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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT ...

Hi everybody. In past years we did not send out newsletters in July and August, but I feel that it is important to keep our members updated on our plans for the up coming season. Our summer newsletters give us a chance to stay in touch with you and to share items that come to our attention. We do have something fun scheduled for July. Read about the EAA Sketchers event below, scheduled for July 18.

The Church will open again by our September meeting, which is scheduled for the week after Labor Day, **Monday**, **September 13**. We will follow whatever protocols are set by the Church...more on that later. I would like to stream our monthly meetings on ZOOM for members who can't be there in person, but that depends on wi-fi connectivity in the Church's basement! As the schedule for the year develops, we may also have a few Zoom monthly meetings....likely in the winter months.

Euclid Public Library has assured us that we are welcomed back for our Spring Fine Art Show in 2022. We will continue to have virtual shows as well, especially in the late Fall and Winter months. Virtual shows also open up the prospect of members from across the U.S.A., indeed, from around the world to join in.

## **IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP**

Membership renewal for 2021-2022 starts now! The new season officially begins July 1. Cost of renewal has been reset back to pre-covid rates. . . Single \$25, Joint or Associate \$30, Student \$11. Mail your check to our Membership Chairperson, Mary Ann Gambitta, 1232 Quartz Court, Willoughby, OH 44094. Make your check payable to Euclid Art Association. Thank you.

## THANK YOU

The **Members' Art Critique Night** was held June 7th on Zoom. We thank artist, **Sharlene Green**, who also judged our virtual spring show, for one of the best critiques we've ever had. We had 25 participants on Zoom and there were 20 pieces of art in the critique, including the Best of Show and 1st place winners from the Virtual Spring Fine Art Show. We picked up lots of good pointers that we can apply to our own art. To learn more about the criteria Sharlene used to judge our spring show and to see what she said about members' art go to the <u>Events page</u> on our website.

#### EAA SKETCHERS

The next EAA Sketchers event is **Sunday, July 18 from 1-3p.m.** at the **Mechanicsville Road Covered Bridge**. We will meet there to sketch, draw, paint or take pictures. Then, come together around 3p.m. to share what we did. We may even see bald eagles as there is a nesting pair in the area. The Harpersfield Covered Bridge is very close to this bridge. You may want to check it out as well! Hope to see you there!! Call Joan for more details or questions at 440-527-1917.

**Directions:** The address is 1359 Windsor Mechanicsville Road in Geneva. Take Route 90 east to the Route 534 exit. Make a right. Go to Route 307 and make a left. Go to Windsor Mechanicsville Rd and make a right. About a mile down the road you'll come to the bridge. Make a right at the road (Sexton) in front of the bridge. There is parking on the left next to the bridge. The oldest tavern in Ashtabula is across the street, Grand River Manor circa 1847.

## THE EVERGREEN ARTISTS HAVE GRACIOUSLY INVITED . . .

the Euclid Art Association to participate in their next Zoom demo. They are hosting a watercolor demo by <u>Kevin</u> <u>Buckland</u> at 7:00pm EDT on Monday, July 12. If you are interested in zooming in, you must register first. Please register ASAP by emailing your request to <u>EACorpEvents@gmail.com</u>. A Zoom link will be sent to you on July 11. As



a thank you for Evergreen inviting EAA to participate in their Zoom demos, we are offering the Evergreen Artists the opportunity to participate in our Workshops at member pricing.

# **SKB FREE ZOOM & SHARE**

SKB's workshop for 2021, "Celebrating 20 Years of Artistic Excellence", is in Dubois, WY on September 12 - 17, 2021. Heard that David Rankin will be teaching several workshops! Consider signing up for SKB's 'At Home Zoom' workshops in September, only \$350 and you get access to all the videos to view over and over again. As soon as their detailed agenda is available, we will share it with you.

To entice artists to participate, either in-person or via Zoom, the Susan Kathleen Black Foundation(SKB) has been offering FREE two hour Zoom & Share sessions with famous artists. Up next . . . Artist, Guy Combs, based in Arizona, grew up in Kenya surrounded by wildlife and the paintings of his father, Simon Combes. Join SKB on Tuesday, July 6 from 1 - 3p.m. EDT. The link will be shared with everyone as soon as it's available. If you missed any of the seven previous free Zoom & Share sessions, links are available at https://skbworkshop.com.

## WORKSHOPS ... PLANNING HAS STARTED

Back on the schedule at the Gallery. . . October 23 & 24, 2021, David Rankin workshop "God Made Winter for Watercolor". This was canceled last October due to Covid. Details will be posted on the website soon, but you can sign up already. It's two full days and cost for members is \$135. Contact Sue Herrle at suetom.herrle@sbcglobal.net or call on 216-481-5105 to register now! Include EAA in the subject line, please.

Planned for November 6 & 7, 2021 ... Collage Workshop with Mary "Mo" Mosyjowski. "Learn to collage using the elements and principles of design. Learn how to take trash to treasure." We are working out the details now.

In the planning stage, a winter Zoom watercolor workshop with David for either January or February, 2022. We are looking for suggestions on what you'd like David to teach!

Several members expressed an interest in learning how Sandi Richards makes her amazing, award winning 'watercolor batiks on rice paper'. This is a HEADS UP! Sandi has been in contact with her friend and artist/teacher, Kathie George. We've learned that Kathie is planning to offer either a Fall of 2021 or Spring of 2022 "Designing Batiks with Watercolor" on Zoom. Think about it now and then act quickly...when the class is offered it fills almost immediately. We'll do our best to keep you posted. Kathie can also be found on Facebook.

#### **ABOUT TOWN**

From David & Deanna Rankin - "Hope you'll join us July 17, from 1 -4p.m. for the opening reception for Watercolor Ohio 2021, the 44th Annual Juried Ohio Watercolor Society Exhibition on display at The Gallery at Lakeland Community College in Kirtland, OH. If you can't make the opening, the exhibition will run through September 3rd. David was honored to have his painting 'Elephant Gate' juried into this great exhibition."



Stuart Pearl rose to the challenge and completed his Camera Cake Challenge, as a fundraiser for the Artists Archives of the Western Reserve. Stuart serves as the Board President and each Board Member is doing a fun or crazy thing to raise money. Stu chose



to bake a cake from scratch in the shape of a camera! What a Great Accomplishment, Stu!

Peninsula Art Academy's Plein Air Event. Get ready for the biggest Plein Air Event Ever. Save the dates: October 14 - 17, 2021. First Place: \$2000 Four runner up awards of \$500 each will be given. This year's event will consist of painting in the Cuyahoga Valley National Park (map will be provided) and judged by David Rankin, internationally renowned watercolor artist and instructor. In fact, Mr. Rankin will be offering a Plein Air Zoom class at no cost to artists interested in learning techniques for success in Plein Air. Details to be determined. Registration will be required. Watch their website for details.

## **CLOSING THOUGHT**

"The Second Day of July 1776, will be the most memorable Epocha, in the History of America.—I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the Dav of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shews, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more."

- John Adams to Abigail Adams, 3 July 1776