



DETROIT SOCIETY OF WOMEN PAINTERS & SCULPTORS

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President's Message - December

We had a good meeting at the West Bloomfield Public Library; the program/lecture by *Jennifer Fitzpatrick* was informative and inspiring. **Chris Unwin** (programs) is concentrating on free venues for our meetings so that the money can be used for strong, educational, and interesting programming. If you have ideas for programs/lectures please contact Chris Unwin.

By the time you get this newsletter I will have traveled back from Crooked Tree in Petoskey with all the artwork that was not picked up earlier by other members. Because of the flurry of activity around Thanksgiving Weekend, I am holding the artwork in my dry, warm, locked garage. Someone is usually around to let you into my garage if I am not home (husband Richard, or son Max). Please call a day ahead when you want to pickup, so we don't miss you. (313) 885-1470.

I also hope to see everyone at the **Dearborn Country Club, Friday December 9, for our Holiday Luncheon**. The event is always a good time. Thank you **Chris Unwin** for planning and implementing the Luncheon.

Tracy Irwin and **Deb Benedic** are continuing with plans for the Mike Kelley's *Mobil Homestead* exhibit and activities. You will find a Call-for-Entry form in this newsletter with pertinent information for this **HOME** themed art show. **Carolyn Sherwood** will be conducting a drop-in "make and take" printing activity for youngsters during five of the weekends the show is up. If you can assist Carolyn one or more of the weekends I am sure she will appreciate it. Give her a call.

I had a chance to see a show at the site located behind MOCAD (Museum of Contemporary Art of Detroit) and found it to be a very good venue for our exhibit. It is similar to other galleries in that the walls are white, it is well lit, there is easy entrance and free parking is off the street. It is the shell of a suburban track home with an attached two car garage and it does appear as though it has been "beamed down" to this location. There will be MOCAD staff in the facility during all times the exhibit is open.

2017 is fast approaching. A few members have expressed feelings of anxiety or unease for our society in the new year. As artists we can put this nervous energy into our work to produce something of beauty that educates or inspires. Consider the beautiful work Vincent Van Gogh produced and yet his soul was never really at ease. There is much outside our control; let us do what we can through our art.

"I am seeking, I am striving, I am in it with all my heart." - Vincent Van Gogh

... Jackie

General Meeting



**Holiday Party
December 9TH
(NOTE - THIS IS A
DATE CHANGE!!!)**

**at Dearborn Country Club
800 Military, Dearborn**
near Outer Drive and Golfview
(west of Fairlane Shopping
Center)

Arrive at 11:00 am

Lunch at 12 noon

Deadline to confirm: **12/1/16**
(see November newsletter,
Mail check made out DSWPS,
to: attn: Chris Unwin
6850 Brookeshire Dr,
W. Bloomfield, 48322

Welcome New Members:

Susan Aitken

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48188 734-355-7130 - C
jsaitken11@gmail.com

Barb Desmond

42950 Richards Court
Northville 48167
248-930-9972-C
barbwire2u@yahoo.com

(Please note in your Directory)

**Sincerest Sympathy to
Marilyn Bomarito
on the
death of her husband Tony
Oct. 27, 2016**

**Your prayers requested for
Carol LaChiusa's husband
who recently went in
Hospice care**

Members

Accomplishments:

- DSWPS members accepted in the **Midland Center for the Arts '55th Annual Greater Michigan Art Exhibition'** included **Linda Allen, Jan Brown** and **Lori Zurvalec**, with **Jan** awarded a Juror's Recognition Award.
- **Julie Sabit** was awarded an Honorable Mention in the in the **Grosse Pointe. Art Association's 'Our Rivers, Our Lakes'**. Show is up until **12/2/16** at Art Studio Hallway, President's Room 2nd floor - The War Memorial 32 Lake Shore Dr, Grosse Pte Farms grossepointeartcenter.org
- **Barbara Murphy** received a first place at the **VAAL 'Fall Art'** show, **Jean Thomas** received an Honorable Mention. Show on until **11/4/16. Livonia Recreation Center** 1500 Hubbard, Livonia
- **Nobuko Yamasaki** was awarded Best of Show at the **'Think Small'** exhibit at the **Lawrence Street Gallery.**



Words to remember

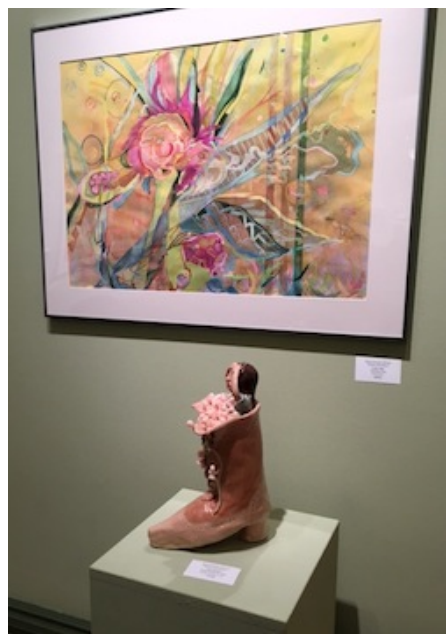
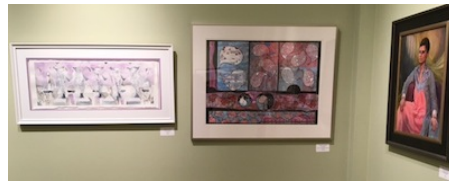
Life is not measured by the breaths you take,

*but by the **moments** that take your breath away.
May you see sunshine where others see shadows, and opportunities where others see obstacles.*



Have heard great things about our show at Crooked Creek in Petoskey - well hung, great lighting - made our show a winner!

