

Sebastian River Art Club NEWSLETTER

The Sebastian River Art Club encourages the artistic talents of its members, while supporting the community. It fosters an appreciation of the arts through public art shows, public and private exhibits, charitable donations, and civic involvement.

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SRAC'S "FALL COLORS" DAMPENED BY RAIN SHOWERS

Though our first show of the new season opened to some pretty heavy rain showers, the members were thankful that the show was in-house and not in the Park. Twenty-three members exhibited their work, taking up every bit of available space in the main room. There was an abundance of beautiful paintings throughout the entire exhibit area.

Though the weather, no doubt, affected overall attendance there were always visitors walking through the room, as well as through the gallery section. Several paintings were sold throughout the day.

We did get a very good PR piece in the Friday edition of the Press Journal, thanks to our PR lady, Alice Russell, and Debbie from VeroNews.com visited the show on Saturday, and gave us a very nice article with pictures on their website, which could be viewed on Sunday.

Thanks to everyone who helped put the show together, especially those who donated hanging racks, brought food, and made people welcome.

Our first show in the Park is scheduled for Saturday, November 19th. We are looking for even better exhibiting attendance by our members. We need enough exhibitors to have people notice us as they pass by on Route 1, and to make it look enticing for people to actually get out of their cars and see what we have to offer.

If anyone still needs display racks to use in the Park, please speak to President Richard, who can possibly help you out.

LET'S ALL GET BEHIND SHOWING IN THE PARK THIS SEASON. IT'S TIME TO SHOW OFF YOUR WORK!

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating Committee reported that only two nominations have been received for the two Director seats presently held by Bill Flaherty and Doris Akerley. Both Bill and Doris who have submitted their names are eligible to run for a second two-year term. Election for the two seats will take place at the November business meeting.

"SMALL WORKS" OPENS IN GALLERY

Beautiful things come in "small" sizes, and so it is with the "Small Works" feature exhibit in our Gallery. Nearly 60 original paintings, no larger than 12 inches square, will be on view until December 31, 2011.

Thanks to Maureen Fitzpatrick and her "little workers" for the excellent job they did in arranging, hanging, and tagging all the submittals. And a big thanks to all our members who submitted one or two paintings. A perfect venue for Christmas/Holiday shopping. Bring your friends!

**2012 MEMBERSHIP DUES
ARE NOW DUE
\$25 REGULAR, \$5 SPOUSAL,
\$50 ASSOCIATE**

**If your renewal dues are not paid by
December 31st, we cannot include your
name on our 2012 paid roster, which will
be forthcoming at the January meeting.**

The 30th anniversary juried show of local Florida artists is on exhibit now until December 3rd at the Backus Museum gallery, 500 Indian River Dr., Fort Pierce. Cost \$2.00. The exhibit showcases the diversity and creativity of local artists.

The Latest from the Indian River Art News

Studio/Gallery Space Available - In the heart of the arts district of Vero Beach on 14th Avenue. Three spaces available – two are approx. 12x12 and one is 12x24. Smaller spaces \$200 per month, and the larger space is \$300 per month. Utilities are included. Interested artists contact Sharon Morgan at 589-1290 for details. (Don't know how long these spaces will be available.)

SRAC TIDBITS...

Congratulations to Marion Alcorn who was recently honored by the SRAC Directors by being named a Lifetime member. Marion is a longtime member who has been extremely active over the years, holding many committee positions. It is a well-deserved acknowledgement to a lovely lady.

Have you made reservations for our annual Christmas luncheon? It will be held at Marsh Landing in Fellsmere on Tuesday, December 6th. Over 40 members are already paid up. If interested, please see Judy McNamara for all the details.

First exhibit show in Riverview Park for the new season will be held Saturday, November 19th - 10 - 4

There are a few open spaces in the Art Center if you wish to hang paintings. The cost is only \$5 per month. Check the list on the new bulletin board in the very back room for availability.

Let's all take a few minutes this Thanksgiving to express thanks for what we have, and to remember those who are unemployed, or underemployed through no fault

of their own. Also to those who have been displaced because of the various storms over the past year, and to those in far off places, away from home, in the military.

Remember, if you are painting in the clubhouse, please make sure that you cover the table and floor before beginning to paint. Leave your space cleaner than when you started.

Jean Archibald is presently showing her work at Inlet Wines. Reception will be Saturday, November 19th – 5 PM – 7 PM. Let's all support Jean by stopping by for the reception, and also showing support to Inlet Wines, who generously offer their wall space to our club members.

We are once again building up our club library. If you have any art books you no longer use, please consider donating them to the club for other members to use. Claire Tebo has been working on setting up the lending book for everyone's use.

Have you chosen the committee you will be working on over the coming year? Remember, all regular members are expected to contribute their time and talents to at least one committee. The success of the club depends on your ideas, suggestions, input, and actual hands on participation. Please don't leave it to the next guy, he or she may let us all down.

There is no business meeting in December, but we do have a show scheduled in the Park for December 17th. This is the one show of the year that you may sell crafty items other than your regular art work.

Holiday Window at North County Library

REMEMBER to take time during the month of December to visit the Children's Christmas Window at the No Co Library. Peni Baker and her dedicated workers did an awesome job in painting an original mural-type background for the window, which will be installed by December 1st.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL OUR MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES