

March 2024 Palette, Newsletter of the Williamsville Art Society

Letter from the President

It's good to be back after a long couple of months; snow, rain, freezing, floods and almost summer days! I wish I could say it's been a nice break, but I've been working on the Spring Show preparations, all while dealing with what I have named "Solar- Flaritis". This will be a record year for sunspots...and sunspots lead to solar flares...and solar flares produce high energy particles and radiation which can be very dangerous to all of us. These magnetic storms have been known to cause headaches, migraines, insomnia or excessive sleepiness, and dizziness, stomach upsets, diarrhea and more....most of which I have been suffering from. So if you just don't feel well....remember "SOLAR-FLARITIS"!

Now some important information regarding our Spring Show:

- Date is May 5, 2024 from 2-4PM
- Entries with check must be received by Beverly Amborski **NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2024.** Late entries will be returned to the artist. Be sure your entry form is printed out clearly so there are no mistakes on piece titles, etc.
- Drop off your paintings, properly labeled, and auction donations, to the senior center on Tuesday, April 30 between the hours of 3-5:30PM
- Pieces should be properly framed, labeled and clean.
- If your piece is displayed behind glass, please take a photo of it without the glass. Send the digital photo to Paulette Crooke at paulette.m.crooke@gmail.com. These photos will be used for the slide show presented at the reception, should you be one of the lucky winners!
- Though these do not expire, if you still have a certificate for an extra entry into the show, consider using it before you lose it.
- **I NEED EVERYONE WHO IS ABLE... TO PARTICIPATE! THE VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET WILL BE AT THE MARCH AND APRIL MEETING. IF YOU CAN'T GET TO THE MEETING...PLEASE...CALL ME (716-433-7825 OR 716-510-0043) OR VICKI OLIVER (716-983-4590) TO VOLUNTEER. THE BOXES ON THE ENTRY FORM ARE ONLY TO CREATE A BACKUP LIST, SHOULD WE FALL SHORT OF VOLUNTEERS.**
- **READ THE PROSPECTUS...EVERY WORD...PLEASE!!**

In the meantime, get those brushes damp and twirling...and produce the best artwork you can! I'm looking forward to yet another great show! You will all receive a digital postcard to send to friends, family and to post on your face book page prior to the show. Keep an eye out for this!

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success" Edward Everett Hale

~Cathy Eckman, (716) 510-0043

March Demonstration

Buffalo, NY-born artist Jacob Kedzierski is a versatile creative professional with a background in Fine Arts and extensive experience in TV and film production. Graduating from The Art Institute of Colorado, his career spans across various facets of the entertainment industry, particularly in the editorial and camera departments.

Throughout his journey, Kedzierski has contributed to an array of acclaimed projects, including Emmy award-winning documentaries, long-running cable television programs, and major motion pictures. His artistic vision is profoundly shaped by the diverse environments he has encountered, constantly evolving and influencing his artistry.

With a unique perspective cultivated from a background in skateboarding, Kedzierski perceives the world through a lens that identifies the artistic potential in everyday elements. This perspective echoes in his art, where he reveals the hidden artistry within commonplace objects and scenes. His creative evolution traverses various artistic media, from photography and filmmaking to collage and beyond, continually exploring new horizons in the artistic realm.

After traversing different locales, Kedzierski has returned to Western New York, becoming a specialist in the Fine Art Reproduction Field while still actively working in television and film production.

2024 Programs

March: Jacob Kedzierski, a collage artist with a broad skill set

April: Doug Mess (acrylic)

May: Jerry Lange, graphic novel illustrator (watercolor, ink, and more).

June: Critiques by Deanna Weinholtz. She is versed in a broad spectrum of mediums, focusing on watercolor, acrylic, and graphite.

WAS Artists in the Wild

The TableTop Show is an annual hybrid show consisting of a virtual show online, a TableTop Show in over 20 area restaurants as well as a traditional show being hung for the month of March at Eli Fish Brewing in Batavia. Of the 20 pieces of art that are hung in the show, 15 are selected to be on placemats. Deb Meier submitted a piece that was not only selected to be on placemats, but also took Third Place in the show. Congratulations, Deb!

Local Exhibits

Kenan House Gallery

The current show at Kenan House Gallery is “The Essence of Place”, presented by Niagara Plein Air Painters. The show will be on display until April 7, 2024. Gallery hours are Monday—Friday, 12—5pm and Sunday, 2—4pm.

BAM

The current shows at Buffalo Art Movement are “Riff”, by Edreys Wajed, “There is No End and No Beginning”, by John Fredrick, and “The Hand that Feeds You”, by Emma Baker-Terhaar. All three shows will be on display March 1st—22nd. BAM is located at 255 Great Arrow Ave. Suite 200, Buffalo, NY. Gallery hours are Friday—Sunday, 12—5pm.

From the Desk of the Editor

Happy early spring to all you talented artists! My sincerest apologies for the lateness of this month’s Palette. I have had a couple of medical issues this last month. Remember to email me images or information at dianelorenzi@gmail.com. Happy painting, as you prepare for the Spring Show!

Diane Lorenzi