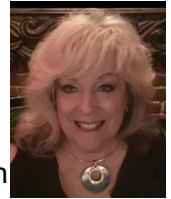




Omaha Artists Inc. Newsletter

October 2018

President's Message: Katie Johnson 402-310-0349 ktjohnson.omaha.art@gmail.com



Our September Fun Shop was plein air painting taught by Barbara Egr, our 2018 Omaha Artists Inc. Memorial Scholarship winner. A new experience for many but with the patient and well planned instruction of Barbara Egr, a delightful experience! Our hosts Bruce and Sharon Clawson made the workshop seem like we were guests at a beautiful resort, miles from the city.

Our Fun Shops are unique in that a different form of art is presented each month and taught by highly qualified instructors. I encourage you to step outside your comfort zone and try something new and different, finding your own style and direction, even discovering an art medium or technique you have not tried

After the Fun Shop one of the attendees exclaimed that she was once again excited about painting. Often-times we get stuck in a rut, doing the same thing, creating the same way we have for months even years. Perhaps it is time to make a change. Understanding and learning from new experiences allows one to think outside the box, builds confidence and stretches the imagination. It is not particularly easy to step out of our comfort zone. Eleanor Roosevelt said, "Do one thing every day that scares you."

Do you want to step outside your comfort zone and learn something new, improve your skills, make new friends? Come join us for our monthly Fun Shops and Luncheon Programs. Bring a friend – we welcome guests.

"I've been absolutely terrified every moment of my life – and I've never let it keep me from doing a single thing I wanted to do."---- Georgia O'Keefe

Wednesday, October 24, Board Meeting 11:00/ Luncheon/General Meeting 12:00

Greek Islands, located at 3821 Center Street, banquet room, (order from the menu). In order to give the restaurant a count, please make reservations by Monday October 22nd. If space is needed for the program only and no meal, make reservation as such. Contact Carol McCall at 402-499-7071 or email lunch@omahaartistsinc.com.

Programs: Barbara Egr bschmidski@cox.net 402-686-0521



Program Speaker: Katrina Methot Swanson, former OAI President speaking about her journey; as a child watching her mother paint to today's oil paintings of cityscapes. The theme is often the Old Market, which include a kaleidoscope of feeling, colors and repeated shapes, shadows in the form of architectural scenes, vintage neon signs, old bicycles and chairs. Her speech will include how a stroke and cancer did not stop her journey on a road to success.

Fun Shop: Shirley Schmidt 402-592-4873 / Nancy Ralston 402-517-0263

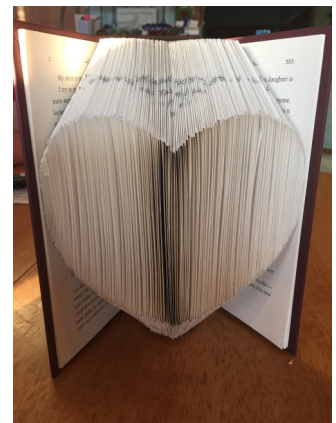
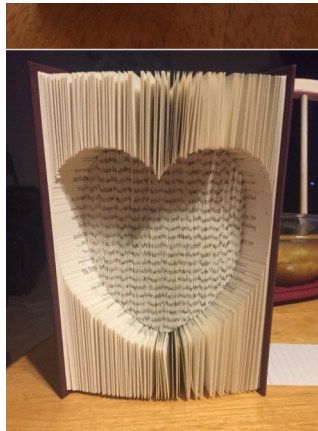
Wednesday, October 17, 2018 9:00 am
Lutheran Church of the Master - 114th and Center - Omaha, NE
Members \$4 / Non-Members \$5 Bring snack to share – coffee/water is provided

The Art of Altered Books:

Kristy McKamy, a recently retired teacher with Millard Public Schools (33 years) is teaching us how to transform an ordinary book into a piece of art. Now that Kristy is retired, she is teaching swim lessons at the Little Waves Family Swim School, owned by herself and husband, Mike McKamy. This Omaha native likes to keep busy with numerous projects. Pick up a book from the Dollar Store or a thrift shop and join us for some fun.

