



January 2010

Brushfire newsletter

Creative Artists Guild, Inc.

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

A Happy New Year to All

I hope your Holidays were joyful. Let us hope the New Year is filled with many meaningful experiences with our Art and Artist friends.

Let's start with our first meeting of the New Year on Tuesday, January 12 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.

Upcoming Shows

**Contact Kathy Fessenbecker for info:
jkfess@knology.net or (727) 796-7637**

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| 01/9 & 01/10 10am—5pm each day | Firehouse Gallery Main & Highland, Dunedin | \$45 each day Do one or both |
| 01/30/10 | Pioneer Park | \$10 |
| 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 | Pioneer Park | \$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 the winners of the Luncheon/Art Show

First Place Jim Throne

Second Place Helen Savage

Third Place Suzanne Johnson

***Honorable Mentions were Tomi Carey,
Nancy Hossbach, Elaine McCormick and
Kathy Pollak***

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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,**

We are thrilled that Elaine Hahn has agreed to grace us with an oil demonstration following our January meeting. An award winning artist in both oil and watercolor, Elaine's art has been included in several books and magazines including 'Best of Watercolor', several editions of 'Splash', and Watercolor Magic. She was most recently published as a finalist in the International Artist Landscape Challenge in the February/March 2009 issue



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

All workshops are \$30

The popular Marie Cummings is back on Monday, January 18 with a workshop called “Matisse Room”

www.mariecummings.net

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 canvas on the table. You will love her palette!

Kathy will conduct two Collage Workshops in January, See page Five for details.

Also Sue Archer in Sebring Fl.

Four days. See page 5

for further info call Kathy at 781-6859 or

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Committee Chairpersons

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|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------|
| Art of Month Shows | Gloria Roberts | 669-3672 |
| Historian | Kathy Fessenbecker | 796-7637 |
| Programs | To be announced | |
| Co-chair | Suzanne Johnson | 462-5514 |
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| Refreshments | Kathy Rabold | 781-6859 |

Doris Clanton has a new phone number. 238-6815



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and



A Letter from Caroline Brown, Program Director for the High Point Neighborhood Family Center as follows:

We offer all our classes free so we create many activities for the kids based on the donations we get in. Right now we have a wonderful volunteer sewing teacher who would also like to teach the kids (elementary age), how to knit scarves for the winter. We have some yarn (could use more) and really need **Knitting Needles. We also can use any kind of craft material or paper, crayons, etc. suitable for children.**

Anyone wanting to donate can call me at 727-533-0730

Thanks so much,



That

Kathy Rabold will conduct 2 COLLAGE WORKSHOPS, one on Friday January 8th and one on Saturday January 9th, from 10:00-3:30 p.m. in STUDIO 203 in the Belleair Landing building located at 1465 S. Ft. Harrison, Clearwater. Choose which day is best for you or do both days for \$50. \$30 per workshop.

There have been a few cancellations for Sue Archer's workshop in Sebring, FL for any who may be interested in filling the spaces.

4-day workshop (\$340) starting January 26 in Sebring, FL

Hotel available at \$75/night

If interested call:

Janet King (863) 446-5734 or
Nancy Arcara (202) 669-2751



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**See page 7 for
more choices.**

**I have 3 9 x 11 Frames which I will sell for \$35.00 each.
They are gold colored frame with canvas mat and are worth**



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 art-work;

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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Since there was no business meeting in December, there were no minutes to report. Doris Clanton, Rec. Sec'y.



Gold leaf antique green frame with a liner

21"x25" -qty 1 - \$60 (retail \$120)

Please find attached all the frames/canvases I have available. I do live in St Petersburg, and anyone interested can call me at 813-453-2464 and we can either meet at my place or I can drive with the frames to a mutually convenient place. Thank you again and have a great New Year.

milena mateev

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Gold Leaf frame with aliner

Follow Your Bliss

22x28 - \$70 (retail \$140)

Stretched canvas Fredrix Green label, made with 100% Pure Belgian linen. It is a fine, pure medium weight canvas, with a pronounced texture and acrylic titanium double-primed with acid-free smooth ground for use with oils or acrylics. The canvas is stapled onto the back of standard stretcher bars.

20"x16" - qty 2 - \$15 each (retail \$35)

36"x24" - qty 1- \$ 35 (retail \$75)

Stretched canvases Fredrix Red Label, superior quality medium textured, duck canvas, soft and refined. It is double-primed with acid-free acrylic gesso for use with oil or acrylic painting. The canvas is stapled onto the back of standard stretcher bars.

30"x40" - qty 4 - \$25 each (retail \$45)

22"x18" -qty 1 - \$40 (retail \$95)



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Congratulations to Carole Loiacono, Anita Wood and Jim Throne who won the “Peoples Choice” Competition.

Lora Vannoord sold a painting at Marguerites called “Petunias and a Butterfly”. Good job, Lora!

Many thanks to Nancy Baker, Margaret Donehoo, Pat Kurtz, Kathy Fessenbecker, Mary Silvia, Ann Warren (who also chaired this event) and last, but not least, Caroline Brown who won the votes for best Centerpiece. The room looked great and having the paintings in another room allowed the wait staff and guests to mingle at ease. Our judge said it was a difficult job to pick winners out of so many terrific paintings.

Thanks also to Elaine Mc McCormick who chaired this event.

4 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.

**Sign up with Kathy
ophms_art@yahoo.com**

Go to <http://www.creative-artists-guild.com> and click on the link on the home page!"