MONTHLY MEETING – APRIL 12, 2017
Maryland Hall - Room 308, 801 Chase Street, Annapolis MD

Christine O’Neill
“Spring Fling”

After enjoying the Bahamas for 6 weeks, Christine O’Neill will be returning to help us enjoy our lovely Spring weather. I can’t wait to see what she has painted while there.

Hopefully, Spring will finally be here by the time she gets back and she will help us celebrate our “Spring Fling”. It will be held at Maryland Hall on Wednesday, April 12th in Room 308 starting at 7:30. This event will be presented in the same way that the Christmas Party is held in that it is mostly a social event. All members are encouraged to bring something to eat or drink, whether it is Savory or Sweet, or beverages of your choice. It’s a chance for us to chat and exchange ideas. Also, we will have an opportunity to share views about the art of our members with Christine O’Neill as our guide.

Members can bring in (1) one piece that they would like to review and Christine will lead them in a constructive appraisal of how to improve the pieces or just point out their artistic qualities.

Christine’s approach in her own words is “I will try to talk about each piece in terms of PQP - Praise - what I think is working well, Question - if necessary - perhaps why something was done - i.e. choice of color; and Polish - make suggestions, if needed, to create a stronger painting.” It should prove to be an enlightening and enjoyable evening for all.

See you at the Meeting,

Richard Schatz, AWC Vice President
**From the Desk of the Vice President....**

It was such a treat to see Pam Wenger and her approach to portraiture from a looser “quick sketch” style. Watching the page and the paint grow into a warm portrait from seemingly unconnected colors was like an epiphany, a moment of sudden revelation. “So that’s how it’s done!”

We have been fortunate in the variety and quality of artists that we have visit us and without exception, those artists say to us that ours is a great club. Many of them who are not already members wind up joining. They are impressed with the quality of support they get while setting up to present and with the enthusiasm of our members.

Well, we are at a crossroads. There needs to be a sharing of the energy that it takes to continue to maintain the club’s character, the quality of its events, and its very existence. It cannot go forward without a sharing of those responsibilities.

We are currently without a President and the Board has stepped forward to share those responsibilities. At the end of the year, I will be resigning. So, we will also need a Vice President. Others have stepped up at various times and their tenure will soon be at an end. There is time now for us to have a smooth transition. Those of us leaving can help new volunteers understand and perform the jobs that are needed to continue the vibrant characteristics of the club.

The alternative is a greatly reduced series of events and the possibility of the club not maintaining its position in the Art community. We need to think about this seriously. We need to act on it!

Richard Schatz, AWC Vice President

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**Treasurer’s Report**

As of March 17, 2017, AWC has $8,496.87 in its checking account, and $5,001.44 in savings, for a total of $13,498.31.

Sheryl Paris, Treasurer

**Membership News**

We are happy to welcome three new members, Glenda Keyes, Young-Suk Holben, and Yanlin Li. The Spring Fling this month will be a great way to get acquainted with other members. And whether you are a new member or an old member, the best way to get acquainted and feel part of the club is to volunteer and help with events or, even better, take a turn at a board position. Descriptions of board positions and chair positions are now available at the membership table at each meeting, so take a look and see how you might help our club!

Liz Grimes, Membership Chair
Exhibitions

BMW of Annapolis

The exhibit at the BMW showrooms is a fantastic display of the talent alive and well within our club! 34 members submitted paintings. The reception was a great success with approximately 300 people attending! Bart and March Bezanson generously supplied the wine and our delicious food was catered by LaPosta in Severna Park. They did an outstanding job on our limited budget. Everyone enjoyed our Plein Air painters who turned out wonderful renderings of the gorgeous cars in both showrooms. The exhibit will remain in the showrooms until March 31st. A reminder: pick up your paintings between 9 and 11 on the 31st.

Kathy Gardiner and Barbara Burns, Co-Chair Exhibits

Quiet Waters Park Exhibit

Our next exhibit will be at the Quiet Waters Park galleries. We will have both galleries and may hang up to 110 paintings. The drop-off date for that show will be Tuesday, May 23 at 9am. The reception for the show will be held on Sunday, June 4th from 3:30-5:30pm. The show hangs until Sunday, July 9th with pick up on Monday, July 10th between 9am and 4pm. The registration form for Quiet Waters and a list of their specific requirements will be sent in a separate email to our members once I have met with the coordinator at Quiet Waters. A commission of 20% on sales goes to Quiet Waters Park, so consider that when pricing your entries. FYI, a limited number of archival giclees will be allowed at this show and there will be bins provided.

Thank you to Kathy Strouss for the great publicity, to everyone who exhibited, helped in any way, painted live, and attended our reception at BMW. Special thanks and kudos to our hosts, March and Bart! We have heard nothing but positive feedback!

Publicity

Many thanks to those who provided photo images recently for the “On the Road” exhibit at BMW of Annapolis. I again need images for publicity for our Quiet Waters Park exhibit that is scheduled for May 24-July 9, 2017. So that I can create timely publicity for our next show, please submit images of your artwork to me at mkstrouss@verizon.net by 19 April.

Kathy Strouss, Publicity Chairperson

Kathleen Gardiner, Barbara Burns and Stacy Sass

Rafat Emamieh paints during the BMW opening reception

Painting by Ken Karlic at the BMW reception

"Moombeams" by Kathy Daywalt

Kathy’s Workshop on 04/08/17 at Maryland Hall from 10 – 4
Newsletters

Should you have any comments, teaching information or news, please direct the information via email to Eileen or Kris. The due date for news article submission is the 19th of each month.

Members who want to place information about their workshop or lessons will be allowed 2 sentences or a 40 word limit, not including their website. These articles will be included on a space available basis.

Member’s News

This section contains some of our club’s artists’ shows and teaching information. More information and photos are located at “Gallery” and “Members Posting” on our website at www.annapoliswatercolorclub.org.

Kathy Gardiner has been selected by juror Susan Calloway to exhibit her work at Gallery B in Bethesda, MD. This MFA Exhibition Opens on March 29 and runs through April 29, 2017, at Gallery B, 7700 Wisconsin Ave #E. The Reception is on April 14, 6-8pm.

Watercolor Classes at Maryland Hall with Sue Corrigan Yo:

Starting in April:
- Tuesday: Splendor of Nature in Watercolor - Intermediate/Advanced

For more information on our members please go to our website at http://annapoliswatercolorclub.org/member-postings/

Workshop News

Working with the board of the Annapolis Watercolor Club these past three years, has introduced me to a surprisingly diverse community where I have been privileged to find friendship, support and the opportunity to broaden my exposure to the art of watercolor.

Through volunteering to serve as Workshops Co-Chair, I have had the opportunity to meet with and choose artists for our Workshops, and become acquainted with many of our new members.

This year we introduced informal “Paint-Ins”, which I hope will become a regular activity for us. By participating as a member of the Board you too can help shape the future of the Club.

Please, don’t hesitate to inquire about any of the Board positions that may be of interest to you.

June Poole, Workshop Chair

Board Meeting- 6 April 2017

All Members are Invited to Attend; April meeting will be 7-9 pm at Kathy Strouss's home. Contact Kathy via email/phone for directions.

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