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## **Important Upcoming Dates**

February 3. January Showcase pick-up

February 3. Ballweg Gallery drop-off

February 15. Art Night

February 28. Artful Gathering

March 12. Bimonthly Member Meeting

#### **Note from the President**

I recently ran across this quote:

"Art is not a part of life, it is not an addition to life, it is the essence of us that make us fulfilled. That gives us hope. That gives us dreams and provides the world a view very different than what it would have been without us." – Hasan Davis

We artists are a fortunate lot. We create, we express, we play, we experiment. By virtue of doing these things, we also dream. The result is something the world would never have seen without our expression of it, and is better off because of it. Our paintings, feltings, jewelry, photographs, collages, etc. would not have existed without us being the conduit of expression, and the ripples of our efforts, even if they touch one person, have changed the world in a positive way.



I recently attended the January Showcase exhibit in the UW Hospital, and was thrilled to see the wonderful expressions of our members. Individually, each piece shines through the lens of your unique perspective and skill. Collectively it is a powerful show. The worldview I experienced on that cold and cloudy day was one filled with hope and beauty. Thank you, members!

~Linda

## **Art Night!**

Art Night will be held on Thursday, Feb 15, 6:30 at the home of Jennifer Angelo, 310 N Yellowstone Dr, directly across from Bryce Canyon Circle.

Please be vaccinated and boosted. Bring art you'd like feedback on or want to share with the group. Please bring a snack or beverage to share.

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Please consider opening your home for an Art Night in April. You can set the number of attendees depending on your space by sending a sign-up sheet. You also determine the date. Art Nights are wonderful evenings of art, thought and camaraderie!

If you would like to host an open Art Night, please send an email to <a href="mailto:newsletter@madisonartguild.com">newsletter@madisonartguild.com</a>. Note that if no one volunteers to host by the 20th of the previous month, that month's art night will be via Zoom.

### **Tentative Future Art Night Schedule**

February: Jennifer Angelo
March: Jennifer Knollenberg

April: open

May: Ann Kleckner

June: Amanda Basich Kron

July: James Shulkin

August: open

September: Issis Macias October: Kimberly Eitland

November: open

December: Cynthia Koshalek

January: open



#### **Art Night Photos wanted!**

If you are hosting or attending Art Night, please remember to take a few photos for use in our social media accounts and for marketing purposes. Please ask permission before taking photos of attendees or artwork being shared.

Thank you to Roann Mathias for hosting Art Night in January!

## **Updating Your Artwork on our Website**

Currently members are not able to update or change the artwork that appears in their profile on our MAG website. If you are interested in making a change, please reach out to Owen or Karen via: web@madisonartguild.com

## **January Showcase**

PICKUP- FEBRUARY- 3rd, 9-10:30am Instructions have been sent to all who registered.

Any questions please email <u>Janshowcase@madisonartguild.com</u>

# **Ballweg Gallery Show**

DROPOFF- FEBRUARY- 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9-10:30am Instructions have been sent to all who registered.

Any questions please email pamaandros@gmail.com

# **MAG Artful Gathering- February**

MAG Member Julie Raasch will help interested members learn about website design and how to put together their own website with a presentation on basic web design principles and artists' websites. Julie has a background as a trained graphic designer with 25+ years of experience and has been building websites off and on for just as long. She has a degree in web design and last worked at the UW coding in HTML and CSS.

Please join us for what will be an educational and fun evening on Wednesday, February 28 from 6-8 pm at the Fitchburg Public Library's meeting room.



## **Morgridge Center for Public Service Mixer**

The MAG President and Treasurer will be attending the Morgridge Center for Public Service mixer on February 19 at the Black Business Hub. The theme of the evening is 'Arts and Community Engagement", and will provide the opportunity to engage with other arts groups and organizations to:

- network with Madison-based community organizations and community-engaged faculty and staff who
  focus on the arts
- share and listen to community priorities
- develop new collaborations and/or strengthen existing relationships, with the possibility of funding for new or ongoing partnerships
- connect and network with others interested in the arts

If you would like to provide your input on any of these items, or have thoughts related to what we could discuss with others, please reach out to: <a href="mailto:president@madisonartguild.com">president@madisonartguild.com</a> or <a href="mailto:treasurer@madisonartguild.com">treasurer@madisonartguild.com</a>.

