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RIP, Lee Peters, President of the Euclid Art Association 2009 - 2023. There have been so many kind words and condolences sent to us after the announcement of Lee's passing. Thanks to everyone for letting us know how special he was and what he meant to you. We were his family! Just two weeks ago, Lee did a podcast with the Euclid Public Library, called City Art, talking about the Euclid Art Association....it's excellent. <u>Click here</u> to listen. As a tribute to Lee....this newsletter will be three pages this month!

We are grateful to our Vice President, **Rozenia Cunningham** for accepting the position of President. We will carry on Lee's legacy. A **Celebration of Life for Lee** is being planned for our September, 2023 meeting.

JUNE MEETING

The Euclid Art Association's monthly meeting is in-person on **Monday**, **JUNE 5**, **at 7:00p.m**. in the Fellowship Hall of East Shore United Methodist Church, 23002 Lakeshore Blvd., in Euclid. Entrance is through the back door of the church. Doors open at 6:00pm. Parking is behind the church, in front of the church in the traffic circle or across the alley in front of the Marc's Pharmacy door. Someone will be at the door to let you in. If you come late, ring the video doorbell.

We ask those members, who are physically able, to help us with the chair-wrangling. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Come early to help. We'll be there at 6:00p.m.

It's BYOT night...BRING YOUR OWN TREATS. We will make coffee and tea. Sandi will pass around the host sign up list for the new 2023-2024 season. Please volunteer to be a refreshment host.

PROGRAM

It's our very popular, **Members' Art Critique Night**. Members are asked to **bring only one picture** to the evening's critique. Artist, **Mary Ann Boysen**, judge of our Spring Fine Art Show, will do the critique. **She hopes the prize winners will bring their winning artworks to the critique**. The new **EAA cookbook**, *The Art of Food* will be available for purchase at this meeting for \$10.

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR THE NEW SEASON

Membership renewal for 2023-2024 starts now! The new season officially begins July 1. The cost of renewal remains the same . . . Single \$25, Joint or Associate \$30, Student \$11. Come prepared to renew at the June meeting or mail your check to our Membership Chairperson, Charlene Dayton at 5143 Lynd Ave., Lyndhurst, OH 44124. Make your check payable to Euclid Art Association. Please include any updates to your contact information (address, home/cell phone, email address) along with your check. Thank you for promptly renewing your membership!

THANKS TO ALL

We thank artist, **Jeff Suntala** for demonstrating **"Shape Language in Watercolor"** at our May meeting. Jeff is well known in the Cleveland art community and many members and guests came just to see him paint. He loves repeated shapes and hints at shapes or 'shape language' in his paintings. We were amazed at the beautiful painting he created in just an hour and a half! For more information and pictures, please visit the <u>Demonstrations page</u>.

Thanks also to our May hosts, Jennifer Theil and Ginny Mancini for their delicious treats, enjoyed by all.

A great **BIG THANK YOU** to all the members who helped with the **Spring Fine Art Show** in so many ways....'it takes a club to make a successful show'. Everyone stepped up to help. It could not have happened any other way! Thank you, thank you! Special thanks to the **show judge, Mary Ann Boysen** for selecting this year's winners.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

Congratulations to the winner of the 2023 Margaret E. Hain Memorial Art Scholarship, Euclid High School Senior, **Naomi Jones**. She plans to become an elementary school art teacher. "After doing an internship where I got to teach

kids, it inspired me to make the decision to be a teacher." Congratulations to Naomi! *Update: Naomi will be working this summer for Rozenia's Summer Camp for Children.* To see Naomi's winning entries, visit the **Events page**.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The election of officers for the 2023-2024 will be **delayed** until our September meeting. We are looking for a **new Vice President**....*can we interest you in the position?* Also, we invite you to join our weekly EAA board meetings. We meet either in-person at the EAA Gallery, 21129 North St. Euclid or on Zoom *almost* every

Tuesday from 10:00a.m. to noonish. There is a lot going on this summer for which we need to plan. Please help by joining the Board meetings.

EAA SPRING FINE ART SHOW

President Lee Peters sat beaming with pride at the May 17 reception for the 2023 Spring Fine Art Show at Euclid Public Library. With the week-long exhibit, the first since 2019, EAA revived its annual tradition, welcomed by the community and returning members alike. Four works of art were sold, along with fundraiser cookbooks featuring favorite recipes from Euclid Art events. J. P. Kilroy won the raffle of an original framed photograph. The WOW! (Wall of Winners) in the EPL Art Gallery included ribbon winners until the end of May.



