

"Brush Off"



The Fort Myers Beach Art Association

February, March 2011

From the President

Once again the art association is off to an exciting new year. Did you know this is our 60th year as an association? Amazing isn't it??from a chickee hut to our beautiful gallery that continues to be a source of joy for all our members. So far this season we have had two shows, two potlucks, a great sale, and a terrific first plein air festival..and that is just since October. We are an incredibly busy bunch.

. An important piece of business is the election on February 10. We have some great new candidates and current candidates running so be sure to come and vote at the Potluck Meeting. Look for more information on the meeting inside but we have a great menu and Buzz the Brush-man coming early to sell us some bargain brushes. He tells me he has thousands coming.

Check out Art on the Boulevard, the Art Bazaar, the shows, the workshops and classes.....whew. And Paint the Beach...2011 is in the works. We have much more time to plan this huge event but already the buzz is out there. I will be overall chairman and am

looking for sub chairmen to make things run smoothly. Let me know if you are willing to run a small facet or the event, or help in any way. We hope to have 100 artists!!! Wouldn't that be amazing!!

We continue to attract new members and interest in our wonderful art organization. Be sure to welcome the new faces and encourage participation in the painting, showing, and selling we all enjoy. See you at the Potluck!! *Michele*

A Storage Story!!

Check out the store room in the gallery!! It is amazing with its new coat of paint..the first in over 50 years if you can believe it!!! That looked so good that carpet was laid on that awful floor...wow!! The next phase will be to get all new tubs to put the supplies into and make the storage nice and neat.

Gus Kasparie, George Buelow, Gus Legge, Fred Bushnell and recently *Bob Boyke, Floyd Lawrence and Kathy Taylor* have worked hard getting this room to look great. Let's try our best to wipe up all the paint splotches, drips and mess when we are finished cleaning up after painting sessions.

There are screens in the drains to catch bits of paint but they must be turned over and cleaned out onto paper towel so the paint doesn't dry and clog them up. They keep paint from going down the drain but don't work if missing or plugged up. **Consider the gallery your own studio...keep it neat and clean!!** (Gus L. says take your shoes off before entering!!..hope he is kidding!!)

Thanks to all of you who worked on this project; we couldn't manage without you. *Michele*

Welcome new members

Bell, Bonnie (James) (239) 463-7603 5690
Williams Dr FMB 1 2 3 Away: Enfield, NH

Cessna, Lucille (Larry) (239)267-426638
Iroquois Dr N, FMB Z

Christensen, Brian (239) 656-8867 4250
Silver Sword Ct., N FM Z
NEW PATRON MEMBER

Davis, Louise (Jim) (419)733-3666 984 But-
tonwood Dr. #114 FMB 1 2 3 Away: Celina
OH

Dupuis, Susan (Roger) (239) 463-5017
2580 Estero Blvd #53 FMB 1 2 3 4 5
Away: S. Dartmouth MA
NEW PATRON MEMBER

Egger, Lorraine (Ken) (239)481-5939
1218 Myerlee CC Blvd #4 FM
1 2 3 4 C Away: Riverview MI

Estfahani, Ali (Lila) (810)813-8068 21771
Soundway Unit 201, Estero 1 2 3 Away:
Grand Blanc MI

Franklan, June (Norm) (239)463-5012
5570 Williams Drive FMB Z

Garesche, Ginny (Gib) (239)233-8182 11
Clearview Blvd, FMB Z

Kasparie, Gus (Sylvia)(240)433-3341 11638
Quail Run Dr. FM 1 2 3 4 B C Away: Car-
son City NV

Macy, Lillian (Bob) (239)415-3323 11060
Caravel Circle #302 FM Z

O'Kane, Patty (Jeff) Away: (309) 385-4763
8814 W. Parks School Rd, Princeville IL

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Come for a pasta potluck

The February potluck is on the 10th at 5:30.
Price is \$5.00. It is an Italian night with
Kathleen Flicek in charge, so you know it
will be great.

How about a Ziti pasta bake with a meat red
sauce and ingredients similar to lasagna AND
a bow-tie sausage mushroom dish with white
sauce AND garlic bread!!

