

Manchester Art Association-Member Meeting Minutes
Thursday, Feb 15, 2024
Via ZOOM, 7 – 9 pm

Opening: Janet Heller led this month's member meeting. Our Guest artist is Katrina Casey, MAATC, LPC-A and she will speak on Art Therapy. Janet requested that the posted minutes of the January meeting be accepted with the amendment that the bank balance say end of "December" rather than January. Carolyn Gimbrone moved for approval with Judy Burnham seconding. The membership passed the minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Janet reported the sum of \$19,486.81 at the end of January.

Membership Report: Carolyn Gimbrone reported 102 members to date.

Nominations Report: Sue Massé shared information about the productive nominations meeting held on Wed, Feb 14. Jim Oliphant, Gail Crook, Judith Goldstein, Carolyn Gimbrone, Carolyn Emerson and Sue were in attendance. Sue also reminded members that the Committee's work is underway and to help in accepting responsibilities for the upcoming year.

Scholarship Report: Bonnie Lindland explained that, given today's high tuitions, it was decided to award one \$3,000 scholarship. Jerry Madera graciously designed a colorful advert, copies of which will be posted around neighboring towns. Bonnie has sent out the prospectus to 11 High Schools and it appears on the MAA website as well. April 15 is the due date and May 6th is when the decision will be made. The Board did not vote to increase the scholarship amount this year due to the uncertainty around finding key positions that are pivotal to MAA raising the funding necessary for scholarships. Additionally, MAA is not running a fundraiser in 2024.

Workshops & Demonstrations: Emilie Beckwith reminded the group that the workshop with Joe Burger scheduled for Feb. 21 still has a few openings. March 6 & April 3 will be Poly Castor on aspects of Abstract Art. As these are standalone workshops, members may pick one or both as desired.

Exhibits: Janet Heller announced that the current Town Hall show is dedicated to Watercolors. She urged visitation as you will appreciate the show in person! The Town Hall Spring Show will feature All Mediums/All Members/Open Themes and

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Carolyn Emerson will head the team. The Poetry & Art Collaboration will be in August. The first 25 images that Chris Larson receives via email will be offered to the poets. As of today #18 have been received. The end of February is the deadline.

ARTIST PRESENTATION

Karen Prewo introduced Katrina Casey who took over the demonstration on Art Therapy which was well received.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith E. Goldstein
MAA Secretary