

WHAL February 2020

Thursday, February 20, 2020 6:09 PM

Call meeting to order 7:00pm

- Total members in attendance: 19
- Rita Wilson motions to approve January meeting minutes, seconded by Lance Maloney

Committee Reports:

- Audra - treasurer - current balance \$4,626.83
 - Deposit (around \$150) paid for the Cleveland Museum bus trip
 - Renewed PO box for another year
- Kim - VP/program - next meeting's speaker: Patricia Young - pastel artists and painter
- Helena - membership - 51 paid members
- Lynda- publicity/communications (website & social media)
 - Members welcome to submit information to Lynda if they want anything featured in our new monthly newsletter. Members are welcome to write and submit articles as well.
 - Rita Wilson also writes member feature articles for the newsletter and blog.
- Jim- multimedia - check out the WHAL YouTube channel for monthly demonstrations

Welcome Guests

- Jim Petrosky from Beaver County, currently taking watercolor lessons with Doug Brown

Upcoming opportunities:

Update on Saturday June 6th Cleveland Museum of Art Trip

- \$50 per person
 - Write checks out to WHAL PO Box (with "Picasso show" in the memo line) or pay Audra in person at meeting
- Lunch not included
- Break up into smaller groups to tour from 10am-4pm
- Bus meeting point not set yet

Coraopolis Art Walk in the works:

- Artists to partner with local businesses on Saturday April 4th from 12-4pm
 - Structured like how the Sewickley Art Walk is where artists are featured inside of businesses
 - More info here: <https://www.facebook.com/events/241370853539869/>

Earth Day Show April 19th 1-3pm at Robin Hill Park

- Artists are invited to set up and paint plein aire around the grounds during the celebration. Artists are also welcome to set up and sell their paintings. (The event is Rain or Shine and tents are not provided so please plan accordingly).

PAACC (Pittsburgh Airport Area Chamber of Commerce)

- Next change out: April 3rd from 9am-1pm, June 12
- For more information go to our website (westhillsartleague.com), go to MEETINGS and click EXHIBITS/EVENTS

Seeking out members to host workshops for over the summer

- Classes can be held here at Robin Hill
- Sign up sheet by Helena or email Debbie (debratobin@ymail.com)

Call for announcements of upcoming member shows:

- 53rd Edition of Art of the State
 - Submission deadline Feb 28, 2020
- The Merrick Masters 2020 Biennial Juried Show
 - Deadline: Email Submissions: MerrickMastersArtShow@gmail.com before Sunday March 1, 2020
- Art for Animals
 - Deadline for drop off: March 2 –March 6, 10:00am -3:00pm and March 3, 7:00pm -9:00pm
- WHAL Northland Library Show
 - Keep an eye out for drop off date/time
 - No fee, no commission
- Erie Art Museum Nicole & Harry Martin Spring Show
 - Submission deadline March 1, 2020
- Westmoreland Art Nationals Juried Fine Art and Photography Exhibition
 - Deadline March 3, 2020.
- Art Association of Harrisburg 92nd Annual International Juried Exhibition
 - Now accepting submissions through April 2, 2020
- Stifel Fine Arts Center Seeking Artists for Crosscurrents Exhibition
 - Deadline for entries is April 4, 2020.
- Moon Garden Club/West Hills Art League Summer Event
 - Tentative event date of Thursday, July 16th at 7-9pm.
- The Butler Institute of American Art's 84th National Midyear Show
 - Deadline: Saturday, June 13, 2020
- Independence Bible Presbyterian Church Art Show
 - 112 Dempe St. McDonald, PA 15057
 - March 28th 9am-2pm
 - Contact Kathy Wilkinson 412-965-1491
 - Set up Friday @5
- WHAL member Doug Brown is the featured artist at Gilberti Fine Art for the Month of February.
- All shows with more information are listed on our website (westhillsartleague.com), go to MEETINGS and click CALL FOR ARTISTS

Call for announcements of upcoming member classes:

Gilberti Fine Art Studios Classes:

- Gail Beam - Pastel Workshop (1 day) 2/25/2020
- Doug Brown - Realistic Watercolor Class Start Date: 3/5/2020
- Dianne Bauman - Oil Painting Start Date: 3/26/2020
- Cindy Gilberti - Expressionistic Watercolor Start Date: 3/30/2020

Cranberry Artists Network

- "2020 Vision" art show reception on Thursday the 27th from 6-8pm at the Cranberry Municipal Building
 - Live music and refreshments

Meeting adjourned 7:24pm

Welcome tonight's artist, Chris Fondi:

- Retired elementary art teacher
- Creates altered books, dolls, and puppets...anything mixed media
- She was very inspired by accordion folded Japanese sketchbooks

- Began altering the pages of books her children had drawn in and using scrap papers left over from her school
- Likes the idea of being a "paper rescuer" :)
- Chris led us in an art-making activity called a "zine"
 - We used water-soluble crayons to lay a base, folded, then built on top with collage and stamping.





