

White Room Shows

Nov: Diane Schroeder, Steve Skinner

Dec: 12 x 12 show

Please note that each artist is responsible for displaying his/her own work. When displaying with another artist please work with them on when to display, how to share the space and whether to have an Open House.

Next AFAF meeting:

November 18 at 6.30 p.m.

State Bank of the Lakes, Antioch
Demo by Robert Melton. Metal Art.

AFAF Events & Schedule of Artwork Changes

November

08 - Music at the gallery, 1-4 p.m.

18 - AFAF meeting 6.30 p.m., State Bank of the Lakes, Antioch

December

09 - AFAF meeting 6.30 p.m., State Bank of the Lakes

13 - Music at the gallery, 1-4 p.m.

27, 28, 29 - Pick up old and drop off new artwork with hanging fees

30 - Hang new show

Throughout the year exhibits in the Antioch Fine Arts Foundation Gallery are changed every two months to maintain a fresh look to the galleries. The White Room hosts selected member artists with exhibits that change every month. These artists sign up for the opportunity to have their work showcased for an entire month. The monthly shows are usually accompanied with a reception planned by the exhibiting artists and published news releases informing the public of these events.

Gallery News

Steve Skinner and Diane Schroeder are the White Room featured artists for November at the Antioch Fine Arts Foundation.

Steve Skinner's interest in photography began in Chicago at St. Benedict's High School where he learned all the basics of the SLR 35mm camera and black & white darkroom techniques. Although his main form of expression has been photography, he will be bringing an eclectic selection of his drawings, political cartoons, and (for the first time) his oil and acrylic paintings. He describes his art as primarily reality-based. Landscapes and scenes from the desert SW, Chain-of-Lakes, and the Chicago area depicted in all the aforementioned media are things that you can expect to see this time around.

Diane Schroeder's love of romantically embellished porcelain began as a child with the receipt of her first tea set. It wasn't until 1975 that she commenced her formal training in the actual art. Over the years, classes with nationally known porcelain artists such as Paula Collins of Kentucky, Jean Sadler of California, and Hilda Palmer of Texas have brought her skills to the point where she has taught seminars at private schools locally, nationally, as well as in England and Puerto Rico for 30 years. Diane belongs to the International Porcelain Art Teachers and to the World Organization of China Painters. Some of the words that describe her art are "romantic", "old-fashioned", "charming", and "whimsical yet sophisticated". Diane has been commissioned to paint

bathroom sinks, bathroom and kitchen back splashes, and tile murals. Samples of her work may be viewed on the AFAF website.

An artist's reception will be held on Saturday, November 8th from 12-4pm at The Gallery.

To Mr. Shule and the entire Antioch Fine Arts Foundation:

Thank you very much for your sponsorship of the Special Award of Merit at the 2008 College of Lake County Recent Works Exhibition. I was happily surprised to find that I had won this award when I arrived at the opening. Having a work accepted for the show was a thrill, finding it on the "main wall" was a definite ego boost, and then to be awarded your prize was quite an honor.

I appreciate the \$150 very much – as do Jim and Lisa who posed for the photograph since we divided the prize. In my case, it helps to finance continued photographic work such as my current documentary project at Galt airport. Working in 4x5 inch large format as I do, you and your foundation have just supported an additional 75 exposures in that very project.

I plan to visit your gallery the first opportunity I have to see the type of work being displayed by so generous an organization.

*Thank You,
Steve Mark*

Gallery News

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All artists showing work in our gallery are reminded that you may now display up to *four* pieces except for works that are unusually large. The fee remains the same as before (\$5 per month or \$10 for two months).

Any member who signs up for a shift in the gallery and then cancels should find a replacement, especially if the cancellation is only a week before the commitment. And please make sure your new work gets in on time to make this as easy as possible for those people who help in hanging the artwork. Also remove old work from the gallery and the closet upstairs as soon as possible.

All members working at the gallery, please be more descriptive when filling out receipts for jewelry sales. Type and color of jewelry should be specified.

Keep an eye on the Gallery Bulletin Board! Information on upcoming events is being posted on the bulletin board at the gallery in addition to items that can be easily e-mailed.

And don't forget -- we have *live folk music free* at the gallery on the 2nd Saturday of every month from 1-4 p.m. by the group "Morman Folk Musicians."

