



ART LETTER

Co-President's Letter for November

If you missed Robert Seabeck's presentation, described more fully in a later section of this newsletter, you missed a great one. Funny, entertaining and very informative. Nancy Drage provided fabulous refreshments; thanks so much, Nancy.

In November we have Sheldon James, Muralist, speaking to us. Sheldon is going to educate us on techniques, approaches, styles, etc. to better prepare us to possibly compete for mural projects.

We had many new or returning members with us for this last meeting. Our membership is growing rapidly. Just a reminder, if you have not paid your dues, they were due and payable in September.

There will be a strategic planning session at Helen Cook's home on November 11, beginning at 9 AM. Depending on how fast we progress, the meeting could last most of the day. Any member is invited to join us but please let us know that you will do so.

Susan Shattuck is trying to get the IRS to put the final touches on our non-profit status. As of this writing, we still do not actually have anything in writing (although no problems are anticipated).

Some of you may have heard that we were considering renting out small spaces (10'x10') in the cellar to use as studios. Our landlord has nixed that possibility.

Helen Cook went through a successful but long (11 hours?) surgery for her back on Oct. 1 and is already recovering at home, having escaped the rehabilitation center. Congratulations, Helen!!!!

We have received many positive responses from members relative to needing help on various aspects of the National Show. For those of you who have contacted us, thank you. For those of you still considering how to help, give Helen a call!

Finally, an early reminder. Don't forget that our meeting in December is a blind gift exchange and holiday party. The date is December 16th.

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Or www.artistsassoc.org

CALENDAR

Membership meetings - 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7:00 PM, with Art Critique at 6:30 PM.
AANC Board meetings - 2nd Thursday of each month, 9:00 AM.

Art on Mountain Gallery Board meetings - 1st Tuesday each month, 6:00 PM.

All meetings are at the Art Cellar, 102 W. Mountain

NOVEMBER 18 regular meeting. Sheldon James, muralist, is our speaker.

NOVEMBER 19 - Opening of Small Artwork Show at Reader's Cove. Deliver art Nov. 18, 3 to 6 pm. Prospectus is on the website.

DECEMBER 16 - Christmas Potluck and gift exchange.

NEWSLETTER ONLINE PUBLICATION

Those who do not have computer access will get a mailed copy. If you didn't get one in October, please let us know.

DENA KIRK - JUROR FOR THE

NOVEMBER SMALL ARTWORK SHOW

Dena Kirk is an award winning artist in regional, national and international shows, including the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library. Her credentials include schooling at Loveland Academy of Fine Arts, Art Students League of Denver, and Scottsdale Artists School. She is a member of Woman Artists of the West, Oil Painters of America, and Plein Air Artists Colorado. Her works can be seen at Sage Moon Gallery in Loveland, at the Richard Schmid fine art auction, and at denakirk.com. One of her paintings was chosen by Richard Schmid for the auction that bears his name.

SHELDON JAMES, MURALIST, WILL PRESENT A PROGRAM IN NOVEMBER

For our November membership meeting, Sheldon James will present a program about murals.

He has 19 years of experience creating commissioned artwork. He is among the most experienced and skilled muralists in Colorado. He has created well over 100 murals in private homes, businesses, and public places. His flexibility as an artist is demonstrated in the wide scope of his projects, from an elegant restaurant in Vail to a bar in Fort Collins, from homes in Breckenridge or Steamboat Springs to a lakeside estate in Branson, Missouri. His list of public works includes the University of Northern Colorado, Rose Medical Center and the Loveland Public Library.

Sheldon is set apart from other muralists in that he is accomplished in the realm of fine art as well, working primarily as a figurative and portrait painter. His training and talent are evident in the murals he creates, as they are masterfully done and each a true work of art.

APPLAUSE

Cyd Rust's Painting "Fall Garden" received the First Place ribbon in the Acrylic Division at the TVAl Fall Festival Art Show. And her painting Quilt Barn took the third place Acrylic ribbon at the same show under judge Vicky Russell.

Her painting "**Zowie**" won first place in the Acrylic Division under Juror Colette Pitcher at the Capture The County Show, at Art On Mountain Gallery. The show was co-sponsored by AANC and AOM. **Zowie**, was based on a photo of a Zowie Zinnia Cyd took at the CSU flower testing gardens.

She will be offering 4 - 3hr classes in "Experimenting with Acrylics" at her studio just west of Loveland.

Classes are open to beginners or anyone wanting to play with some of the fun acrylics on the market without having to buy them.

Everything from fluid acrylics, to golden opens, to interactives with mica in them, and even pearlescent acrylic inks will be available to try.

The goal of the class is not to become a great acrylic painter, but to learn what all can be done with acrylics.

Classes can be worked around participants schedules. Min 3 for class.

\$150.00 materials included.

970-622-0682 or cyd@cydrust.com

Website: <http://www.cydrust.com>

Blog: <http://www.paintingamileofcanvas.com>

AANC MEMBER ART CLASSES

Plein Air Workshops and retreats in Rome, Italy. AANC member **Amalia Davies** owns a villa in Rome with her mother and would like to schedule retreats, classes and workshops in the villa. She is willing to help anyone who would like to schedule these. The website shows webpages of the workshop

facilitators.

