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APRIL 2023 NEWSLETTER

Who would have thought? It has been one month since I have taken the position of president. I am so grateful to those that are along side me keeping me on track, and to those that are stepping forward to take on some of the exciting events that are in the making. I am thankful to Sonja who is helping me with the "what to do next". We are so very fortunate to have such a strong artistic people that want to see the ASSC flourish.

I would like to encourage everyone to step up and come along side the board with some of the projects that we are wanting to see done. Some of the items that we are working on are: revisiting our bylaws, creating a new member package that give a little more for our new members to see and ways in which to get to know us, signage and safety. We also have the Spring Show coming up and that is really exciting to see the amount of new people that are joining us for the first time or that are coming back after taking a break. This is a must see event for those that have missed what it has been like in the past. A reception with music, wine, and of course, exceptional art is being planned after years with going without (the art has always been exceptional). Please invite your contacts and let them see that this is one of the best art societies ever.

We also have a pop up being planned for the summer. Member and Volunteer appreciation night and who knows...there could be more as new ideas come forth.

The society success depends on all the individuals that make it up. We all have strengths, and areas that may not be that strong, but together, we are mighty. My challenge to you this month is to do something that is out of your comfort zone. Stretch a little and see what you can accomplish.

Cheers and Happy Creating Joyce Boyer

Members' Corner:

April 4 – Board Meeting

April 11 – General Meeting, 7:00 pm. –

April 15 - Newsletter items due

April 15 -Deadline to submit inventory for Loft Art Gallery for May/June

April 21, 22, 23- Annual Spring Art Show



ART WITH FRIENDS – Drop In. at the Ottewell Centre. Wednesdays – Starting January 4, 2023 - 9:30 am to 12 pm.

Bring the piece you are working on, or come and get ideas from the group! A nice morning to meet members and get some inspiration.

HAVE FUN! LEARN FROM OTHER ARTISTS! HAVE FUN

LIBRARY The ASSC Library opens at 6:00 prior to each General Meeting so come early and sign out some books or DVDs. Our Chair is Brian Litwin. He and his crew will assist you in finding whatever you need.

Library Corner

We have received quite a few book donations recently and these will be added to the library shortly. We are also looking at acquiring a few art books that members have found to be of great interest and a few more DVDs as well but they are starting to become rare as those types of lessons move online. As always, the ASSC Library is open during General Meetings and we are also available to be open on Wednesday mornings (9:30 – noon) at the Art Drop-in sessions at the Ottewell Barn.

Lists of our entire library inventory can be found on the ASSC website (the last menu item at the bottom of the 'Members Area & Login', click on 'Member Documents, How-To's, Library, Wifi', then 'Latest Library Catalogue'.

Art Challenge



I would like to thank the artists for volunteering to paint and entertain us with their skills. Without them, we would have had canvases with no paint and nothing to watch. You all did such a good job under such time pressure. It boggles my mind.

Also, my thanks to Carmen Wilde and Gail Lacey for helping with set up, ballot counting and music. I appreciated your support.

Thank you everyone for coming out and being such a wonderful audience.

Trish Haugen

IMPRESSIONS: An Art Event

ArtStrathcona.com

ART SHOW AND SALE

Featuring: Friday Reception Saturday & Sunday Demos

April 21, 7pm-9pm April 22 & 23, 10am-4pm

A.J. Ottewell Centre (Red Barn)
590 Broadmoor Blvd Sherwood Park



presented by the Art Society of Strathcona County









March/April rotation

paintings are now on display with feature artist Cynthia Clarke and six other artists

Hanging Committee

Thanks to Muriel, Antoinette, Suz & Cynthia who completed hanging the new works in an artistically pleasing way. We could use two more volunteers-with a team of six, it would take an hour of your time once every two months.

Shifts for Loft Gallery:

We are now covered for the March/April rotation-thank-you!

If you would like to work in the Loft occasionally to cover for sickness or special events or just because you would like to get to know a fellow member better, I will add you to the Back Up list in case you are needed (you will be with an experienced worker)

Contact:

asscloft@gmail.com if you would like to join the hanging team or or shift back up team.

Loft Deadlines:

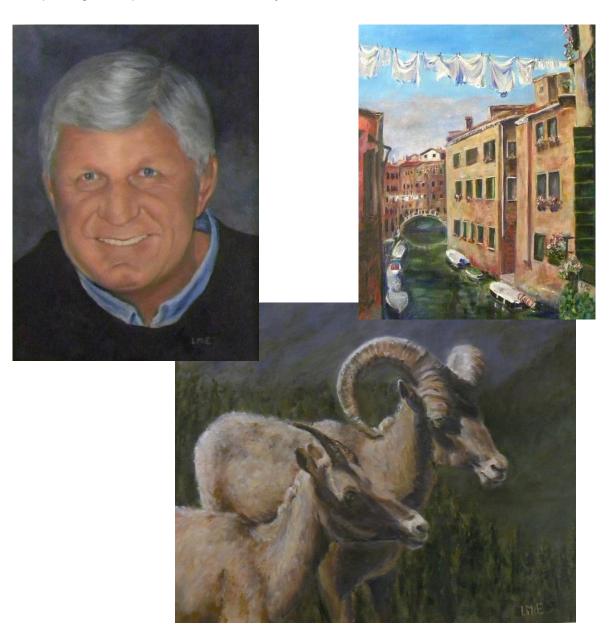
April 1: registration for the May/June rotation

April 15: Inventory registration for May/June rotation

Feature Artist for May/June: Linda McEachern

Our feature artist in the Loft Gallery for May and June is Linda McEachern. Linda portrays the beauty of nature in oil paintings of flowers, landscapes, portraits and animals. Visits to galleries in New York, London, Paris, Madrid, Florence and Rome to see great paintings of the Old Masters were inspirational.

