

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

President's Message by Sue Dewey

It's Holiday Show Time! Wow...that means the holidays are quickly approaching. November 8th will be here next week. I know I was relieved to finish the two paintings I entered. I guess I just needed a deadline. The Show Committee has been busy the past few months securing music and the judge. The flyer was passed out at the last meeting and programs have been printed and are ready for the show. It will be a big show again. We have 51 participating artists and 104 pieces of art to hang.



The rest is up to the Membership. I've been looking through the Entry Forms and see that many of you are ready to be put to work. A "Volunteer" sign up sheet was circulated at the last meeting. If you missed the meeting, you may get a call to help, based on your preferences. This list, with the time you are needed, is at the end of this newsletter. So bring your family, neighbors and friends and let's have another wonderful Holiday Show. We have many new members, but the following information is for everyone.

We have one final meeting of 2015 on Friday, November 13. There is no meeting in December. Have a happy, safe and warm Holiday season.

VP's Message...For the Show by Cathy Eckman



CHINESE AUCTION

The Chinese auction is our only moneymaker outside of dues and show entry fees. I ask that every member donate something for the auction. Artwork is always welcome. Please be sure, if it is yours, that it is signed by you. This makes any piece more appealing to the "buyer". Art supplies are another great item since many of the attendees are artists. Bottles of wine, gift cards or any other gift items are also acceptable, as long as they are new, unused items. We have had many compliments on our auction and hopefully we will get many more. Thank you all.

FINGER FOOD

Please bring finger food for our refreshment table. Food should be on a serving piece ready for display (name on your serving trays). It will be collected as you enter the Center. Our reception has become "known" for it's wonderful snacks. We anticipate many hungry guests.

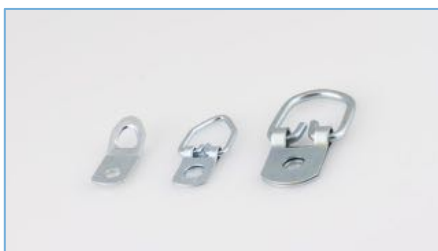
FRAMING ETIQUETTE

Thursday afternoon, volunteers will receive and hang artwork for the Holiday Show. Hanging our show, one with such diversity of medium, talent and experience, is no easy task. Making it even more difficult are pieces not framed correctly. Improper framing can turn a great show into a nightmare.

Frames should not only complement the piece, but need to be sturdy enough to support the piece. Choose a D-ring hanger suitable for the molding of your frame. D-rings lie flatter against the wall. The rings should be mounted approximately 1/4 - 1/3 of the way down from the top of the frame. Braided wire is recommended for its durability, strength, and to minimize slippage. Wire should be firmly attached to each D-ring, leaving only enough wire between the rings so that when it is stretched, it reaches half way between the D-rings and the top of the frame.

Eyehooks are commonly used framing hardware. Installing eyehooks into certain hardwoods can cause stress on the hook compromising its strength and durability. When screwing eye hooks into softer woods, the threading can create sawdust rather than grabbing the wood, allowing the hook to pull out of its hole. Larger eyes can push the painting away from the wall. Eyehooks create stress to the frame at the point of insertion, which weakens the wood of narrow frames and can actually split dry wood.

All hardware must be attached to the "meat" of the frame. Sawtooth hangers are not acceptable. Wires should be twisted and knotted to avoid slipping and there should be no sharp edges on wires, to avoid injury. Paintings should be carried by the wires only, not by the frames. Also, adding rubber bumpers to the base of the back protects the walls. I hope this information was helpful.



Suggested types of D rings for attaching wire to frames

Show Committee 2014-2016

Sue Dewey	688-5552	Cathy Eckman	433-7825	Donna Hale	692-6561
Val Liberatore	725-9066	Sherryl Perez.	807-8227	Judie Pufpaff	689-2485

Next meeting: Friday, November 13, 2015 7 PM

Harlem Road Community Center, Room #2,
4255 Harlem Road, Amherst 14226

Francis Noonan - Oil Painter



Fran Noonan is a self-taught artist. He was raised in a large creative family where all were encouraged to pursue the arts. Fran had a keen interest in drawing and playing classical piano. After attending the Van Gogh exhibition at the Albright Art Gallery at age seven, he began oil painting. When family time constraints limited his time for painting, he concentrated on classical music. Fran returned to oil painting in 2003 as if no time had passed.

To date, he works in landscape depictions with influences from the Impressionists, Tonalists, and Symbolists. There is a strong connection to the natural imagery found in Western New York where he has lived all his life. From Niagara Falls to the Boston Hills, combined with the four distinct seasons, there is infinite inspiration for a visual artist. Working in oils, he aspires to capture the moods and character created by the



interplay of light and shadow that this area presents.

Offering

His work can be seen at the Artists Group Gallery, Meibohm Fine Arts, Glass Growers Gallery, and the Memorial Art Gallery Store in Rochester. Fran is a member of Buffalo Society of Artists.



Breach

“Learn the rules, so you can break them as an artist.”~ Pablo Picasso

Volunteer List

HOLIDAY SHOW

November 2015

(as of last meeting)

Refreshment Table

Sunday, Nov. 8 (2-4) One hour each

*McAllister	Moore
Matthews	Dzierba
LaVigne	Hohl
Bell	DiPaolo
Chotoff	Smereka

Refreshment Cleanup

Sunday, Nov. 8, (4-4:30)

Billanti
Giagnacova

Auction

Sunday, Nov. 8, (2-4) One hour each

*Eckman	Billanti
Bell	Golebiewski
Regan	Crooke

Receiving Paintings

Thursday, Nov. 5, (3:30-6)

*Eckman
Edelman
Stern

Hanging Artwork for Judge

Thursday, November 5, (3:30-6)

*Pufpaff
Vanich
Taylor, Mike

Rehanging for show

Friday November 6, (12:00-?)

*Pufpaff
Eckman

Pre-Reception Setup

Sunday, November 8, (12:30pm)

*Pufpaff _____
Bell _____

Welcome Table

Sunday November 8, (2-4pm) One hour each

Schneider _____
Perez _____

Hanging winning ribbons

Sunday, November 8 (3:30pm)

Borkowski

Checking out paintings

Thursday, December 3, (3:30-6pm)

Pufpaff
Taylor, Meg

Disassembling show

Thursday, December 3, (3-4pm)

Sound System Check

Sunday, November 8,

Golebiewski

Ribbon Secretary

Friday, November 6, (after judging)

Communicate with Treasurer
Stern

*Committee Chair