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MESSAGE FROM LEE - HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!

With winter officially here, we've been pretty lucky....until a few days before Christmas... as far as sn*wfall. EAA has decided to hold its meetings for January, February and March via Zoom. With Zoom, we are able to bring our members together even in the worst of weather and in the comfort of their own homes. There is no need to drive out at night and possibly in a blizzard to come to a meeting, when we can just meet through the Inter-Web! This also makes things easier for our demonstrators, some of whom have to travel for many miles to be with us. For February and March, we have plans for artist demonstrations and in April we plan to resume in-person meetings at East Shore Church.

JANUARY MEETING

The next meeting is **MONDAY, JANUARY 9 on ZOOM at 7:00p.m.** Every year we like to feature a few of our members, asking them to Show & Tell us about their art. However, instead of our regular format, this January's meeting will be a "Show Us". We are asking you to participate by showing us one or two pieces of your artwork that represents your creative style, medium and interest or maybe even share "something new" that you have been doing creatively over your journey in the past year. And, we can all share our thoughts about it with you! We have very talented people in our organization and by sharing we also learn new things! Please send your images to Lee at info@EuclidArt.com on or before January 9. Come and enjoy a fun evening of art . . . *The Zoom link will be sent a few days before and a reminder on the day of the meeting*.

OUR LAST MEETING

Our annual Christmas party, catered dinner & Chinese auction fundraiser was held at the Lithuanian Club on E. 185th Street on Monday, December 5. Over 40 of us were able to attend, including Joan Milligan, whose husband got her a plane ticket for her birthday so that she could come back to Cleveland from Nebraska to be with friends and family. It was a very successful and fun evening with delicious food! A great time was had by all. Appreciation and thanks to all our volunteers who helped plan, who setup the auction, sold tickets, greeted guests and brought donations. A big thank you to Dennis McDonnell for taking pictures throughout the evening....here's the link to all his amazing photos - <u>https:// pbase.com/tileman533/euclid_art_christmas_2022&page=all</u>. Take a look!

We raised \$441 in our Chinese auction. All proceeds from the auction go to our Education Fund that allows us to offer an annual scholarship to a deserving art student from Euclid High School. Thanks to everyone who contributed to its success! There were 44 items to bid on during the auction. Auctioneers, Rozenia Cunningham and her son Jaden were excellent and entertaining while engaging members in picking the winning tickets. Many thanks to both of them.

A very special Thank You to the following 'sponsors' for their continued support of Euclid Art's auction for many years now. Bronko's donated a bottle of wine and Heinen's donated \$75 in Heinen's gift cards. We greatly appreciate their donations. Please let them know how much you appreciate their contributions to our club by frequenting their establishments.

Bronko's Beverage, 510 East 200th Street, Euclid, OH Heinen's Fine Foods, Inc. 4540 Richmond Road, Warrensville Hts, OH

One final GREAT BIG THANK YOU to the staff at the Lithuanian Club for their warm hospitality, excellent food and service. We highly recommend you visit the Lithuanian Club for a most excellent dining experience. For information call (216) 531-8318. Everyone enjoyed the party at the LC so much that we plan to hold it there again next year.

VISIT EAA "WINTER AND ITS CELEBRATIONS"

.... a themed art exhibit in coordination with the Euclid Public Library, hanging on their Gallery wall, December 1 to January 31, 2023. There are 33 artworks in the exhibit from 19 participating artists. The EPL celebrates lifelong learning this holiday with "The Gift of Stories: Winter Celebrations Around the World". Through January, the Library will feature a variety of winter celebrations "to delight your eyes and tickle your brain with decorations throughout the library, showcasing how different countries celebrate this season." It's a good time to visit the Library and see EAA's exhibit!

** ** WHAT'S UP WITH THE PLANNED VIRTUAL WINTER SHOW ** **

Do you want to have a Virtual Winter Show? As of the deadline, Friday, December 30, we only received two entries...not enough to have a show! We have two choices - cancel it or change the show dates by extending the entry deadline. We could make this a Late Winter Virtual Show. We would like your input. Let's discuss this at our January 9 Zoom meeting.

EAA SKETCHERS

New Challenge for the New Year! It's a Sketchers Twist! Go on a virtual tour of an art museum of your choice. The Louvre has a good one as does the Cleveland Museum of Art. Choose a piece of art that inspires you. Draw, paint, or photograph it. You choose the media. The "twist" is to add a new image/object into your work that is not in the original. Be creative, have fun, see where this leads you. See if we can find the "twist" in your painting at the Zoom reveal Saturday, January 28, 1 - 3p.m.

WORKSHOP

<u>"Cats on a Couch"</u> watercolor Zoomshop with artist **David Rankin**, two Saturdays, January 14 and 21, 2023. David describes this as "hardcore painting on wet surfaces" and CATS are a prefect subject....any cat, any color! Three openings left. Sign up NOW! Details on <u>EuclidArt.com</u>.

MEMBER NEWS

Char Dayton presented a collage demonstration to the Evergreen Artists group last month, sharing EAA's Sketcher challenge of incorporating a photo into a painting. The Evergreen group plans to launch a similar activity for their artists.

Suzette Cohen's art reception at the Gates Mills Branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, located at 1491 Chagrin River Rd, is January 5 from 6 - 8p.m.. There will be refreshments. All are welcome to come and view her paintings, which remain on exhibit until February 28.

EAA sends their deepest sympathy to the family of **Helen Karpoff**, who passed away on December 9. She loved participating in the Euclid Art Association and was an active member since 2015.

ABOUT TOWN

Notable local artist and friend of Euclid Art, **Christopher Leeper** posts on Facebook..."I am happy to announce Zoom classes for 2023. Classes will be in watercolor and oil. I am also scheduling private Zoom classes. Go to my website to sign up: <u>https://leepart.fineartstudioonline.com/page/28343/zoom-class-information</u>. "

Shuang Li, a renowned watercolor artist and instructor, has agreed to give **Evergreen Artists** a demo via Zoom on Monday, January 16, 2023, at 7:00p.m. (EST). Seating is limited and registration is required. Register simply by emailing <u>EACorpEvents@gmail.com</u>. After registration, you will receive a confirmation. A Zoom invitation will be sent on January 15. Euclid Art members are invited to participate...but register first!

MEMBERS ART PAGE - MAKE THIS YOUR NEW YEARS RESOLUTION!

Get your own Members Art Page on EuclidArt.com . . . a **FREE PERK** of membership. It's easy to do. Just follow the directions on the website. <u>Click here</u> for the direct link to the instructions.

CLOSING THOUGHT

"And now we welcome the new year, full of things that have never been." – Rainer Maria Rilke

