April 2020

President’s Message

Dear Friends:

Each day we are one day closer to the end of the COVID19 Pandemic. Let’s choose to focus on this challenge together.

Many of you have reached out to me suggesting ways to support each other and our local community. To that end, soon you will be asked by email to participate in several online communication methods. Some of these may be unfamiliar to you. Now is the time to try them to be able to encourage each other in the AWC, and reach out to those in need in our local Annapolis community. We will give you the tools and help to do this, and welcome any questions. Stay tuned!

You are a very important part of the AWC community. We can do this together, one day at a time.

Sincerely,
Linda

Treasurer's Report

As of March 18, 2020, AWC’s accounts are as follows:

Checking: $8,392.84
Savings: $5,037.96
Total $13,430.80

As of this writing, I have been issuing refunds to everyone who paid for the Cancelled NYC Bus Trip. Please let me know if you did not get your refund. My email address is: paintbyfaith@icloud.com

Thank you!

Sheryl Paris, Treasurer

Exhibits

Membership
Our “Outside the Paintbox” exhibit at Gallery 333 in the Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis, is splendid, with a wide variety of subject matter and painting styles. Unfortunately, you guessed it, coronavirus has forced the church to close its doors so no one is able to see our work. We were not even able to hold our reception on March 15.

We were scheduled to leave the exhibit up until the end of April, but the curator and I have decided to extend it for at least two more weeks, until mid-May, and possibly longer, depending on when the church reopens.

Although the Unitarian Universalist Church of Annapolis that houses Gallery 333 is closed at this time, the UUCA staff has set up a virtual exhibit of some of the artwork. Since this was an unplanned event, not all of the artists are represented and some of the artwork is missing, but with apologies to those artists, they are presenting whatever artwork was available. Click here to enjoy the virtual gallery!

I will let everyone know, through email, when the church reopens and is safe to come in and visit, as well as when the exhibit ends and when you can pick up your work. We’re all in this together and all making sacrifices.

In the meanwhile, stay well and keep painting.

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Recent Artist Demonstration

At the AWC March 11 member meeting, we were graced with a demonstration by the talented Anita Ewing. It was amazing to watch how Anita manipulated her watercolor painting on Yupo paper, and also to watch her use gouache to overpaint with stencils and other tools. Great imagination!

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Hello Artists!

During this trying time of social distancing, I hope you are all well. I expect that a lot of you are in the studio creating as I am! While our exhibition and in-person capabilities are limited, if you are painting in the studio or plein air and posting your work online, please send me a link to your website for the "Member News" section of our newsletter. We can support each other online and share what's going on in the studio remotely. Stay well!

Send articles by the 19th of each month to: catherine.dolch@gmail.com

Cat Paschal Dolch, Newsletter Editor

Recent Workshop
April Rimpo presented a great workshop for the AWC on March 9. Participants learned how to paint a nocturnal scene under April’s skillful guidance. We thank April for the time, energy, and incredible talent she gave us at the workshop.

June Poole, chair of the Sunshine Committee, is inviting members to create watercolor artwork cards (with envelopes) to send members who are in the hospital or recovering from an illness, for a condolence, or other major life event. Also, please send June an email with the name, mailing address, and event for someone to receive an AWC Sunshine Card!

Information about the Upcoming Pam Wegner Workshop

As of newsletter submission time, it seems unlikely that we will be able to have the Pam Wenger workshop on May 2. Pam is very receptive to waiting until later for final decision, and she is also very open to rescheduling for a date in the future. If the workshop is rescheduled for a future date, current registrants will of course have the option of withdrawing if they choose. All registrants will be notified of updates as soon as decisions are made.

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Addendum: As of April 1, as it is highly unlikely that we will be having the Pam Wenger workshop on May 2. Current registrants will be contacted directly about rescheduling the workshop, refunds, etc. Registration for the workshop is closed.

Nancy Flack, Workshop Chair
Susan Engel, Workshop Vice-Chair

Member News

LINDA LUKE
We are proud of our AWC President, Linda Luke, who had a successful exhibit and sale February at the Malvern Retreat House in PA. Here is Linda with Cheryl Pepmeier Duvall, who came to support Linda at the exhibit.

GRETA KLUG
AWC member, Greta Klug, "I’ve been busy with an art exhibit I had here in Naples in our condo community room. I’m excited to say I sold 16 paintings! A painting of mine was sold after being placed in the holiday exhibit at the Schuler School of Fine Art in Baltimore. My teacher, Fritz Schuler Briggs told me to place it in the exhibit." Congratulations to Greta! She is an inspiration to us all!