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Member Holiday Show

Our Member Holiday Show is going on now at the Gallery. Come by and support your organization. There are many gift items available for purchase.

The art display at Union Savings & Loan North Branch Office will be changed out on Wednesday, January 7 and will hang for 6 months. If you would like a piece of your artwork displayed in the new hanging, you must have it at the gallery no later

than 1:00 pm on January 7. No exceptions. The committee will hang your artwork. Absolutely, no one else is to take artwork



to the bank. Pieces that are hanging in the present show will be brought back to the gallery for pickup after the new paintings have been delivered. You must have your 2015 dues paid to hang a piece and only one piece per member will be accepted. It must be ready to hang with a wire. Check the website for information on proper way to ready your artwork for hanging. (wvartsa.com)

All information should be on the back of the piece - name, title, medium, price, contact number.

December Pitch-In

Don't forget that Wednesday, December 17 at 6:00 pm is our Christmas pitchin. Bring a side dish and your service and something for the Christmas auction. Lisa is bringing her wonderful pulled pork again. Yum! The board will supply drinks and ice and you do the rest. It'll be a fun time in the old town that night!

1st Wednesday & ARTALK

Starting in January 2015 we will resume our 1st Wednesday movie night and 4th Wednesday ArtTalk. Please join us for a lively evening that's All About Art.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Well, we made it through our 2014 Auction "An Evening at Mardi Gras" with bells on or rather should I say masks on. If you missed it, you missed a great party! We certainly outdid ourselves with this one. A great big thanks goes out to all of you who helped in any way! Look what we can accomplish when we work together! A change in venue had some concerned about how this might turn out. Mystery solved — it turned out exceptionally well. We sold in excess of 300 tickets. We had 67 live auction items and almost 90 silent auction items. Lots to choose from. We had some lively bidding on many items. It was a joy to see. Guess 2016 will be a challenge to make it even better but I have confidence that we are up to that challenge!

The Manna Mission in Rushville had an Artzzy Party fundraiser in November right after the auction. 22 guests showed up to paint the night away with instruction by Lisa Gettinger. They painted a beautiful manger scene. Looks like this might turn out to be their Fall Fundraiser. We also put on an Artzzy Party at Miller's Merry Manor in Rushville. Another fun night for those 11 guests. We plan on having more Artzzy Parties this coming year now that the auction is over. If you know of anyone who would like to host one of these parties, please call Cindy Holland at 765-561-1173.

Put your thinking cap on and come up with suggestions for the theme for our 2015 Traveling Show. Abstracts was such a huge success. Let's do this one even better. The theme will be chosen soon and the pieces will be due in April. This show travels around quite a bit and gets lots of exposure. Let's show the community and surrounding communities just what we are made of. Let's see that talent!

Brenda Kunkel, Professional Workshop Coordinator, is looking for suggestions for our workshop series for 2015. Please contact her at 765-825-3579 if you have someone you would like to see giving a workshop.

Terry Hreno has an exciting lineup for shows for 2015 with the first one being Photography. More information to follow. Hector Perez has judged two exhibitions at Union County's Art Depot this year and Terry Hreno has judged one in Shelby County. It's wonderful that our members are respected enough to be chosen to be judges for other art organizations. Way to go, guys!

Vision is the art of seeing what is invisible to others.

- Jonathan Swift



2015 Exhibition Schedule

Jan 9 - Mar 4 Photography

Mar 13 - Apr 29...... Visiting Art Association

May 8 - July 1 Regional Art Competition

July 7 - Sep 2 Member Show

Sep 11 - Nov 4 The Artisans, Art Beyond Canvas

Nov 7 - Dec 30 Members' Holiday Show



2015 Calendars

The 2015 Calendars are available for purchase. You can purchase yours at the gallery, Brian's Bookstore, Southern Style Cooking and Lilagraphics. Cost is still just \$5. One of the first ones



published went for about \$25 at the auction. Looks like they have turned out to be collectors' items. Get yours now!

Awards

Congratulations

Congratulations go out to members Hazel Ailes, Tracy Burns, Lisa Gettinger, Cheryl Johnson, Hector Perez, Marilyn Smith, Kathy Bird, Virginia Hapner and Wilbur Clark for being selected to be in the 116th Annual Exhibition at the Richmond Art Museum! The Richmond area Artist show runs until December 17th. 2014.

RAM Awards Tracy Burns, Hector Perez & Wilbur Clark

Member Dues

2015 member dues are due on January 1. These dues must be paid if you are planning on having a piece in the USLA bank display. Dues are \$15 individual \$25 for family.

New Board of Directors

New officers for 2015 are:

Sharon McQueen President
Hector Perez Vice President
Tracy Burns Secretary
Delilah Rigsby Treasurer

Patti Starr will come on as a New Board Member.

We will be sending out requests for committees and committee chairs. Please sign up for at least one committee. More would be even better. Please let us know your preferences.



The Whitewater Valley Arts Association would like to thank all who donated their time, energy, resources and talent to make the 2014 Art Auction "An Evening at Mardi Gras" a great success! Thank you to those who volunteered, bought and sold tickets, made donations, restored and created artwork. We are thankful to all who attended, purchase artwork and enjoyed the evening with us. Our gratitude to all the advertisers, companies and organizations that supported our efforts and most of all thank you Connersville.

We lost one of our beloved members this year, Estill Day. He will be sadly missed. Several of our members also lost loved ones recently. Please say a prayer for these members and their families that they may be comforted in their time of loss.

Officers & Board Members

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