

President's Message ...



Another year is coming to a close and what a fabulous year it's been!

We welcomed eight talented artists as members to the Guild, celebrated the Guild's 54th anniversary and its 21st Annual Art Show at the Triton Museum of Art. We've been inspired to try new mediums from talented local artists Joie McClements, Judy Gittelsohn, Ed Lucey, Jeff Bramschreiber, Denise Howard, Michael Rogan, and Sam Pearson. Through our monthly competitions, we've watched our members' talents grow as they took on new challenges, tried new techniques and, best of all, had fun in the process. The Executive Board also updated and published the Guild's Bylaws booklet in order to bring clarity of intent, purpose, and to protect its artists through better understanding of the Guild's requirements. The Guild's Bylaws are now online at www.CampbellArtistsGuild.org.

I look forward to 2020 and all the fabulous possibilities it will bring to our talented members. *"Just remember, the energy you put into a group is the energy you get back, but doubled!"*

Denis Wik, President

The "Whoo-Hoo!" Award

Congratulations to
Susanne Koga
 the recipient of the 21st Annual Art Show's
People's Choice Award

"Sisters' First Meeting" • Oil on Canvas

WELCOME New Members!

Susan Hartman





Monthly Competition Awards

Thanks to all our talented artists who participated in the October 26 competitions.



First Place • Kris Rogers
"Houdini" • Pastel



Second Place • Jude Tolley
"The Girl Who Ran with the Ghost Horses"
Acrylic

Blue Ribbon Gallery



Denis Wik
"Annabelle" • Acrylic



Third Place • Marlene McCullough
"Mythical Beast" • Acrylic



MEETING SCHEDULE

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 – All members 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.



November – No meeting. Happy Thanksgiving!

December 7

- Renew your Guild membership!
- Election of Executive Officers for 2020
- **Final** Artist-of-the-Month Competition for 2019
- **Final** Blue Ribbon Gallery Competition for 2019
- Holiday Potluck Party

Advice from 70 Years of American Artist Magazine (*American Artist* • January 2007)

1. Strive to find your own artistic voice and speak with confidence.
2. Recognize that talent is less important than solid training and constant practice.
3. Trust nature and your power of observation.
4. Study the best artists to understand their creative processes.
5. Understand that poor materials yield poor results.
6. Remember that creativity is a process not a result.
7. Understand that the best realist art has a solid abstract foundation.
8. Be self-critical but enjoy what you're doing.
9. Understand that artists need support, especially from one another.
10. Keep learning no matter how much you think you already know.
11. Share your gifts with others.



Festive Holiday Meeting! Saturday • December 7 12:30–3:30 p.m.

Our annual Holiday Potluck and General Meeting will include:

- Renew your Guild membership
- Electing Officers for 2020
- FINAL Artist-of-the-Month and Blue Ribbon Gallery competitions for 2019
- No demonstrator this meeting

THE POTLUCK

Members are asked to bring a dish to share for up to eight persons (with serving utensil), your personal eating utensils, your plate and glass. Hospitality will provide beverages, napkins, and festive table decorations.

Business Meeting Minutes November 14

The meeting was called to order at 1:45 p.m. by President Barb Overholt. Also in attendance were, Vice-President Marlene Bird, Treasurer Sharon La Bouff, Programs Chair Mary Kahn, and Secretary Susanne Koga.

2020 Calendar of Events – Barb provided the latest calendar of events and National Night Out at the Triton and art pickup at Triton were added.

Art Show – Organization of the 22nd annual art show has been finalized. Sharon will explain the sign-up procedure to the membership in early 2020. Choosing a date to host will be on a first-come-first-served basis and artists must sign up at a General Meeting. Artists must also attend a General Meeting in May or June to sign up for art reception food. The art show lasts five weekends and Barb will be sure that's always the understanding with the Triton Museum. She intends to meet with Esther Fernandez and possibly Preston Metcalf in early 2020 to discuss the show's particulars in person.

Member Questions – Barb has received emails from members asking questions where the answers can be easily found by simply reading the newsletter. Membership is encouraged to read their monthly newsletter, her online email blasts, and the Guild's website for answers to their questions.

