Mother Lode Art Association

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November / December 2016

#### President's Message by Linda Happel

It is hard to believe that 2016 is quickly coming to an end. It has been a year filled with many wonderful programs, thanks to Barbara Conley and lots of Plein Aire opportunities, thanks to Susan Lea Hackett. Town Hall Arts has provided wonderful workshops and on-going classes for everyone. Susie has masterfully run our many venues in such an organized fashion. That is truly a great accomplishment and because of her expertise any member can have their work viewed somewhere in Tuolumne County. Michael Severin offered classes here in Sonora and thank you Michael for sharing your knowledge to help improve our paintings through good composition and creation of depth and interest. Thanks for providing tools to make our pieces more successful.

The 64th Annual Art Show was a great success. Although entries were down this year, every piece entered was a beauty. Thank you, great artists, for sharing your work with the county. Thanks to Tina Moore and Dale Laitinen for judging our show and a big thanks to the schools for the Youth Art entries. Next year we hope to have even more Youth entries and it is a pleasure to show off the talents of these young people, our future generation of artists. I especially wish to thank our Art Show Committee, headed by Louisa King, who coordinated everything. Other members included Renetta Hayes, who worked hours on the prospectus, programs, raffle prize signs, donation lists, you name it she did it; Terrie Schultz, a new member who created the postcards, flyers and the cover for our program; Anne Bates, who wrote out all those awards, collected and budgeted our finances; Barbara Conley and Barb Young, who worked on the youth section; Theresa Bond, who ordered the ribbons; Loretta Pagni, historian and expert at getting donations; Maureen Nolan, who worked on the food table and clean up as well as anything else needed; Rich Linville for sending out Prospectus and countless messages and pleas for help; Kitty Davids and Ron Treadway with an eye for hanging the show, providing its polish and grandeur. And to all of you volunteers who manned the tables, brought food, gave donations for the raffle and prize money for the kids, took in entries, set up, cleaned up and helped pull this thing off, THANK YOU!!!

And as another year comes to an end we need nominations for officers for year 2017. President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer are the elected offices but we also need lots of committee members for all the things we do. The list is at the left of this message. PLEASE volunteer to help. The current officers have repeated for many years and new ideas and enthusiasm is needed. Out with the stale in with the fresh! I know many of you have great ideas which could bring new life to this organization.

NEXT MLAA MEETING AT THE TUOLUMNE COUNTY LIBRARY Monday, November 21, 2016 at 1 PM. Guest Artist will be Alexis Halstead doing a ceramics demo.

### Minutes of September 19, 2016 Mother Lode Art Association General Meeting By Renetta Hayes

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Happel at 1 p.m. The chair introduced new member Ron Treadway and Guests Celia Niemerow, Ruth Walter, Michael Bowes, Elize and Esther Gerrels. The minutes of the May meeting were approved by the Board and available for review. The Treasurer's report was presented by Anne Bates. The beginning balance for checking was \$2,738.98 and \$3,199.01 in savings. There were expenses for the month of \$303.90 leaving a checking account balance of \$2,985.02. The chair passed around sign-up sheets for food donations and help during the upcoming Fall Show. It was announced that raffle prizes need to be collected from merchants and asked for sign-ups to take posters and donor requests to the greater Sonora area,

Louisa King, Chairwoman for the Fall Show, reported on the shows progress. She noted very few entry forms have come in with the deadline coming up on Oct. 14th. Delivery of the artwork will be at the Opera House on Oct. 24h She noted that raffle prizes are still needed and can be left in the back room of the Aloft Gallery. Susan Lea Hackett will coordinate the plein air painting during the show by-our local plein air painters. They are to contact Susan to let her know they will be painting and check in at the Opera Hall when they arrive to receive their name tags. The group will need easels and tables set up on the patio for their finished product. Susan asked for a person to go around and check on the painters and relieve them as needed. Barbara Conley reported on the Children's Art Show which will be a part of the Fall Art Show. There are two high schools and three elementary schools participating. Panels are being provided for the Children's Art Show by Tuolumne County Arts Alliance. Ribbons and monetary awards will be provided by MLAA. Barbara also reported the MLAA program for October will be Tina Moore, pastelist and November will be Alexis Halstead, ceramicist.

