



The purpose of the Wickford Art Association is to educate its membership, the local arts community and the general public, and to promote fine arts in the community.

President's Message

Congratulations to Maryann Chagnon, Bo Kass & Marian O'Connell for the well-received exhibit they put on last month. Meanwhile, Part 1 of our annual Member Show was the perfect way to celebrate the official start of Spring. Be sure to come in for Part 2 this month to support your fellow members.

Welcome & thanks to Donna MacLure, who has kindly agreed to take on the job of Program Chair. Please email her at donna-maclure@comcast.net with your ideas & suggestions about classes & member meeting demonstrations.

We'd also appreciate your thoughts & ideas on how to solve the echo problem in the gallery. One idea is to hang material between some of the beams near the ceiling, which would create sound-absorbent baffles to reduce the noise. Please email or call me with feedback (contact info on back page) or come to the April 8th Members Meeting to brainstorm in person.

We'll discuss gallery improvements & more at the next Members Meeting on Tuesday, April 8th at 7pm. We're offering an open forum to exchange ideas & share information and I encourage all members to attend & participate.

Finally, in this season of growth & renewal, take care & take time to smell the flowers.

Mark Nascimento



Newsletter

April 2008

Address:

36 Beach Street,
Wickford, RI 02852

Gallery Hours:

Tuesday-Saturday 11-3
Sunday 12-4

401-294-6840

www.wickfordart.org

Festival Buzz



•A contest is on to design the *new logo* for the Wickford Art Festival! The winning, one-color logo will be featured on our festival t-shirts, hats & brochures. The winner will get \$100 plus recognition in our festival booklet. All entries must be received by May 1st, 2008.

•Thanks to Ralph Williams, Pam Neal, Howard Rubenstein, Alan August, Kathi Kolb & M.J. Cross for donating their art work to the festival scholarship raffle. We are still looking for additional artwork from Artist Members. Please contact the WAA gallery at 294-6840 or gallery@wickfordart.org by 4/10/08. Remember that your gift is completely tax deductible. Thank you!

Members Meeting



The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 8th, at 7pm. It will be an open forum, with no presenter. Instead, Board members will be on hand to ask & answer questions & field any ideas or feedback you may have about the WAA.

We'd like your thoughts about members meeting dates & demos, class offerings & juried show themes, to name a few potential topics. Come sound off, or just have a cup of coffee & say hello.

Please pick up artwork from Member Show A-L on or by Wednesday, April 2 between 11am & 3pm or 6 & 8pm. Thanks!

Call for Entries

Spring Member
All-Media Show & Sale, M - Z
One entry per member

Show Dates: April 4 - 23, 2007

Judge: Berge Zobian

Register on: Wed., 4/2 from 11am-3pm & 6-8pm,
or Thursday 4/3 from 11am-3pm

Awards Reception: Sunday, 4/6, 1-4pm

Pick up: Wed., 4/23, 11-3 & 6-8

Member News



Gail Armstrong had a painting accepted in the "Scenes of Rhode Island" show. Keep the faith, Gail.

Jillian Barber's piece "The Munchkin," inspired by a costume from the Wizard of Oz, was displayed at the RI Spring Flower Show. Her piece "Ivory Cameo" will be shown in the Newport Art Museum Show thru May.

Alice Benvie Gebhart will be exhibiting fused glass in a show with Meg Little & Emlen Drayton at DeBlois Gallery April 5-29, 2008, opening reception April 5, 5-7PM. See details at www.ABGebhart.com.

Ann Daum won Honorable Mention in the Newport Art Museum's Member Show, on display thru May.

Theresa Girard's paintings, "Ascension," "La Negra" & "Mademoiselle Pappion," were juried into the South West Florida "Art Focus" show, Bonita Springs. T will also teach 2 art workshops this spring at the Neighborhood Guild in South Kingstown; the May 2nd & 3rd workshop will feature "Mixed Media Power Clinic," & on June 13th, all levels of painters will enjoy "Your Power Voice in Paint," a workshop to help find your authentic artistic self! Call the Guild at 789-9301 or visit www.tgirard.com for more info.

Michael Guertin's "Dreamrider" was accepted into the Oklahoma Friendly National Juried Exhibition at the Oklahoma Art Guild in Oklahoma City, OK. The show runs April 1-26. "Noon at Nauset" is in the Provincetown Art Association & Museum's 'Blue: Members' Open Exhibition.' The show runs thru May 11th.

