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JUNE MEETING

The Euclid Art Association's next monthly meeting is **Monday, June 6**, 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 <u>door code</u> to enter the building.** Call Lee if you forgot it.

Refreshments will be served after the meeting. The hosts for June are Bev Krueger and Sue and Tom Herrle. Sign up at our June meeting to host one of our monthly meetings in the 2016-2017 season.

The following **slate of officers** for the Euclid Art Association's 2016-2017 season will be **sworn in** at the June meeting: President - Lee Peters, Vice President - Rozenia Cunningham, Treasurer - Joanne Naroski, Secretary - Sue Herrle.

This meeting is the last of our 2015-2016 season. We do not meet in July and August. See you in September!

The next weekly **Board Meeting is Tuesday, June 7 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 on Tuesdays from 10:00am to 12:30pm.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2016-2017 AT THE JUNE MEETING

A membership renewal notice containing your specific information is included with this newsletter. We ask that you verify this information and indicate any corrections on the bottom half of the form. **BRING** it with you along with your check (or cash) to the June meeting or mail the form along with your check to our membership chairperson, Mary Ann Gambitta at 1232 Quartz Court, Willoughby, OH 44094. We'll be working on the new membership booklet this summer.

PROGRAM

The June meeting features our annual Members' Art Critique night. Artwork will be critiqued by Tom Evert, who judged our Spring Fine Art Show. Tom holds degrees in both painting and dance from Ohio University. After being involved in arts education programming in the schools for 31 years, Evert emerged as a prominent "teaching artist" nationally and internationally. Tom, who began his college career in the visual arts, designs and constructs many of the sets for his dances, is also a muralist and is a sculptor of figurative works for which he has received commissions and prizes in invitational shows. For more about Tom, visit the home page of our website www.EuclidArt.com.

This is always a very popular meeting and many members take advantage of this opportunity. **Our members are requested to bring only ONE picture to be critiqued** . . . or else the meeting could last all night!

THANKS TO ALL....WE HAVE A LOT OF PEOPLE TO THANK THIS MONTH

At our May 2nd meeting, we put together an impromptu program. Our planned demonstrator, Gary Williams, was unable to attend due to illness. He will be rescheduled next season. Thanks to a suggestion by Dottie Geisert, twelve artists shared one of their artworks and talked for 5-minutes on the inspiration behind their work. Then, Lee Peters presented a 30-minute visual slide show of things pertaining to art. We had 29 members and guests participate in the evening events. All enjoyed a fun meeting, followed by a delicious refreshment table thanks to our hosts, Carolyn Swaffield and Diane Marra. Hope you got a chance to eat some of their homemade cupcakes. Thanks also to Deb Kramarz for making our name tags. Visit the <u>demonstration page</u> on our website for more info and pictures from this meeting.

We also thank our local printer, **Euclid Blue Printing**, 908 East 222nd St., Euclid, 44123 for sharing examples of their printing services and offering a discount to Euclid Art members. We encourage our members to see Glenn at Euclid Blue for personal service and excellent quality of your printing needs.

Special thanks to **our webmaster, Kirk Ramsey**, who in spite of moving out of state...very soon..., was the first to renew his membership in Euclid Art. Kirk will continue to be our webmaster from his new home in New Hampshire. Kirk, we sincerely thank you for all you have done for us. We'll miss seeing you at the monthly meetings'....refreshment table!

Thank you to all EAA artists who were part of our very successful Spring Fine Art Show. And a BIG THANKS to everyone who volunteered to help in so many ways from our show coordinator, Ellen Howard, the EAA Board, to those who set up and took down the show - Ray & Susan Lokar, John Koch, Dan Driscoll and his wife, Tom Herrle, Dottie Geisert, Diane Marra, Betsy Poti, Liz Galloway, to our sitters, and to everyone who brought refreshments to our reception.

