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OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT - Here's the latest news.....

We read in the Euclid Observer that the Church has opened their doors again on October 4 for services inside, with temp checks, masks and social distancing. I talked with them recently and they look forward to having us back (with the same restrictions). However, they are using this downtime to do some much needed kitchen renovations. Maybe we could be back by Christmas??? In the meantime, check out our special video offering, participate in the 2nd EAA Sketchers event and hopefully, we'll be back meeting live again soon. Read on....

An apology: I personally wish to apologize to all the members for my less than satisfactory presentation at our opening meeting in September. Being new to ZOOMing, I did some practice runs and thought I had the bugs worked out, but no... Even in failure one can learn and I promise to do better next time. - Lee

SPECIAL VIDEO OFFER

Thanks to David and Deanna Rankin, we became aware of the Susan Kathleen Black (SKB) Foundation. Annually, SKB holds artist workshops in Dubois, WY. Due to covid, this year's artist rendezvous and workshops were also held virtually. The event was called MEGAZoom. It featured a selection of 20 top artists from all over the planet for five days in September. Several of our members were in virtual attendance. The SKB Foundation made recordings of all their zoom workshops. We are pleased to announce that EAA's Program Director, Joan Milligan asked and received permission from SKB for EAA to share selected videos as a virtual offering to our members for the next six months. Special thanks to the Susan Kathleen Black Foundation for allowing us to use their workshop videos.

The first offering is Jan Martin McGuire, *An Artist in Africa.* "Visit Jan Martin McGuire live in her studio in Tanzania on the slopes of Mount Merui. Jan will show us around her studio, and tell some intriguing stories about working in Africa. She will also share her techniques as she works on the current **acrylic painting** on her easel." Remember when viewing this video....it's coming to us from Tanzania, with all its technical challenges. It's definitely worth watching!

Background: Jan Martin McGuire is totally hooked on Africa, the nature and the wildlife. After traveling for ten years to this continent, she and her husband packed up and moved to Tanzania. Working in acrylics, Jan creates the fine details, textures and lighting that are the hallmarks of her work. Manipulating the paint with her brushes, sponges, saran-wrap and fingers, Jan creates lifelike renditions of fur, feathers, mosses and rocks. The surrounding habitat is always scientifically correct, yet an artistic backdrop to the main subject of the wildlife she is depicting. Jan's goal is for the viewer not to feel as if they are viewing a fine painting, but rather, that they are actually seeing and experiencing the scene itself. You may view this presentation at the following link...

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BhiGfAPr3Hg&feature=emb_logo

EAA SKETCHERS

The second gathering of the **EAA Sketchers** will be held **Sunday, October 18, from 1 - 3:00p.m.** at the Euclid Creek Reservation Quarry picnic area. Quarry Picnic Area is located off Euclid Creek Parkway, near the Green Road entrance. The fall colors ought to be popping and Euclid Creek provides a plethora of scenic views for sketching, drawing, plein-air painting and photography. Bring your art gear (medium of your choice), something to sit on, water & snacks. Hope to see you all there, in person no less! Contact Joan Milligan, call 440-527-1917 or email <u>artsiegirl826@aol.com</u>, if participating. *Weather permitting....if too wet or too cold for you, just don't come*.

CITY HALL EXCHANGE

October normally means it's time for City Hall Exchange, but there's nothing normal about 2020. City Hall remains CLOSED to walk in visitors. Our artwork will remain on their walls unless you need to have a picture returned to you. If that is the case, please contact Linda Beck, Secretary to the Mayor, at lbecl@cityofeuclid.com or call 216-289-2786 to make an appointment for pickup.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FOR THE 2020-2021 SEASON

We are asking members to please **renew your membership by November 1** to be included in our new membership booklet. The booklet cover will commemorate our good friend, Wali Neil. We will be mailing the new booklets out to everyone this year and we want your name to be included in the booklet **without an *asterisk**. The asterisk next to your name is like '*a scarlet letter*'. So, please renew! EAA is giving **renewing members only**, **a \$5.00 discount** for 2020-2021. (Single \$20, Joint \$25, Associate \$25, Student \$6). Please mail your renewal to Membership Chairperson, Mary Ann Gambitta, 1232 Quartz Court, Willoughby, OH 44094. Make check payable to Euclid Art Association.

WORKSHOPS PLANNED

We have **CANCELLED** David Rankin's **October 23, 24, 25, 2020** workshop, "*God Made Winter for Watercolor*", due to continued covid concerns as we go into the fall season. However, David will be doing Zoom watercolor workshops later in the fall. We will keep you posted.

May 21, 22, 23, 2021, David Rankin, 3-day workshop - "Lighthouses, Seascapes & Skies I". Full! However, if you are interested, please put your name on the waitlist. Details on the Workshops page at EuclidArt.com.

To register contact: Susan Herrle to register, call 216-481-5105 or email: suetom.herrle@sbcglobal.net,

include EAA in subject line.

MEMBER NEWS

Bernie Russ and Terese Berzinskas have an exhibit of their artworks at the Kirtland Library through the month of October. Most of their paintings have been done since Covid. Congrats on this very nice display of your art!

Congratulations to **Cheryl Brickman!** She is honored to be asked to participate in these three shows and she won

awards, too! In the Creative Space Gallery show, "The Best of The

Best", in Avon, she won first place in both, photography and graphic. At Stella's Art Gallery, downtown Willoughby, "*The ODDBALL Art Show*", Oct 9 - Nov 9, she won 2nd place in both 2D & 3D categories. And, in Ursuline College's "*New Masters 2, Women Artists of Northeast Ohio*", Nov. 6 to Jan. 1, her sculpture entry "I am Because You Were" was accepted.

Joan Milligan and Deborah Kramarz were among the volunteers who helped paint the community mural, "*Keep Euclid Beautiful*" project on the Babbitt Road retaining wall near the Amazon complex. Joan and Rozenia Cunningham served on the panel of judges who picked the winning muralist for this project. Enjoy these pictures...



Pat Simmons wants artists to know about the Geauga Park District's call for entries for the "*What's the Buzz? Insect & Arachnid Inspired Art Exhibition*" planned for the beginning 2021. For more info contact Teresa Runion, Special Events Coordinator, on 440.279.0882 or email her at trunion@geaugaparkdistrict.org.

Walt Neil's legacy was honored at a mural commemoration ceremony in Columbus, OH on October 9th. The mural is located on Fenlon Street on the Worth parking garage.

CLOSING THOUGHT

"To err is Human and to screw things up really badly it takes a Computer" – Too many people to mention

