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DECEMBER 2022 NEWSLETTER

President's Message:

Wow, 2022 has come to an end, and what a challenging year it has been for all trying to get back to "normal". It was a trying year what with embracing the new social aspects, and yet trying to hang on to those which have made the Society a success in the past. But we survived and actually succeeded ③ and we look forward to an even more productive and social year in 2023! I do hope that everyone who participated in the events and workshops in the past enjoyed the friendships, the socializing, and the learning and development process as far as visual art is concerned.

And wasn't that a great Christmas Market!! Standing room only! Great Sales at \$11,913.25 exceeding our great year last year!! plus Loft Gallery sales of approx. \$900! That's a lot of small items! Thanks to Barbara Mitchell and her committee for all time spent organizing with such enthusiasm © Thanks to all the artists who participated.

Don't forget to record your volunteer hours in the book kept in the drawer to the left of the kitchen sink. You can also email Janelle in the office with your list and ask her to insert it into the binder. If you wish to retain your volunteer hours from 2022 for the purposes of showing in the spring/fall shows and the Loft Gallery in 2023, please remember to pay your 2023 membership fee before January 31. In any event, your 2022 membership will expire on December 31 and can be renewed online for 2023 or at the December general meeting.

Now we look forward to 2023 – and I do hope that each of you will think about participating, either on the Board, on a committee, or by taking on a task or two. Please review the task descriptions sent out earlier, and contact minirose@telus.net because the Society will not have events or workshops without volunteers!

We will be holding our General Meeting on December 13 in the Ottewell Centre (face masks are not mandatory but very recommended). The catered dinner will begin at 6 pm, the Library will open at 6:30, and the meeting will begin at 7 pm. Hope to see as many there as possible to end the year on a happy note!

I have enjoyed leading the Society again this year. It is a busy challenge but I am so proud of our members and the results. Whatever the election may bring in December, I wish the very best to this great volunteer Society...it has been an inspiration and a pleasure for many members for many years. My thank you goes to the present Board of Directors who came in each month to handle the affairs, make decisions and implement ideas. Good luck to a new Board.

I wish everyone a safe and healthy holiday season, lots of time to create art, and may Santa find your chimney ©

Regards, Sonja

Thank you to Geri Clarke for learning and Stephanie Lane for teaching to put art at Remedy on FB!!

Thank you Donna Burgess and Marsha Adams for handling the drop in mornings!

Thank you Brian and Christina for putting out the Christmas Market signs!

And Thank you to: Everyone in the Society who volunteered hours this year, who came to meetings to be involved, who participated in the shows and the Loft Gallery & Gift Shop, who read the newsletters and kept abreast of happenings, and to everyone who signed up as a member for the purpose of keeping visual arts front and center in this challenging world.

MEMBERS' CORNER

Next Board Meeting: December 6, 6:30 pm, Ottewell Centre

Next General Meeting: December 13, starting with a catered dinner at 6:00 pm

Followed by General Meeting and Elections at 7:00 pm.

Loft Art Gallery & Gift Shop closes December 18, 4:00 pick up

(or some items can be left for January).

Last day of ASSC Office being open is December 21,

Will reopen on January 4, 2023.

Christmas Market Place Review and Report

What a joyous time at the Christmas Market Place! We had 548 attendees on Saturday Nov 12th...and 251 on Sunday the 13th. And 11,919.25 was brought in by all the vendors.

The cash donations for the Food Bank were \$1245.35 and also 86 pounds of food were taken in..

People were really pleased to talk with the vendors, stroll around leisurely finding their perfect gift items, and also added many nice comments about being able to peruse/shop the Loft Gallery and the Gift Gallery upstairs....an added bonus some said.

Thank you to Christine and Brian for putting out our signs! You helped bring in a lot of people!

It was our first year to audition the Little Elves Shoppe for kids. We are evaluating the outcome of this and will keep you posted for next year.

For anyone who is considering going into the Market Place, I would encourage you to begin creating your items now. Don't wait till September or October when you will feel rushed and pressured, not only energy-wise but financially too, as it costs us to make items of course.

So why not begin early when you can find many Christmas items on sale now, that might embellish or add to your crafty/art piece. Plus there is nothing more stimulating than creating during the holiday season we are all representing next year.

Thank you so much to my committee who makes it fun to work and plan together! You are the best! Norma saved our lives when she took over Social Media, and a great job she did!! Marie our accountant who faithfully adds up all our crafting endeavors that have gone to new homes! Lea and Gloria who set up panels so we can all showcase our work! Thanks to Sonja for listening and letting us run everything by her, and Judy for being my side-kick and inspiration!