Please sign up at the art association for
appetizers, salads (green), fruit, or anti pasta
and desserts

(Potluck, con't)

Members will be asked to approve the slate of candidates for the Board of Directors. For a first elected term: *Floyd Lawrence (1), Joan Zeoli (1), Elaine Finelli (1)*. For a second term *Joan Stobart (3), and Joanne Shamp (3)*.

Buzz the Brushman will be coming with thousands of brushes. He will be there at 4:30 to give everyone lots of time to shop.

Noteworthy

---**A reminder to all:** please clean tables after painting, use plastic covers, and cover the floor if throwing paint. Housekeeping is a responsibility of all members. The kitchen sink should not be used for any painting activity. Use the storeroom sink or outside disposal areas as appropriate. All counter areas should be kept clear

---**Sitter Alert:** You need to make sure you are aware of the operations of the desk, reference book, how to fill out a receipt and use the charge machine, add tax to the sales, and where to find help if needed. Also how to find information on the classes and workshops, forms for membership, shows and classes. There is a Gallery Sitter's Instruction Book at the desk. Please review it each time you "sit".

Art Council of SW Florida News

For our new members, the Art Council of Southwest Florida (ACSWF) is comprised of 14 art leagues from Naples to the Charlotte County with a delegate and alternate delegate representing each of the participating leagues.

They provide an annual directory (available in our building). The Council sponsors a Winner's Circle Show every other year. All members of the leagues are welcome and encouraged to attend the general meetings held the second Wednesday of each month. A demonstration by a local artist and lunch follows the meeting.

ACSWF at FMBAA

FMBAA hosted the December meeting, and it was a huge success. Chairman *Sylvia Kasparie* got everything together and we had a good turnout. *Kathleen Flicek* managed the preparation of the traditional shrimp salad which was so good they asked if we had it catered and wanted recipes!! Great job and thank you to the many members who pitched in to help. *Bea's* demo was fun, if messy, and several signed up for her workshop in March as a result of it.

The president, Phyllis Dowd, is looking for volunteers for the following:

A Workshop/Demo Chair

A Press Release Chair

Committee volunteers to Review the By-laws

If you are willing to assist, please contact Phyllis at dowdypotter@comcast.net

Shrimp salad from council meeting AT FMBAA

5lbs. pasta shells

2 reg. cans sliced black olives (6 small cans)

2 pkgs. celery hearts (4) hearts diced

1 quart Miracle Whip

1 quart Mayo

5 red peppers roasted and chopped

2 16oz. bottles of Wishbone Italian dressing, original

10lbs. shrimp frozen de veined, thawed

I think we served 50. We could have served 65-70.

ACSWF February meeting

Wed, February 9, 2011, 9:30am -1:00pm

Hosted by the Southwest Florida Craft Guild

Located at the Cape Coral Arts Studio

4533 Coronado Parkway, Cape Coral, Florida 33904

Please join us at 9:30am for coffee/tea and refreshments before the General Meeting starts at 10am. This General Membership Meeting coincides with the Southwest Florida Craft Guild's

exhibit, "THE ANNUAL," in the Cape Coral Arts Studio Fine Arts Gallery.

Chef Salad Lunch will be provided at a cost of \$7 payable at the door.

HOWEVER, WE NEED ADVANCE RESERVATIONS

PLEASE CONTACT SANDRA MARK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE sandrafaymark@comcast.net. IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND AND MENTION THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO WILL BE HAVING THE CHEF'S Salad

DIRECTIONS:

1. From US41, take College Parkway heading WEST. Cross the Cape Coral Bridge, keeping in the right hand lane. This becomes Cape Coral Parkway.
2. Follow Cape Coral Parkway, in the right hand lane, through three lights (Del Prado, Vincennes, Leonard). At the fourth light, Coronado Parkway, turn right and stay in the middle lane.
3. The road will narrow to two lanes. After the curve, turn right onto 46th Street, then left into the parking lot of RUBICOND PARK, CAPE CORAL ARTS STUDIO.
4. Go to Building #1 in the back where you will register for lunch and where coffee, tea, breakfast cake will be served. Walk through the Fine Arts Gallery where "The ANNUAL" exhibit will be. At 10am, we will meet in building #2 in the Painting Lab for our meeting.