Joan Garfinkel had a work selected to be in the Newport Art Museum's Annual Members Juried Show thru May.

Richard Harrington had 3 monotypes accepted into the Monotype Guild of New England's exhibition "Different Voices: The Unique Print." The show is at the Courthouse Center for the Arts, Route 138, W. Kingston, thru April 3.

An article profiling **Christine McIntyre-Hannon** was published in the March issue of www.fauxforum.com/index.php. She was also invited to become a member of the International Guild of Realism, www.realismguild.com.

Natalie Pfanstiehl received 2nd prize in "Scenes of Rhode Island," sponsored by Gov. & Mrs. Carcieri in cooperation with the RI State Council of the Arts.

Jerry Powers had an oil painting, "Winter Morning Approach to Cleveland," accepted in the Newport Art Museum Annual Juried Show, showing through May.

We apologize to **Merilyn Rocks**, whose acrylic "Here's the Nail Daddy" won the 2nd Judge's Choice prize in

February's Man & Beast show, but got accidentally left off the original list of acceptees & winners.

Howard Rubenstein's photograph "Bodyscape #34" was accepted into the Newport Art Museum Annual Members Show, running thru May.

Hiroko Shikashio had a watercolor accepted in the New England Juried Exhibition at the Cotuit Center for the Arts, Cotuit, MA, 4/12-5/14, opening reception on Saturday, April 12 from 4:30-7pm. She is also conducting a Japan Cultural Tour; find details at www.hirokoart.com.

Dan Urish has an oil painting entitled "The Old Gate House" on exhibit in the Newport Art Museum Annual Juried Show that runs thru May 11.

Jean Valentine's watercolor "A Mother's Love" was accepted at Newport Art Museum Annual Members Show, running thru May. "Windswept" was accepted in the RI Watercolor Society's Show "Winter Around the World."

Congratulations to the WAA &/or Photo Guild members whose work was accepted into the South County Art Association's Annual Open Juried Photography Show:

Richard Boober, "Romainia Farmer;" **Bill Brennan**, "Gladiola Series #4;" **Mike Guertin**, "The Way Home;" **Sylvia Hampton**, "West Belfast - Past & Present;" **Linda Hennessey**, "Colder Still;" **Roger Carl Johanson**, "Crouched Nude;" **Kathi Kolb** won an Honorable Mention for "Number 10 Larkin Street;" **Eileen McCarney Muldoon**, "Funeral Masks;" **Trish Elwood O'Day**, "Agatha" & "Reconfiguration;" **John Pitocco**, "Solitude" & "Tower Flower;" **Howard Rubenstein**, "Ferry, Block Island;" **Lenny Rumpler**, "Blue Chairs;" **Hiroko Shikashio** "Winter Trees;" **Gene St. Pierre**, "Barlow's Extraction #1;" & **Cindy Horovitz Wilson**, "1840's Family Farm."

Congratulations to those who won awards in Part 1 of the WAA Annual Members Show:

First Place: **Amy Justice**, "Out," watercolor/ink

2nd Place: **John Berberian**, "Abraham Lincoln," pencil/charcoal

3rd Place: **William Brennan**, "Mooring's #2," photo

HM: **Grace Bentley Scheck**, "City Center Harmony," collagraph with silk aquatint

HM: **Ruth Dugdale**, "Seal Point, Off-Season," oil

HM: **Robert Blazek**, "Nantucket Beach Path," oil

HM: **Jillian Barber**, "Wood Nymph," photo

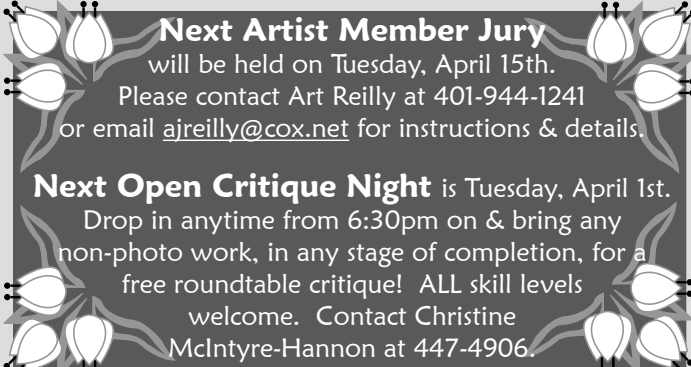
HM: **Joan Arnaud**, "Fall Flowers," watercolor

Welcome & congratulation to new Artist Member **Elana Avanesova**, oils. And welcome to new general members **Tiffany Adams**, ceramic sculpture; **Sandra King**, photography; & the **Eveline Luppi Gallery**, Wickford & Providence.