Susie Hoffman, venue chairperson, reported that the current artists showing in public places are Susan Kendall and Vicky Fuentes at Servantes, Marie Jobe at Umpqua Bank, Terrie Schultz and Louisa King at the Aloft, Winnifred Wilson at the anticoagulation unit and Susie Hoffman at Stage 3. Going into the venues in November will be Eva Walker and Vicky Fuentes at Servantes, Pat Gray at the anticoagulation unit; Susie Hoffman will be at Stage 3 but needs more artists. She currently does not have someone for Umpqua Bank or the Aloft Gallery. Susie announced upcoming classes to be held at Town Hall Arts.

Renetta Hayes from the Aloft reported that sales are very good so far this year. The Aloft is currently featuring Michael Severin as a Guest Artist for three months. Michael will be doing a demonstration on 2nd Saturdays and the painting auctioned off at the end of the evening. Julianna Tillman happily won the auction

last Saturday.

Michael Severin announced that he will be presenting a three-month class on Wed. starting in January once a week at a cost of \$120.

The meeting was closed with a demonstration by Martha Wallace.



Art by Martha Wallace

# Minutes of October 17, 2016 Mother Lode Art Association General Meeting By Renetta Hayes

The meeting of the Mother Lode Art Association membership was called to order at 1:05 p.m. by President Linda Happel with 22 people in attendance. The minutes of the Sept. meeting had been approved by the Board and were presented in the last Newsletter which was also available on the table. Anne Bates reported the Balance of the Checking and Savings accounts. A report was also on the table for members to review.

The Chair announced the need for a Nominating Committee for Officers for the 2017 year. Members that volunteered to be a part of the Committee were Maureen Nolan, Loretta Pagni and Louisa King. The committee will present a Slate of Officers for consideration at the November meeting.

The Chair announced the need to change the method of processing and choosing a worthy student for our annual Scholarship. The Scholarship committee would like to advertise and send out applications to High School or College students and choose from this group to receive the scholarship. Juliana Tillman made the motion to use this method and Jim Alsup seconded. Motion carried.

Louisa King, Fall Show Chairperson, reported on the show progress. She asked the membership to bring

paintings for the raffle next week and leave them at the Aloft. Raffle donations are still needed. The raffle baskets will be put together on Tues. afternoon at 1 p.m. Food is needed for the Reception on Friday. The awards will be presented at 7 p.m. The Board voted to change to awards for the Children's Art Show To 1st : \$35, 2nd : \$25 and 3rd :\$15. Susan Lea Hackett is looking for plein air artists to paint during the show. They will sell during the show with no commissions taken. She asked members to sign up for the plein air painting.

Susan also announced two plein air outings this week Thurs. 10/20 at 12 pm will be in Strawberry. Meet at Susan's house. Call her at 965-0253 for directions. On Tues. 10/25 at 12 pm at Ratto Ranch on Ratto Road.

Barbara Conley announced the demonstration for November will be ceramicist Alexis Halstead.

Susie Hoffman announced the Venues for November through January will be: Servantes: Vicky Fuentes and Eva Walker, Umpqua Bank: Allison Blansit, Anticoagulation Unit: Pat Gray, Aloft Art Gallery: Renee Rondon and Susie Hoffman. Stage 3 will be featuring the show: Forbidden Broadway and Susie is looking for artists to paint for that venue. The newsletter for Town Hall Arts was also distributed.



Art by Tina Moore

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 for a refreshment break. After the break, the Chair introduced Tina Moore who presented a pastel demonstration.

## Fall Art Show Report. By Renetta Hayes and Louisa King

Our 64th MLAA Art Show is now history and all went well thanks to many of you who volunteered.

This year we collected \$2,470 in entry fees from 117 entries, 91 of which were members and 26 nonmembers. Thanks to all of the Sponsors and Donors. We received \$1500 in sponsor money, the large contributors were Betty and H. Randolph Holder and Black Oak Casino. We also received many gift certificates and donated pieces for the raffle baskets. We had 30 raffle baskets and a wonderful selection of items. We received art and other items from members for the raffle from Barbara Conley, Chris Halley, Louisa King, Merla Frazey-Jordan, Renetta Hayes and Terrie Schultz. Other members who contributed money or gift basket items were: Barbara Farkas, Barbara Young, M.J. St. Claire, Joyce Schoettgen, Laurie Lehmann, Louisa King, Maureen Nolan, Pamela Mejia and Sydney Taylor. Many businesses also donated money and raffle items. The show is such a good opportunity for the public to get acquainted with our association and see some of the fine art produced by our local and out of area artists. Please do not be offended if you were a contributor and your name does not appear here. We do our best to keep track but sometimes things show up at the last minute and we lose track. Just know that everything that was donated was very much appreciated.

