

The Palette

November 2024

The Newsletter of
The Williamsville Art Society

President's Letter



Hello,

Have you seen our terrific Holiday Show yet? We have 95 artworks on display by 51 members. Congratulations to our winners! Hopefully you were able to attend the opening reception that was held on October 27. The Amherst Center for Senior Services and Asbury Pointe Retirement Community did a great job helping us put on a successful and beautiful event.

Many thanks to the over fifty members who volunteered their time putting this event together and selling raffle tickets. You are all so greatly appreciated!

Thank you Gene Golebiewski for all you do with organizing the raffle. It's a big fundraiser that aids us in creating this wonderful event. However, not only do we need volunteers, there are also expenses to consider. An expense report has been included in this Palette. Please take a look at it and you will see how important the raffle is in helping to put on our reception.

As I mentioned at the reception, I had originally joined WAS in 1969. At that time the shows were only half the size, in a small narrow gallery space at the Georgetown Plaza. Our reception was a card table with crackers/cheese and wine on it. We've come a long way and we couldn't have been able to do it without all of our members who volunteer -

THANK YOU!

We also gave out a new award this year. Jean Jain generously donated money in memory of Robert Pufpaff. Bob was the husband of Judie Pufpaff. Judie has always done an incredible amount of work for the reception and Bob was always there by her side helping out. His presence is greatly missed. We will be presenting the Robert Pufpaff Memorial Award for the next three shows.

I look forward to seeing you at our November 22 meeting, 6:30pm at the Audubon Library. Our demo artist will be Martha Rogala who works in watercolors.

If you are not able to attend the November meeting have a very Happy Thanksgiving! Remember, we do not have a meeting in December, so the next time we will be together is January 10, 2025. In which case I would like to wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Always in Art,
Vicki Oliver
President

***“If I create from the heart, nearly everything works out;
if from the head, almost nothing.”***

~Marc Chagall

November Demonstration

At our November 22 meeting, local watercolor artist Martha Rogala will demonstrate how to develop trees in a watercolor painting. Martha recently earned first place in the Niagara Frontier Watercolor Society's Fall 2024 exhibition with her wonderful work, "Winter Light at Spicer Creek".

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2024-2025 Meetings

Please note that all meetings this year will take place at a new time and new location: **6:30pm at the Audubon Library, 350 John James Audubon Pkwy, Buffalo, NY 14228.**

November 22, 2024: Martha Rogala, a plein air watercolor artist, will demonstrate how to develop trees

January 10, 2024: Cindi O'Mara will demonstrate drawing techniques

March 14: TBD

April 11: Jeanne Gugino will demo gelliplate printing

May 9: Deanna Weinholtz

June 13: Critiques

WAS Artists in the Wild

Members **Patricia Poreda** and **Vicki Oliver** will be exhibiting at the Niagara Art Trail 2024 Holiday Artist, Crafton & Vendor Fair. Saturday November 23 10am-5pm
Sunday November 24 10am-3pm
Cornell Cooperative Extension Building located at the Niagara County Fairgrounds
4487 Lake Ave Lockport NY 14094

Marie Prince and **Deb Meier** have artwork in "Artful Gifts" at Western New York Artists Group Gallery, 1 Linwood Avenue in Buffalo. This is a great opportunity for people to shop for small, reasonably-priced art gifts for the holidays, so check it out.

Arts and Antiques

submitted by Beverly Amborski

While out antiquing and enjoying the beautiful Autumn weather, we stopped at a place called Arts and Antiques in East Bethany NY. A cute turquoise vintage camper parked in the lot with a sign that reads Trailer Treasures caught our eye instantly. After exploring the trailer for treasures we ventured inside to find a jam packed store and art lined walls. Just our kind of place.



I asked the lady tending the store “who does the art” and she replied “me”. After closer inspection, I saw that some of the artwork was done with felt. I was smitten.

The artist is Terry Weber of Bethany Arts and Antiques. Her shop is a converted 1835 General Store at 5769 Ellicott Street in East Bethany, NY. Like her Bethany Arts on FB to get in contact with her.

She received a BA from a small Liberal Arts College in Leavenworth, Ks. majoring in Art with a concentration in Pottery. She taught in Denver for 3 years before moving back to Western NY when her son was ready to start school. Terry has been living and working out of her shop for 36 years. Terry started to work in Wool about 10 years ago. The thing she likes about the medium is that it insists on boldness, without the nit pickiness regular painting can require. The Wool lends itself to 3D effects and she loves the texture of the final product.

Terry also creates other lovable objects from wool that she sells in her store. Take a nice Autumn drive out to the country and visit Terry and enjoy her beautiful artistic creations.



Expense Report for the 2024 Holiday Art Show

EXPENSES:

Senior Center	750
Awards	1330
Printing	475
Advertising	233
Subs	80
Judge/gift	237
Tim Hortons Judging day	32
Tops Gift certificates	150
Pianists	150
Total expenses	3437

INCOME:

Half of Membership	1190
Show entries	1530
Raffle proceeds	735
Total Income for Holiday Show	3455

PROFIT: \$18

Watercolor Classes

Deb Meier will be teaching a session of watercolor classes beginning January 8th. Advanced is from 10 until noon; Beginner is from noon until 2 at the Jewish Community Center on North Forest in Getzville. There are a few slots open in both. All supplies are included; lessons are technique-based, rather than project-based.

Private Lessons

WAS member Eileen Rader offers private art lessons in her home in Tonawanda. She can do any media in drawing and painting. Call Eileen at 716 622-8826 for more information.

Art Off the Wall

"Art Off the Wall" is taking place this year. The deadline to submit 5x7 donations is November 23rd. You can find the form either at Carnegie Art Center or on their website. The event takes place on Thursday, December 5th, from 6:30 until 8:30. Regular admission is \$15, or you can get early admission by purchasing a Fast Pass for \$25 on Carnegie's website, www.carnegieartcenter.org.

Art pick-up

Remember to pick up your artwork from the 2024 Holiday Show on December 17, 3—5:30pm

From the Editor's Desk

Many thanks to Vicki Oliver, Deb Meier, and Beverly Amborski for supplying content for this month's Palette. If you are teaching classes, exhibiting your work, or have a great tip or technique to pass on to your fellow artists, please send your information to me at dianelorenzi@gmail.com or you can mail it to me at **Diane Lorenzi, 18 Thomas Jefferson Lane, Unit A, Amherst, NY 14226**. Please note that since we don't meet in December, the next issue of The Palette will be January 2025. The deadline for the January issue is December 20th.



Pufpaff Award Winner



Acrylic Award Winners



Oil Award Winners



Watercolor Award Winners



Mixed Media/Other Award Winners



Judge's Award Winner



Best of Show Award
Winner