Photo Guild

*Meetings are held on 1st & 3rd Mondays at 7p.m.
Dues \$2.00/meeting. For more info, check out our page on
the WAA website, or call 294-6840.*

- Mike Guertin will be speaking at the Photo Guild meeting on April 7th about work flow management.
- Thanks to everyone who placed a piece in the Cranston Library Show. We continue to get positive comments from the library staff about the quality of the show.
- The digital projector has been an excellent addition to the Guild meetings, allowing us to show our work, making critiquing considerably easier, along with videos & instructional pieces.
- Please check the Member News column for more Guild Member items & check our page on the WAA website for details about Guild activities.



Next Artist Member Jury
will be held on Tuesday, April 15th.
Please contact Art Reilly at 401-944-1241
or email ajreilly@cox.net for instructions & details.

Next Open Critique Night is Tuesday, April 1st.
Drop in anytime from 6:30pm on & bring any
non-photo work, in any stage of completion, for a
free roundtable critique! ALL skill levels
welcome. Contact Christine
McIntyre-Hannon at 447-4906.

Gallery Calendar

April 4 - April 23

Spring Member All-Media Show & Sale M-Z

One entry per member. Judge: Berge Zobian
Register: April 2, 11-3 & 6-8pm & April 3, 11-3
Awards Reception: Sun. April 6, 1:00-4:00

April 25 - May 14

Artist Member Show

"Reflections Old and New"

Rose Chase (oils), Dan Urish (pen & ink)
Janet Tobin (watercolors)

May 16 - June 4

19th Annual Open Juried Photography Show

3 entries max. Cash Awards.
\$12/entry or 3 entries for \$30.
Register: May 14, 11-3 & 6-8pm & May 15, 11-3
Awards Reception: Sun. May 18, 1:00 -4:00

June 6 - June 25

Artist Member Show

Beverly Silva (watercolors), Charles O' Connell (acrylic)
Mary Lou Diekmann (oils)

Classes & Open Studio

Call the gallery at 294-6840 for info or to sign up.

Two classes from Howard Rubenstein

How To Take Great Photographs

A new class will begin when 6 people register.

This class is about igniting the creative spirit thru lectures, observation exercises, music, slides & photo assignments. Open to any artist (not just photographers) of any level who know how to use a film or digital camera. Five sessions of two hours each, \$75 for members,

\$95 for non-members.

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"B&W Darkroom Class"

4 students must have paid before class begins/
maximum number: 6; 5 weeks – 2 hrs week
\$125.00 non-members or \$100.00 for members

Bill Brennan

"Beginning Photoshop"

10 students must have paid before class begins/15 max
Monday's at 7; \$110.00 non-member, \$100.00 members

Joyce Holliday Smith

"Discover Oils!"

A beginner to intermediate course on oil painting, held
on Tuesdays, 10 to noon. The cost for this 5 week class is
\$100.00 for members or \$110.00 for non members.

Class size will be between 4-8 students.



Open Studio Sessions: \$10/week for
Figure Drawing (even date Mondays 9-1)
or Portraiture (odd date Monday 9-1)


Still Life - \$2.00 per session (Thursdays 11-3)



DAFFODIL DAYS

ATTENTION ARTISTS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS!
A great weekend to sketch, paint, or take pictures!
Wickford Village will become a sunny sea of yellow during the annual "Daffodil Days" festival, taking place April 4th thru 6th. Merchants & homeowners decorate their stoops and windowboxes with daffodils, & area organizations host family-friendly events to draw visitors to Wickford. The WAA is sponsoring another art exhibition by North Kingstown children from preschool through 3rd grade. Unframed 2D art no larger than 9x12" (put ID info on the back) may be submitted to the gallery by April 1st, with after-show pick-up at the gallery from April 10th-24th. The theme should be Spring (no Easter pictures please). Call WAA member Mary Ann Podolak at 294-3411 for complete details or to help with the preparations, hanging &/or removal of the show.

The May Newsletter deadline is April 10, 2008. Email news to waanewsletter@verizon.net or call 782-6212. Late items may go on the website & in the next newsletter.

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