## Manchester Art Association Member Meeting Minutes -January 18, 2024 Zoom Meeting

**OPENING**: Athira Sanal opened the meeting at 7:00 with a welcome to everyone. Althira Sanal asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the December meeting. Carolyn Gimbrone so moved, seconded by Janet Helier and so voted approval.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**: In the absence of the treasurer, Althira Sanal reported a balance of \$19,338 at the end of December. Sue Masse' stated this does not reflect the amounts to be paid for scholarship and donations for the Church of Christ for meetings.

**MEMBERSHIP**: Karen Waggoner reported we now have 101 members.

**WORKSHOPS**: Emile Beckwith reported the Acrylic Workshop held on January 17 with Scott Rhodes had 4 participants. The next workshop is Joe Burger on 2/21, watercolor perspective and sign up is available. The Abstract Workshops are for all mediums with Polly Castor. The workshops will be held March 6 and April 3.

**EXHIBITS**: Janet Heller reported the current Town Hall exhibit is up and worth a visit. The theme is winter. The next Town Hall show is watercolor. Members can register up to four paintings. Registration closes February 5. Drop off is Thursday, February 8 between 11:00 am.-12:30 p.m. Pick up for the winter themed show is the same time. The Spring Show will be April 11 and will be an all members all mediums show. Members were reminded to check the website for all upcoming shows.

The Wit and Wisdom Poetry Club would like another collaboration with MAA. This time the poets will write poems inspired by your paintings. The limit of entries is 25 and photos of your paintings should be emailed to Chris Larson <u>larsonc3@gmail.com</u> for use by the poets. Put Poetry in the subject line. It will be on a first come basis. The exhibit will be in August, so get your artwork photos in early to Chris.

The meeting was closed 7:25.

**PRESENTATION**: Jim Oliphant introduced the presenter Hazel Meredith who spoke on Smart Phone Photography with a power point presentation. Hazel won the Ashbrook award for digital imaging instructions from the Photographic Society of America in 2020. Hazel teaches at camera clubs and conferences across the U.S. She loves the creative aspect of photography and the use of textures and various software to create unique images. She suggested many apps for transforming your photo images. More information is on the MAA web site.

Respectfully submitted, Bonnie Lindland