



February 2010

Brushfire newsletter

Creative Artists Guild, Inc.

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<http://www.creative-artists-guild.com>

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 9 at 1P.M. If you are displaying or coming in to be judged, be there by 12:30. Voting will be at 12:45 and the meeting will start promptly at One. We will continue to meet at the First United Methodist Church's Friendship Hall on the corner of Main St. and Wood St. in Dunedin.

Many thanks to our set up team, Kathy and Richard Pollak who do a wonderful job in making sure the area the visiting artist is using is well protected. Also our team of judges who come early and look over the work being presented by members and Kathy R who does the treats.

Upcoming Outdoor Shows

Contact Kathy Fessenbecker for info: jkfess@knology.net

jkfess@knology.net or (727) 796-7637

02/20 and 2/21	Fire House Gallery	\$45 each day
10 Am to 5 Pm each day	Highland and Main in Dunedin (Street closed- large crowd)	Fine Art Only tents pref.
03/06 - Noon to 10 pm 03/07—Noon to 6pm	Safety Harbor Seafood Festival Fountains at Marina Park, Safety Harbor	\$10 each day
03/27/10 10 am -4 pm	Pioneer Park Main & Douglas, Dunedin	\$10

Please feel free to call or e-mail with additions, comments, especially changes in your mailing info, phone Joan Sofarelli at (727) **531-1108** or e-mail jsof@tampabay.rr.com

***Congratulations to Jim Thorne who was voted Artist of the Month
and will be displaying at Cathi's Art and Frames
54 Jasper Street, Clearwater. 483-3893***

***Brushfire Apologies to Elaine McCormick, Nancy Hossbach and
Betty Riggs who sold paintings the previous month and were not mentioned.***

***Mary Silvia sold two paintings and Beverly Woofter and Lora VanNord sold one each
at Marguerites Café in the last two months!***

Mary Silvia also sold a painting at Belleair Landing this month!

Reminder: Jurying Arrangements!

**All work to be juried must be current
(within two years),**

**prepared for hanging, and with titles
listed. A minimum of three pieces
must be submitted.**

**Work should be original. Composi-
tion, quality of the medium and pres-
entation will all be considered. The
decision of the jury will be mailed
within one week of the meeting.**

**Call a member of the Jury Committee
at least a day ahead of the meeting
and be there by 12:30 with art.**

**Prior arrangements must be made
by calling the Jury Chairman,**

I want to encourage each of you to read the Bylaws that are printed here in the Newsletter and to go on line to read the Standing Rules and Exhibition Rules posted in the web site www.creative-artist-guild.com. Much work went into putting these together and I think the committee did an excellent job. We will be voting on these at the February Meeting and then they will all be published in our new directory that will be available at our first meeting in Sept.

Nancy Hossbach see (pg. 8)



Open Painting Studio at Tarpon Springs Recreation Center

in Craig Park

Sign up with Kathy Rabold. 781-6859

Do your own thing in this beautiful setting

Winter Workshops at Harbor Hall in Palm Harbor, 2010

February: Thursday the 11th

From 9:30 to 3:00 mixed media

More texturing techniques, more finishing. On paper.

Pat Gorrow

www.artgally.com/patgorrow

You may bring an easel and acrylic paint or paint your canvases on the table. You will love her palette

March: Thursday the 25th

From 9:30-3:00 Painting

On Yupo acrylic or watercolor

Yupo is a "plastic paper" and takes some special handling.

Taylor Ikin www.tylorikin.com

For further info call Kathy at 781-6859 or

Ophms_art@yahoo.com

All workshops are \$30

Chairman	Nancy Hossbach	585-6640
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Committee Chairpersons

Art of Month Shows	Gloria Roberts	669-3672
	Kathy Fessenbecker	796-7637
Historian	To be announced	
Programs	Suzanne Johnson	462-5514
Co-chair	Lorie Ulen	

Jury Panel Chair	Doris Clanton	238-6815
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Sunshine	Betty Brunson	734-8307
Brushfire	Joan Sofarelli	531-1108

Mailing	Mary Silvia	(774) 218-1001
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Website	Lorie Ulen	796-9205
Awards	Marilyn Michalec	785-9338
Telephone	Betty Brunson	734-8307

Greeters	Renie Lundquist	712-9321
	Pat Morrison	585-2139

Refreshments	Kathy Rabold	781-6859
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Bylaws	Pat Kurtz	781-1979
	Pam Beyersdorf	595-6641
	Betty Brunson	734-8307
	Beverly Woofter	596-1218



Lorraine Ulen Reports

Our visiting artist this month is our own Anita Wood, winner of last year's Spring Luncheon Art Show, who will demonstrate her stunning watercolor techniques. Please take a moment to visit her web site and learn a little more about her: <http://www.anitawood.net>."