BEST OF SHOW: Bernadette Russ - Yellow Roses

1st PLACE: Eddie Mitchell - A Fabulous Finale, Oil & Acrylic; **Bernadette Russ** - Peony Parade, Watercolor; **Ellen Howard** - Dying with Grace, Graphic Art; **Sandi Richards** - Poppies on Parade, Mixed Media; **Nancy Daly** - Going Home, Photography

2nd PLACE: Ginny Mancini - Looking into Monet's Water, Oil & Acrylic;

Ellen Howard - Figure with Black Drape, Watercolor; Terese Berzinskas - Moth Orchid, Graphic Art; Ellen Howard - Playing Card Carnage, Mixed Media; Dennis McDonnell - A Day at the Beach, Photography

3rd PLACE: John Koch - A Walk in the Park, Oil & Acrylic;

Susan Herrle - Mountain View, Watercolor; Terese Berzinskas - Garden Kale, Graphic Art; Suzette Cohen - America the Beautiful, Mixed Media; Dennis McDonnell - On the Way to Mexico, Photography

> Honorable Mention - Rozenia Cunningham, Charlene Dayton(2), Cheri Gardiner, Sandra Johnson, John Suhy

EAA SKETCHERS

EAA Sketchers is 'taking a break' but will be back this summer. Watch for updates in the newsletters.

WORKSHOP

Another **David Rankin** Zoomshop intensive, "<u>Using Paint-into-Wet Watercolor Brushwork</u>" is scheduled for two consecutive Saturdays, July 8 and 15, 1 - 4p.m. The visual magic of watercolor lies in the artful process of painting into a wet surface. This is an intermediate/ advanced watercolor class. Space limited to 10. Sign up now. Contact Sue Herrle at <u>suetom.herrle@sbcglobal.net</u>. Details are posted on the website.

MEMBERS ART & GALLERY RUMMAGE SALE

Rozenia, Cynthia, Deb, Char and Lee, too, were busy this spring cleaning out the EAA Gallery space. A very BIG job! There was 65 years of collected 'stuff' to sort through, save or throw out! Lots of artworks, pictures, old wooden frames and other assorted items will be

on sale at the rummage sale scheduled for **Saturday**, **August 26**, **from 11:00a.m. until 4:00p.m.** Members will also have the opportunity to set up 'outside' to sell their artworks during this widely advertised event. More details to follow from Rozenia. Stay tuned!

MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to **Sandy Johnson!** Two of her watercolors were accepted in the juried exhibition at Cuyahoga Valley Art Center, "Young Girl" and "Sunny Morning". She received an Honorable Mention for "Young Girl". The judge's comment was, "What a lovely, loose rendering. Very rich colors and bold brushwork. It's great to see the temptation to overwork resisted." The show runs through June 1.

CLOSING THOUGHT

"I can't draw a stick figure to save my life. So they made me President" — Lee Peters





Remembrances & Tribute to Lee Peters, 2023



Lee was a jovial character with a lively mind, a kind of Santa Claus meets AI. Thanks to his technological expertise, he could create and share all sorts of visual and musical products that reflected his fun-

loving imagination. Ellen

... a kind, caring and thoughtful man with a wonderful and quirky sense of humor that took us in many directions. His





love of computers, photography, music and AI knew no limits. He constantly challenged us to think outside the box...a man definitely ahead of his time! He was our very own Santa Claus, who touched our lives in so many ways. The kindest man I knew, he will be greatly missed. Joan

I'll always remember his mischievous smile when he put one over on the Board with his new Al artwork. Some of which I didn't understand but found interesting. Loved his Christmas music selections, old, new, ethnic and quirky pieces. Sandi

Ditto here, plus...being of the same political persuasion, we'll miss talking with Lee about what's happening in the world. He had keen instincts in this area. Missing lunches with him after board meetings and our bantering back and forth, especially on how many pages the newsletter should be!

Sue and Tom





He was our rock, an outstanding president & good friend to all. He took an interest in everyone's art and was never critical. Lee was always kind to me. Nancy



Reminds me of last month's newsletter, where Lirpa Loof comments, "Thanks to my Neural-link brain implant, President Lee Peters was the only person at the meeting who could see me!"

Lee was a walking time capsule filled with EAA artifacts, whimsical stories, technology tips, and musical tidbits with loud music. He was a people person that loved talking and helping others. He loved being EAA President and being a computer club member. During our meetings a sweet treat was a favorite too. Rozenia



