

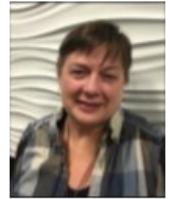


# Omaha Artists Inc. Newsletter

April 2017

Omahaartistsinc.com

**President's Message:** Linda Bennett 712-566-2322 [gourdartstudios@aol.com](mailto:gourdartstudios@aol.com)



Spring is finally here!

Upcoming events this month are a Fun Shop with Nicole Battelle Van Hook teaching paper sculpture, our April Meeting and Luncheon at Valentinos, April 26th, and then our Spring Art Show with registration Tuesday May 2nd at the Hot Shops Gallery.

Congratulations to the winners of the Genie Schafer Memorial Scholarship, Mary LaVigne and Debi Kibbee. Also congratulations to Susan Stevens the winner of the Omaha Artists, Inc. Memorial Scholarship. Am looking forward to her future Fun Shop where she will share what she learned from her workshop.

Once again our membership year looms ahead. See the renewal application in this newsletter for our September 2017 thru June 2018 membership year. Or use our online renewal at [OmahaArtistsInc.com](http://OmahaArtistsInc.com) and click on 'Renew Membership'. Remember you have the option of a personal gallery page included in your membership dues. Please renew as soon as possible to ensure you not miss out on any benefits or opportunities as an OAI member. This also helps us print and distribute the member rosters in a timely fashion.

**Wednesday, April 26, 2017 Board Meeting 11:00 Luncheon/General Meeting 12:00**

Join us for luncheon buffet at Valentinos, 5022 South 108th St. LaVista (108th off L). No reservations are required, pay at the door, and we will be gathering in the party room. Tell them you are with Omaha Artists when you pay.

**Programs:** Katie Johnson 402.310.0349 [ktj50love@gmail.com](mailto:ktj50love@gmail.com)

This month, our Luncheon Program Speaker features Susan Hart from Cozad, Nebraska. She taught art for 17 years in Dawson County and continues to teach children's workshops at MONA (Museum of Nebraska Art in Kearney) and adults in collage and mixed media. Besides mixed media and painting, Ms. Hart creates her own colored and stained papers.

Susan has been accepted into the solo and group juried exhibitions such as the NE Arts Council, Governor's Residence Program, Fred Simon Gallery, International Society of Experimental Artists, National College Society, Association of NE Arts Clubs Traveling Exhibition and the International Society of Experimental Artists and ANAC. Hart's paintings are in permanent collections of the MONA in Kearney, Doane University in Crete and York College in York, NE.

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

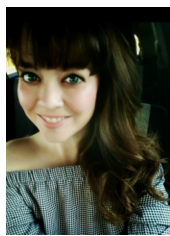


Wednesday –April 19, 2017 9:00 am to noon

Lutheran Church of the Master, 2617 South 114th Street, upper north entrance, Omaha, NE  
Cost \$4 Members /\$5 Non-Members—Bring snacks to share! Coffee is provided.

We welcome Nicole Battelle Van Hook, a paper sculpture artist. She creates full-scale paper sculptures of the ballet, theatre and haute couture. She has a permanent exhibit at the National Museum of Dance in New York. She created 4 hearts for the Nebraska by Heart 150th Anniversary Celebration honoring Nebraska's Statehood. Visit Nicole's work at the Lincoln Marriott Cornhusker Hotel during her year as Artist in Residence. She is a professional calligrapher and custom invitation designer with over 20 years experience in the wedding and event industry. She was the manager of Paper Panache, the recipient of the Best Customer Service Award for the State of NE by the NE Retail Federation, was the 2015 People's Choice Award Winner for her Swan Lake Lied Center Table Inspirations!

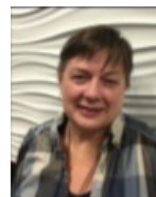
Join us for an introductory class into the art of paper sculpting...create your own beautiful paper flowers and learn how to make paper feathers! No supplies are needed for the class. Nicole will provide glue guns, scissors, paper, glitter, Swarovski crystals. She will have additional supplies on hand should you wish to purchase additional.



We do ask that you bring a power strip or extension cord (they may be needed!), brown paper bag and or waxed paper. Tiles will be provided to place glue guns on the tables.

See her Facebook Page: [Whispers of the Paper Ballet](#)

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



ESL classes meet the second Wednesday of each month from September thru May at Augustana Lutheran Church, 3647 Lafayette from 9 am thru 11:15.

March 8 was a lesson on using compass, protractors and rulers, lead by Linda Bennett with 49 students. Our April class will be lead by Lourdes O'Leary doing funky portraits

### Member Awards and Shows

Visiting Nurse Association presented Dorothy Tuma with a lifetime achievement award at the 20th Anniversary of Art & Soup.

