

February 2018

Membership

*We extend a warm
welcome to our
new members!*

Whatcom Art Guild GENERAL MEETING 2018 SCHEDULE

February 13

March 13
April 10
May 8
June 12
July 10
August 14
September 11
October 9
November 13
December - No Meeting

General Meetings
are held on the
2nd Tuesday
of every month
at 7:00 pm at the
*Bellingham Public Library,
downtown branch.*

*Next Board Meeting
Tuesday,
January 23, 2018
at 7 pm at the
Whatcom Art Market
in Fairhaven.*

Dear WAG members,

Our year is off to a great start, with many members attending the January monthly meeting at the Bellingham Library. The evening's program was an opportunity to meet other members and talk about each individual's art, successes and challenges. Many members brought in a small piece of their own art for discussing and sharing. Many of us made new acquaintances and walked away with new thoughts about our own art, as well as appreciating the many talents within our Guild. It was generally voted as a very successful, fun evening.

January 16th, the Board members met for a 2018 planning session. Our intent was for each Board member or Chair to discuss and gain input from the group on ideas for activities in his or her area of responsibility. Discussion was lively, and you can expect to hear about new plans for Guild activities, be it Shows, Art Market, Special Events, Marketing or any of our many initiatives. Did you remember to check off boxes on your membership form as to which committees you are interested in? Well, expect to be hearing during the year about helping make new plans happen for the membership.

Our next monthly program meeting is Tuesday, February 13, 7pm at the Bellingham Library basement meeting room. We have our first Art Challenge of the year – Monochromatic Art – bring your creation to the meeting for all the enjoy and maybe win a prize!

See you on February 13! Come meet, enjoy the art, check out something new and exciting from our Guild Library. We are here for you and your artistic life.

Pat Fisher

January Artists of the Month _____

1st Place



"White Barn II" by Anita Thompson

2nd Place



"Foggy Path" by Scott Melnick

3rd Place



"Drayton Harbor" by Shawna Morris

4th Place Tie



"Peaceful" by Danila VanVeen

4th Place Tie



"Hibiscus" by Stephanie Strong

Each month, Guild members have a chance to enter one piece of their artwork in a mini competition at each general meeting. Members vote to determine the top four pieces. Winners are designated Artists of the Month and their artwork is featured here and is exhibited at participating venues in the community.

Guild members may enter only one piece and must be present at the general meeting.

If it is a painting, it must be framed in a professional manner and ready to hang with a wire hanger (no sawtooth hangers). Photos will be taken at the meeting for the newsletter.

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Newsletter Submissions

Please send all newsletter submissions to this email address by the third Saturday of each month:

wagnewslettersubmission@gmail.com

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WAG at the Jansen 2018

The Whatcom Art Guild has been invited by The Jansen Art Center to exhibit once again this year. The exhibit will be displayed during December, January, and February of 2018/2019, so we have plenty of lead time to create our entries.

This year's theme is:

Symbols & Signs

A mandatory size of 11" x 14" (portrait or landscape format) will apply to ALL wall art. This restriction includes the outside dimension of the frame, if used. At this time, there will be no size restrictions for 3D art, but, please keep in mind that we will only have half of the wall space that we enjoyed last year. Think small.

We encourage you to use this time to really think about what you want to do. So, get creative, which will better your chances of having your work juried in.

More information will be presented in the next few months, along with a prospectus. And, during the May, July, and September General Meetings, participating artists will have the opportunity to share their work(s).

The exhibit coordinators are:

Joyce Norfolk (studiogals@aol.com) and Lorraine Day (mesmerie1@gmail.com).

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Art Challenge for February General Meeting

Any art with a **monochromatic** color scheme

(shading from dark to light or any variation of **ONE** color or color scheme)

Artwork does not need to be ready to hang.

Questions? email Judy Bishop - judy.bishop9@comcast.net

WAG Sketchers Schedule

Fridays 11:00am – 2:00pm



February

- 2 Jalapenos - Fairhaven
- 9 Brandywine Kitchen
- 16 Whole Foods
- 23 Colophon Cafe

March

- 2 Woods Coffee Downtown
- 9 Ferry Terminal
- 16 Celia's house, hats, flowers and art share
- 23 Bellis Fare Food Court
- 30 Haggen's - Barkley

April

- 6 Firehouse Cafe Fairhaven
- 13 Bellewood Acres
- 20 Chuckanut Brewery
- 27 Chuckanut Manor

May

- 4 Woods Coffee - Boulevard Park
- 11 Chuckanut Gallery
- 18 Pam's garden - Flowers and a stream
- 25 Edison - TBD

Reminders and changes are sent each week to those on the email list .

For more information or to add your name to the email list - contact Celia Clarke at celiannaclarke@outlook.com

What Members are Doing



Shawna Morris will be showing her work at Village Books in Fairhaven during the month of February. Her colorful work will be on the wall in the Editor's corner downstairs. Shawna is also a new artist at the Whatcom Art Market.



Karen Ver Burg is showing her paintings at the Firehouse Café in Fairhaven during the months of January and February. Come by to enjoy a cup of coffee in front of the cozy fireplace.



Katy Drafs was the winner of the Dakota Arts \$10 Gift Certificate at our January General Meeting. Congratulations Katy!

Whatcom Art Market _____



At the Art Market, our focus is on Valentine's Day, Chinese New Year and photography of our beautiful locale. Sound good? With the New Year behind us, our 45 local artists have added to their exhibits and are focusing on the upcoming Spring season.

Our February featured artists:

Wed.Feb.7-Sun.Feb.11 - KayDee Powell, Silk painter and multi-media artist. KayDee's painted silk scarves are a 'must' for your Valentine. She will be demonstrating Sat.Feb.10, noon-2pm

Wed.Feb.14-Sun.Feb.18 - Chinese New Year! Judy Bishop, Photographer and jeweler, taught in China for two years and will be showing and describing her Asian-inspired art Sat.Feb.17, 11-3pm.

Wed.Feb.21-Sun.Feb.25 - Jack Faulkner, recently new Art Market member, photographer of Pacific Northwest barns and landscapes. Come meet Jack and view his incredible photography at the Art Market during the Fairhaven Art Walk evening, Fri.Feb.23, 6-8pm.

Wed.Feb.28-Sun.Mar.4. James Weaver, Architectural and Natural Photography, come meet James (and Oreo!) Sat. Mar.3, 11-2pm.

Don't forget, the Art Market is open during the Fairhaven 4th Friday Art Walk, February 23, 6-8pm, with many of our 45 artists on-site to meet and talk about their art. Come see us, bring your friends and family and share the best display of Whatcom's art!

The Art Market is at 1103 11th Street, Bellingham, WA. Open hours are Wednesday to Sunday, 10am-6pm.

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