Shows and Exhibitions

Winter Juried Winners

First Place *Sue Pink* "Night Heron"
Watermedia NFS

Second Place *Mimi Little*
"Beachcomber" Acrylic/mixed \$700

Third Place *Dannica Walker* "Un
common Friends" WC \$1500

Merits

Michele Barren Buelow "Quake"
mixed/collage \$400

Janet Mach Dutton "Color A Penguin"
W/C \$3500

Cheryl A. Fausel "Just Dropped In II"
Watermedia NFS

JoAnna Legge " Fairy Fruits and
Flowers" mixed \$300

Honorable Mention

Laraine Centineo "Sarai's Sorrow/ Gene
sis" Mixed/Collage \$750

Sylvia J. Kasparie "Beach Cottage"
W/C/Collage \$950

Anne Kittel "Summer Garden" WC \$900

Mary Ross "Bouquet" Collage \$500

Art on the Boulevard

Sponsor Century 21 TriPower Realty
Sunday, February 6, 2011
Sunday, April 3, 2011
12 Noon to 4 PM

Kathy Taylor and Pauline Healey are co-chairing these two events to be held at Century 21 TriPower Realty on February 6th (12 to 4 pm) and again on April 3rd. Each event is limited to approximately 12 artists. Following is a Prospectus which covers both shows. **Key Dates for the April show are included. February 6th show dates are not included.** Please contact *Kathy Taylor* for them, or see notice at the Gallery.

Eligibility: This exhibition and sale of paintings to be held at Century 21 TriPower realty is open to all FMBAA members who have had a painting accepted into a juried FMBAA show. The show can accommodate 12 artists and will be limited to the first 12 to sign up. The signup will close on March 2

PLEASE EMAIL PHOTOS OF TWO OF YOUR FRAMED PAINTINGS FOR THE

SHOW TO paulinehealey@gmail.com BY
MARCH 15, 2011 FOR THE POSTER.

Art work: Work must be original. Framed paintings must be ready to hang. Unframed work must be matted and enclosed in protective plastic. Artists should be present during the exhibition and sale hours. Please use the labels provided and prepare the list of paintings.

Location: Century 21 TriPower Realty at
2001 Estero Blvd. (Across from Diamond
Head)

Sales: A 20% commission will be charged on
all sales. Prices should include 20%.

Receiving for framed paintings: Please deliver up to 7 framed paintings to Century 21 on Thursday March 31st, Friday April 1, or before 10 am on Saturday April 2. Place your label on the front of the painting as it will appear in the show. Be sure to include your artist number and painting number on the label next to the “#” symbol. Leave a copy of your painting list and waiver at the front desk with Trish.

We will hang the show on Saturday morning. (April 2) We would like to feature a few paintings on easels. Let me know if you can bring an easel to use to display one of your paintings.

Matted paintings: Bring your matted paintings with you when you come Sunday before noon. These matted paintings will be placed in bins at the front of the office (Bring your bin.)

Removal: 4 pm, immediately after the exhibition and sale. on April 3

QUESTIONS: *Pauline Healey* 243-0850 paulinehealey@gmail.com

QUESTIONS: *Kathy Taylor* 508-274-6397 or kctylr@aol.com

HINT: Bring paintings of local Florida scenes, especially Fort Myers Beach and cottages

Art Bazaar moves to Santini Plaza

Lynne Wesolowski is chairing this event to be held March 6th at Santini Plaza.

There will be space for 25 artists in the sheltered areas (no clothesline) with approximately a 4x12 ft space for each artist to fill. Details follow in the Gallery.

Spring Juried Show

This all-member juried show will receive on Feb 18 from 9-12. The prospectus is enclosed

"Anything Goes"

The receiving for “Anything Goes” is Friday, March 18 from 9 - 12. As the name implies, you may enter the usual accepted categories PLUS photography. For the first time sculpture may also be entered. If the piece is too large to sit on the counter, you must furnish a pedestal. No computer art, laser, giclee, or iris prints. However, you may have started your entry in a class or workshop and completed it at home. The entry must not have been shown at FMBAA during this season.

There are no fees; however, we will give a Popular Choice Award of \$50 at the potluck. All of the standard framing regulations, sales commissions, etc., apply. (see the Spring Juried Prospectus).

This show will hang until the receiving of the Student Show, about April 15. If you wish, upon completion of the proper paperwork, your paintings can be stored and hung for the summer.

