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Welcome Back Williamsville Art Society !

I hope you all have the ability to stay cool this 2022 Summer! September is just a few short weeks away, which means it's time to prepare for another season of great demos, and most of all another fantastic Holiday Show and Spring Show.

Your membership application is included in this mailing. Even if your information has not changed, I ask that you fill out the membership form in its entirety. We want to be certain your contact information is correct so that you receive all communications. Membership is due September 30, 2022. If you are a new member in the last three years and have never received a name tag, please note that on your membership form. Wearing your name tag at all of our events helps us get to know each other.

Also included is the prospectus and entry form for the **Holiday Show**, scheduled for **Sunday, October 23, 2022**. Read the prospectus carefully. Your show entry fee represents that you have read, understand and accept all conditions. Make show entry checks out to Williamsville Art Society and mail to Suzanne Dewey. (Note: Do not mail Entry Forms to Paulette Crooke for this show as she will not receive the mail in time to include in this show.) **Entry forms and checks must be received no later than September 22, 2022.** Late entries will be returned to the artist.

Please note on the prospectus, watercolors no longer need to be behind glass, but must be protected in some other way if not behind glass. All frames must be prepared properly with all hardware attached to the frame, not the backing material.

To be an active member of the society, we ask that you volunteer to serve at least one spot on the show volunteer sheet. We need members to receive and hang or take down paintings, work the welcome table, work the auction table and/ or sell raffle tickets at the show. A volunteer signup sheet will be available at the September and October meetings. If you cannot attend either of those meetings, you can call any of the show committee members as outlined on the prospectus. **Please do not assume that if you check the box on your show entry form, that you have volunteered for a spot. This is just a collection of data to use should we not have enough people sign up on the volunteer sheet.**

We did not have enough volunteers at our last show. We want to encourage and thank our volunteers. Therefore, anyone who signs up and completes the volunteered task will receive a certificate allowing them to enter a third piece of artwork into a future show. Please consider this opportunity!

Our website, Williamsvilleartsociety.org, can offer you a wealth of Society information. It includes forms, newsletters, meeting dates, scheduled demos, artist opportunities and Featured Artist pages. The website got a bit left behind through the COVID days, but Sue Dewey and Grace and Bev Amborski are working very hard to get it up to date and running gracefully.

Featured Artist is a service we provide on our website for a small fee in addition to your membership fee. It allows our artists to post work along with a bio and contact information to promote their artwork. The fee varies depending on the number of pieces posted and provides you with one year of this service. The artwork posted can be changed at any time throughout your year.

The Palette is our monthly newsletter sent out to members via email the week before each meeting, announcing upcoming demo artists, a message from me (the president), events, classes, awards, etc. The Palette is edited by Diane Lorenzi and assistant editor Deb Meier. They encourage any member to submit articles or information for publication.

Sharon Dzierba has, for a very long time, searched and booked demo artists for every meeting. Following is the meeting schedule and the demo artists scheduled at this time.

09/09/22...TBA	03/10/23...Kathy Dworak...watercolor
10/14/22...Garrett Dykstra...acrylic pour	04/14/23...Jeff Watkins.....oil
11/18/22...TBA	05/02/23...Joe Petroci.....acrylic pour
01/13/23...TBA	06/09/23...Critiques

It makes me sad to say Sharon has asked to step down from this position, therefore we are in need of someone to volunteer to continue booking our Demo Artists. Sharon will continue on and assist her replacement until he/she feels comfortable taking over this spot. Demo artists are paid a stipend. Please call me if you are interested in booking our programs. Cathy Eckman...716-433-7825 or 716-510-0043.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our first meeting on **Friday, September 9, 2022** at Harlem Road Community Center, 4255 Harlem Road, Buffalo, 14226. Guests are welcome.

Sincerely,

Cathy Eckman

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