In past years, her works were shown at Gallery 501, Pro's Art Gallery in Edmonton, Loft Gallery in Sherwood Park, Shurniak Gallery in Saskatchewan, Scott's Parable Bookstore in Red Deer, Gem Gallery in Sherwood Park, and at private shows in her home. McEachern was especially honoured to display a painting in the Canadian Institute of Portrait Artists National Show in Calgary in 2008. The Great Green Macaws painting was also juried into the National Acrylic and Oil Painters Spring online Show in 2016 and won first place in a national art show. Three of her paintings were purchased for the County of Strathcona art collection.



Getting to Know You!

Crystal Mills

Crystal enjoys making pieces that use allegory to reveal that objects can hold not one, but many meanings and often symbolize something deeper morally, spiritually, or philosophically such as life, death, love, dreams, virtue, etc. She incorporates polymer clay, alcohol inks, hand-made paper, vintage jewelry, and found objects that more than likely find her.



Check out Crystal Mill's work in the Loft Gallery now!



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WORKSHOP Newsletter April 2023

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

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

> > MAY, 2023

Crystal Driedger, May 27 & 28, 9:30-4 pm Intro to Colored Pencil Members: \$140

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
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LEARN FROM THE PROS

Social Media Training - Save the Dates!

These sessions are for members only, designed to meet the needs you have identified and made available through a County of Strathcona Organizational Development Grant! These will all be virtual through Zoom or Google Meets.

Wednesday, May 3, 1:30-2:30 PM - How to set up Facebook and Instagram Business Accounts

Wednesday, May 10, 6:00-8:00 PM - Introduction to Using Social Media Accounts (please have at least one business account set up)

Wednesday, May 24, 6:00-8:00 PM – Strategies for Posting (please have at least one business account set up; helpful to have attended May 10 session)

<u>Thursday, June 1, 6:00-8:00 PM – Advanced Session</u> with Samantha Williams-Chapelsky (for those currently using business accounts)

You will be notified when **registration** is available through the website. There is no cost to members.

This is a unique learning opportunity designed for you. The County and the ASSC have invested in you! Please consider participating.

For more information contact:

Gloria Van Shaik: <u>vsfineartgallery@gmail.com</u> Irene Mazurenko: mazurenkoirene@gmail.com



Registrations are open through the Members Area & Login - Miscellaneous Events Registrations.

New Member!

Carmen Wilde Fine Art

Art Inspired by Nature www.carmenwildefineart.com



Hi! My name is Carmen Wilde and I am a Canadian artist, grass roots form Vegreville, Alberta living in Edmonton for the past forty years. My love of natural beauty and color are the top influences of my acrylic paintings. My images convey joy and beauty found in nature, whether it be the prairies, mountains or sea. When people see my pieces for the first time they comment how playful and vibrant the colors are. I choose to use a more transitional impressionistic approach to my paintings. The majority of my paintings are influenced by my hikes with my pooch, Luna.







Some possible submission ideas. Feel free to blow your own horn.

- 1. Deadlines for outside events before it is closed
- 2. Accolades for our artists that have been successful doing something
- 3. Contests online or in real that people might consider submitting to
- 4. Interesting online lessons or others available locally
- 5. Intriguing websites

Here we go

Strathcona County Art Acquisition Program, deadline April 17,

2023 https://www.strathcona.ca/recreation-events/arts-and-culture/public-art/art-acquisition/?utm_source=shorturl&utm_medium=printandsigns&utm_campaign=ArtAcquisition

Strathcona County Individual Artist Development

Grant https://strathconacablob.blob.core.windows.net/files/files/rpc-individual-artist-development-grant-guidelines_b1sNZGy.pdf

Subscribe to Gallery 501 newsletter: https://www.strathcona.ca/recreation-events/arts-and-culture/art-gallery-501/stay-connected-gallery501/

Gallery 501 membership: https://www.strathcona.ca/recreation-events/arts-and-culture/art-gallery-501/member-benefits/

Strathearn Art Walk is in Strathearn.

Calling all artists!!

Our artist and vendor registration opens on May 1st, have you started planning your festival season? ArtWalk runs on September 9 & 10 and we can't wait to see you all there

info@strathearnartwalk.com

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - Misericordia Community Hospital Emergency Department Art Acquisition Project (Edmonton, AB)

Covenant Health, Covenant Foundation, and the Friends of University Hospitals invite Alberta artists to submit artworks for consideration for the Misericordia Community Hospital art collection and permanent placement in public and patient areas of the new Misericordia emergency department (ED). The selected artworks will be placed within the corridors, waiting rooms, and units throughout the new ED for the benefit of patients, families, and staff.

Details about the Request for Proposals and how to submit are available on the Friends of University Hospitals' web site: www.friendsofuah.org/mised-art-call. (The Friends of University Hospitals is managing this Art Acquisition process on behalf of Covenant Foundation and Covenant Health.)

Deadline for submission: April 14, 2023





Get ready for...

Leduc Art Walk 2023

ARTISTS!The time has come to register for the Leduc Art Walk 2023

Click the button below for all the info regarding Art Walk 2023, and get yourself registered to be a vendor!

Got questions? We have answers! Email *Erika*or *Brittany* if you're having trouble, or need clarification.

The code to cancel the security when coming into the Centre has been changed. If you need to enter, please call the office or email joyceboyerart@gmail.com

Email "THE MAIL BAG"- askubleny@yahoo.ca

If you are on Facebook and/or Instagram, please "like" or "follow" us on our social media @artstrathcona. "Likes", "hearts", comments and shares (to your social media) help us promote our events and workshops.

The ASSC has a private Facebook page "Drop In Painting" where members can share information on classes, art shows, or even ask questions of members.