Questions? Sylvia at Kasparies@aol.com or 239-433-3340. Entry forms are also available at FMBAA.

Winners Circle

Visual Arts Center of Charlotte County
Feb. 1 - Feb. 17
Reception Feb. 3, 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Classes and Workshops

Famous Artist Workshop

Lana Grow AWS ISEA WATERMEDIA AND COLLAGE

(intermediate)

Feb 21- Feb 25, 2011

Demo Feb 20, 4-6

Members \$420, non-members \$450

Chairs: *Karen Borden* (239) 463-0343
email bordenkelly@comcast.net

Gretchen Johnson (239) 463-1214
email gretjohn@embarqmail.com

Expand your creative limits, as you learn new and experimental ways of expressing yourself with water based acrylic paints and experimental techniques. Emphasis will be on acrylic layering and using paint as a transparent, translucent and opaque water medium.

There will be continual demonstrations on how to achieve line, depth and texture in your work. Finishing techniques will be introduced and demonstrated. She wants to inspire confidence and leave you fired up and excited to paint. Her work has been featured in publications such as: *Splash 8*, *The Society of Layerists in Multi Media*, *Creative Composition and Design*, and most recently *American Artists* spring 08 issue.

NEW NEWS!! We have another opportunity to enjoy Lana Grow's special talent by the day. This is possible for those of you who cannot or do not wish to take a full week with Lana. Lana will be giving her workshop at the Fort Myers Beach Art Association the week of Feb. 21-25, 2011. She has agreed to have students in her class part time - the beginning of the week preferable. The tuition on a daily basis would be \$90 per day.

If you are at all interested in this special opportunity, please submit your application and

indicate which days you will be in class and pay the tuition for those days with your application - so we can plan and have space for everyone.

Applications can be found on our website www.fortmyersbeachart.com and at our art gallery on the corner of Donora and Shell Mound Blvd. Send your application to:
Fort Myers Beach Art Association
P.O. Box 2359
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33932

We hope to see you there,
Karen Borden, Workshop Chairman
email: bordenkelly@comcast.net

In the Gallery

Open Painting Wednesday 9 - 12 Each Wednesday morning (exceptions on the Calendar) Come to draw, sketch, paint, exchange info. No instruction. Occasional set-up fee. *Gretchen Johnson*

Figure and portrait group Tuesday 1:00 to 4:00 Meet each Tuesday afternoon (with exceptions noted on the Calendar) This group works in any medium. No instruction. Model fee. New interested artists are asked to contact *Pauline Healey* at pauline1250@comcast.net

Experimentalists Tuesday 9-12 Explore new approaches to art. No instruction, no fee. *Michele Buelow*

Patty Kane Watercolor

Patty Kane continues her 'loose and juicy' watercolor classes and will introduce you to the beauty of layering transparent watercolor and the value of using a limited palette through demos and critiques.

Her classes are friendly and relaxed, but they are not "drop-in" classes. Students sign up for a series of structured classes. You let Patty know which classes you can attend (and which you will miss), and pay her accordingly. This way, you only pay for classes you attend.

She cannot accept any more students for the Monday afternoon/beginning watercolor classes (Jan 3 thru Feb 7), but you may sign up for the series which goes from Feb 28 thru April 4. or the series from April 1 thru May 9.

Note to Gallery Attendants:

Once the interested person puts his name on the sign up sheet, please give them a material list, which can be found in the same bin as the sign up sheet-in the blue binder – on the wall behind the front desk.

Classes are \$18 per class/members OR \$20 per class/non-members. Payment for the series is requested in advance and secures a spot in the class. Do not accept payment. Please have person contact Patty directly. Her class descriptions, biography, material list, and contact information are in the gallery on the wall behind the desk **The gallery sitters should pass this information to each potential student** and have them contact Patty directly if they have questions. She is ultra-flexible, and can accommodate most situations if she knows about them.

We are delighted to tell you that Patty's painting "Every Day is a New Sky" was selected as the winner of the 2011 Art on the Lake Poster Design Contest sponsored by Miromar Lakes Beach and Golf Club.

