

AWAA BOARD MINUTES

March 4, 2009

Location: Coffee to a Tea

The AWAA Board met on Wednesday, March 4th, at Coffee to a Tea; the meeting started at 4:05 p.m. In attendance were: Nichole DeMent, Carol Griffin, Susan Miller, Hans Westphal, Marilyn Ullin, and Judy Olson.

Minutes:

The February minutes were approved as printed on the ArtsWest Artists Association web site. **Note: The web site contains important information about eligibility and expectations for this year's AWAA Group Show.**

Treasurer's Report:

Hans has received the October, November, and December 2008 statements. The balances are: October: \$4,215.64; November: \$4,215.64; and December: \$4,245.64.

Venue Report (Marilyn Van Cleave Ullin):

- Marilyn has taken over the venues previously handled by Ada McAllister. She has reorganized the Venue Book, separating the Exclusive and Non-exclusive venues at which we can show our work. She will bring the venue book to the March 9th meeting so that you can sign up for any that are available.
- Marilyn has contacted River House Creperie on Harbor Avenue; they have agreed to be a non-exclusive venue for us. If you would like to show your work there, please contact Kathleen Lizotte at 206-938-3900.
- Marilyn is currently talking with a venue in Westwood Village that would most likely be exclusive for us.

AWAA Programs/Meeting Schedules (Dori Westphal):

- The March 9th meeting will present Nancy Fulton, a local watercolor artist.
NOTE THAT WE WILL MEET IN THE THEATER AREA THAT EVENING.
- The April 13th meeting will feature Mel Neville, owner of the Dunville Gallery.
- At the May 11th meeting, we will vote for new officers.

Please contact Dori Westphal if you have any suggestions for programs or demonstrations at our Monday night general meetings.

Old Business:

- Marilyn and Hans, as the Nominating Committee, have talked with Pam Lund and Carol Anderson, who have agreed to become the Treasurer and Secretary, respectively. We still need someone to volunteer to act as Co-Chair for the group. If you have a little free time and are interested in helping the ArtsWest Artists Association group thrive, please contact Marilyn or Hans.
- Nichole reported on the Group Show. She has sent an email to all members regarding the show's concept as well as the creative ideas proposed by members at a brainstorming meeting several weeks ago.
- We'd like to have a musician as we did at our last show, and Nichole would welcome any suggestions members might have; she will have to receive names by March 18th at the latest, and the musician should understand that we are asking for background music.

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- Nichole asked the Board if we'd like to have an Exhibition Catalog for this year's show. Hans moved and Carol seconded a motion to proceed with an investigation of costs, size, etc. A catalog of the show could benefit us in terms of our portfolios, and it would provide information on participants and their art.
- The show deadline for contract signing has been extended to March 9th (the evening of the March general meeting). **ANYONE SIGNED UP AFTER THAT DATE CANNOT PARTICIPATE IN THIS YEAR'S EXHIBITION.**
- March 9th is also the deadline for sending images to Nichole to be put on the postcard advertising the show. Nichole will select two contrasting images that reflect the show's title, "Puppies and Ice Cream." (**NOTE THAT ANY IMAGES THAT YOU SEND AND THAT ARE SELECTED MUST BE RESERVED FOR THE SHOW.**) You can find more information about the show on the AWAA web site:
<http://www.artswestartists.org/events/minutes.html>

New Business:

- Hans announced that this year's Alki Art Fair will take place the weekend of July 25th and 26th. We will have one booth, at a cost of \$110.00. There will be a T-Shirt design contest. Contact Hans for details.
- Nichole announced the Magnolia Arts Festival (the folks from this group asked especially for our artists to participate). To find out about the festival, the Call for Artists, and the poster contest, you can go to the web site:
www.MagnoliaArtShow.org
- Susan Miller suggested that the AWAA website have an Update segment added that will show our (individual) upcoming shows and events. If you would like your show to be listed on the AWAA website, please send Susan an email with the information.

The meeting adjourned at 4:35pm. The next board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 1st 4:00 p.m. at Coffee to a Tea.

If you need a copy of the current member roster, please contact Hans Westphal.

(And just a side note: AWAA member Ada McCallister is appearing in the play, "Lost in Yonkers," at the Renton Civic Theater; several of us have seen the play and greatly enjoyed Ada's performance.)

Minutes submitted by Judy Olson