Linda Bennett is artist of the month for April at The Tea Smith, 1118 Howard St. in the Old Market.

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

Cards sent

Sympathy: Jim Horan

Welcome: Carly Halsey, Margaret Walkins, Janet Vadon

Thank you: Karla Lechtenberger, Joslyn Art Museum

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



**Spring Art Show — “The Fusing of Artistic Minds”**

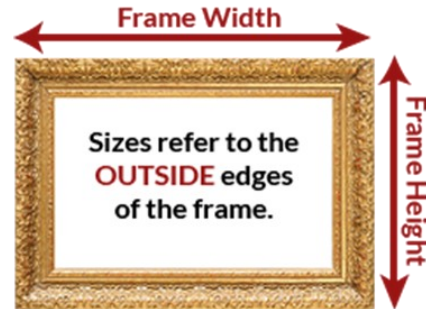
This theme is very general, so you can interpret it in any way you like.  
Pretty much anything goes, so don't worry about it. It's just an interesting title.

Hot Shops Art Center  
13th and Nicholas

Registration: Tuesday, May 2, 11-1  
Reception: Sunday, May 7, 2-4  
Take Down: Sunday, May 28, 2-4

Sizes allowed are—Measured on OUTSIDE of frame edges

- 3 pieces if 15x15 inches or smaller
- 2 pieces if 30x30 or smaller
- 1 piece if 40x40 (maximum size)



\$15 for up to 3 pieces of art, depending on the size of each. 3-D pieces do not have size restrictions since they don't take up wall space. Remember to look at the art show rules in your roster.

Call Sharon Clawson at 402-672-7536 if you have questions

Please fill out a registration form below for each art piece entered in show.



**Fall Art Show 2017** will be held at La Casa Pizzeria. Registration is tentatively set for Monday, September 18. Take down set for Monday October 30th. Details in the next newsletter.

Artist \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Price \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Media \_\_\_\_\_  
 No. (To be assigned) \_\_\_\_\_

Artist \_\_\_\_\_  
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ANAC Selection Show Winners that will be going to York, NE. on June 7 thru the 10th, 2017.

Marilyn Beig	"After the Fact"	and	"Super Star"
Linda Bennett	"Le Poire"	and	"Purity"
Dick Brown	"Glorious"	and	"Magnificent"
Nycole Chirhart	"Dispair"	and	"Fiery Sunrise"
Linda Guynn	"Cruisin Main"		
Marilyn Evelo Hanson	"Girlfriend"	and	"Plein Aire Boats-Rockport, Texas"
Julie Larm	"One Immigrant Girl"	and	"Ten Little Indian Girls"
Patricia Lontor	"Cold Day at the Beach"	and	"Who Am I Really"
Jo Anne Nielsen	"Artsy Pinks"		
Lourdes O'Leary	"Mary"		
Sara Sumnick Wamsat	"Life As It Is"	and	Reading Tea Roses"

ANAC members that are **Not** going to York, please bring your ANAC selection showpieces and \$15.00 on Monday, June 5th to the **East** parking lot of The Lutheran Church of the Masters, 2617 South 114th St. at 11 am. The pieces will be delivered and hung at the 2017 Conference "York in the Road~Art is in the Air" in York, NE. June 7th through June 10th, 2017.

After the Conference, pieces may be picked on Monday, June 12th in the East parking lot of The Lutheran Church of the Masters at 11 am. See above for the church's address. Any questions regarding pick up or delivering please call Jo Anne Nielsen 402.250.6464 or Dick Brown 402.680.3373.

### Opportunities

On Saturday April 22nd from 9 am to 12 pm, Becky Kinloch will be teaching a class using different mediums working on creating animals. All supplies are included. To be held at the Fine Arts on 5th Gallery in Malvern Iowa. Please call 402.679.8914 to register, and or any questions.

On Friday, April 28th Linda Bennett will be teaching an alcohol ink class. Hours 10:00 am to 1:00 at the Fine Arts on 5th Gallery in Malvern Iowa. All supplies are included. Please call 402.679.8914 to register, and or any questions.

