



# Suburban Rochester Art Group

## Newsletter November 2013

### Presidential Ramblings.....

We are almost through with another calendar year, and SRAG has had some great demos and interesting conversations. With one more exciting program on November 13th, which you can read all about in this Newsletter, and then the Christmas Party on December 6th, we are tumbling headlong towards the New Year. At the last Board Meeting we talked about the need to develop a modern and vibrant online presence, which would appeal to young and old alike. In today's technological environment, if we are to attract new members, we must be able to direct people to a website. With that in mind, we will try to develop a user friendly site with our members represented, along with some of their work, as well as information about upcoming events. It will take some time and effort, especially at the set-up stage, but it's necessary to develop our numbers and to remain viable. I will talk a little about it at the next meeting and share a couple of other ideas.

In the meantime, enjoy these beautiful autumn skies!!

Anne

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## Meeting Notice November 20 2013

### Watercolor Demonstration by Teri Barlis Placing figures in the painting.

Teresa Bradley-Barlis is a representational artist who specializes in watercolor, oil painting and print making. She was born into an artistic family surrounded by creativity. Her mother was a knitwear designer for Vogue Knitting magazine and her grandfather, Charles Benjamin Bradley was an art professor and the first chairman of the art department at Buffalo State Teachers College (S.U.N.Y. College at Buffalo).

After graduating from the Art Institute in Pittsburgh, PA she worked for fifteen years as a fashion illustrator for, M & A's, Jeness, and Sibley's department stores in Buffalo and Rochester . While living in Buffalo she took art courses at the University of Buffalo. She earned her M.B.A. in marketing from Rochester Institute of Technology in 1988 and worked for R.I.T. in various capacities including college viewbook design and

program marketing. During her career at R.I.T. she took advantage of the print making classes to learn etching. Teri has studied and painted with Mel Stabin, David Lussier, Mary Whyte, and Dick Kane. Her early mentors include Robert Merrill, Bob Blair, Hugh Laidman and of course her grandfather, Charles B. Bradley.

Since 2001 she has focused her energy on painting in watercolor and in oil paints. She is member and the past president of the Penfield Art Association, and she is a member of the Rochester Art Club, the Genesee Valley Plein Air Painters and the Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society.

Her paintings have been juried into the Impact Artists' Gallery's National Women's Exhibit in Buffalo, New York, the NFWS National Biennial Watercolor Show in Buffalo and the Rochester Art Club and Arts and Letters Club of Toronto Collaborative Show in 2006, and the Women Artists of the Finger Lakes II show in 2012. Her paintings are included in corporate collections, the docents' lounge at the Rochester Memorial Art Gallery, and in private collections nationwide.

Teri has done watercolor demonstrations for the Penfield Art Association, the Pittsford Art Club and the Lakeville Art Club; teaches watercolor classes at the Rochester Memorial Art Gallery and occasionally works as an art show judge.

Her daughters, Rebecca Hoyen and Stefanie Lincoln, and her four grandsons fill her retirement with joy. She and her husband live on the Erie Canal in Fairport where she has a studio view of an endless procession of canal boats. Teri and her husband, Glenn, enjoy traveling the world.

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### **SRAG Calendar**

<b>Dates:</b>	<b>Event:</b>	<b>Location:</b>
November 20	Watercolor Demo. Teri Barlis	Greece Town Hall
Friday December 6	Christmas Party	Anne and Ken McCune's House
January 15	Drawing the Figure. Model Lisa LaDelfa.	Greece Town Hall
February 12		
March 12		

## **Special announcement**

Dear SRAG members:

The Board is pleased to announce the new **Suburban Rochester Art Group web page!**

The new web page will join our Facebook page as a way to give the group a stronger presence on the internet. A more up-to-date web page will allow us to inform the public about SRAG, to keep the public current with our activities, promote shows, give future members a way learn about us and contact us.

In addition to informing the public, there are wonderful benefits to you as SRAG members!

The web page will include the list of meeting dates, our program demonstrators and activities, a list of our members, a way to contact the group through email, valuable information about the group, copies of our past newsletters, a gallery of member's art, short bios and individual artist's pages. In addition, this website can be updated as needed, making it very timely.

We need your help to make our site as accurate and informative as possible.

- For our MEMBERS page, we would like all members to please submit a **short bio**. DON'T BE SHY! Please use the space to tell us about you as an artist. The maximum amount of space is 200 characters, including punctuation and spaces. You may send that to us via our new email address email or in written form.
- **Photos** of your work for the MEMBER'S GALLERY page, submitted in JPEG format or photos ready to be scanned (name on the back). Three photos maximum per artist.

