

Manchester Art Association
Member meeting minutes
April 21, 2022

OPENING: President Sue Massé opened the meeting at 7 pm and thanked Judith Goldstein and Gail Crook for bringing in treats for the meeting. A motion was made by Bonnie Lindland and seconded by Eric Vogel to accept the March, 2022 Member Meeting Minutes. All voted in favor.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNER:

- Sue thanked Susan Hollister, Scholarship Committee chair, for her work on this committee since its inception almost 20 years ago. Susan has worked tirelessly creating a wonderful process by which MAA has awarded \$ thousands in scholarships to well-deserving high school and college students over the years.
- Sue introduced the MAA 2022 scholarship winner, soon-to-be South Windsor High School graduate Amy Ernest. Amy, a 4.1 GPA student, has been accepted to several colleges but has chosen the Maine College of Art in Portland. She is a National Honor Society member and won the UConn Connecticut Student Writing Contest. She is hardworking and dedicated to her art. Amy's parents were also in attendance. Congratulations to Amy – she has a wonderful career ahead of her. Amy displayed some of her beautiful artwork at the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Eric Vogel indicated that we have \$15,628.23 at the end of March; this was verified by Sue.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Deb Parker stated that we have 1 new member tonight at the door making the total: 5 honorary, 24 new and 71 renewed members (officially we have 100 members now!).

OTHER: Molly Ketchell from the Community Child Guidance Center (CCGC) indicated that CCGC is having an auction and is looking for donations of artwork and crafts. The auction event is May 5, 2022 and all proceeds go to benefit the Center. If you would like to donate or sell your work, please contact Deb Parker or Molly.

EXHIBITS:

- *Manchester Town Hall.* The all mediums “Out of My Comfort Zone” exhibit is up and running; the opening reception was well received. Next exhibit will change out on July 7, 2022.
- *Suffield Public Library.* MAA artists have been invited to exhibit at the Kent Memorial Library's new library gallery located at 50 North Main Street in Suffield. The show, themed “Hope Springs Eternal” will run from May 2 – May 27, 2022. Registration closes on April 30. Drop off is on Monday, May 2 from 11 am - 12:30 pm. If you cannot make it to the library, please reach out to Janet Heller or Carolyn Emerson for assistance.

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EXHIBITS, cont,

- *Art in the Park.* Carolyn Emerson offered that MAA can have a booth at the upcoming Manchester Art in the Park event on Sunday, June 5. She sent around a sign-up sheet indicating that we would need 12 people to set up the tents/art screens, 4 people (in two shifts of 2) to watch over the booth during the day, and 12 people to break down the set up.

ART OF THE MONTH winners were chosen by meeting attendees:

- 1st Place, Janet Heller, Watercolor, “First of Many”, Arbors
- 2nd Place, Diane McVicker, Pastel, “PA Sunset”, Mary Cheney Library
- 3rd Place, Mary Bollash, Photograph, “Happy”, Whiten Library

PROGRAM: Laura Kinlock spoke about how to get past “artist’s block”. It was a great discussion with many contributing good ideas and suggestions.

Sincerely,
Lisa L. Dumais
Manchester Art Association
Secretary