

Euclid Art Association

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CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S MARCH ALREADY...

Spring and the Easter bunny are just around the corner. So, too, is our big Spring Fine Art Show at the Euclid Public Library. More about that as you read on. Our president, Rozenia is go, go, go, so much so that we've dubbed her the Energizer Bunny! She has started many new initiatives since becoming president. Have you noticed? For example, members can now show their artwork at Shore Cultural Centre, in addition to our long-standing Euclid City Hall Exchange. For February's Black History Month, artwork from EAA Black artists were featured at Shore. Rozenia arranged to have Lee Peters' artwork displayed at the Euclid Library for March. She increased the use of social media, especially Facebook with Members-Only-Page, and setting a goal of reaching 500 FB followers...we are at 492! Open Studio Day at the Gallery is destined to become a monthly activity. She opened a new EAA YouTube channel and posted several videos. Plus, she gave us the objective of 24 new members in 2024...we're at 11 so far. Looking ahead . . . we are zooming our March meeting, but will resume in-person meetings at East Shore Church for April, May and June.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...OUR CONTINUED SUCCESS DEPENDS ON YOUR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION Two hostesses are needed to provide refreshments for both our May and June in-person meetings. We know how much everyone enjoys the goodies after the meeting. Please volunteer, **contact Sandi Richards** at sandir@att.net. We are looking for **someone to assist Joan Milligan, program director**, at our in-person meetings to introduce the artist demonstrator and help them set up. For the Spring Fine Art Show in May, we need an **assistant show coordinator**, someone with experience setting up art shows....plus we'll need lots more help with the Spring Show. **Interested?**Respond to info@euclidart.com or contact any board member directly.

We will be **looking for a new Vice President** in time for board elections in May. Vicki Ratliff resigned as VP of Euclid Art for personal reasons and feels she can best serve EAA doing other volunteer activities. We thank Vicki for her time spent as an EAA board member.

MARCH MEETING



Our next monthly meeting is **Monday, March 4 at 7:00p.m. on Zoom**. We are featuring local artist, **Danielle Dixon** demonstrating "**Portrait Wood Burning**". Danielle, born and raised in Cleveland, is not only an artist, but a published author and poet. She has a BA in Visual Art from Kent State University and is an alumna of The Cleveland School of the Arts. In March, 2023, she was featured on <u>PBS Applause - Ideastream</u>, where she explains how the science fiction writings of Octavia Butler inspired her art. She also writes poetry and her work is now on display at the Literary Cleveland office on Larchmere. Danielle has many artistic talents, but for this demonstration she will focus on something different....wood burning. Danielle was alway fascinated by faces and the stories that people's faces tell. She started burning portraits into wood as a novelty in the late 1990's. This craft is the perfect intersection where folk art meets portraiture. Sounds interesting! *The Zoom link will be sent a few days before and a reminder on the day of the meeting*.

OUR LAST MEETING

Many thanks to member artist, **Chris Cozen** for demonstrating **"The Role of Color and Stencils in Acrylic Composition"** at our February Zoom meeting. There were 32 members and guests who zoomed-in to watch Chris show us how she develops a painting using color to integrate the stencil into the composition. This creates a complex background upon which the composition can be placed. She uses makeup sponges to add color, careful not to go to the stencil's edge Then she lifts the stencil and feathers in the edges. This builds texture in the background. The results were beautiful. Chris finished the painting and shared it with us. Thank you, Chris for sharing your time and talents with us and inspiring us to want more. Visit the <u>Demonstrations page</u> for more. . .

EAA SKETCHERS

The **February Art Scramble** reveal was Sunday, February 25, on Zoom. Eight members shared their creations, an artwork reflecting a holiday or observance in the month of February... Valentine's Day, Chinese New Year, Mardi Gras, ground hog/hedgehog day, etc. The March challenge will be an **Art Scramble**...it's a lot of fun! Joan Milligan 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. Reveal will be **Sunday, March 24, 1 - 3:00p.m.**











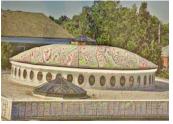
SPRING FINE ART SHOW 2024

Get ready for the **Spring Fine Art Show** at the Euclid Public Library, **May 11 - May 18**, our biggest event of the year! Show entry form and instructions will be emailed to you with the April newsletter. Deadline to enter the show is April 18. However, you can get a head start by printing the forms from our website, <u>EuclidArt.com</u>, Art Shows page, available March 1. *Have you started work on your art entries?*

We selected two artworks by Lee Peters to raffle at the show...a floral close-up and an AI generated image.

<u>We need your active participation</u> in so many ways. This show will be a success because of YOU! Our art show coordinator, Ellen Howard will not be available from show set-up through take-down. Thus, we are looking for one or more of you to step up to be **the Assistant Show Coordinator for the week**. Ellen will explain what's needed. Interested? Contact her at mickmesh@aol.com. We will also need help getting the art racks and supplies down from our 2nd floor gallery, setting up the show, sitting during show hours to greet people who come to look around, sell raffle tickets, help with the reception. Then, when it's over, we need your help to haul everything back up to the gallery. Most importantly, we need YOU to enter the show.





LEE PETERS ART SHOW AT EPL

We honor Lee, friend and past president of EAA. His works will be displayed in the hallway gallery at the Euclid Public Library for the month of March. We titled the exhibit, "I Can't Draw a Straight Line." There are at least 23 matted works, including photographs, digital creations, fractal images, AI generated art and one blanket. Most of the works are for sale: 16" x 20" for \$35 each and 18" x 24" for \$50 each. Please come and see the show!

OPEN ART STUDIO DAY AT EUCLID ART GALLERY

Despite questionable snowy weather, a handful of members attended the first one on February 17, from 3 - 5:00 p.m. with positive results. Each artist focused on a specific goal, while enjoying the devoted time and space along with input from others. Another **Open Art Studio Day** will be scheduled from **March**. Date to be announced. Stay tuned.

MEMBER NEWS

Ellen Howard and **Cheryl Brickman** are showcasing their art in AAWR Annual Members Exhibition, March 1 - May 3. Cheryl's sculpture is featured on their advertising postcard. Opening reception is March 1 at 5:30p.m. For more info visit <u>ArtistsArchives.org</u>. Also, Ellen has a quilt in the Lake Farmpark Quilt Show, which opens March 22.

Rozenia Cunningham had her artwork featured in Exhibition Artist Art Show presented by Door 2 Studio in Hudson, OH from February 22 - 25. In addition, two pieces of her art were accepted in "Celebrating Women: Fearless, Focus, and Free" exhibit on behalf of Dress for Success Columbus and Wild Goose Creative in Columbus, OH starting March 1. "We believe that your contribution will greatly enrich the dialogue surrounding the personal and professional journeys of women." Congratulations!

CLOSING THOUGHT

"You are not a drop in the ocean. You are the entire ocean in a drop" – Rumi