



# Omaha Artists Inc. Newsletter

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Omahaartistsinc.com

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



Start of a new OAI year is here. We are taking a running start this September with a great Fun Shop on the 20th with the fall art show registration at La Casa Pizzeria on Monday September 18. If you have yet to renew your membership, please do so now, as you must be a member in good standing (dues paid) one week prior to the art show registration. In addition, this would be your last newsletter until renewed.

See below for our September meeting and luncheon on the 27th, with a great program on fiber art.

Currently we are looking for volunteers to help on several committees. Art Bridge would like 2 or more persons to donate 3 hours of their time once a month during the OPS school year. You would not be required to commit to every date.

ANAC is also looking for help, especially during conference in June. If interested contact Jo Anne Nielsen, and see the ANAC article in this newsletter.

Both Programs and Fun Shop will need a new chairman for the OAI year 2018-2019. Shadow with Katie Johnson this year and take over one of the two positions.

We also have a position open for publicity at this time. Contact me, Linda Bernett for any additional info. With your efforts OAI can continue our programs and provide our club with the help needed to keep us going for many more years to come. Thank you

**Wednesday, Sept 27, 2017 Board Meeting 11:00 Luncheon/General Meeting 12:00**

Join us for a luncheon buffet at Valentinis, 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)



We are kicking off the new year for Omaha Artists Inc. Program for September with the Dynamic Duo of Artists Esther Brabec and Claire Caswell sharing **Fiber Art** !

Esther and Claire will share their experience of art, color and design with fabric. They both have regularly taken a week-long sojourn to Washington State in the Cascades for a camp, learning from Fiber Artist Jean Mills. Come hear the story of their background, journey and colorful expertise!

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



Lutheran Church of the Master, 114 and Center, Omaha, NE. Sept. 20 at 9:00 am-2:00 (upper north door) Members \$4.00, others \$5.00. Please bring snacks to share. Coffee and water provided.

As we approach a new season, we celebrate with the last of the garden glory of summer! Our September Fun Shop is making paper flowers.

This workshop is brought to you by sisters Doris Helfrich and Mary Oltmans. Doris is a retired florist yet still does freelancing. Mary was with the Red Cross for 25 years yet - both can be found enjoying artwork together as a family and sharing their love for watercolor! Each flower in our gardens has a unique shape - what fun to bring a facsimile of these flowers inside for the winter!



Supplies to bring to class:

Scissors

Glue Guns and Sticks if you have them

Extension Cords

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

Welcome Cards sent:

Ann Borchers, Jean Regan, Cindy Karschner Haase, Kristi Pederson, James Kalahar, and Stanley Satchell

Sympathy: Cheri Oelke,

Thank you: Patty Kounkel

Thinking of you: Barbara Gehringer

Congratulations: Roy Long

"Dear Friends at Omaha Artists, thank you for the beautiful card - my mom (Betty Fanckboner) talked about Omaha Artists all the time.....Lori Fanckboner and family"

"Omaha Artists, Such a pretty card. Thank you for the words of comfort --- the Zyla's"

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### **Member Shows and Awards**

Patricia Lontor along with artists Teresa Armagan, Jennifer Davis, Jolene Hulsing, Renee Mehrer, Rachel Mindrup, and Cindy Simon are showing at the Jewish Community Center. Their show "Changing Phaces" runs from Tuesday, September 5 through Friday, September 29. Artists Reception is Sunday, September 10, 2-4 pm. The Jewish Community Center is located at 333 South 132 St, (south of 132 St exit of the Dodge St Expressway)

Congratulations to Omaha Artists. We had 2 winners at the York Conference. They are Dick Brown for his photography titled "Magnificent". And Marilyn Hanson for her alcohol ink titled "Girlfriend". They both received Certificates of Excellence and these pieces will be traveling throughout the state.

ANAC will hold the 2018 Conference in Scottsbluff, NE. The dates have been pushed ahead by a week. The dates will be June 20<sup>th</sup> thru the 23 2018. More information will be available at the first meeting, September 27<sup>th</sup>.

The ANAC committee is looking for more members on this committee. Because of age and bad backs it is getting harder to hang the show when we get to the conference. Please think about being on this committee: the first year you can just shadow us to learn all about it. This is a rewarding experience making new friends and having a lot of fun!



"Magnificent"



"Girlfriend"



Dick Brown  
402.680.3373



Jo Ann Nielsen  
402.250.6464

**Community Art Reach:** Sara Sumnick Wamsat 402-884-2277



Please help with supplies for the Child Life Center Project. These supplies will go to the Art Cart at UNMC.

With school supply sales happening now please be on the look out for pencils, erasers, colored paper, markers all sizes, colored pencils, crayons, craft paints, small canvas, drawing pads, scrap mat boards cut to 8x10 or smaller, any art materials.

Please bring to the pot luck luncheon and card making fun shop in **November**.

