



Brush Strokes

The newsletter of the Suburban Rochester Art Group
May 2015

Wednesday May 13th.

Program: Social meeting starts at 6:00pm.

Business meeting starts at 6:30pm.

7:00pm: Graphite Demonstration, with Diane Bellenger.

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My demo on Wed. night will be on the many forms of graphite and materials that I use in a graphite drawing. I will do a demo of how I approach the beginning of a graphite drawing by establishing the basic value shapes. John Whalley is a Maine artist who does graphite drawings in a very realistic way. I have studied his work to help me to learn how to use the medium.

I have been a member of SRAG for 41 years and a member of Rochester Colored Pencil Club, Rochester Art Club and Main Street Artists. My media currently are colored pencil, graphite, acrylics and oils. Landscapes of the Adirondacks and Maine are my main subjects but I do an occasional still life.

Diane

Wednesday May 27th.

Board meeting 6.00pm to 6:30pm.

Program 7:00pm. Graphite, working from photographs.

We need a SECRETARY!!!

Can you read, write, and take a few notes once a month.

Then please volunteer for this position

Annual dues are due. Please pay your dues. Late dues delay the publication of the annual membership booklet. Please send your check to Juanita.

Legacy Show

The legacy show this year was poorly attended compared to previous years... We usually have around 34 artists and hang a little over a hundred paintings. This year there was only 18 artists. Due to confusion with the legacy (they had lots of rods, but not many clips that attach to the rods that hold the paintings) we only have 63 paintings up...again due to the confusion of late entries, it was hard to estimate how many paintings each artist could hang. So some artists have more hanging than others, my apologies, but it's difficult to put the numbers together at the very last minute.

That being said, I would like to report that Tatyana Bletsko sold a painting before we were done hanging the show! Congratulations Tatyana!

The show does look beautiful, and the reception was nice!

We should consider whether or not we should do the show there next year. The administration has changed the past few years and the show is not the grand show it used to be..... I'd like to thank Anne, Eleanor, Diane, and Nina for all their help and support with the show! Thanks, Karen.

Take down will be Saturday May 30th. 9 - 11 AM.

Members Activities

SRAG at H & R Block Sharlene and the staff thank us for decorating their offices again this year. The clients commented favorably on the art also. Eleanor sold the only work purchased this year. Maybe we can sell better next year. Thanks to all the artists who participated.

Tatyana Bletsko sold a painting at the Legacy Show before we were done hanging the show! Congratulations Tatyana!

From Karlene VanDeusen:

For the 2015 Greece Performing Arts Society Garden Tour, I'm painting "the Imaginative Garden" on Melwood Drive. Hope you'll stop by to say "Hi".

GRAND OPENING!

VanDeusen Design will be exhibiting paintings at A Gust of Sun Winery - East during MAY, JUNE, JULY. A Gust of Sun Winery - East, 5324 W. Ridge Rd., Spencerport, Opens May 1st, Daily 12-7 pm. A Gust of Sun is a participating member of the Niagara Wine Trail.

Barnes and Noble Show.

Chris Whiting will be organizing this show. She is going to require more help in doing this as her new knee is taking its time to heal. No date has been set, this has to be determined. Please get in touch with Chris if you would like to help her with this show. [Email-----cwhntng@gmail.com](mailto:cwhntng@gmail.com)

Suburban Rochester Art Group Spring Show 2015

Best of Show; "New Beginnings" by Bobbi Prince

1st Place: "Adirondack Pond" by Dave Braun

2nd Place: "Last of the Snow" by Collette Savage

3^d Place: "Blue Barn" by Barb Case

The SRAG award for best display: Dave Braun

The Popular Vote: "Bowl of Cherries" by Bobbi Prince

Honorable Mentions:

Juanita Link: "Reflections"

Tatyana Bletsko: "Bouquet" and "Iris"

Bobbi Prince: "Azaleas at Highland Park" and "House in the Woods"

Terry Brooks: "Racing 1924" and "Charlotte Light House"

Barb Case: "Maine Pines", "Mountain Rush" and "Happy Fire Truck"

Dave Braun: "Charlotte Beach" and "Rose of Sharon"

Eleanor Milborrow: "Buck Pond Sunset" and "White Amaryllis"

Carole Leicht: "Country Winter Scene", "Tapestry #27" and "Tapestry #8"

Pat Zukatis: "Lilac Time" and "Peacock Feather"

Collette Savage: "Creek Reflections" and "Lakeside Breeze"

Anne McCune: "Durand Revisited" and "Cana Medley"

Cindy Arnold: "Morning Song"

Congratulations to all our winners and a special thank you to our judge Jean K Stephens. Also thanks to Al Bergerson, Bobbi Prince and Ed Howe for putting together another great show and to all the artists that came out to help and support the group. Note: We wish to apologize to the Honorable Mention winners for the lack of ribbons to give out. Ed will be ordering more and we hope to pass them out at the picnic.

Art Show Judging Categories Survey.

As we plan future shows Bobbi and I need your input regarding the structure of shows preferred by the SRAG membership. Therefore, we would appreciate your response to the following:

_____ I prefer the new procedure: allowing participants to display all their art, regardless of media used, on the same rack even though such display and judging results in fewer monetary awards.

_____ I prefer the old procedure: whereby participants displayed their art on racks restricted by the media used (separate racks for oils/acrylics, watercolor; pencil, colored pencil, pastels; etc.) with more monetary awards of a lesser value.

_____ I don't care which procedure is used.

_____ Comments and suggestions:

Watercolor workshop

Save the Date! Saturday, June 27, 2015. A watercolor workshop with Dave Braun at Lakeview Community Church at 30 Long Pond Rd. The workshop will run from 10 to 3

SRAG Clothing

Anyone wishing to have clothing with our SRAG embroidered logo can go online to; LamontAwards.com or call 352-0640 or stop in at the their store in the back of the Plaza off Union Street in Spencerport. There will be a new 2015 catalog at the Spring Show if anyone wishes to browse through it. The embroidery is an added cost and you can have our logo put onto any garment you wish.

Calendar

<u>Dates:</u>	<u>Event:</u>	<u>Location:</u>
May 13	Diane Bellenger. Graphite demo	Greece Town Hall
May 27	Bd. Mtg. Work from photos	Greece Town Hall
May 30	Legacy take down.	Legacy Greece
June 17	Picnic	Brooks' house
June 27	W/color w/shop. Dave Braun	Lakeview comm. Church
July 15	Nancy Lane - Illustration and Fine Art	Greece Town Hall
July 29 -	Paintout or paint inside. Depends on weather. Location to be announced	
August 12 -	Gia Conti paints bright and beautiful watercolors	

August 26 - Paintout or Paint inside. Depends on weather. Location to be announced
September 9 Brian O'Neill paints realism with abstract elements
September 23 Work night. Paint using Brian O' Neill's techniques.
October 14 - Karen Arieno using Alcohol Inks
October 28 - Karen helps us paint with alcohol inks on YUPO
November 4 - Painting on Eggs at Aggie Windig's home. Sign up will be necessary at a later date so Aggie can prepare for us. There are NO meetings in the Town Hall in November.

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