### New Members:

Mitch Egeburg	4605 Shire Ct, Lincoln, NE. 68516	mitchegeberg@gmail.com	402.486.4520
	Website: mitchegeberg.blogspot.com	medium: colored pencil, oil	
Janet Vadon	5004 S. 164th St. Omaha, NE. 68135	janetvadon@gmail.com	
	402.290.1101	medium: acrylic, gouache, oil, watercolor (paint & pencil)	
Margaret Watkins	9510 Chicago St. Omaha, NE. 68114	margwatkins@msn.com	
	402.553.3924	medium: acrylic, collage, glass (etched/stained/fused)	
Carly Halsey	10515 Sahler Plz, Omaha, NE 68134	carlyhalsey@gmail.com	
	402.740.9155	medium: acrylic, mixed media, oil, prints (mono) watercolor (paint and pencil)	

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



**General Meeting Minutes: Mar. 22, 2017 / 10:30 am @ Joslyn Art Museum**

**Called to order by President, Linda Burnett**

**Treasurers report of \$5,455.77 by Jo Anne Nielsen**

**Committee Reports:**

**ANAC:** JoAnne Nielsen reported the convention, “York in the Road; Art in the Air,” will be held June 7-10 in York, NE. Members are to drop off 1-2 pieces of art for the selection show Apr. 3 from 10-10:30 at Lutheran Church of the Master upstairs. Pick up will be at noon the same day.

**Art Shows:** Sharon Clawson reported our next art show at Hot Shops, Fusion of Artistic Minds, will be held at Hot Shops. Registration will be held on Sunday, May 2 from 11-1:00 p.m. Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> from 2-4:00 p.m. will be the reception, and take down will be Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> from 2-4:00 pm.

**Community Art Bridge:** Linda Burnett reported the March lesson was compass design with 47 students attending! April’s lesson will be funky portraits.

**Community Art Reach:** Sara Wamset voiced a need for basic art supplies such as acrylics, paper, pencils, erasers, and eight count crayons for donations.

**Courtesy:** See April newsletter.

**Fun Shop:** 24 artists attended the enjoyable March Fun Shop taught by Sara Wamsett as reported by our vice-president, Katie Johnson. Next month’s Fun Shop will be “Wonderland Paper Flowers & Other Flights of Fancy” by Nicolle Battalle. Also, Marilyn Beig and her daughter were recognized by the club for their hard work--set up/take down and carrying supplies from the church basement to the upstairs location for Fun Shops each month.

**Host:** April’s general meeting will be at Valentino’s south location. May’s meeting-Charlie’s on the Lake. June’s meeting to be at Patti’s home – date to be announced.

**Membership:** JoAnne Nielsen delivered the good news of more new members!!!

**Programs:** Katie Johnson introduced the guided tour by Joslyn docents, and OAI members, Cheri Oelke and Pat Lontor ~ “Environmental Impacts of Hunting & Fishing.” Next month’s program taught by nationally acclaimed Nebraskan artist, Susan Hart – “It’s Never Too Late!”

**President:** Linda Burnett awarded the Genie Schaefer Memorial Scholarships to Mary LaVigne and Debi Kibbee. The Omaha Artists, Inc. Memorial Scholarship recipient was Susan Stevens. Also, our president manned the OAI booth at Kaneko educating interested people about OAI.

**Unfinished/or New Business:** Barbara Egr brought forth the idea of a Crane Day Trip, spring 2018, for members. She will gather information about prices/dates. Artists could photograph, sketch cranes or the Sandhills and a show would follow.

Motion to adjourn – Jo Anne Nielsen

Second motion – Sara Wamsett

Respectfully Submitted: by Barbara Egr, Secretary

## Omaha Artists, Inc. Membership Renewal for 2017-2018

Go to OmahaArtistsInc.com to Renew Online and click on "Renew Membership".

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Has any of the following changed since last year? If yes, please provide the new information below:

Email

Address

Phone Number

Art Mediums

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Get involved with a fun group of artists by volunteering your time and talents! Check the office (s) or committee (s) you are interested in and a board member or committee chair will contact you.

More information on the committees can be found on omahaartistsinc.com or in the roster.

**Offices:**

**Committees:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> President      | <input type="checkbox"/> ANAC       | <input type="checkbox"/> Art Reach  | <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vice President | <input type="checkbox"/> Art Bridge | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Website     |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary      | <input type="checkbox"/> Art Shows  | <input type="checkbox"/> Courtesy   | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer      | <input type="checkbox"/> Fun Shops  | <input type="checkbox"/> Programs   |                                      |                                    |

Ideas for Fun Shops or programs: \_\_\_\_\_

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OAI Membership Only \$22.00 Membership is for OAI's calendar year of September 2017 to June 2018. It includes a personal gallery page on Omahaartistsinc.com to show your work.

OAI Membership plus ANAC Membership \$34.00. The Association of Nebraska Art Clubs (ANAC) offers an opportunity to show your work in a statewide competition at the ANAC annual convention. ANAC membership is from March thru February. You may belong to ANAC through only one Nebraska art club.

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to Omaha Artists, Inc. and send with completed application to:

OAI Membership. c/o Susan Stevens. 13961 Poppleton Cir. Omaha, NE. 68144

## Dates to Remember

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

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

April 19

April 26

May 17

May 24

June combines meeting with potluck with date and location to be announced

Linda Bernett  
26709 Idlewood Rd.  
McClelland, IA 51548