Don't Miss it!

Please don't forget...if you can donate any craft or sewing items to the Hightpoint Neighborhood Family Center, please Call our member, Caroline Brown who is the Program Director for the center at 727-533-0730. ps. knitting item too!

The RCS , Haven House for the abused and Food Bank is always looking for non-perishable items, personal items and gently used clothes and other items. Call the Thrift Store at 727-531-6266 which is located on East Bay Drive in Largo. They reach out to families who are in temporary need of help.

The Queen of Art, BETTY WELSH, will conduct a Watermedia Workshop on Thursday, February 25th, at the Crystal Beach Community Hall from 9:30-3:00 p.m. You will need to make some stamps for her workshop technique. Betty uses Speed Ball material which she incises with an Exacto. If you want these Speed Ball stamp gizmos, Masterpiece Art Supplies sells them. If you have taken Marie Cummings' Workshops you have learned many ways of creating stamps inexpensively. You will need watercolor paper, watercolors and/or acrylics Betty's Workshop is \$30. Call Kathy Rabold for more information.

Doug Land will be having two workshops at the Dunedin Fine Art Center. They are slated for 1/23 and 2/20. The cost is \$60 each for members of The art center and \$85 for nonmembers. Call the art center to register.



A warm welcome to our new members!

Barbara B. Golm	Barbara Kampe Hanson
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461-3493	539-8901
bgolm@tampabay.rr.com	Kampetheartist@hotmail.com

Please cut out and enter or paste in CAG Blue Book

Straight from Kathy: Be sure to remind the members to stay out of Marguerite's Restaurant when they deliver or pick up their art; they are supposed to stay outside the restaurant and Andrea Stearman will take it from there from outside the door. Andrea can be reached at 729-3962 or origambyan-drea@yahoo.com. Please call Andrea if there is a problem.

Four Week Drawing Class at studio 203 in Clearwater :

Four weeks in February, one class on Fridays and one on Saturdays, from 9:30-12:30 in STUDIO 203 in Belleair Landing at 1465 S. Ft. Harrison. \$40 for 4 weeks. Fridays on the 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th or Saturdays on the 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th.

You will need large newsprint paper and a package of various sized soft charcoals. (thin, med. and thick.

The fee is \$50. for the four weeks or \$90. if you choose to attend both Fri. and Sat. sessions. You will stand at an easel. You may bring your own if you wish.

Kathy Rabold Ophms_art@yahoo.com or 727 219-0022 STUDIO 203

Belleair Landing, 1465 S. Ft. Harrison, Clearwater (Directly across from Belleview Biltmore Golf Course entrance).



Website sections:

About Us:

meeting dates, times, locations;

Officers:

our board members and committees;

Join Us:

links to Membership and jury applications for download.

Events Calendar:

a listing of all of our upcoming shows

Exhibits:

a calendar of our Rotating Exhibits showing available dates;

Artist of the Month:

features the current winner description of the program;

Member Galleries:

member bios and artwork;

CAG Brags:

accolades for our accomplishments;

Resources:

helpful local services and businesses and helpful downloads

Links:

links for resources on the internet;

Community:

Newsletter

Photo Albums

Opportunities

Workshop and

class listings

...and much more to come!

To be included in the member's section, I will need the following:

- Photo of the artist, name, contact information such as address, phone number, e-mail address, and any web addresses you want included as links.
- A short bio (approximately one page) perhaps including:
 - Medium you normally work in, style and subject matter.
 - Where your current work can be seen, if applicable.
 - Education, awards, and other art related information about you.
- Up to 5 clear photos of your work, their titles, medium and sizes. You do not have to have five photos to be included; please submit what you have, even if it's only one.