Supplies:

- A hardcover book of at least 350 pages
- Scissors
- Centimeter Ruler
- Mechanical Pencil (a sharp/point line is needed)



Membership

Dottie Seymour– address should be 5623 N. 156th St, Omaha NE. 68116, email should be dottie.seymour8@gmail.com

Abby Williams, 6535 Decatur St. Omaha, NE. 68104 abby.williams531@gmail.com 270-792-1198
mediums: acrylic, oil, watercolor (paint/pencil)

Bruce Clawson, 8112 Pawnee Rd., Omaha, NE. 68122 bsclaw001@hotmail.com 402-669-7101
mediums: pastel, photography, watercolor (paint/pencil)

Garry Feltus, 13716 Camden Ave, Omaha, NE. 68164 grfelt@aol.com 609-233-6500
mediums: acrylic, photography

Courtesy: Barbara Mathewson 402-339-7785 mspiggy0219@aol.com

Welcome to: Kathryn Riesz Schapper, Sue Van Doren and Madalyn Bruning.

Get Well to: husband of Cecilia Hiebner.





On a rainy cool day, thirty-nine artists braved the elements and came to Gallery 92 in Fremont to enter our Omaha Artists, Inc. Fall Art Show. We had sixty-eight lovely entries. Our judge, Barb Simcoe who is an instructor in the UNO Art Department spent a great deal of time selecting the best of the best. So congratulations to the winners, and hope everyone will make it to the reception on Friday, October 5 from 5 - 7.

First Place	- Nancy Ralston	"Orange Beach"	Acrylic
Second	- Renee Hirsch	"In the Interior"	Oil
Third	- Deb Power	"Kevin's Gold"	Acrylic
Fourth	- Tom Reardon	"Snag # 14"	Photograph
Honorable Mention	- Danielle Easdale	"Kgosi"	Hand carved paper
H. M.	- Duane Pieper	"New Life"	Encaustic mixed media
H. M.	- Pat Lontor	"My Dog and I"	Oil
H. M.	- Patrick Brennon	"Riderless on the Storm"	Photography
Judge's Recognition	- Marilyn Beig	"Pandora"	Mixed
J. R.	- Becky Kinlock	"Plums"	Watercolor
J. R.	- Cheri Oelke	"Interlude"	Pastel
J. R.	- Bruce Clawson	"Paris, Bastille Day"	Photography

Bio for Barbara Simcoe: Barbara's formal art training was at the University of Illinois, Urbana and the University of North Texas, Denton, She is a Professor on the faculty of Art and Art History at the University of Nebraska and has taught painting and drawing since 1998. Barbara has shown widely nationally and in European venues in many invitational and juried exhibitions. She has had numerous one-person exhibitions, awards and grants. In 2004 receiving a Fulbright Scholarship. Most recently she was a visiting artist at the American Academy in Rome. Stylistically she works with realistic figuration inhabiting psychological and symbolic spaces. Her website may be found at www.barbarasimcoe.com.

"Chillin' Winter Art Show", no theme at the Jewish Community Center, 333 South 132nd St.

Registration: Friday, February 1, 11-1 pm
 Reception: Sunday, February 10, 2-4 pm
 Take down: Thursday, February 28, 11-1 pm



Spring Art Show: - theme is **"Childhood Summers"**

Hot Shops Art Center, 1301 Nicholas St.

Registration: Tuesday, April 30, 11-1 pm
 Reception: Sunday, May 5, 2-4 pm
 Take down: Tuesday, May 28, 11-1 pm

Art Bridge: Linda Bennett 712.566.2322 gourdartstudios@aol.com



Our first lesson for the school year was September 12th, with a mixed media underwater scene. The total number of ESL students attending was 36 in two classes. In the next lesson we will be making 3-D pumpkins on October 10th. Classes are at Augustana Lutheran Church, 3647 Lafayette Ave, the corner of 38th and Lafayette. We start at 9:00 am, on the second Wednesday of each month during the OPS school year.



Member Shows and Awards

Carol Fettin and Dorothy Tuma are participating in “Expressions in Fiber Art VI” at the Connect Gallery located at 3910 Leavenworth. The show runs October 3rd thru November 3rd, 2018, with the opening on October 12th, 5:30-9:00 pm. A Fashion Show occurs on October 20th with refreshments at 6:30, the show at 7:00 with shopping to follow.

