

Worthington Area Art League
Minutes of October 20, 2011

The WAAL meeting was called to order by President Jim Glover at our new meeting location of the Sharon Township Meeting Hall on Wilson Bridge Rd. in Worthington.

Visitors Janet Alter and Dennis Belco introduced themselves and were welcomed by Jim Glover to our meeting. Jim mentioned that we'll be meeting on the third Thursday of the months from September to May at the Sharon Township Meeting Hall from now on.

Chuck Zelms, Membership Chairman, reported that 70% of last year's members have sent in their dues for the 2012 year. He anticipates that more current members, and possibly new members, will pay their dues by the end of the year. Membership dues for one person is \$20.00 and \$25.00 for a family.

NEW BUSINESS:

Aida Garrity discussed the five venues for members wanting to display their art work. They include banks, the Worthington Community Center and doctors' offices. Call or email Aida if you are interested. Due to Aida's extensive travel schedule she would like to have someone take over the job of organizing the displays from her as soon as possible. Please give Aida a call if you can take on the responsibility which requires very little time and effort.

Bill Westerman gave an update on upcoming WAAL shows. We are to have a juried and judged show at the MAC (McConnell Arts Center) for Jan - Feb 2012. Members can submit two pieces of art, but being a juried show only certain pieces will be entered as chosen by the jury. Members who submit art will be notified by email for admittance or rejection of their art work. January 4th is the take in date at the MAC.

Bill also discussed the exchange art exhibit he has organized with Worthington's Sister City of Sayama, Japan, the MAC and the WAAL. Bill is leaving for Japan in about a month to help organize the exhibit. Work from our exhibitors along with exhibitors from Sayama will first be shown in Sayama, then the entire exhibit will be shown in Worthington at the MAC. The PNC Bank has committed a substantial amount of money to fund the exhibits in addition to shipping the art works back and forth between countries. Work to be submitted must be unframed as the uniformed framing will be done in Japan. All mediums except pastel can be submitted. Art work needs to be committed for up to a year's time. Art will be collected early in 2012 for the exhibit. More information is forthcoming.

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The minutes of previous meetings can be found on the WAAL website, www.artinview.com

OLD BUSINESS;

Treasurer Ana Atwood gave her report. In summary from 9/21/11 to 10/20/11:

Jim mentioned that there will be other WAAL art shows in the new year at Mill Run Church in April - May, and Medical Mutual in June, and possibly a show at the High Rd. Gallery in March.

Katie Fowle discussed the possibility of a pastel group forming in the upcoming year. She asked that those interested to email her.

Joyce Fisher gave a report on the Worthington images cards for sale. They continue to be for sale at various venues in Worthington. Proceeds go to the the Scholarship Fund.

After a brief refreshment break Ron Porta introduced our speaker for the evening, Nicole Gnezda. Nicole is an art educator of all levels in Worthington and Central Ohio. She has earned her PhD in art education and has a strong interest and knowledge of art therapy, of which she has written a book titled Therapeutic Possibilities of Art.

Nicole presented a fascinating program on art as a tool for self awareness. She showed and discussed various expressions of art done by some of her previous students. Our thanks goes out to Nicole for a most informative discussion.

Ron and Jim concluded our meeting.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Sara Worthington, Secretary