President's Message

There still seems to be some confusion about what derivative art is.

A derivative work is an expressive creation that includes major copyrightable elements of an original, previously created first work. The derivative work becomes a second, separate work independent in form from the first. The transformation, modification or adaptation of the derivative work must be substantial and bear its author's personality sufficiently to be original.

Using several different personal photos to create an original piece is even better. The Guild requests that its members use their own photo references and imagination to create their art. Copying from another's photo or another's original art does not make a derivative art piece – that is called plagiarism and copyright infringement.

The Guild's "Bylaws" booklet explains further about copyright and derivative art. I hope this information helps.

Denis Wik • President

Plagiarized art (top).
Original art (bottom).

Derivative Art by Cynthia Snider
(Kamloops, BC, Canada

WELCOME
New Members!

Laetitia Galeazzi
Kristopher Miller
Archana Mudiam
Tim and Julia O'Keefe

Artist-of-the-Month

Thanks to our talented members who participated in our Artist-of-the-Month competition in January and congratulations to the winners. The first place ribbon recipient is now eligible to enter into the Blue Ribbon Gallery in February.
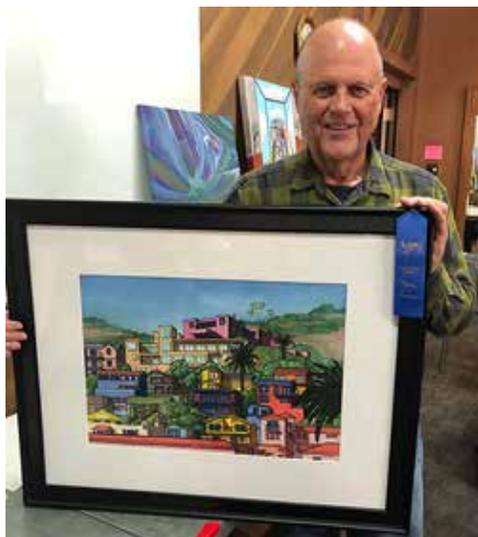
Second Place • Mayumi Schmidt
"Grandma's House" • *Ink*

Third Place • Barbara Niemann
"Fall Color" • *Watercolor*

First Place • Kristie Rogers
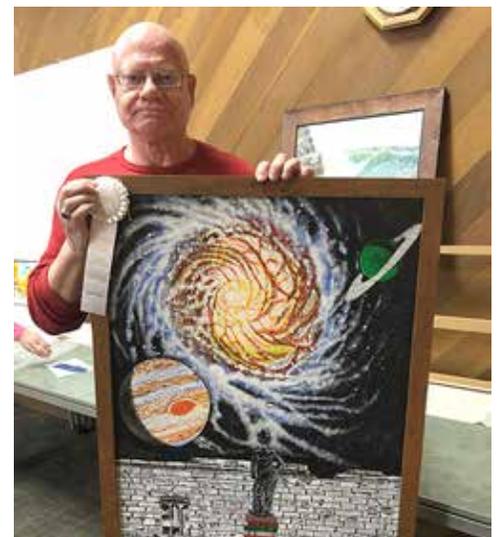*"Happy"* • *Pastel*

Artist-of-the-Year • 2019

FIRST • Robert Kambak
"Avalon Houses" • *Mixed Media*

SECOND • Cathy Down
"Sea of Beauty" • *Oil*

THIRD • Denis Wik
*"The More You Know,
the More You See"* • *Acrylic*

2020 Calendar of Events

Meeting facility will open at 12:30 p.m.

Submit art for competitions: **12:30–12:45 p.m**.

Register your art directly with Awards Chair Robert Kambak at the speaker's podium.

Demonstrators – <u>All members</u> are requested to do their part in searching for and obtaining local artists for our monthly meetings that will not only be educational but inspiring! Contact Program Chairs Cathy Down or Mary Kahn to confirm calendar openings and speaker compensations. "Speaker/Demonstrator Engagement" forms are always available at each meeting at the Membership Table.

January 25, 2020
- Membership Renewals Due
- 2019 Artist-of-the-Year Competition
- **BEGIN** 2020 Artist-of-the-Month Competition
- *Demonstrator: Julia Munger Seelos, http://juliaseelosgallery.com/*

February 22
- **BEGIN** 2020 Blue Ribbon Gallery Competition
- Artist-of-the-Month Competition continues
- ***Demonstrator: Guild Member Elton Glover will demo Acrylic Liquid Pour***

March 28
- Competitions continue
- **BEGIN ART SHOW** Registration and HOST Must be paid and registered to enter Postcard Competition in April
- **Demonstrator:** *Guild Members Diann Klink will demo Abstract Techniques*

April 25
- Competitions continue
- **ART SHOW:** Register and pay
- Art Show Postcard Competition (***proviso***: must be registered and paid in art show)
- ***Demonstrator: Pat Jimenez***

May 23
- Competitions continue
- **LAST CHANCE**:
  – Art Show Registration
- Art Show Postcard Distribution
- **BEGIN** Host and Food Sign-ups (art show)
- ***Demonstrator: Jeff Bramschreiber***

June 27
- Competitions continue
- **LAST CHANCE**:
  – Art Show Postcard Distribution
  – Host and Food Sign-ups
- ***Demonstrator: Linda Curtis • Acrylics***

July 25 • NO MEETING
- 11:30 a.m. Art Drop Off at Triton

August 1 Art Show Opening Reception
11:30 a.m. Exhibitors Set Up Reception
12:30 – 3:30 p.m. *Artists' Reception*

August 11 • National Night Out at Gallery
August 22
- Competitions continue
- 20th Annual Art Show in process
- ***Demonstrator:***

September 5 • Art Pickup at Triton
September 26
- Competitions continue
- ***Demonstrator:***

October 24
- Nomination of Officers for 2021
- Competitions continue
- ***Demonstrator:***

November – No meeting. Happy Thanksgiving!