Some of the great work of 'Soliloquy' appearing at Crooked Tree Gallery in Petoskey



**UPCOMING
DSWPS SHOWS**

DSWPS EXHIBITION
at the **Mike Kelly's Mobile Homestead Gallery/ Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCAD)**

The theme is **"HOME"**
February 3 - May 11, 2017.
Entry date: 1/14/17

The Take-in is **January 26, 2017**
at KHG/MOCAD.
(Entry Form with this newsletter)

Tracy Irwin be handling the planning for the 4-5 activities during the exhibition. Please contact her if you are interested in participating.
traci@detroithistorical.org

Your activity/lecture/ demonstration will be held on the weekend of your choice and there is a stipend available for participants.

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Down River Council for the Arts
MAY, 2017

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Starkweather Gallery
OCTOBER, 2017
Romeo, MI

Entries Wanted:

- **Deadline: 1/4/17**

Michigan Watercolor Society's '70th Annual Exhibition' -Show: **4/8 - 5/26/17** Digital Entries. Opens at Crooked Tree Arts Center, Traverse City www.mwcsart.com

- **Deadline: 1/5/17**

Anton Art Center has a CFE for their '*Michigan Annual XLIV*' open to all MI artists, JPG entries 586-469-8666 sahazzard@theartcenter.org 125 Macomb Pl, Mt Clemens

- **Deadline: 1/14/17**

DSWPS show at Mike Kelly's Mobile Homestead Gallery / Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCAD) 2/3 - 5/11/17 traci@detroithistorical.org

- **Deadline: 1/25 - 1/28/17**

Lawrence Street Gallery's 'Body Eclectic' - Show opens **2/3/17**. Info at www.lawrencestreetgallery.com 22620 Woodward Ave. Suite A Ferndale

- **Pastel Society of America** has a CFE for their '*45th Annual Juried Exhibition*' at **National Arts Club, NY - 9/5 - 9/30/17**. Soft pastels only, on line digital entry. 212-533-6931 pastelsocietyofamerica.org Info: psaoffice@pastelsocietyofamerica.org

- For full listing of **Franciscan Life Process Center's** upcoming workshops www.lifeprocesscenter.org and go to the Services Tab, then the Art Program, and then to Art Workshops.

- Dear CaFE™ Artist, Deadlines are fast approaching. If you're interested in applying to one of these calls, **log in** and apply now. To search these and more opportunities at any time, visit **CaFE Call Listings**.

Groaner Alert!

The midget fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.

What's Happening:

- **Canton Village Theatre Gallery at Cherry Hill Schedule: December** - Ann Arbor Fiber Arts Guild Info: 734/394-5300 50400 Cherry Hill Rd, Canton

- **Grosse Pointe Artists Association's** show '*Our Rivers, Our Lakes* on until **12/2/16** at Art Studio Hallway, President's Room 2nd floor - The War Memorial 32 Lake Shore Dr, Grosse Pte Farms grossepointeartcenter.org

Their Holiday Show '*Joy and Wonder*' dates are: **12/5 - 12/6/17**

Print your own Holiday Cards workshop with *Nicole Richards* 9:30 - 4 pm, **12/3/16** 313-881-3454 Alger House 32 Lake Shore Dr, Grosse Pte. Farms

- **Birmingham Society of Women Painters** had an exhibit '*Shades of the Brush, 21st Exhibit at the BBAC*' **10/21 - 11/18/16**. Some of their work was in the November issue of our newsletter. 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham

- **The Loft Fine Art** Inventory In store and online 25% off at www.thelofffineart.com. Late night shopping every Thursday in December until 8:00 pm! 586-840-7979 81 Macomb Place, Mt. Clemens

- **Flint Institute of Arts, Founders Society Gallery**, is featuring '*Watercolors by Denise Willing-Booher*' **11/1 - 12/31/16**

- **Northville Art House 11/4 - 12/17** '*Conversations in Clay*' - 50 works by 11 artists from the **Clay Gallery**- S. White Black, R. Disbrow, C. Hinshaw, S. Knudsvig, Y. Lee, B. Macomber, S. Stephenson, J. Szutz, K. Stewart, D. Thompson & D. Williams. Reception 12/2 6 - 9 pm. New to the Artisan Store, *Julie Woodard Alcohol Inks*. 248-344-0497 215 W. Cady St, Northville