Also, **you may develop your own ARTIST'S PAGE** which would become a separate page on our website. You can use this page to promote your art, include a biography, your artist statement, photos – just about anything goes! You can email your written info to us in a Word document and photos should be sent in an email as a JPEG attachment. \*\*\* We will use what you send us to set up your page for you.

You can take a look at the web page by clicking on the link below:

<http://suburbanrochesterartgroup.weebly.com/>

Please send your short bios and photos to our new email address:

[subrocart@yahoo.com](mailto:subrocart@yahoo.com)

\*\*\* We will also accept written materials and photographs to be scanned from those of your who are not feeling computer savvy.

Anne, Colette, Juanita, Nina and Terry

## **SRAG Fall Holiday Art Show and Sale**

To all SRAG members:

Al and I wish to thank the 12 artists who joined us to show their beautiful work and represent our group at the 2013 Fall Show. We are grateful for their support. However, if this show is to continue to be our bell weather event, we need to have more members participate. Although Al spread the racks out to give us more presence than we actually had, we needed more displays.

Low participation hurts us in other ways as well. Your support with all shows helps spread the word, which is crucial in getting people to attend our shows and, possibly, to join our group. Less money in entry fees means less money in prize awards. This year's third place winners received only ribbons, prizes for first and second places were less than normal, and art categories had to be consolidated.

If there are ideas out there to improve this show we would love to hear from you. We realize the economy has a lot to do with how an artist feels about exhibiting works without monetary results. However, if you don't show it, what chance do you have to sell it? Certainly, health issues impacted participation. Al and I have discussed asking for help from local Boy Scouts troops to assist those members who may need help in setting up and taking down their exhibits.

We can't do this alone. It should be a group effort. So, we are asking for your help to insure that this group event continues and, hopefully, grows to the level of participation that we once enjoyed.

Sincerely, Bobbi Prince and Al Bergerson

Results:

There were 14 members representing the group at this year's event taking in \$270. With \$60 in expenses, \$105 given in awards leaving \$5 for the SRAG kitty. Items sold totaling \$456.42, plus \$135 for Journey Home, giving a grand total of \$591.42 in sales.

The awards winners are...

**Best of Show-** *Dave Braun for "Webster Park" a watercolor.*

**OILS~**

*1st - Karlene Van Deusen for "Winter Warmth"*

*2nd - Terry Brooks for "Farm, Greece NY"*

*3rd - Eleanor Milborrow for "Sunset over the Pond"*

*HM - Al Bergerson for "Prickly Pear"*

*HM - Grace Simonetti for "Cardinal"*

**PASTEL/DRAWING~**

*1st- Colette Savage for "Ice Fishing"*

*2nd - Laretta Kirk for "Ocean View"*

*3rd - Pat Bushart for "Monarch & Zinnia"*

**MIXED MEDIA~**

*1st- Barb Case for "Winter Woods"*

**WATERCOLOR~**

*1st- Bobbi Prince for "Azaleas at Highland Park"*

*2nd - Juanita Link for "Shelbourne Harbor"*

*3rd - Terry Brooks for "High & Dry"*

*HM- Carole Leicht for "Country Scene with Pond"*

Congratulations to all of our winners

A special thanks to our judge Brande Arno for a wonderful job. Many thanks to Al Bergerson for putting this show together again with side kick Bobbi Prince, and our wonderful Ed Howe for providing the racks plus all the helpers (husbands included) for putting them up and taking them down. Special thanks to our treasurer Karen Arieno and press secretary Karlene Van Deusen for their assistance in making this show successful.

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## **What's going on!**

### **Rochester Art Club Show at Barnes & Noble, Pittsford**

Diane Bellenger won a merit award for her graphite drawing of Oceanville Beach. How 'bout that?

### **+ "Holidays at the Gallery"**

The Pat Rini Rohrer Gallery, located at 71 S. Main St., Canandaigua presents "Holidays at the Gallery" The show will feature small works, miniatures, and hand crafted tree ornaments, in addition to the gallery's collections of fine art. The Opening Reception is Saturday, Nov. 16th, from 6-8 p.m. Refreshments will be served during the opening reception which is free and open to the public. The exhibit runs from Nov. 16th through Jan. 6th.

### **Williams Gallery**

Dick Kane will be having a solo show at Williams Gallery at First Unitarian Church, 220 S.Winton Rd. Rochester. It opens with a reception from 6-8:30 p.m. on November 15. The show will remain open until Jan.6, 2014. Mon.-Fri., 10-2 and 4:30-8. Please ring bell. Weekends variable. Visitors are advised to call ahead to confirm hours. 585 271 9070. Dick would be most happy to have you see the show.

### **Officers for 2013-2014**

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*All the meetings are held in the Greece Town Hall, usually the second Wednesday of the month unless specifically stated, starting at 6:00 for a social get together, followed by a general meeting at 6:30. And the scheduled program at 7:00 until 9:00*