Mini workshops

Sue Pink Friday, Feb. 4th Abstract painting to a "finish"

Bea Pappas March 3, 4 (Thurs Fri) Pouring
Note that this workshop is now for only two days -- Thurs and Fri)

Neil Walling Feb 10 11 and 12 (Thursday, Friday and Saturday) Half days Plein air secrets

Wednesday en plein air

Avis Schmitz (481-6508)

has found the following members to arrange for our weekly paint outs. Come to the locations listed about 9:00 or so to sketch, paint or photograph.

No instruction (but lots of advice), no fee. Meet at noon for the brown-bag lunch and critique.

February 2011

Michele Buelow 989-0205

Feb. 2 - Bowditch Park, North end of Estero, meet at Flip Flops for lunch/critique. Parking fee.

Feb. 9 - Koreshan State Historic Park, 3800 Corkscrew Rd., Estero. Meet at large yellow house for lunch/critique. Car pooling suggested, \$5 entry fee. Beautiful river and historic homes.

Feb. 16- Edison Ford Winter Estates, 2350 McGregor Blvd., FM. Meet at nine to be escorted in. Lunch and critique near the gift shop.

Feb. 23-Lakes Park, 7330 Gladiolus Drive, FM. Parking fee. Meet at train depot for lunch/critique.

March 2011

Fred Bushnell (239-463-6220)

Mar, 2 Bowditch Park, North end of Estero. Meet at Flip Flops for lunch/critique. Parking fee. -

Mar. 9 - Dixie Fish Co., 714 Fisherman's Wharf, FMB. Turn right off San Carlos Blvd, then left under the bridge. Parking available.

Mar. 16-Beach Seafood, Main Street to Shrimp Boat Lane, FMB.

Mar. 23-Doc Ford's FMB. Turn right off San Carlos Blvd, then left under the bridge. Parking available.

Mar. 30-Fred Bushnell residence, 675 Manzanita's Court, FMB.

FORT MYERS BEACH ART ASSOCIATION

wwwfortmyersbeachart.com

PROSPECTUS SPRING JURIED SHOW

Sponsored by Fish Tale Marina and Santini Marina Plaza

RECEIVING: Friday, February 18, 2011 9:00 a.m. – noon

MEDIA: Two dimensional paintings including drawings, watercolor, oils, acrylic, pastel, collage, hand pulled prints, serigraphs, woodcuts, and batik. No sculpture, photography, computer art, laser, giclee or iris prints.

EXHIBITION: All paintings must be conceived by the artist, painted without the help or assistance of another artist, and not painted in a class or workshop. IT MUST HAVE BEEN PAINTED WITHIN THE LAST THREE YEARS AND NOT SHOWN PREVIOUSLY THIS SEASON AT FMBAA. PAINTINGS WHICH HAVE WON 1ST, 2ND, or 3RD AWARDS, OR THE EQUALIVANT, IN ANY COUNCIL SHOW ARE NOT ELGIBLE. Maximum size in any direction 50" including frame. Full size watercolor paintings must have acrylic glazing. Paintings on canvas must be framed or have "wrap around" canvas *with the sides painted* and no staples showing. The FMBAA reserves the right to exclude any painting with subject matter deemed inappropriate. See the Yearbook for definition of Diptych or Triptych, framing information, and other information.

AWARDS: 1st - Lucy B. Campbell Award \$350

2nd - \$250

3rd - \$150

Florida Watercolor Society \$100

Merit (4) \$50 ea.

Honorable Mentions (4) \$25 ea.

JUDGE: Lana Grow Judging Date: February 20, 2011

CRITIQUE: Critique by Pauline Healey, February 27 1:00 P.M., PRIOR to Reception

RECEPTION: February 27 Awards: At approximately 2:30 P.M (following the Critique).

FEE: \$15 for one painting, \$25 for two paintings.

SALES: A 20% commission will be charged on all sales. Prices should include the 20%.

REMOVAL: Call Gallery (239-463-3909) after 1:00 p.m., February 20 to see if your painting was received. Declined paintings may be picked up February 20-February 21. RECEIVED paintings must be picked up March 18, between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m.

ENTRY FORMS: Please use the new standardized entry form and DO NOT CUT. They are available at FMBAA, on the FMBAA Website, or contact Sylvia Kasparie at Kasparies@aol.com or 239-433-3340