2016 SPRING FINE ART SHOW

There were 34 artists and 149 pieces of artwork.....9 pictures sold! Judge Tom Evert spent a great deal of time judging the show. He described the show, "collections of visions and voices to sort out" as "overall, very strong" while reflecting different moods. "Vision is not a big issue" as the artists have made pleasing statements with subjects like food and pets. The work is "sincere, skilled, crafted" with attention to technique.

One of the many people who saw our show was Laureen Deveney, who, along with Dianne Colling are curating the *"Vacation Cleveland, Doubting Thomas Walk Across America Project"* for the Doubting Thomas Gallery in Tremont. She was impressed with the quality of our art and would like to invite some of our artists to display their work while the Republican National Convention is in town. She plans to attend our June meeting and talk more about this. From their Facebook page..."Celebrate the rich creative talents and cultural diversity that makes Cleveland famous."

A few of the comments from our guestbook....there were several that used the adjectives *beautiful*, *lovely* and *great* along with *awesome*, *stunning*, *spectacular*, *amazing* and *wonderful*! Many were *inspired* and *energized* by *talented artists* whose work was on display. Bonnie thought our show was "*almost better then the Art Museum*"....less walking!

Congratulations to all prize winning artists! Visit our website to see images of the winning and sold artwork.

Best of Show - David Simmerer - North Chagrin

1st Place - Patricia Simmons - Sacred Ground, Graphic Art, David Simmerer - North Chagrin, Oil Dennis McDonnell - Moonrise, Photography, Stan Klak - Grizzlies, Watercolor

2nd Place - Mary Ann Hagen - *#Tree,* Acrylic, Nancy Daly - *Daisy,* Graphic Art Dan Driscoll - *The Party's Over,* Mixed Media, Mary Alice Valvoda - *Lily Duo,* Photography Susan Lokar - *Purple Haze,* Watercolor

3rd Place - Jim Abrams - *Megan*, Acrylic, Dorothy Geisert - *Stairway to Paradise*, Graphic Art Sandi Richards - *Waiting for Gelato*, Mixed Media, Linda McGreevy - *Textures Inside and Out*, Photography Ron Powaski - *Crawford Pond*, Watercolor

Honorable Mention - Joanne Cartor, Suzette F. Cohen, Dan Driscoll, Dorothy Geisert, May Halliday, Susan Herrle, Ellen Howard, John Koch, Deborah Kramarz, Ray Lokar, Susan Lokar, Diane Marra, Dennis McDonnell, Joan Milligan, Lee Peters, David Simmerer, Patricia Simmons, Mary Alice Valvoda

WORKSHOPS

We thank David Rankin in advance for another successful and fun workshop, *Flowers in Nature* on **Saturday**, **June 4**. Watch the website for pictures and interesting links. We look forward to more workshops with David in the new season.

MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to our 2016 Margaret E. Hain Memorial Scholarship winner, Monique Cook, a student at Euclid High.

EAA members Noah's Child, May Halliday, Joanne Naroski, Lisa Ruschman, Pat Simmons, and Mary Williams had their artworks accepted into the 40th Fairmount Art Exhibition, which runs through June 9 at the Fairmount Center for the Arts. Congratulation to Lisa Ruschman for her 1st place win for *Fierce* and to Joanne Naroski for HM - *Lotus at Hospice*. Linda Merchant, who is EAA's newest member, was one of the judges!

Dottie Geisert is having an art show and raffle of her artwork and prints at Tony Sacco's restaurant at Great Lakes Mall, Mentor, OH. This fundraiser, called *Raising Dough*, will be held on Sunday, June 26, from 11:00am to 3:00pm. 20% of sales of food and art will be donated to Autism and 401Project for MECP2 Duplication. Contact Dottie for more info.

Jim Abrams made an excellent suggestion....perhaps the association should have a regular meeting of 'artists doing art', perhaps weekly or biweekly, similar to an informal gathering of artists to create art, perhaps plein aire, perhaps indoors. Interested? Let's discuss this more at the next meeting.

MEMBERS ART PAGE ON OUR WEBSITE

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

<u>**CLOSING THOUGHT</u>** - "A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken." \sim James Dent</u>