

Monthly Meeting Minutes
Artist's League of the
FSU Museum of Fine Arts
Tuesday 04/07/2015

COMMITTEE CHAIRS MEETING

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Terrie Corbett.

Present: Mariann Kearsley, Terrie Corbett, Chuck Corbett, Sara Chang, Mark Fletcher, Kent Griffin, Mary Liz Moody, Jaye Houle, Linda Horton Dodson, and Teri Abstein.

Leslie Puckett has taken over as Chair for the Professional Develop Awards. Applications are due by Monday, May 4th.

Sara reported that she has put out the call for entries for the Summer Annual and the Mail Show.

Mark and Mariann reported on programs. Tonight's program is a round table discussion by attendees of the following:

- What is an artist?
- Are you an artist?
- How did you reach this conclusion?

There will not be a formal program at the May AL meeting. Instead, members will use this time from 6-8:30 pm on Tuesday, May 5th to turn in work for the Summer Annual Show. Museum staff will also be accepting work on Wednesday, May 6th from 12-4 pm.

Kent announced that the Member Spotlight is finished for the year. Kent announced that he is stepping down and is looking for a replacement to take over the Member Spotlight for next year.

Teri announced that the museum is evaluating whether or not to continue the annual Art and Antiques Fair in December. This was originally established as a fund raiser for the museum. Vera, one of their antique dealers responsible for a major portion of their sales is retiring. Overall sales and interest has been declining and the museum is barely breaking even after expenses to host the event. Teri is sending out a survey to AL members to gage future interest and help the staff make the best decision. Teri expects to have a decision by mid-summer.

Teri has been busy updating AL web pages and documents. She announced that revised new member packets are available for Mariann to distribute.

Jaye and Mary Liz have taken over as co-treasurers. The current balance is \$629.26. Jay

announced that a new business account for the AL has been established at Capital City Bank. In the past each treasurer set up a private account in their name. In the future it will be a matter of changing the person authorized to write checks on the account rather than having to set up a new account each time there is a transition to a new treasurer. AL members will no longer write checks to "Special Account" for application fees. Checks for app fees will be written to "Artist League." Membership fees will continue to be written to the FSU Foundation.

Linda reported that she has received one submission of images for the Image Registry. Submissions may be sent to her email at DodsonL@AOL.com.

Terrie announced that the glass guild SAGA will meet Tuesday, April 14th at 6:30 pm at Railroad Square at Ivory Tower Collective, Celeste Ivory's studio at 663 Industrial Drive.

Mark announced that the next Sketch Crawler event will be Saturday, April 25th. Send Mark an email for more information. You may also go to "WWW.SKETCHCRAWL.COM" for more information about the group.

Terrie reminded everyone that the AL show is still scheduled for the Top of the Capitol in September 2015. Prospectus was amended to add the date for delivery to the capitol which is September 1st from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Applications are due by June 2nd.

Sara reported that the next meeting of the Digital Artists Guild will be April 14th at the Conference Room at Klemen Plaza.

Jeret Madei reminded everyone to submit their entries for the Mail Show.

Teri announced that the annual Pot Luck dinner in August will be held at the museum.

The chairs' meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Terrie brought the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

General announcements:

- Mark and Sara announced that they are going to the Seattle Museum of Glass this summer.
- FSU Graduate Artists' Show opens Friday April 10th at the museum
- Creative Tallahassee Show at City Hall opens Friday April 10th
- Sara announced that the Digital Artists' Guild will meet April 14th at Klemen Plaza

Kent announced that he and Mariann will share responsibilities for the Member Spotlight. They will meet with Teri to discuss future plans.

Teri announced that the museum is considering canceling the annual Art and Antiques Fair. She will be sending out a survey with three questions for members:

1. Should the league continue or cancel the Art and Antiques Fair?
2. Should the days be cut back from 3 to 2 days?
3. Are you planning to apply to be in the show?

The museum staff will use the survey to help gauge the interest and viability of continuing this event.

Mariann requested that members submit ideas to the program committee for programs for next year.

Jeret reminded members about the Mail Show which will be part of the Summer Annual this year. To participate, members need to artfully decorate an envelope. It can then be mailed to the AL address at the FSU Museum, or mailed to yourself and hand delivered to the museum. You may also be able to take the envelope to the post office and have them hand cancel the envelope and give back to you immediately for hand delivery to the museum.

Linda reminded members about submitting images for the Image Registry.

Terrie reminded members about the September show on the 22nd Floor of the Florida Capitol. A revised prospectus with more dates was passed out at the meeting. Applications are due June 2nd. Terrie requests that everyone submit up to three images. Selected art will be delivered to the capitol on September 1st from 11:00 am until 1:00 pm. Selected work will be delivered under the Capitol. Plan to drive under the capitol, hand your work to one of the art assistants, and drive on through.

Members welcomed visitor Jenny Milne, a guest of Roxane McGinniss.

The General Meeting was adjourned at 7:21 pm for a short break before the round table discussion.

The meeting was called back to order at 7:40 pm. The program was the 13th edition of the Artists' Life Series: "To Be or Not To Be"

The discussion centered around three questions:

1. What is an artist?
2. Are you one?
3. How did you reach this conclusion?

What followed was a very lively and thought provoking discussion of what it means to be an artist.

Members shared many personal stories of how art has influenced and continues to influence their daily lives.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Chuck Corbett