Best of Show was won by our own, Marta Magistrali with her rabbit sculpture. She also took a 1st place in ceramics with Alexis Halstead taking a 2nd and 3rd.



Other members who received awards at the show were:



Michael Severin received the Mayor's Award as well as a 1st in the Oil/Acrylic category. Robin Bowes won a 3rd and his son Michael won a 2nd and HM in Oil/Acrylic as well.



Susie Hoffman won a 1st and Juliana Tillman took a 2nd and 3rd in the Watercolor category. Also in Watercolor Anne Bates and Susan Lee Hackett received HM's. In the Mixed Media and Graphics category, Sydney Taylor took a 2nd, Louisa King a 3rd and Barbra MacNair an HM.



In the Pastel category Joyce Schoettgen won the 1st place and Sulastri Linville received an HM.



Rayna Coller took 1st place in the Foothill Favorites as well as an HM. Barbara Conley and Susan Lea Hackett also took HM's in the Foothill Favorites.

Congratulations to all the winners and thanks to all who entered the show.

Also, congratulations to our Youth Art Show Winners. The judges felt both high schools had such excellent art, they determined to give monetary awards to 1st, 2nd and 3rd of both high schools as well as 1st, 2nd and 3rd to the elementary school group winners.

Furthermore, the Peoples' Choice Award went to Corrie Vanderhelm-Lewis of Escalon for her large and intricate picture of the Yosemite Chapel.

Lastly, the Show Committee Members are invited to an important Show Wrap-Up meeting at Legends Gallery on 131 S Washington Street on Monday, November 14th at 11 a.m.

The last General MLAA meeting of the year will be held at the Sonora Library at 1 p.m. Monday, November 21st.

Wishing you a Happy and Healthy Holiday.



MLAA Venue by Susie Hoffman November 16th through January

Serventes: Vicky Fuentes and Eva Walker Umpqua Bank: Allison Blansit Aloft: Renee Rondon and Susie Hoffman Anticoagulation: Pat Gray Stage 3 "Forbidden Broadway": Renee Rondon and Susan Lea Hackett Note: Change out at Stage 3 is on Nov. 16 instead of Nov. 23 this month.



# MLAA MEETINGS on the 3<sup>RD</sup> MONDAY OF THE MONTH

Next meeting: Nov. 21, 2015

No Meeting July, August or December. 2016 2016 Schedule

January 18, 2016 February 15, 2016 March 21, 2016

July (No Mtg.) Aug (No Mtg.) Sept. 19, 2016

October 17, 2016 November 21, 2016 Dec. (No Mtg.)

Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at the Tuolumne County Library on Greenley Rd. Sonora at 1:00 pm during the months of January – June and September – November

April 18, 2016

May 16, 2016

June 20, 2016

THERE ARE NO MEETINGS HELD IN JULY, AUGUST OR DECEMBER

**Newsletter Info** 

Your newsletter editor would like to list upcoming classes or workshops and any shows our artists have been accepted into or won any awards. Let me know when you hear of them. If you are interested, others may be as well. If you see something reported incorrectly, please contact Rich at: <u>teachersask@yahoo.com</u> Thank you.

| Fill out the membership application and bring it with your check to the next meeting or mail it today.<br>Thank you.<br>If you are already a member, cut this out and pass it on to someone you think might be<br>interested in becoming a MLAA member.<br>MOTHER LODE ART ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION |                     |             |            |
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| Name  |                     |             |            |
| Address   |                     |             |            |
| City  |                     | State       | Zipcode    |
| Phone   | Email               |             |            |
| Membership Categories: (check one)  |                     |             |            |
|   | Individual Business |             |            |
| \$15.00   | Senior 75 & Older   | \$50.00 Pat | tron       |
| \$20.00   | General             | \$100.00+   | Benefactor |
| \$50.00   | Patron              |             |            |
| \$100.00  | Benefactor          |             |            |
| \$250.00+   | Lifetime            |             |            |
| Please make checks payable to: MOTHER LODE ART ASSOCIATION.   |                     |             |            |
| P.O. Box 5140 Sonora, CA 95370  |                     |             |            |
| We encourage you to enjoy the wonderful Artist Demonstrations and Programs we have the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at the Tuolumne County Library, Greenley Rd., Sonora. Meetings are at 1:00  |                     |             |            |

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