### **MAG on Social Media**

Please like and comment on MAG's <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Facebook</u> pages. It helps extend our reach so we can let future members and patrons see what we're up to.

Our private <u>Facebook group</u> allows us to share the latest news, show off your art, get feedback, ask questions, etc. amongst ourselves.

# **MAG Bimonthly Membership Minutes**

Madison Art Guild Meeting January 9, 2024 via Zoom

Secretary Notes submitted by Cynthia L. Koshalek

Members present: Linda Krantz, Jennifer Angelo, Mary Wixson, Jane Foos, Dee Relyea, Christine Echtner, Marcia Nelson, Owen Gwynne, Martha Fitzmier, Dave Williams, George Johnson, Mary Reines, Linda Farrelly, Barbara Koykkar, Jill Cori Lippert, Alan Tripp, Nancy Mather, Kim Strittmater, Sonda Steele, Kristin Johnson and Cynthia L. Koshalek

6:29 pm Meeting was called to order by Linda Krantz .

 Approval of November Secretary meeting notes Motion by Jill, second by Linda Farrelly



2) Leadership Team – will discuss the draft Bylaws, then changes will be done and sent out to the members for approval.

#### 3) Associate Members - Linda K

Helping with getting this launched are Kim Eitland and Karen Faller. Martha Fitzmier is a consultant.

#### 4) Treasurer's Report - Mary R.

Has a proposal for Committee Chairs to estimate their annual costs. 80% of MAG's income comes from Membership dues. We are doing well.

#### 5) Online Website

Is it possible for members to update their artwork on the Online Website? Changes can be sent to the Webmaster, Owen or Karen. Should the Information be in alphabetical order? Not possible at this time. The Website updates randomly. Owen will try to find the problem.

### 6) January Showcase - Nancy M.

Members can submit two pieces this year. 117 pieces were submitted. 97 brought in two, the rest brought in one. Members can see the Showcase with mask on.

#### 7) Summer Salon - Marcia & Mary W.

An announcement will be in the April newsletter. Goodman Center has been reserved for the reception on June 13. Set up at 5pm and program at 6pm. There will be drinks and food, but no bar.

Roberta Condon will be the Judge. She owns a gallery in Portage and works in different media. She will be judging the day after art work is hung at the Salon. She will attend the reception.

Discussion on 3D artists being able to have a written statement to explain their artwork.

#### 8) Artful Gatherings -

Survey Monkey will be sent out to members soon.

Feb. 28- Julie Raasch will be doing a Workshop at the Fitchburg Library on Help with building your own website.

#### 9) New Art Nights -

Jan 1- Roann Mathias Studio on Nesbitt Rd. 6:30 pm

Alexandra Andos - Upcoming Reception at the Goodman Community Center show

#### 10) 0ld Business - Virtual Show

In the past it has been posted online as an auction. Charitable contributions are part of MAG 501c3



status. Artworks sold have benefitted a charitable organization. If we continue this type of show, we need a committee to work on it.

#### 11) New Business - Logo Update

Possibly update our logo. Add a tag line. Formatted user friendly so members can use it. Need ideas on how to do this.

- 12) Thank You and Acknowledgements to Communications folks: Bridgette Boucher, Linda Farrelly, Owen Gwynne, Karen Faller.
- 13) Discussion on Reception and Salon Show being in the same location in the future. Currently the exhibit and reception are in separate venues. Some suggestions that were made- MATC, Yahara Bay, Promega, Firefly, Madison Public Library, Holy Wisdom Monastery, and the Pyle Center.
- 14) Next Meeting is March 12, 6:30 pm

7:31pm- Move to adjourn meeting by Chris Echtner, seconded by Linda Farrelly

### MAG Calendar 2024

February	Art Night	Artful Gathering	Goodman Community Center Show
March	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	
April	Art Night	Artful Gathering	
May	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	Middleton Art Walk
June	Art Night	Artful Gathering	Summer Salon
July	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	Summer Salon, Art Fair on the Square, Firefly Coffeehouse Show
August	Art Night	Artful Gathering	Firefly Coffeehouse Show
September	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	Paoli Art Fair (?)
October	Art Night	Artful Gathering	MAG Annual Dinner
November	Art Night	MAG Membership Meeting	
December	Art Night	Artful Gathering	