Any questions please contact Sara at 402 884 2277. thank you



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



**Omaha Artists, Inc. Fall Art Show** - September 19-November 6, 2017 at La Casa Pizzeria, 4432 Leavenworth. No theme. Registration fee is \$15.00 for up to 3 pieces, depending on size.

Registration: Monday, September 18, 11-1pm

Reception: Monday, September 25, 5-7pm

Take down: Monday, November 6, 11-1pm

Judge for this show is Bonnie O’Connell from UNO.

Size restrictions apply: 3 pieces when 11x14 or smaller. 2 pieces if 30x30, (if one piece is 30 x 30 then you can only enter 2 pieces) 1 piece larger than 30x30 Sculptures not restricted to size limit

**The Winter Show** -Jewish Community Center. Registration January 2, 2018. A reminder email will be sent in December as the newsletter will not be out in time. The JCC takes a 25% commission fee, so price accordingly. No theme. Size restrictions apply. Reception on Sunday, January 7, 2-4pm. Take down is Tuesday, January 30, 11-1pm.

**Spring Show** –This will be early this year at the Hot Shops. Registration Tuesday, February 27,2018 from 11-1pm. Reception Sunday, March 4, 2-4pm. Take down Monday, April 2, 11-1pm.

Theme for this show is “The Artful Letter”. Through your art, show how the written word inspires. Example: positive, negative, poetry, a word, a thought, or a phrase. Include with your entry a short written statement about the word or words that inspired you to put alongside your artwork. Size restrictions apply.

**Lauritzen Gardens** –4th art show. The show will run from June 6 through July 24. Your piece must be related to plants in some way, whether a landscape, bouquet of flowers, garden, figure in a garden or portrait of someone with flowers in their hat, etc. Be creative with the botanical theme.

There is a 25% commission fee, so price accordingly, and size restrictions apply. This is a great time to show at Lauritzen, as the College World Series is during this time, as well as a big model train gathering at Lauritzen! There will also be Tuesday evening music series bringing extra people to the gardens.

Artist	Artist	Artist
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Price	Price	Price
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Title	Title	Title
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Media	Media	Media
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No. (To be assigned)_____	No. (To be assigned)_____	No. (To be assigned)_____

**Art Bridge:** Linda Bennett 712-566-2322 [gourdartstudios@aol.com](mailto:gourdartstudios@aol.com)



All English as a second language (ESL) classes meet the second Wednesday of each month from September thru May at Augustana Lutheran Church, 3647 Lafayette from 9 am- 11:15

2017	September 13	Kaleidoscope	Linda Bennett
	October 11	Pumpkin Cubism	Marlene Dobney
	November 8	Fall Wreaths	Ivy Miller
	December 13	Pencil Holder Collage	Linda Bennett
2018	January 10	Snowflakes	Josie McKissick
	February 14	Abstract Hearts	Linda Bennett
	March 7 (1st Wed)*	Birds	Ivy Miller
	April 11	Watercolor Flowers	Carol Coppi
	May 9	Funky Portraits	Lourdes O'Leary

We follow the Omaha Public School Calendar \*

Art Bridge is looking for 2 or more volunteers. If you are interested or wish to learn more about Art Bridge please let Linda know.

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### Opportunities:

Todd A. Williams Art Workshop at Gallery 92 in Fremont. "The seven keys to unlocking a great painting." Gallery 92, 92 West 6th St, Fremont, NE November 2-4 (Thurs.-Sat.) 9:00 am-4:00 pm. Oil or preferred medium for beginner to advanced, age 15 to adult. See details and registration under Classes and Workshops at [www.92west.org](http://www.92west.org). Gallery email is [gallery92west@92west.org](mailto:gallery92west@92west.org) or phone 402-721-7779. Registration and deposit required by October 6, \$450.00 FAAA members. \$475.00 non members.

Linda Bennett will be teaching an alcohol ink workshop, 9:00am-3:30pm, Saturday October 14, Gallery 92 West/Fremont Area Art Association. Introduction to basics of alcohol inks: application, color reactions and blending, with working of colors and combining varied techniques/effects. \$50.00 for members, \$60.00 non-members. Registration deadline is Friday, October 6. Contact Linda for registration slip, or any additional information. Email: [gourdartstudios@aol.com](mailto:gourdartstudios@aol.com), cell 712-435-9723 or 712-566-2322.

Check out the Southwest Iowa Art Tour Saturday September 16 10-5pm, and Sunday September 17, 12-4pm. Hosted by the Southwest Iowa Arts Council is a connection of rural communities in Southwest Iowa to promote visual art and education. Chart your course, and visit eateries and wineries along the way, while discovering phenomenal art and artists in southwest Iowa. See their facebook page, and or visit, [www.swiarttour.com](http://www.swiarttour.com) for list of galleries and information.

### Dates to Remember

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

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

September 20

September 27

October 18

October 25

November 15 (combination fun shop, meeting and pot luck)

January 17

January 24

February 21

February 28

March 21

March 28

April 18

April 25

May 16

May 23

June meeting with potluck , date and location to be announced

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