The following Omaha Artists, Inc. are celebrating 20 years of art at Josie Harper House Fund Raiser. Marilyn Beig, Barbara Bishop, Pat Lontor, Duane Pieper, Albert Rhea, Tom Reardon, Dorothy Tuma and Sara Wamsat. The Hot Shops Art Center, Nicholas Street Gallery, 1301 Nicholas Street, runs November 1-25, 2018 with the opening on November 4, 2-4 pm.

Opportunities

The Omaha Summer Arts Festival wants to showcase local artists. If interested artist applications are available for the 2019 Omaha Summer Arts Festival. Apply at <https://www.zapplication.org/event-info.php?ID=6921>. The application/jury fee until October 19, is \$25.00 (with \$5.00 off coupon code “OMAHABIRD19”). As of October 20 through January 10th is \$30.00, and late entry fee is \$40.00 with deadline of January 18. Any questions contact Roxanne at rnielsen@vgagroup.com or Elizabeth at ebalazs@vgagroup.com.

On Saturday, October 11th, Becky Kinloch is teaching a class on abstracts. Starting at 9:00am and ongoing to when done, the fee is \$25.00 at Fine Arts on Fifth, Malvern, Iowa. Any questions call Marge Boska, at 402-679-8914.

Linda Bennett is teaching a class on mixed media on gourds Saturday October 13th, at Gallery 92 in Fremont, Nebraska. Hours are 9:30 to 3:30. Any questions email gourdartstudios@aol.com, or call 712-435-9723 cell, or home 712-566-2322.

On September 26th, at Charlies on the Lake, the meeting was called to order by President, Katie Johnson.

Treasurer report of \$6,421.00 by Jo Anne Nielsen.

Committee Reports:

ANAC: Jo Anne Nielsen reported the Conference will be held June 19-21, 2019 in Albion Nebraska. The judge will be Joanne Fullerton. Dick Brown advised what ANAC is.

Art Shows: Gallery 92 show, in Fremont, registration is Monday, October 1st from 11:00-1:00. Reception will be Friday, October 5 from 5:00-7 pm, with take down Monday, Oct 28 from 11-1:00. The winter show will be at the Jewish Community Center show with registration on February 1st from 11-1, and reception Sunday, February 10 from 2-4:00. With take down February 28 from 11-1:00. Our spring show will be at Hot Shops with the theme of Childhood Summers. Registration will be April 30, 11-1:00. The reception will be held on May 5 from 2-4:00, and take down May 28 from 11-1:00.

Community Art Bridge: Linda Bennett reported there were 36 ESL students who created a mixed media underwater scene project. The October class will be 3-D pumpkins. She requested volunteers.

Courtesy: Barbara Mathewson sent out one thinking of you and three welcome cards.

Fun Shop: Our vice president reported 18 artists attended the plein air Fun Shop at Sharon Clawson's property. Kristy McKamy will lead the October Fun Shop with "Altered Books."

Host/Hostess: Carol McCall announced next month's meeting will be held at Greek Isles.

Membership: Susan Stevens reported we currently have 132 members.

Website: Susan Stevens reviewed the links on the club's website. She also informed the club members to contact her with any problems, concerns, or questions about the website.

Programs: Barbara Egr announced Katrina Swanson will be next month's program's artist. She will share her inspiring personal journey of being an artist.

Vice President: Barbara Egr announced that the roster will be printed very soon.

New Business: Marilyn Beig, will be stepping down as Fun Shops hostess at this time. We ask for someone to please step up and help in this area. Please contact Katie Johnson if you would be willing to serve in this way.

Motion to adjourn – Jo Anne Nielsen

Second motion – Barbara Mathewson

Dates to Remember

Fun Shops- 3rd Wednesday
Lutheran Church of the Masters

Luncheons-4th Wednesday 12:00 noon

September 19

September 26

October 17

October 24

November 28 (combines fun shop, meeting and pot luck)

January 16

January 23

February 20

February 27

March 20

March 27

April 17

April 24

May 15

May 22

June meeting with potluck- date and location to be announced

Fall Art Show: Fremont's Gallery 92

Take Down: Monday, October 29, 11-1 pm

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