Information can be presented to me in the following ways:

- **Via email:** at lulen@tampabay.rr.com with CAG WEBSITE in the subject line. Photos should be attached to the email. Text can either be sent simply as an email or as a Word document. Please keep the photos and text separate, if possible, as I will need to insert them separately into the web page format. Photos should be in the following formats: jpeg, gif, tiff, bmp.
- **In person:** as typed or clearly printed text and clear regular photos, or information and photos on CD. If photos are on CD they can be left very large which makes it much easier for me work with them.
- **Via mail:** type or clearly print your information and mail with clear photos to:

Lorraine Ulen
1948 Soule Road
Clearwater, FL 33759

If you are unsure about how to go about any of this, or if you need help with taking photos of your work, please don't hesitate to contact me. You can send an e-mail at lulen@tampabay.rr.com or call me at (727) 796-9205. Please leave a message that your call is in regard to the CAG website and I will get back to you as soon as possible. You do not need to have a computer or internet access to have your work included on the site.

If anyone has any suggestions for things you would like to see included on the website, please speak up! This website is for the members and your input is welcome.

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Minutes of the January 12 2010 meeting The meeting was called to order by chairperson **Nancy Hossbach**. She welcomed guests and new members

Treasurers Report: **Pam Beyersdorf** reported as of 12/31/09 we had \$3288.53. Pam also explained the new by-laws as the policies of the organization. They are on the web site so that everyone can review them and the general members will vote on them at the Feb. meeting. She also explained that the standing rules are the procedures used to carry out the by-laws,

There have been changes to Marguerite's venue. **Andrea Stearman** will be in charge of this venue. Painting delivery and pickup will be at designated dates and times only, so as to not annoy the patronage. Andrea will be at the door to accept your new paintings and your old paintings will be off the wall and waiting for you at the door. Please do not show up at the restaurant to work with your art unless you have made arrangements with the management for a time convenient for them.

Shows: **Kathy Fessenbecker** brought us up to date on the upcoming shows. She announced the sign-up sheets were on the back table for your perusal. They appear on the front page of this edition, **Artist of the month: Gloria Roberts** counted ballots and **Jim Throne** again has won the honors! Congratulations Jim.

Nominating committee: one must be formed so we can vote in March. **Rita Dunleavy, Judy Moakler (Chair.), Stella Brown** and **Ruth Doty** graciously volunteered to be the committee and make calls to see who might be interested in taking the reins of CAG into their hands for the next years. They will be calling you all. Please try to help out!

Jack Dennis brought in birch bark and told us watercolor could be done on it.

Suzanne Johnson introduced our demo by Elaine Hahn who gave an excellent demo in oils showing the importance of values when creating depth in landscapes. She teaches watercolor as well.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jack Dennis and seconded by Joan Sofarelli.

Submitted by

Doris Clanton

Recording /Corresponding secretary

CREATIVE ARTISTS GUILD BYLAWS**ARTICLE I – NAME**

The name is Creative Artists Guild, Inc., a not-for-profit organization.

ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVE

The objective is to provide a meeting place for members to hold educational and art-related programs, and to encourage public awareness and interest in the arts.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

- A. The Guild shall meet a minimum of eight (8) times a year.
- B. The Membership Year shall be from May 1 – April 30.
- C. Dues are payable by May 1 for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE IV – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. The Board of Directors shall consist of ten (10) members
- B. Only Board Members shall be able to vote
 - C. Term of Office:
 - 1. Directors shall serve a two (2) year term.
 - 2. Officers shall serve a one (1) year term.
 - 3. Treasurer shall serve a two (2) year term.
 - 4. Vacancies shall be filled by a vote of the Board
 - 5. The Board shall determine if more than two (2) absences shall warrant dismissal.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

The elected officers shall be: 6 Directors (from which the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall be elected by the Board), Corresponding/Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Sergeant – at – Arms.

ARTICLE VI – DISSOLUTION

In the event of the dissolution of the Guild and after all financial obligations are paid, assets should be disposed of in accordance with the Not-For-Profit Act of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS

The Bylaws of the Guild may be amended at any regular meeting of the Guild by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, provided the amendment has been submitted in writing to the newsletter and at the previous meeting.

ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS TO THE STANDING RULES

The Standing Rules of the Guild may be amended by being presented at a regular meeting of the Guild and the vote being carried by a majority.