Home phone for Amalia: 970-225-2877; email: info@ArtistRetreatinRome.com; home page: www.ArtistRetreatinRome.com.

Patti Andre -

pattiandrevc@cs.com 690-4246

Website: pattiandre.com

Diane Edwards offers classes in oil, pastel, watercolor and rosemailing on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Information on her website nordic-arts.com.

Marsha Krygier: email: mvkrygier@aol.com.

Karen Ramsay watercolor classes, karanramsay@comcast.net at The Gardens at Spring Creek, 2145 S. Centre Avenue, Fort Collins. Website: www.KarenRamsay.com

George Coll offers ongoing painting classes, landscape and figurative oil.

Ongoing classes, limit of four. Tues. evening,

6 to 9, Wed. morning, 9 -12, \$95.00 per month,

970-635-9072, home, or cell 970-690-2643, 5391 Wild Ln, Loveland CO 80538.

Diane Perry offers various watercolor classes for beginning & intermediate students in Ft. Collins. www.diane-perry.com

307-630-6667 dianearts@bresnan.net

Claudette Barker

Watercolor Classes 4 weeks \$100

Thursdays - 9:30-12:30 - **beginning Oct. 8**

Location - Ft. Collins Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA)

201 S. College - 3rd floor (elevator in lobby)

Most convenient parking is the Parking Garage at Mountain and Remington

To register, email or call **Claudette** at 970-225-1101 (leave message) or cell 970-402-7433

Please do not call MOCA

Loveland Academy classes and workshops.

Lovelandartacademy.org

ART SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Louisvilleart.org -

They have a member show Nov. 11-15.

www.mtinsideartguild.org -

“Views of the East and West”, juried art show in Lakewood, CO Sept. 28 - Oct. 30. .

Georgetowngalleryco.com They are accepting applications for painters for membership in the gallery.

Pastel Society - Exhibits and competitions listed on artshow.com.

ROBERT SEABECK

Bob Seabeck’s program at the October meeting was very informative and entertaining. He emphasized that art is an obsession for him and he has a real commitment to creating his art. He paints from real life, not photographs. His desire to paint is what keeps him going. He shared some techniques with us..... He paints with very thin oil paint, with a No. 4 brush, and finishes his work with Kamar or Krylon varnish spray (matte finish). He also affirmed that a website is the best way to have your artwork available. Through a website, galleries as well as individual collectors can see your art.

MEMBERSHIP

SPECIAL NOTE FOR NEW MEMBERS

We have the capability of creating a page for you on our AANC website, available to all members.

Please send a photo of yourself (jpeg), your artist statement and/or bio, a link to your website and a couple of photos of your work to dandelion@frii.com. Bonnie Stahlin is our webmaster and will be able to put your material on the site.

The Newsletter is published every month on the AANC website. If you have no computer access, please let us know if you need a mailed copy.

CAPTURE THE COUNTY

AWARD WINNERS

OCTOBER 2, 2009

BEST OF SHOW—DEBBIE JANSEN, “WINTER’S WELCOME”

OIL PAINTING:

First Place: Susan Schuchter, “Fall Morning in the Park”

Second Place: Trudy Reeder, “Lilacs in a Clear Vase”

ACRYLIC PAINTING:

First Place: Cyd Rust, “Zowie--CSU Gardens”

Second Place: Patrick Zoller, “Sequoias”

WATERCOLOR/WATER MEDIA

First Place: Diane Perry, “The Evening Watch”

Second Place: Maureen McCaffrey, “Every Garden Needs a Gate”

PASTEL

First Place: Kate Moss, “John’s Iris”

Second Place: Heather Coen, “Hallett Peak”

PHOTOGRAPHY

First Place: Gregory Mayse, "Wild Spirit"

Second Place: Camilla Kristensen, "Peach Prickly Pear"

ART PHOTOGRAPHY

First Place: James Cole, "Tulips"

Second Place: Annie Johnson, "It Doesn't Get Any Better"

THREE-DIMENSIONAL

First Place: Jim Cox, "Ascent"

Second Place: Toshio Uchima, "Larimer County Native"

ABSTRACT

First Place: William Pilch: "Poudre River"

Second Place: Carol Schinkel: "September on the Poudre"

HONORABLE MENTIONS

Ayleen Burns: "Pots—Posing in Loveland"

James Steele: "Just One More"

the Greening of Red Feather. Festivities include an Arts and Crafts Sale sponsored by the Red Feather Historical Society December 5 and 6. If anyone is interested in participating in the Greening, contact Pat Clemens at 970-495-0560 or email at mtgal@frii.com. Deadline is November 28. Bev Finger's number is 970-407-1524.

An Interesting Website

EmptyEasel.com is an online art magazine. They have tutorials as well as information on selling online. You can submit an article, and you can submit art for review. There are over 30 "quick links" to articles about artists, techniques, painting tips, etc.

Bev Finger's ART SHOW

at Western Ridge Restaurant

AANC member Bev Finger is exhibiting her acrylic paintings November 1 through December 13, 2009 at the Western Ridge Restaurant, located on Red Feather Lakes Highway, 30 miles west of Livermore, CO.

This would be a great time to take a scenic drive or cut your own Christmas tree during



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