- **Fenton Arts Council** has a drop-in paint-in every Wednesday in the **Fenton Community Center**. Check out all the activities info@LakesAreaArtsCouncil.org or lakesareaartscouncil.org

- **Lawrence Street Gallery's** show '*Think Small*' **11/30 - 12/23/16** '*Best of the Best*' **1/11 - 2/27/16** '*The Body Eclectic*' **2/3 - 2/26/16** for info: lawrencestreetgallery.com 248-544-0394 22620 Woodward Ave. Suite A, Ferndale

- **Anton Art Center** is holding Holiday Workshops - Habuku for the Holidays: Ink Painting Cards **12/3** 10:30 - 11:30 Gelly Mono-print Cards **12/4** 1:00 - 3 Info: 586- 469-8666 125 Macomb Place, Mt. Clemens

- **Grosse Pointe Artists Assn 12/3/16** - 'Print your own Holiday Cards' **workshop** with *Nicole Richards* 9:30 - 4 pm **12/9/16 - 12/10/16** 'Winning With Watercolor' **workshop** with *Tony Warren* 9:30 - 4 pm **1/5 - 1/26** - "Follow-up to Fundamentals" Acrylics with *Al Sonnenberg* 1 - 4 pm

- **1/7/16** - 'Watercolor Workshop' **workshop** with *Marilynn Thomas* 9:30 - 4 pm

- **1/10/17 - 1/31/17** - 'Still Life in Oils & Pastels' with *Marianna Defer Pfeifer* - 9:30 - 12:30 313-881-3454 Alger House 32 Lake Shore Dr, Grosse Pte. Farms

- **Ann Arbor's 'Art Off the Wall'** Holiday exhibit **11/18 - 1/7/17** 117 Gallery, Ann Arbor

- Opening of **Michigan Watercolor** 2016 traveling show at **Art Studio 1219** in Port Huron **11/11 - 12/24/16**. 810-984-2787 1219 Military, Port Huron



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Minutes of General Meeting, November 17, 2016 - West Bloomfield Twp. Library

President Jackie Rybinski called the meeting to order at 11:38 am. Twenty-two members and guests were in attendance at the West Bloomfield Twp. Library.

Recording Secretary Carolyn Sherwood read the minutes of the September meeting. There was no formal October meeting. The motion to accept the minutes as read was made by Jan Ducsay, supported by Kathleen McNamee. Motion carried.

Treasurer Marilyn Bomarito reported following account balances: August 31, 2016, September 30, 2016, October 31, 2016. The motion to receive and file the report was made by Joyce Manke with support from Arlene Oakland. Motion carried.

Corresponding Secretary Joyce Manke stated that she would send an email blast to membership regarding any changes to the December luncheon dates.

First VP Programs Chris Unwin informed those in attendance that Jennifer Fitzpatrick, instructor at College for Creative Studies and Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center, would speak on the psychology of what we paint.

The December luncheon will take place on the ninth at the Dearborn Country Club.

The February meeting will be at Detroit Yacht Club.

Second VP Exhibitions Deborah Benedic: Jackie Rybinski gave a brief history behind the **Kelly Homestead at MOCAD**. DSWPS will exhibit there February 3 through May 11, 2017. Deborah Benedic and Tracy Irwin are co-chairs. The juror is Dominic Pangborn. Applications for entry should be in by January 14; the jurying will take place at the Homestead on January 26 from 10 am until Noon. The theme of the exhibition is "Home." MOCAD is providing postcards, tours of the Homestead, and information on their website about the exhibit and programs DSWPS is offering.

Tracy informed the members that she started discussions with MOCAD about a year ago. Mike Kelly had written in his journal he envisioned a group like a watercolor society using the space that he created. MOCAD was looking for a small community organization that would fulfill Mike Kelly's vision for his House. DSWPS met that description. As co-chair, Tracy Irwin is in charge of scheduling activities at the Homestead during our approximately three months there. Carolyn Sherwood spoke about activities that she planned to conduct, four printmaking weekends and one free painting weekend.

Deb Maiale offered to share some activities that she used as an art teacher. Members should email Tracy Irwin if they are interested in doing a demonstration or conducting a workshop.

Marilyn Bomarito is chair of the **Downriver Council of Arts show** scheduled for May, 2017. Jurying will take place May 16 and the show will be hung on May 17. The reception has been planned for May 18. Jan Filarski is the chair for the **Starkweather Gallery exhibit** October, 2017.

Third VP Directory Jan Ducsay reported that the cost for 200 copies of the 2016-2017 Directory came in under budget by \$72.13.

Membership Chair Jan Ducsay reported four new members and one reinstatement. The current membership is 146.

Webmaster Kathleen McNamee thanked Jan Ducsay for the photos from **The Crooked Tree Gallery show** which she downloaded to the website. Members should send photos of their work to add to the website.

The meeting adjourned at 12:28 pm. Joyce Manke made the motion to adjourn. She was supported by Deborah Maiale.

Submitted by **Recording Secretary Carolyn Sherwood.**