

Mother Lode Art Association Special Zoom Board Meeting Monday, January 3, 2022

The meeting was called together by John Sharum at 2:00 pm over the Zoom Internet platform.

Board Members Present: John Sharum, Linda Happel, Bob Feigen, Susan Kendall, Catherine Stanton and Jean Dakota.

Due to the COVID pandemic continued high infection rate and State of CA social distancing and health protocols, this special meeting was called to discuss the planned soup/ pot-luck meeting in January. In the November 2021 MLAA Board meeting it was decided that the January 2022 meeting would be a soup/ pot-luck for members with no presenter. Linda moved and Jean seconded a motion that the January 2022 meeting be a regular board meeting and general meeting with a presenter and no food/ pot-luck/ soup. The motion carried.

January Program Presenter: After discussion, it was agreed that Susan Kendall would contact Judie Cain to see if she would be available on January 17 to critique or do a painting presentation. Susan then sent Judie a text. Susan will let Linda know of Judie's response and if not available, Linda would contact Heine Hartwig to see if he would be willing to critique/ present.

MLAA Prospectus for the Annual Art Show: John contributed that Maureen should get the Prospectus out now (on website) for the April 8 - 10 art show at the Sonora Opera Hall. The prospectus for the art show **does not** currently have any categories for showing "soft art"/ textiles. It was discussed that MLAA could consider including woven/ needle work art. It was generally agreed that no quilts be included in this show as the quilters guild has numerous shows during the year and that there was not additional wall space for quilt display.

John stated that if the Board wants to include needle art/ textiles, that there should be some restrictions on size. Bob suggested that soft art/ 3-D art/ mixed media be framed. John stated that the Judges have discretion to accept/ reject needle work/ textile artist's work. After more discussion, it was generally agreed to post the current prospectus on the website as planned.

Catherine has already posted a new prospectus for the Adult and Student Photo shows on the website.

Treasurer's Report: There was no report as Beth DeLuca was not present. John mentioned that MLAA will change from Umqua Bank and open a new account with Bank of Stockton in the very near future.

Membership Status: John Reported – MLAA has one new member (Patron Member) since November, Linda Parriott. MLAA will ask members to submit dues in January.

The membership renewal letter was not discussed. At the November meeting, Bob suggested

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that the dues/ membership renewal letter to have a summary of the yearly accomplishments and show what items/ activities are supported with the dues money.

Bob stated that we should consider promoting Judie or Heine's January presentation in the Weekender. Bob will contact Maureen and work with her on the Weekender. Linda will let Bob know ASAP if it will be Judie or Heine to be publicized in the Weekender.

Bob will contact Maureen regarding the Visitor's Bureau site and suggested that she hand out a membership application with the prospectus. Bob is already working with Monique at the Visitor's Bureau to place a new MLAA visual/ written advertisement on their website.

Art Venues Program for 2021/ 2022: Susan reported:

1. The County Library "**Something Red**" show will be from January 4 to March 21. John and Susan will meet at the Library tomorrow (Tuesday) at 9:30 am.
2. The photo exhibit will be May 3rd – Aug 1 at the Library. The Tuolumne County Art Alliance has a show in between March 21 and May 4.
3. The Anti-Coagulation venue (Doctor's office near the Library) has three walls available for display. Susan is working on this contact.

Review of Bi-Laws: John stated that the review of the bi-laws (current version) is a work in progress. After the review/ edit is complete, the membership will vote to make it official.

Catherine moved and Jean seconded a motion to conclude the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting concluded at 3:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jean Dakota,
Acting Secretary, Mother Lode Art Assoc