Art Society of Strathcona County Christmas Market 2022 Financial Statement

Income

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Income From Sales		
Total Sales		11913.25
Registration		375.00
Artist Payout		############
Total Income		375.00
Expenses		
Hall Rental		\$160
Advertising		
Sage Print and Sig	ŗn	\$183.75
Sherwood Park N	ews	\$115.50
Verb Creative - sc	ocial media	519.75
Supplies		
	Silver tissue, Invoice books, Plastic bags, Eddies Hang	
Marie Schelske	up Sign	\$176.59
Lea Sikora	Baskets	\$36.75
Merchant Fees 3%	\$243.42	
Total Expenses		\$1,435.76
Total Profit/ Loss		(\$1,060.76)







LOFT ART GALLERY & GIFT SHOP (set up until December 18)





Art with Friends – Drop In Time!
Wednesdays, from 9:30 to noon until December 14
(Library open also)
Then commence again on January 4, 2023
Free to members; \$5.00 charge for non members
BRING YOUR OWN SUPPLIES!! Set up your own table (unless already set up),clean up and put it away after if need be.
Enjoy your time at the Centre!



Art Society of Strathcona County

WORKSHOP Newsletter December 2022 Registrations for 2023 Workshops will be enabled online via the website beginning December 1, 2022

More workshops to be announced later

JANUARY, 2023

Izabella Orzelski – January 21 & 22, ImpressionisticLandscapes 9:30 to 4 pm, Members \$140

FEBRUARY 2023

Heather Pant – February 11 & 12, Wonderful Waterfalls, 9:30 to 4 pm, Members \$140

Terrie Shaw, February 25 & 26, 9:30 – 4 pm, Line and Wash Journals, Members \$140

MARCH, 2023

Lorelei Kozsan, March 4, 9:30 to 4 pm, and March 5, noon to 3 pm.5, Paverpol Sculpting, Members \$110

Margaret Klappstein, March 11 and 12, Alcoholic Ink, Members \$140

APRIL 2023

Justina Smith, April 1 & 2, 9:30 – 4 pm, Acrylic Mixed Media for Intermediate Level Members \$140

> Willie Wong, Apr 17, May 8,15,29 And June 5, 12 – Watercolors Members \$160

Volunteers are required for each Workshop. Email minirose@telus.net

Note: Volunteeer hours ours to claim –
A one day workshop 2-2.5 hours.
A two day workshop 4-4.5 hours
6 week session – 8 hours
The hours can vary, depending on class size, workshop extended, etc. please use your discretion.

Fall Workshop Summary

				EXPENSES						
Date	Workshop Name	Instructor	Income		Travel	Rent	Misc. Merc	Merchant Fees	NET	Cheque Numbers and Dates
EP 10/11 9:30	CREATIVEE LANDSCAPE	S.WILLIAM	\$2,100.00	\$1,616.34		\$160.00		\$73.50	\$232.16	#3550-SEP 7, 2022-\$1616.34
EP 19,26/OC	WATERCOLOUR	W.WONG	\$2,290.00	\$1,200.00		\$225.00		\$80.15	\$784.85	#3563-SEP-19-22- \$1200.00
EP 22-2022	CPR	V.MCLEOD	\$410.00	\$428.00		\$37.50		\$14.35	\$69.85	#3574-SEP-26-22-\$428.00
EP 24,25-2022	SOAPSTONE CARVING	K.MCCORMA	\$640.00	\$550.00		\$135.00		\$22.40	\$67.40	#3566-SEP 21-22-\$550.00
OCT 15-2022	BEGINNER ABSTRACT	S.LANE	\$1,040.00	\$345.00		\$80.00		\$36.40	\$578.60	#3584- OCT 12-22-\$345.00
								total	\$1,458.36	
		Supplies								
		Food,snacks		\$11.11	#3561- Sep 14, 2022- S.M.	- S.Marin	noske			
		Advertising		\$120.75	0.75 #3549- Aug 31, 2022- Postmedia					
rofit/Deficit										
				\$131.86						
let Loss/Profi	t			\$1,326.50						

How to Access the Members Only Section of the Website

It has become apparent that many members do not know how to access the Members Only section of the website so, therefore, have not added to their profile page or added artwork.

Open the website, and to the far right, you will see a Log In button, Once this is done, you will have access to all the 'members only' information.

The site has many features, including a public view and a private view for ASSC members only. For example, the public view of the member directory displays only your name, bio, medium, personal website link and photos. The members only view displays more detailed information, such as email address, phone numbers, home address, etc. A special feature is the one that gives members the ability to change their own profile online, and upload their own photos of artwork at any time...

A "SHOUT-OUT" TO ALL MEMBERS!

Sometimes, the best advice comes from the experiences and learned lessons of others! Sometimes, it's as simple as sharing a good quote, a comical joke, words of wisdom, or a big mistake. We're open to anything - suggestions, questions, ideas - whatever you have...

Email "THE MAIL BAG"

minirose@telusplanet.net

We look forward to hearing from each and every one of you - **NOT ALL AT ONCE - OF COURSE!**

Editor's Message

If you know of any competitions and/or shows open to Alberta artists, places that are looking for artists to hang their work, or you have an interesting art related article you would like to share in the newsletter, please contact:

Anita Skubleny, at askubleny@yahoo.ca