

# Euclid Art Association

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## LEAP (Live Everyday for Art, Please!) DAY THIS MONTH

How will you spend your extra day? EAA has lots of suggestions and **new offerings**, as you will see as you read through this newsletter. Rozenia has been quite busy, as have the rest of the board members! New - Open Studio Day at the EAA Gallery, Art Tech Group starting up, EAA's YouTube channel activated, Members only FaceBook page. You could also create or update your bio for EAA's Bio book. Don't forget to Zoom into our February meeting, view our Virtual Winter Show and vote, plus participate in EAA Sketchers. We would love to have you join our Tuesday board meetings. (For time and place, email info@euclidart.com.) Planning has started for our Spring Fine Art Show in May and our annual EHS Scholarship Award.

Looking ahead . . . we will Zoom again in March and resume in-person meetings at East Shore Church for April, May and June. Hostesses are needed to provide refreshments, two for May and June...please volunteer by contacting Sandi Richards at <a href="mailto:sandir@att.net">sandir@att.net</a>.

## **FEBRUARY MEETING**

Our next monthly meeting is **Monday, February 5 at 7:00p.m. on Zoom**. We are featuring member artist, **Chris Cozen** demonstrating "**The Role of Color and Stencils in Acrylic Composition**". Chris Cozen is a self-trained acrylic and mixed-media artist, who loves color, pattern, and line. She was trained in the use and understanding of acrylic products through years of affiliation with Golden Artists Colors, Inc., where she worked as a Certified Working Artist and Artist Educator. An active acrylic instructor since 2008, she published five books on the subject and produced over 10 DVDs through Artists Network. She currently serves as the Education Coordinator for the Artists Council in Palm Desert where she coordinates classes, workshops and lectures as well as teaches. Her favorite subject matter comes





from nature. Chris uses her camera to capture what interests her. She then uses the images as inspiration to manipulate, expand, explore, and create. Guaranteed to be an informative and interesting 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 - THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED







We started off 2024 with our annual and very popular **Members Show and Tell, January 8** on Zoom....the best way to get together on a cold and dark January night! We had 24 participants and many actively embraced the January theme when telling us about their art. Members were asked to take inspiration from the ancient Roman god Janus, for which the month of January is named. For more information and pictures, visit the <u>Events page</u> or click here.

## HAVE YOU VIEWED EAA'S VIRTUAL (LEAP YEAR) WINTER SHOW, January 8 - February 29, 2024

Go to the Art Shows page on <u>EuclidArt.com</u> or <u>click here</u>. There are 42 stunning pieces of art from 21 talented EAA members. **Vote for your favorite!** The show is now available on YouTube at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?">https://www.youtube.com/watch?</a> v=eafladESDmc. Share it with family and friends!

Everyone can vote...through February 29! Vote for one....your most favorite! As you 'walk' through the images in the show, take note of your favorite one. We've made it easy to remember your favorite, just jot down the number below the image. Then email your choice to <a href="info@euclidart.com">info@euclidart.com</a>, include EAA - VOTE in the subject line and say "I VOTE FOR #XXX". It's that easy. Winner of the People's Choice award will be announced at the March meeting.

#### **EAA SKETCHERS**

The **January Art Scramble Reveal** was Sunday, January 28, on Zoom. Over ten members shared their creations, a combination of art style and subject randomly selected....examples mosaic/cars, contemporary/space, stamps/night. Everyone had fun letting their creative 'juices' flow! Here's the **challenge for February** - create an artwork reflecting a holiday or observance in the month of February. Your choice, for example, Valentines Day, Black History Month, Presidents Day, Chinese New Year, Ground Hog Day, Leap Day, etc. Reveal will be **Sunday**, **Feb. 25, 1 -3:00p.m.** 











#### HEADS UP... SPRING FINE ART SHOW, MAY 11 - 18 AT EUCLID PUBLIC LIBRARY

Planning has started and there's lots of work to do. We need your ACTIVE participation in so many ways to make this show successful. Lots of members stepped forward to help in 2023 and we know you will again! Our art show coordinator, Ellen Howard will not be available from show set-up through show take-down. Thus, we are looking for one or more of you to step up to be the Assistant Show Coordinator for the week. Interested? Let us know. More information will be forthcoming in our next newsletter and on the website. *Start working on your art entries, now!* 

## THE EAA BIO BOOK

Do you have an artist biography in EAA's Bio Book? Maybe it needs to be updated? Since this "bio book" is available to guests at the Spring Fine Art Show, it provides an excellent opportunity for visitors to learn more about you. Standard size pages are encased in plastic sleeves, and include profiles, resumes, photos and contact information. Use your extra day this month to update or create one. Email bio as a .pdf or Word document to Ellen Howard at <a href="mailto:mickmesh@aol.com">mickmesh@aol.com</a>.

## NEW - OPEN ART STUDIO DAY, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17 FROM 3 - 5:00P.M.

... at the Euclid Art Gallery, 21129 North Street, Euclid, 44117. **Open Art Studio** offers members a creative gathering space for drawing, painting and using a variety of mediums and genres. The 'free' studio is designed for beginners to advance artists to come out once per month. Bring your art supplies and snacks. Show your art and share your ideas and techniques with one another. Work on your own art or a group lesson. Enjoy our Art Library, too. Let's have fun, create art, and bond! Sign-up by sending interest to <a href="mailto:info@euclidart.com">info@euclidart.com</a> by Thursday, February 15. Indicate "Open Studio Day" in subject line. An EAA confirmation will follow. Call Rozenia Cunningham with any questions. Her number is in your membership directory.

## **NEW - ART TECH GROUP STARTING**

Having problems connecting on Zoom or emailing an art entry? Curious about EAA's Facebook page or members only group? Not sure how to get started? There will soon be an opportunity for us to explore and learn about using these and other technologies related to art! Vicki Ratliff will coordinate a small group of interested members who will meet, learn, teach and share with each other what they know about the 'technical' side of art. It's important that both beginners and more experienced people get involved. Let Vicki know if you are interested. Contact her by phone, email, or text. Phone: 216-925-8075. Email: vbkay54@gmail.com.

## **NEW - EAA YOUTUBE CHANNEL**

EAA had a YouTube channel in the past, but the password went to *'heaven with Lee'*. Rozenia has opened a new EAA channel and has already posted several videos....the Virtual Winter Show video, plus a video about art shows and membership. Check out this link: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vk2B-xFEHi8">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vk2B-xFEHi8</a>. Subscribe and become a member.

## NEW ... HAVE YOU JOINED EAA'S MEMBERS ONLY FACEBOOK PAGE?

**Please join.** There are 12 members so far. Membership will be approved by 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 <a href="mailto:info@euclidart.com">info@euclidart.com</a>.

#### **CLOSING THOUGHT**