December 5
- Election of Officers for 2021
- *Final* 2020 Artist-of-the-Month Competition
- *Final* 2020 Blue Ribbon Gallery Competition
- Holiday Potluck Party

Business Meeting Minutes • February 13

Executive Board in Attendance –
President Denis Wik, Vice President Marlene Bird, Treasurer Sharon La Bouff,
Secretary Diann Klink, Membership Barb Overholt, Awards Mary Kahn.

The meeting was called to order by Barb Overholt at 1:15 p.m.

Discussion of Docket Items

Demonstrators for 2020
Demonstrators are still needed for August, September and October. Denis will remind members at the February meeting for assistance. Denis recommended an acrylic pour artist and will make inquiries as to the artist's interest. Marlene also suggested Donald Neff.

Membership Non-Renewals
Marlene suggested changing the membership renewal deadline from February 1 to March 1. The motion was MSC. If dues are not received by March 1, the member will be removed from the roster. The Board expressed concerns regarding Al Giraudo's illness and the probability that he will not return.

New Members
Barb mentioned the new members who joined during December of 2019 and January of 2020: Sara Bayati, Laeticia Galeazzi, Kristopher Miller, Archana Mudiam, Tim and Julia O'Keefe.

Hospitality Roster Updates & Notifications
Barb expressed concern that members on the refreshment schedule are not receiving their reminder notifications in a timely way prior to upcoming meetings. It was agreed that an email notice by Hospitality Chairs Smruti Kurse and Serena Murray should go out one week before a meeting. Barb will continue to contact the responsible members each month via email and notify the Hospitality Chairs as well.

Art Show Ribbon Order
Barb explained that not all categories will need to be ordered as the category may not be used that often (i.e., alternate mediums). A three-year supply is needed of most categories, and Barb will prepare the order and inform the Board of the cost before submitting the order.

Meeting with Triton
Barb will set up a meeting with Triton to go over the art show particulars (item by item) to make sure there are no last-minute issues with the Museum. Marlene and Sharon will also attend this meeting.

Member Requirements for Art Exhibits
Frustrations were expressed regarding members not following the rules/requirements for exhibiting art, particularly at the Triton (or for any public show). These issues included hosting behaviors, framing and proxy requirements. It was agreed that these problems will undoubtedly continue due to basic human frailties and that we can only do our best to continue to communicate and regulate them.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Diann Klink, Secretary

At the Membership Table ...

... you will always find the following resources:
• Extra newsletters
• Membership Applications
• Speaker/Demonstrator Engagement forms
• Guild business cards
• Guild tri-fold brochures

Plein Air Artist Extraordinaire!

At the Guild's January 25 meeting, members were treated to plein air artist Julia Munger Seelos' talent as she directed us step-by-step in creating a beautiful oil painting from a reference photo in just 1.5 hours! It is quite apparent Julia has her process down to a science and was very comfortable creating for us and answering questions. Than you, Julia, for a art-inspired afternoon!

Julia Seelos • Plein Air Artist

Julia's Reference Photo

Painting in oils on a canvas panel that had been given a pale orange wash, Julia identified her major shapes with a pale purple wash consisting of ultramarine and cad yellow (Photo 1). She then laid in her darkest darks (Photo 2). Her eucalyptus trees began to shape up by adding medium highlights (Photo 3). She then worked in the background hills, foreground and path, tree shadows, adding clouds, and cutting in the sky (Photo 4). Still keeping her painting loose, Julia made final touches in softening the trees and adding additional highlights where needed, sky holes, et al. Her finished painting (Photo 5).
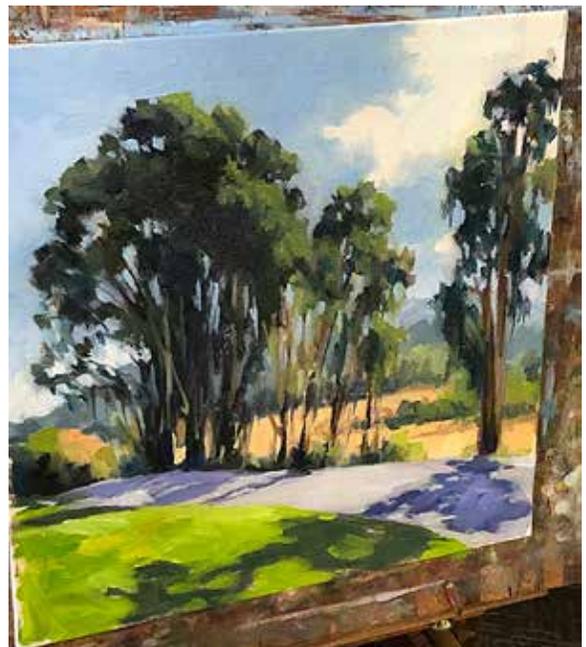
Photo 1

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Photo 4

Photo 5