 combines Fun Shop, meeting and potluck

No Fun Shop or meeting in December

January 18

January 25

February 15

February 22

March 15

March 22

April 19

April 26

May 17

May 24

June 24 combines meeting with potluck

Fall Art Show-LaCasa Pizzeria  
Take Down: Monday October 31, 11-1 pm

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