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MARCH MEETING

The Euclid Art Association's next monthly meeting is **Monday, March 5**, starting at 7:00pm. The meeting is held in Fellowship Hall of East Shore United Methodist Church, 23002 Lakeshore Blvd., Euclid. The meeting is open to the public. A \$3.00 donation is suggested for guests. 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 Church's door code to enter the building IS NOT working. Someone will let you in....please try to arrive on time!**

Parking is behind the church, in front of the church in the traffic circle or across the alley in front of the Marc's Pharmacy door. Please do not park outside designated areas as this impedes access of emergency vehicles to the rear entrance. If you do, you risk being ticketed.

Our refreshment hosts are a repeat from February - Joan Milligan, Helen Karpoff, Dottie Geisert. Thank you, again!

Weekly **Board Meetings** are held on Tuesdays from 10:00am to 12:30pm in the North Street Gallery on the 2nd floor of the Euclid History Museum, 21129 North St. in Euclid. Come, participate and join us for lunch afterwards!

PROGRAM

We are featuring a unique and very interesting presentation by **Holly Queen Biss**, a registered, board certified **Art Therapist**. She will present "**The Impact of Art Therapy**" and "**The Value of Creating Art as You Age**". Holly graduated from Ursuline College's Counseling and Art Therapy program and has practiced art therapy for over 20 years. Inspired and trained by the late Tom Kitwood (a pioneer in the field of dementia care), she has concentrated on using art in person-centered care of individuals and families living with dementia and terminal illnesses. Look at the artwork and Closing Thought at the end of this newsletter. It's Holly's art and her favorite quote!

Comments about our March program from Lee: When I first started to attend weekly board meetings, almost 17 years ago, I was struck by how many of the board members were in their 70's, 80's and even early 90's. I was amazed at how active and engaged these artists were at that age. Remember artist **Bob Moyer**, friend of Euclid Art, who passed away last October at age 93, he was actively doing art up until his last day. And, our good friend, **Harry Pierson**, who recently passed at age 92, won 2nd place in mixed media at our most recent Lakeland show. I often joke that the fountain of youth comes from picking up a paintbrush. In a recent conversation with David Rankin about the value of doing art in retirement, he said: "The decision making involved in doing art is advantageous to the brain. Thousands of decisions are fired off in the brain, even before you pick up the brush! Plus, painting promotes good eye - hand coordination. Soon the scientific community will confirm that doing art is very advantageous as we age."

THANKS TO ALL

We thank our February demonstrator, **Victoria Wagner**, for a fantastic evening of art! Close to 30 members and guests sat in quiet amazement as we watched Victoria demonstrate "Portraiture Techniques in Oil". Victoria has been teaching art for 25 years, but she's been painting for 50! Even though Victoria uses every kind of medium in her artwork, her favorite is definitely oil. Her objective for the evening was to complete an oil portrait in an hour. Victoria selected member, **Kelley Davis**, from the audience as her model. As Kelley's likeness came alive on the canvas, Victoria gave us many interesting tips. An hour and a half later, the beautiful portrait of Kelley was done!...what an amazing likeness. Victoria graciously gave Kelley the finished portrait. Thank you, Victoria and Kelley! For tips, pictures, and more information, visit the <u>Demonstrations page</u> on our website.

Valentine's Day was the theme for the evening's refreshments...many thanks to **Joan Milligan**, **Dottie Geisert** and **Helen Karpoff**. We enjoyed such a great variety of treats that it's impossible to list them all....but each and every one was delicious! **Extra thanks to the "Goodie Trio", in advance.** They are also doing refreshments for our March meeting.

HEADS UP

Our **Spring Fine Art Show at the Euclid Public Library, May 12 - 19, 2018**, will be here in just a few months. All the show forms needed to enter are now available on our website, EuclidArt.com on the <u>Art Shows page</u>. Hard-copies will be mailed out with the April newsletter. Additionally, Joan Milligan has prepared a visual "Do's and Don'ts of Art Presentation" showing how to present your artwork at it's best. Not only is this document available for downloading from the Art Shows page, but copies will be available at our sign-in table at the monthly meetings.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This September marks the start of our 60th season! We survived and grew as an organization because of the many members who volunteered over the years!...and we plan to continue growing. That being said....we need our current members to 'step up' and volunteer to help! We need someone or two to take over Refreshment Chairman duties from Sandi Richards, who is now our new Treasurer. In addition, we are asking for someone to manage our Members Art Page. LET US HEAR FROM YOU! Call Sandi at 216-732-8696....she can answer any questions you may have.

PLANNING AHEAD FOR THE NEW SEASON - PROGRAMS AND WORKSHOPS

Joan Milligan, program director, is doing a great job of finding new and interesting demonstrators for our monthly meetings. However, we are always looking for ideas from our membership. If you have any suggestions for topics you would like to see or specific artists you would like to demonstrate for us, please email your comments and information to Joan at artsiegirl826@aol.com or call her at 440-527-1917.

Any workshop suggestions for next season? Would you be interested in an acrylic class? David Rankin suggested a workshop on "How to Develop a Sketch Book and Travel Journal"...possibly for October 2018. Sandi said "this is a hot topic"....would you be interested? Email Sue Herrle at suetom.herrle@sbcglobal.net or talk with her directly.

MEMBERS ART PAGE [Proceeds help pay for hosting our website!]

It's time to renew! You will be hearing from Sandi (or her replacement). The cost of renewal is \$15/year, includes 3-free months. You are entitled to change images and bio up to 3 times per year. If you don't have a Members Page yet, why don't you? Check out Members Art pages at EuclidArt.com and sign up today.

WORKSHOPS

The Saturday, April 28, 2018 "Trees in Watercolor", workshop with **David Rankin** is now **FULL**. You can still be put on our waiting list if interested. You will be informed if anyone cancels.

Don't miss out on the Members Only discount forThree-day series, June, 1, 2, 3, 2018 "Coolest Watercolor Techniques...More Essential Training", with artist, **David Rankin**. Learn how to create many of transparent watercolor's very coolest visual effects. This workshop is about learning more of watercolor's coolest washes and how to "do it right". If you know how to create a specific visual effect... and then add another and another... you can create dramatic images. Cost is \$150 for members, \$195 for non-members and \$135 for students w/ID. **Members, sign up & pay now...only** \$135.00 through March 5, 2018.

To register, call or email Susan Herrle at 216-481-5105 or suetom.herrle@sbcglobal.net, include EAA in subject line. More details about each workshop can be found on the Workshops page at www.EuclidArt.com.



MEMBER NEWS

Congratulations to **Dottie Geisert!** She sold 5 paintings at her one woman [UNVEILED] art show last month at the Mentor Municipal Center.

Diane Rogazione will be one of 26 artists participating in the Birds and Blooms Spring Art show at Penitentiary Glen, Kirtland, from March 10 - May 13. The Art Reception is Saturday, March 10, from noon - 4:00pm. It is free. Those participating are all painting/embellishing the same style wooden birdhouses.

NEWS WANTED

We are always happy to publicize your event. Please tell us what's going on! To get your info in our newsletter, let us know before the last Saturday in the month. Call 216-531-6349 or email info@EuclidArt.com. Include EAA in the "Subject" line of the message header.

CLOSING THOUGHT

"Art washes away from the soul the dust of everyday life." — Picasso