

The Palette

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The Newsletter of
The Williamsville Art Society

Letter from the President



Welcome back, everyone, to the New Year 2026, for the Williamsville Art Society.

The Society belongs to you and its success is shaped by your thoughtful feedback and participation. Our January 9 meeting will be a chance for all members to join in on an open conversation. You will be able to speak candidly, listen to ideas and explore together what the future of our society will be for 2026 and beyond.

We will be discussing the upcoming election of officers for the term of September 2026 - September 2028. Please don't hesitate to come as we will not be asking for nominations. At this important meeting we will be looking at the current duties of the officer's positions. How can we redesign these positions so members are more willing and able to accept a position and create a strong Board of Officers to guide the society into the future?

We will also be reviewing our budget for 2026. As you know, we have been having substantial monetary losses from our past shows.

Let's explore what changes we could make to stay within our budget and still be able to put on our excellent shows.

Art societies, in general, are facing challenges and are struggling to continue to survive. Some are facing the possibility of having to dissolve in the very near future. We are no exception to this struggle. Please come to the January 9 2026 meeting at the Audubon Library from 6:30 to 8:30 and actively participate in deciding the future of your society.

I look forward to seeing you!

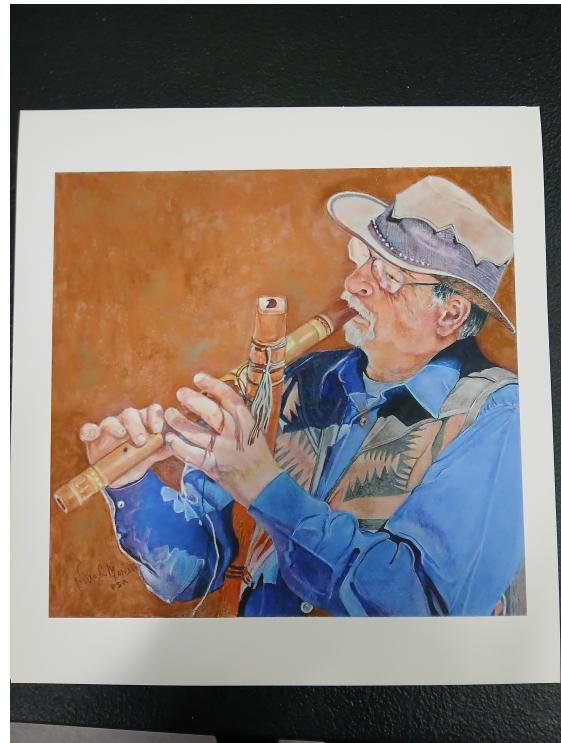
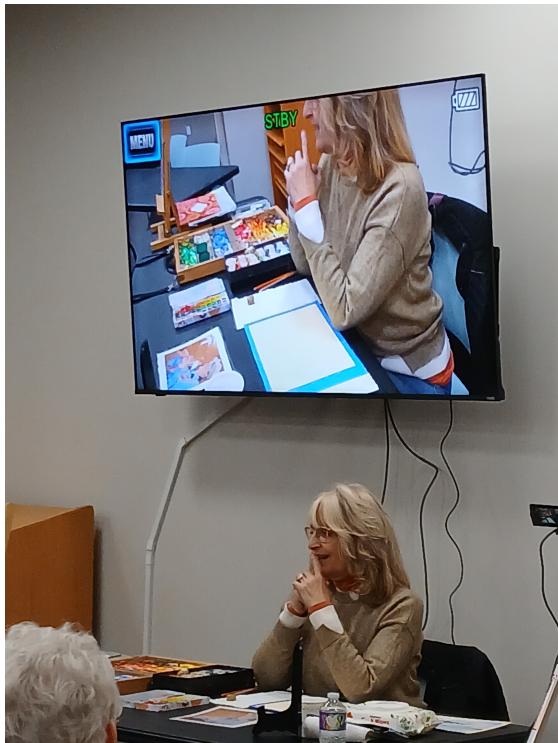
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It doesn't matter how strong your opinions are. If you don't use your power for positive change, you are indeed part of the problem.

~Loretta Scott King

November 2025 Meeting

At the November meeting, Nancy Clarke Mariani demonstrated how she enhances her watercolor paintings with pastels.



2026 Meetings

January 9: Business meeting only, no demo

February: No meeting

March 13: TBD

April 10: TBD

May 8: TBD

June meeting to be decided on at a later date

Newsletter

Please submit items for the newsletter by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the following month's newsletter. Items can be information about a show of your work or the work of other members or other news from the Western New York art scene.