Demonstration Artist Recruitment – Barb suggested reiterating the importance of member participation in finding artists for monthly demonstrations. Sharon suggested a Sherlock Holmes cartoon bringing attention to the paragraph stating member responsibilities at the top of the Calendar of Events.

Membership Renewals – Sharon will start collecting membership renewals at the December 7 General Meeting and Holiday Potluck. Checks are preferred but if members pay with cash, exact amount is required; Sharon will not be able to make change.

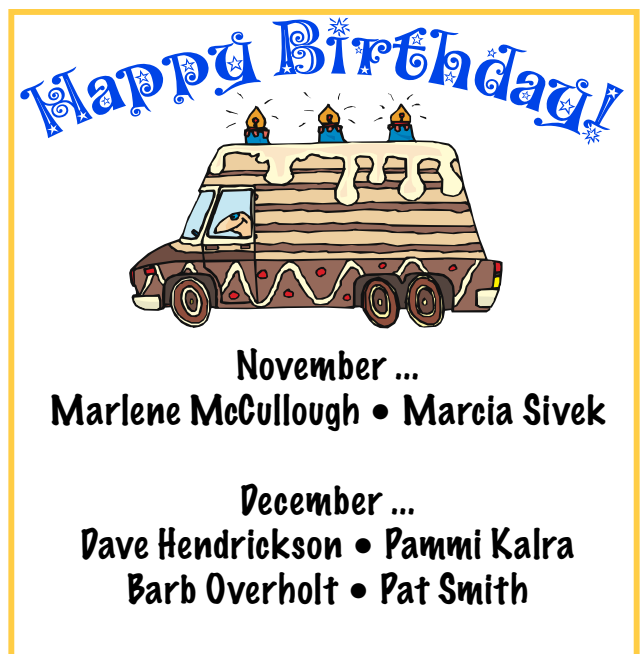
Damaged Threshold – Barb notified the church administrator of the First Congregational Church, that the threshold strip between the kitchen and the Guild's meeting room had deteriorated.

Campbell Storefront Window Program – The Guild, as an organization, will not be participating in this program but if individual members are interested, they are invited to participate at their own risk. The board read the City's proposed documents and application, and found them unacceptable where artists rights are concerned. Rewrites were suggested by the Guild's board that would protect professional artists.

Award Ribbons – The Guild needs to order award ribbons for the 2020 art show. We currently have the following number of ribbons: six First, nine Second, 11 Third, 0 Best of Show, 1 Special Award, and 21 "participant" ribbons. The board decided to dispense with the participant ribbons as they relate to the art show but the remaining ones could be used for members who go above and beyond for the Guild. Barb will order ribbons in bulk making it more cost-effective.

No business meeting is scheduled for December. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

*Respectfully submitted,
Susanne Koga • Secretary*



Pastel Demonstration with Los Gatos-based Artist Sam Pearson



We welcomed Sam Pearson to our October 26 General Meeting where he provided a fabulous demonstration into the world of pastels! We were in awe of his talent and expertise in creating a beautiful piece of art in such a short period of time. His demo included sharing what he has learned over the years and also sharing his completed art pieces. His demo started by presenting quick value and composition studies in deciding lights/darks, detail, center of interest, warm and cool colors. He first created a watercolor underpainting on University Art's 280 sanded paper using complimentary colors that he anticipated using prior to applying Ludwig hard and soft pastels.

We hope he will return in the near future for another opportunity to demonstrate his many talents. In the meantime, you may visit his website and view his beautiful paintings at:
www.spearsonartist.com.



Covering the entire surface using watercolors in complimentary colors that will enhance the final application of pastels.



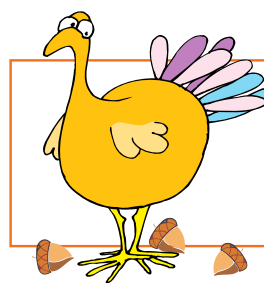
Applying hard and soft pastels.



The finished product.



One of three finished art pieces shared by Sam.



Happy
Thanksgiving!

No Meeting in November.