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MAY MEETING

The Euclid Art Association's next monthly meeting is **Monday, May 2**, starting at 7:00pm. The meeting is held in Fellowship Hall of East Shore United Methodist Church, 23002 Lakeshore Blvd., Euclid. Parking is behind the church or across from Marc's Pharmacy door. The entrance is through the back door of the church. There is an elevator to reach the lower level and Fellowship Hall. The doors of the church open at 6:00pm. The meeting is open to the public. A \$3.00 donation is suggested for guests. **Remember the Church's door code to enter the building.** Call Lee if you forgot it.

Refreshments will be served after the meeting. The hosts for May are Carolyn Swaffield and Diane Marra. At this meeting, we are asking members to sign up to host a meeting for our 2016-2017 season. So, please sign up!

The next weekly **Board Meeting is Tuesday, May 3 at 10:00am** in the North Street Gallery on the 2nd floor of the Euclid History Museum, 21129 North St. in Euclid. The Board meets every Tuesday from 10:00am to 12:30pm.

☀ **ATTENTION - PLEASE READ THE SECTION ABOUT OUR SPRING FINE ART SHOW** ☀

PROGRAM

Come to our May meeting...you don't want to miss this one! We are featuring award winning artist, Gary Williams. Gary will demonstrate his pastel techniques that he uses to create his beautiful portraits. Gary had a long and successful career as a lawyer and legal educator. But he says, "I came back to that which has been the enduring force in my life - fine art." While practicing law and teaching, he attended Cooper School of Art and never stopped painting and developing his unique style. He has won numerous awards and his works are shown throughout Ohio and across the nation.

Gary paints in pastels, oils, and watercolor. However, mixed media is his favorite method of bringing life to his portraits. In his Nubian series, he uses traditional African cloth and contemporary materials to liberate his subjects from the paper. In 2012, Gary traveled to Kenya where he lived in a rural Maasai village for a month. There he captured the beauty and spirit of the people in his watercolor series, Kajiado. His Jazz Series is an homage to his father, an amateur musician and jazz aficionado. In this body of work, Gary brings black and white pastel and charcoal images to life in a vivid, free form design created by wet-on-wet watercolor, which adds an almost otherworldly dimension to the composition. In 2013 Gary was awarded the prestigious Creative Workforce Fellowship by the Community Partnership for Arts and Culture, and Cuyahoga Arts and Culture. Visit <http://fineartamerica.com/profiles/gary-williams.html> to view his beautiful images.

THANKS TO ALL

A big Thank You to our April demonstrator, Dan Whitely for sharing his inspirations and his passion for art! Dan showed us how he uses a computer to digitally create an image from multiple photographs. He then uses the image on the computer monitor as the reference to paint from, as it gives light and depth not easily seen in a simple photograph. His use of bright colors and layers gives an incredible aura to his paintings. Dan brought two large canvases with him, one to show us an almost finished masterpiece that he was planning to enter into the current Gates Mills Show...due in two days...and another large canvas to work on during his demonstration. After he returned home from our presentation, he planned to work late into the night to complete it. The Gates Mill Show runs through Sunday, May 1. Visit our [Demonstrations page](#) to see pictures and read more about Dan's demonstration.

Thanks to Mary Ann Gambitta and Mary Alice Valvoda for the scrumptious buffet of goodies. Everything was delicious!

COLLABORATIVE FINE ART SHOW AT METROPARKS LAKE FARM PARK...IS OVER APRIL 30, 2016

Thanks to all who participated in this show from the three clubs - Euclid Art, Hillcrest Art, Creative Artists. We were well received by the public that visits the park. Congratulations to Betsy Poti who sold a picture!

➡ **REMINDER....** Pickup your pictures **Monday, May 2 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am**. Neither Euclid Art or Lake Farmpark will be responsible for pictures not picked up after that time.

PLEASE READ - SPRING FINE ART SHOW AT EUCLID PUBLIC LIBRARY - MAY 14 - MAY 21, 2016

KEY POINTS TO REMEMBER:

- 🕒 You should be receiving this newsletter with a day or two left to return your **entry form** to Ellen Howard. The forms were sent to members last month and if you lost yours (or your dog ate them), you can get them from our [website](#). They **MUST** be returned by **Friday, April 29, 2016**.
- 🕒 Artists must take their entries to the **EUCLID PUBLIC LIBRARY**, 631 East 222nd Street on **Friday, May 13, 2016, between 10:00am and 11:00am, ONLY**.
- 🕒 We would like to ask all those who can, to stay and help us set up the show. We need people to help move pictures around, hang them and place id tags. We usually finish with the setup by 12:30pm, just in time for the judge's arrival. **Can you help?**
- 🕒 Artists **Reception** is on **Wednesday, May 18, 2016, from 6:30pm - 8:30pm** at Euclid Library's Lake and Shore Rooms. **All artists and members are asked to bring finger food, plated and ready to serve.** All your family and friends are invited to attend and the public is also welcome!
- 🕒 We are still looking for more members to volunteer to sit for two hours at a time at the Euclid Art information table during the show. Please help out...contact Mary Ann Gambitta on 440-269-1432. This is also a very nice way for you to see the show!
- 🕒 Euclid Art keeps a book of artist's biographies and puts it out for the public to view during our Art Show. We encourage all members to submit their bio's, artistic statements, etc., for inclusion in the book. Please email or give them to Lee Peters. Lee's email address is af416@adelphia.net.
- 🕒 Euclid Art will be holding a raffle featuring an original framed floral artwork by local artist, Dianne Boldman, member of the Ohio Watercolor Society. Now deceased, Dianne painted this as a demonstration at one of our meetings. We estimate the picture to be worth \$500. Tickets are sold during the show for \$1 each or 6 for \$5. The drawing will be held Sunday, May 22.
- 🕒 All artists must **pick up** their artwork **Sunday, May 22 between 1:30pm and 2:30pm ONLY!** The Euclid Art Association and Euclid Public Library will not be responsible for any artwork left after that time.
- 🕒 Special thanks go out to all the volunteers who have helped make this show run so smoothly year after year!

CITY HALL EXCHANGE

Our last City Hall Exchange, held Friday, April 15, only attracted five EAA participants. Lee met with the new Mayor and her assistant. They told us to tell you how much they appreciate having our pictures hanging in the lobby and in their offices. Congratulations to Sandi Richards...she sold a painting at City Hall! NEW...the new administration is offering us a chance to hang art on 18' of wall-space in the private hallway to the Mayor's office and conference rooms...more later.

WORKSHOPS

Special thanks to David Rankin for another great watercolor workshop on flowers! Watch the website for pictures and interesting links. Even though David's second watercolor workshop, *Flowers in Nature* on **Saturday, June 4** is FULL, we are taking names for the wait list. Contact Sue Herrle on 216-481-5105 or email suetom.herrle@sbcglobal.net.

ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

The following slate of officers for the Euclid Art Association's 2016-2017 season will be presented at the May meeting. They are: President - Lee Peters, Vice President – Rozenia Cunningham, Treasurer – Joann Naroski, Secretary – Sue Herrle. During the May meeting nominations can be made from the floor with prior consent of the nominee. In such an event, a paper ballot will be used. If there are no nominations from the floor, the slate will be accepted by the Secretary. Officers will be inducted at the June meeting.

MEMBERS ART PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE

EAA members are encouraged to have their own personal Members Art page on our website, www.EuclidArt.com. Go to our Members Art page and click the link at the top of the page for information on how to get started.

CLOSING THOUGHT

“Among the changing months, May stands confest The sweetest, and in fairest colors dressed.”
– James Thomson (1700 - 1748)