

**Manchester Art Association
Member Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2022
Manchester Church of Christ**

OPENING: President Carolyn Emerson opened the meeting by inviting new members and visiting attendees to introduce themselves by name and art medium. Approximately ten artists joined us for this meeting, which was very impressive. A few came specifically to hear our demonstrator discuss the process of writing and publishing children's literature.

Reading of the Previous Minutes: were disposed of with a motion by Judy Burnham and seconded by Emily Beckwith.

Treasurer's Report: Lisa Dumais reported \$18,727.43 as of the end of October

Membership Report: Deb Parker announced a total of 89 paid members of which 5 are honorary; 12 are new; and 72 are renewals.

Exhibits: Janet Heller reported on the "line-up" of all our shows at The Manchester Town Hall for the 2022-2023 year as follows: Photography - still ongoing until Jan. 4, 2023. Etcetera - Jan 4 - March 23 and encompassing non-traditional and Wit and Wisdom-March 23 - April 20 based on the 49 poems* submitted. All Mediums - April 20 - June 20 dedicated to the Manchester Bicentennial. All shows may be entered online by starting at our website. *Poem copies are available at the meetings and online.

Workshops: Emilie Beckwith announced the scheduled and pending workshops our members can look forward to in 2023:

March 8 /Color Theory/Sandra Wakeen

March 22/Abstraction/Polly Castor

April 15 and 22/ Pastel II/Laura Kinlock

TBA/Alcohol Wash/Sharon Quaglia

December Meeting: Our holiday dinner meeting will be held December 15, 2022 at the Manchester Country Club. The cost will be \$25 per person and MAA will budget half the cost per member. Members are welcome to each bring one guest. Paid Reservations and Entree selections will be made online on an email site soon to be available.

Members are urged not to delay as the final count must be in by Dec. 2, 2022.

Manchester Area Council of Churches Food Bank Drive:

Normand Charlette explained that our contributions have always been significant and very appreciated. A list of non-perishable items can be found and it is

suggested that they arrive in recycled paper shopping bags with handles. New this year will be the compilation of kits that will be suitable for distribution to the homeless.

Announcements:

Open Studio is suspended on Nov. 23rd, the day before Thanksgiving

Sharing and Recycling:

Doris Philips - frames

Helen Dewey - magazines and books about art

Art of The Month: Judged by our guest Demonstrator Iris Van Rynbach

1. Austin Pouliot/CC Special/Acrylic
2. Emilie Beckwith/Cascades of Blue/Watercolor
3. Normand Charlette/Buckland Pond Menagerie/Photography

Demonstration:

Judith Goldstein introduced **Iris Van Rynbach who spoke on "How to publish a Children's Book"**

She brought a plethora of materials: story books and mock-ups, page layouts, and beginning sketches for children's books; the finished books; original watercolors and versions of dummies for The New Yorker Magazine covers. She also explained the art departments of editors and publishing houses and how decisions are often made.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith Goldstein
MAA Secretary