



The Hagerstown Museum

The Hagerstown Museum and Art Place, 96 ½ E. Main St. is offering free painting sessions with area artist Tom Butters from 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. every Saturday. Materials are provided and it's free.

Richmond Art Museum

Richmond Art Museum will be offering a series of Paint-Ins at the museum with top area artists. Contact Lance Crowe at the museum for more information. (765) 966-0256.

McCullough-Hyde Memorial Hospital

McCullough-Hyde Memorial Hospital in Oxford Ohio is seeking work from area artists for exhibit in the hospital. The juried show will include purchase awards. Deadline for submission is March 12. Contact Jean Vance at: jean-vanceartist@msn.com

Paint the Town

Terry will be doing his "Paint the Town" series again this year in the courthouse parking lot starting on the first Friday of May and will continue on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month until the weather turns cold. If you do not have field easels, C.E.C. has graciously offered to loan them for our use.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The year 2012 celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of the Whitewater Valley Arts Association. That's right, fifty years. This is an excellent time to reflect on where we have been and to look forward to our hopes for the future.

A recent talk with Don MacDaniel, the first president of the WVAA, provided some tremendous insight into our history and the hopes of the people who founded our organization in 1962. Don has agreed to spend some time with us one Wednesday evening for a chat. We will be contacting some of our other founding members in hopes of getting them to share their thoughts. Keep your third Wednesdays open for "A Chat With Our Founders."

One of my goals this year is to try to organize and gather as much of our history as possible. It's far too easy to lose track of our heritage as we go into our second fifty years. We will be asking all of you to donate, contribute, and share any recollections, memorabilia, articles, and photos from the WVAA to be included in our history.

My hopes are that we can get our history transferred to digital media as a backup to our permanent files and our permanent collection. To this end, I would like to see the position of "Archivist" added to the permanent position of officers. Further, I would hope that this could lead to a published history of the WVAA.

Another topic discussed with Don MacDaniel was the WVAA's first exhibit. The 1962 exhibit was titled, "Connersville Collects," The exhibit featured works of art from the private collections of Connersville residents. Don has suggested that we have a 2012 version of "Connersville Collects." I whole heartedly support this idea.

As a final note, I must say that the diversity our group shares is amazing. We have crafters, carvers, weavers, quilters, wood turners, watercolorists, model makers, jewelers, oil painters, abstract artists, calligraphers, and a dozen more I haven't listed. I encourage you to find out when each of them meet and drop in for a visit. Even better, join them and share the fun. The more the merrier.

Be creative!

Terry Hreno
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MEMBER'S SHOWCASE

JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2012

EVENTS

General Meeting/every Third Wednesday

February 15th, March 21st, April 18th, 2012-6:30 PM.

Come, engage and help WVAA. Future presentations from Lance Crow (Education Director from RAM) and Don MacDaniel.

First Thursday Survey

We have had an excellent series of films about the fine arts in our Thursday evening get-togethers. We would like to see more people share the opportunity. Hector Perez has graciously create an online survey. Please take a moment and take the survey at:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/W78NXJ6>

Road Trips

Everyone who visited the Magaws of Boston on our last field trip had a great time. We will be scheduling more road trips this year. If you have suggestions for interesting art trips, please contact one of your officers or board members.

Traveling Show

Entries for the 2012 traveling show, "Where People Gather" are due March 21st. They must be in 8" x 10" clear plastic, box frames. Vertical format is recommended.



Doug Siebert and Terry Hreno make preparations for the 2012 Auction

2012 Auction

"Treasures from the Past" is the title for this year's auction to be held on November 3. Tracy Burns, Doug and Gail Siebert, and Cheryl Johnson will be our steering committee. Please contact them if you will be able to assist. Sub committees are forming now.

Pen and Ink Drawing

We are planning to spend some time with pen and ink in the Tuesday night group. Join us and get a head start on the calendar illustrations. Starting date will be announced soon.

Officers & Board Members

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