

Euclid Art Association

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* * * * HAVE YOURSELF A MERRY LITTLE CHRISTMAS * * *

CHRISTMAS PARTY, CATERED DINNER & CHINESE AUCTION FUNDRAISER

It's **MONDAY, DECEMBER 4th** and 52 members and their guests rsvp'd by the deadline! The attached party invitation is for you. We look forward to seeing you for a "merry good time" and delicious food.

Location: The Lithuanian Club, 877 E 185 Street at Kewanee Ave, Cleveland 44119 in the Gintaras Dining Room, handicapped accessible. Parking lot is at the rear of the building. This year the Chinese auction will be set up in the bar area giving us more room in the main dining room to comfortably accommodate everyone.

Time: The doors open at 5:00p.m. Please <u>arrive before 5:30p.m.</u> with your auction items. Buffet dinner will be served at 6:15p.m. with the Chinese Auction immediately after.

What to Bring for the 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. Please donate one or more items for this fundraiser. Suggested items – gift cards, certificates from local merchants, restaurants or movie theaters, collectibles, gift baskets, candy, wine, artwork, art books. Use your imagination!

What is a Chinese Auction: For the benefit of newer members, a Chinese auction allows you to bid on donated item(s) you may want by placing one or more tickets in the brown paper bag associated with that item. The tickets are 3 for \$1. You can increase your chances of winning by buying more and more tickets. *Make sure you keep one ticket and place the other ticket in the bag next to the item*. The chance of winning depends on the total number of tickets bid by all individuals for each item. The auction begins after dinner. One winning ticket is drawn from the bag beside each item and if you hold that winning ticket, the item is yours. Remember, this is for a very good cause! And, it's a lot of fun....

Volunteers: Ellen Howard, Char Dayton, Cynthia Beacham, Marianne Monaghan, Cheri Gardiner, Sue Herrle, Sandi Richards ... thank you for volunteering. **Please arrive at 5:00p.m.** to set up the auction and sell tickets.

To those of you who can't come on December 4th, we'll miss you and hope to see you in 2024. We kick off the new year with Members' Show & Tell Night in January on Zoom.

THANKS TO ALL

Many thanks to artist, **Anna Arnold**, painter, educator and current director at Wasmer Gallery at Ursuline College for demonstrating at our November meeting. Her demo "**Expressive Portrait Painting from the Imagination!**" was definitely imaginative. "Start with nothing," she said....a method she called organized chaos. Other than knowing it would be a portrait, Anna had no idea what would come next. She let energy



in the room move her brush from acrylic paint to canvas. She could feel the piece tell her what it wanted next. Talking with us the whole time about her life's journey, we watched her 'expressive' portrait evolve, promising to eventually share the finished piece with us.



We also thank new EAA members, **Aaron Parker**, a professional photographer, videographer and owner of Parkerfotos Photography, and his wife, **Beatrice**. Aaron was responsible for the professional A/V setup which allowed everyone to watch Anna's demo on the big screen. Anna said, "I felt like I was in Hollywood!"

Thanks to **Cheri Gardiner** and **Lillian Anderson** for bringing the evenings' treats . . . a charcuterie board shaped like a turkey, with fruit, veggies, cheese and salami properly placed and plus crackers and cookies, too.

DON'T FORGET TO ENTER – EAA VIRTUAL (*LEAP YEAR*) WINTER SHOW

Let's "light up" our website, as we leap into 2024....by having a **Virtual Winter Show @EuclidArt.com**. This is a great opportunity for all, especially for our out-of-town members to 'show off' their artwork. We have members residing in Nebraska, New Hampshire, Georgia, Louisiana, North Carolina, and Texas! Here's the details...below:

EAA VIRTUAL (LEAP YEAR) WINTER SHOW @EUCLIDART.COM

TIMEFRAME: January 8, 2024 through February 29, 2024

WHO: Members only. No cost to enter.

WHERE: Show will be posted on <u>EuclidArt.com</u>, Art Shows page, later on Facebook and YouTube.

SUBMISSIONS: Limit <u>two entries</u> per member. Include name, title, medium (*just like regular show label*). Take a good photo of each item, preferably 300 dpi quality. Send large or actual file size, as opposed to small. Save image in a .jpg file and send to info@euclidart.com by deadline date of **December 18, 2023**.

Notes: This is not a themed winter show. It is just a show held during winter.

AWARDS: People's Choice Award featured in newsletter, Facebook and website. \$25 cash award. **SALES:** Contact the artist or send request with name of artist and title of work to info@euclidart.com.

EAA SKETCHERS

The next challenge will be an **Art Scramble** with the reveal on Sunday, January 28, 2024 from 1-3p.m. Remember this? Joan randomly picks a subject and art style. It's your challenge to create an image in any medium that best reflects this combination. To receive your challenge, contact Joan at artsiegirl826@aol.com. DO IT NOW, so you don't forget!

PRESIDENTIAL CHALLENGE - "24 NEW MEMBERS IN 2024"

Where do we stand so far? Six new members and six members rejoined. That's a great start...let's keep it going!

WORKSHOPS

New coordinator has been named - thank you to **Pam Montagno**. Look for workshops to start up in the spring of 2024.

MEMBER NEWS

NEW...EAA Members Only Facebook Page. Please join. Membership will be approved by our administrators, Rozenia Cunningham or VickiRatliff. This is a place where we can come together to share our skills and stories about our creative process and experiences. Tell us about art news, events, and workshops, including calls for art show entries. Seek advice about artwork that you're creating or simply let us take a peek. Post art supplies that you would like to sell or exchange. Let's get to know and support one another more! For more information, email info@euclidart.com.

NEW...EAA has partnered with Shore Cultural Centre, 291 E. 222nd, Euclid. Members' artworks are now on display and for sale on the first floor at Shore. Stop by during business hours to view the artworks hanging down the hallways near the main auditorium, office, and above the glass display case. Lee Peters photographs and digital creations are also being displayed there. Come during the Euclid Tree Lighting Event at Shore Cultural Centre on Dec. 1st from 5p.m. -8p.m. Enjoy the many children activities, vendors, live music, ice sculpting, and more. Santa will be there too! Representing EAA, Rozenia and Vicki painted the large plywood, City of Euclid holiday greeting card for Shore's outdoor display. Cynthia Beacham painted a card, too. Look for them at the tree lighting event on Dec. 1st...on display thru January, 2024.

Congrats to **Suzette Cohen**. She had five out of five mixed media works accepted into the Bricolage Show at Stella's Art Gallery. "This is the first time I had all my entered artwork accepted into a show at Stella's." Show runs to Dec. 4th.

Vicki Ratliff had two pieces accepted in the Morgan Maker's Exhibition at the Morgan Conservatory, 1754 E. 47th St. Cleveland, on view Dec. 8 - Jan. 6, 2024. The exhibit features the scope of talent in paper, book and print that can be found there. Congratulations, Vicki!

Rozenia Cunningham has a themed winter art exhibit at the Euclid Public Library in December and her students will be exhibiting their artwork by the fireplace. Stop by and see it!

CLOSING THOUGHT

"Kindness is like snow—it beautifies everything it covers." — Kahlil Gibran







Merry Christmas. . . Happy Hanukah. . . . Happy New Year