

**Manchester Art Association**  
**Member Meeting Minutes**  
**Sept. 19, 2024**

Manchester Church of Christ

**Opening:** co-president Doris Phillips opened the meeting and immediately asked for *Moments of Silence* to honor the memory of Judy Burnham, who, over the years, served MAA in many capacities and always with enthusiasm and grace. The minutes of the May meeting were approved as per Emily Beckwith's proposal with a second by Carolyn Emerson.

**Treasurer's Report:** Doris Phillips reported \$27,308.87 in the bank as of the end of August. There is a \$10,000 bequest for Scholarships from Grace Tedford's estate and that will be put into an interest bearing CD. In addition \$3,000 has been donated to date in memory of Judy Burnham.

**Refreshments:** Gail Crooke passed a refreshment sign-up sheet for the remainder of our (non-zoom) monthly meetings, which will require two volunteers per evening. Doris explained that there is a need for another person to step forward to serve on the Hospitality Committee with Gail Crooke for set-up and take down.

**Membership Report:** Carolyn Gimbrone and Carol Waggoner reported #71 members paid as of today. Only members may exhibit in October at The SW Library.

**Exhibits:** Janet Heller and Carolyn Emerson announced that the current show - the Poetry all member/all mediums show at Town Hall will come down on Nov. 14, 2024 and the *ETC. Show* will be hung immediately thereafter. The *20th Annual Member Show* at The South Windsor Library will start on October 1st and hang until Oct 30th (the pick up day). The opening is scheduled for Sun. Oct. 6th. at 2-4:00 pm in The Friends Room when Juror Mary Horrigan will announce the awards. Members are asked bring refreshments and to help out in the Kitchen.

## **Announcements:**

**Workspace Update:** MAA received an email from Emily Pacheco, who is the new Artist in Residence at Workspace in Manchester. As Carolyn Emerson reported, there are three opportunities for our membership to benefit:

1. Small Business Saturday Event
2. The Gallery Shop at Workspace and
3. Quarterly "housing" in small galleries and rooms at Workspace.

This information is to be published in our newsletter as well as this link for further information -- <https://forms.gle/B52yvb3K7okbqpBTA>.

**Open Studio Hours:** Are adjusted to 10 am to 3 pm (no longer 4 pm).

**Art in the Park:** Requires an Executive Director if MAA is to participate. The director will also need access to a truck to be able to handle the tents and display walls.

**Demos and Workshops:** Louise Cooke reported that there is one opening left in the Expressive watercolor workshop of Oct. 16th; and several in the Karen Israel pastel pet/animal painting workshop of October 30th. Members are invited to register on line. Louise mentioned that she and Emily are working toward offering Spring workshops for acrylic, oil, etc.

Our **Guest Demonstrator, Sarah Criscuolo**, was introduced by Jeff Blazejovski. She proceeded to judge...

**Art of The Month:** Alexis Mitchell and Ann Martell announced the winners

Second Place -- Alexis Mitchell, oil, *Forest Steps* -- to be displayed at Mary Cheney Library.

*First Place* -- Joyce Erickson, acrylic, *Rocks in a Stream* -- to be displayed at The Arbors.

The **Demonstration on Candle Making** followed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judith E. Goldstein  
MAA Secretary