

Artists' League Minutes by Mark Fletcher from September 5th, 2017/2018 planning meeting

Committee Chairs meeting:

Chair: Sara Chang

Minutes: Mark Fletcher

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Sara Chang.

Chairs Present: Mariann Kearsley, Sara Chang, Mark Fletcher, Kent Griffin, Mary Liz Tippin-Moody, Viki Thompson Wylder, Linda Horton Dodson.

Old Business:

Committee Reports

1. Sara Chang reported that she sent out the usual publicity announcements to all the appropriate venues.
2. Mark Fletcher announced next World-wide Sketchcrawl will be hosted by Gadsden Arts Center and Museum on Oct 28th. at Quincyfest/Porchfest. We also will have an exhibit at the Tallahassee Museum in conjunction with their 60th Anniversary (possibly Oct 21, Date not set yet). Check the Website for updates: www.sketchcrawl.com
3. Leslie Puckett was absent, but the Professional Development Award went to Michael Jernigan this year.
4. Special Accounts: Jay Houle was absent, but Sara Chang reported that on the Artist League account and Mary Liz offered to help with the committee.
5. Graphics/Community Liaison Mary Liz printed 4 designs for the League to vote on tonight. She is working to get an affordable vendor.
6. Glass Guild Bob Jones was absent: no report submitted.
7. Paper Guild Julie Walker was absent: no report submitted.
8. Sarah Chang announced that Barb Psimas, Bob Jones and Ron Yravedra currently have an exhibit at Lemoyne.
9. The Arts and Antiques Fair will be different this year. MoFA will no longer process credit cards for vendors, but will pay for vendors' parking passes. An "ap" like "Square"/dangle/chip reader will be available for purchase.
10. Marianne Kearsley had no news for the new members committee.
11. Linda Horton Dodson (Image Registry chair) invited all members to submit and her husband will reformat files appropriately.
12. Black Light Guild liaison and Instagram developer Perdita Ross was absent, but is working on new shows for the Black Light Guild.
13. Terrie Corbett (Top of the Capitol Building and Laurie Jones Award of Excellence organizer) was absent but is working on our exhibit at the State Capitol Gallery.
14. Viki Thompson Wylder said the Membership committee chair will rotate and October's meeting will be announced by email.
15. Kent Griffin (member's spotlight organizer) will ask Nick Adams (alternate Amanda Boekhout) for one member's spotlight, and Yoshiko Murdick for another
16. Sarah Chang reported that the Digital Artist Guild is no longer meeting.
17. Mark Fletcher (Programs and Speakers co-chair) announced that the Programs and Speakers Committee met Saturday, Sept. 2. Dr. Viki Thompson Wylder organized and led the meeting attended by Sara Chang, Mark Fletcher, Kent Griffin, Bob Jones and Mariann Kearsley. Viki typed up the results and calendar for our Speakers and Programs for last year (2016-2017). She also planned and led the September meeting to determine our Artists' League Goals and Projects for this coming year (2017-2018).

New Business:

General membership meeting:

Three New Members joined us tonight: Melissa Gonzalez, Fred San Guliano and Toni Walmsley! Thanks to Marianne Kearsley for working on new members' packets and greeting. Veteran members please introduce yourselves and help our new art friends to feel Welcome!

Questions and Comments from members present were fielded after general announcements. Programs/project ideas could be submitted tonight or anytime during the year. These can be submitted via email to marylizmoody@yahoo.com

We skipped the break because nobody needed one.

Dr. Viki Thompson Wylder announced changes for the Art and Antiques Show this year: MoFA will no longer process credit cards for vendors, but will pay for vendors' parking passes.

Sara Chang announced our special account has \$727.34. This will be spent down to the acceptable limit very soon.

Planning Session:

Dr. Viki Thompson Wylder organized and led the preliminary Programs and Speakers Committee meeting on Saturday Sept 2, 2017. This meeting was attended by Sara Chang, Mark Fletcher, Kent Griffin, Bob Jones and Mariann Kearsley. Viki typed up the results and calendar for our Speakers and Programs for 2017-2018. She also planned and led the September meeting to determine our Artists' League Goals and Projects for this coming year.

Dr. Viki Thompson Wylder once again tracked, archived our Art League's accomplishments and exhibits over the past year. We met or exceeded almost every goal/project. Viki documented and briefly reviewed the 3 pages/21 accomplishments for us in tonight's meeting. Viki also went over our planned programs/speakers schedule for the general membership. All present tonight received print copies. Thanks and Congratulations to our hard-working committee members!
Thanks Viki!

Also thanks to [Mary Liz Moody](#) for facilitating updates, information and email distribution for voting night, and follow-up support on the minutes! She is also doing a great job with our Graphics, initiating some new ideas.

Members discussed then voted for 1. a workshop (selected from league suggestions collected in the past 12 months), 2. a community outreach item, and 3. a special Museum project. Planned exhibits for 2017-2018 are already approved/in the planning stages.

Items suggested but not chosen for this year are generally rolled over and reconsidered next year.

Here are the projects/workshop the League voted for the 2017-2018:

By far, the workshop/projects that received the greatest number of votes were:

1. A collaborative collage **workshop** merging Artists' League talent with Tallahassee Senior Center at a Leon County Outreach facility with a theme.
2. **Our community outreach** this year is to give a \$50-\$100 gift to a needy art teacher for supplies to enable teaching.
3. Our **special Museum project** this year is a partnership with the Plant on Gaines Street, City Hall and Anderson Brickler on a project titled: "**Waging Peace**". MoFA's Artists' League is looking for people to help plan.

Exhibits. Two exhibits are already in the planning stage:

1.
Our summer Annual Exhibit alternates themed and not-themed. This is a theme year and the theme is "Global Warning".
2. Terrie Corbett is working with the Department of State on our exhibit at the top of the Capitol Building. Some materials/forms will be required in spring 2018, the actual Exhibit will probably be in September 2018. Most likely Art drop off will be just after Labor Day 2018.

Meeting was adjourned early because of efficient voting by Sara Chang.