If you have not been to the web site lately www.antiochfinearts.org, you are in for a surprise! Jude Kaider, our web master, has created a wonderful appealing format. It is full of real good information about what we are doing and who is doing it. You need to visit it soon.

Volunteer Needed!

If you can help with photocopying and mailing the AFAF newsletter, please contact Jasmine Tata at jtata2@yahoo.com or 847-838-1352. She would really appreciate it!

Art in the Area

The Glass Canvas has moved to Marjie Krutsch's home "Studio on the Lake." Marjie offers day and evening classes and continues to do custom orders.

The Potter's Haven, Inc. has a fully equipped professional pottery studio and offers classes to all level artists. They teach all forms of pottery which can range from conservative classical forms of functional wear to true works of fine art. Dinnerware and ovenware items created are all fully food safe; no heavy metals or other toxic materials are used.

Classes are held weekly (or more if you choose); progress is on an individual level. The price is \$30.00 per class and includes all supplies, instruction, and firings necessary -- no hidden or added costs. Just bring your imagination and creativity. Find out yourself what a wonderful medium this is! For a tour of the studio or to sign up for classes please call Maureen Johnson at 262-862-6026 . . . and have a great time.

The **Anderson Arts Center** (121 66th Street, Kenosha, WI) presents their Winter Juried Show from November 2 through January 4, 2009, with an opening reception on November 2 from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. Call 262-653-0481 or go to www.andersonartscenter.com for more information.

A Special thank you to:

Bonnielynn Brankey, Carole Stern, Laura Rodgers and Marjie Krutsch for donating raffle items for the annual Wine Tasting and Silent Art Auction.

Calls for Artwork and Other Opportunities

Interested in displaying your art at the PML Theater in Antioch? Please drop them off at the gallery clearly labeled. We need 14 new pieces of art for PML for the September 15 start of the next play.

Area Locations. We need artwork for all the blank spaces on the walls of the following Antioch locations where AFAF artists can display their work:

- * Mirror Image, 560 Main Street
- * Senior Center, 17 Holbeck Drive
- * Impressions Count, Main Street

Interested? Please contact Marjie Krutsch at 847-502-8251 or marjie1@comcast.net.

The **Lemon Street Gallery** in Kenosha, WI is looking for artists that wish to display and sell their original artwork (under \$100 is best) for the Holidays. Only a 20% commission is paid to them. Go to: <http://lemonstreetgallery.org/artistrecall08.html> for more info.

The **Mainstreet Art Center**, 16 E. Main St., Lake Zurich, IL 60047 847-550-0016, announces several new workshops:

Oil Workshop with David Hettinger, Master Signature Member, Oil Painters of America, on February 21 & 22, 2009 (\$260)

Pastel Interpretations Workshop by Kay Brathol-Hostvet on March 8, 2009 (\$100)

Workshop on Canvas Rugs -- Acrylic on April 17 and 18 (\$75)

Oil Workshop by Kenn Backhaus, Signature Member of Plein Air Painters of America and Oil Painters of America on May 1, 2, and 3, 2009 (\$450);

Pastel Demo by Elvin Griffin on September 12, 2009 (\$10). subjects for the days study

For additional information, go to www.mainstreetartcenter.com.

“Street Smart Art” A One-Day Workshop by Mike Brown will be held on November 1st from 9.30 to 3.30 at the Antioch Library Eide room. Artists looking to sell their work should consider the option of exhibiting at art fairs and festivals. This workshop will teach artists how to boost their art sales by thousands of dollars per year by participating in such events. For more information contact Jim Brooksher at 847-223-1317 or jimbrooksher@comcast.net. Lake County Art League members pay \$50; non-members \$60.

Applause!

Bonnielynn Brankey is getting geared up again this year to leave for the Florida Dive Show, which is in West Palm Beach, Nov 15-16. This is a consumer scuba diving trade show with booths of nation-wide dive shops, scuba equipment dealers, and also Team Scuba race car on display. Bonnielynn will have an art booth with primarily her underwater art work.

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Holiday Art Fair is also the setting for Bonnielynn Brankey's art booth. Dates are Nov. 22, 10am-5pm & Nov.23, 11am-4pm, located at the Channel 10 auction center, 12560 W. Townsend St, Brookfield, WI. Admission is free and is you go to www.mptvfriends.org and click on the Holiday Art Fair box, you can download a 10% off coupon good for art/ gift purchase.

Dennis Downes, well known for his research into the Trail Marker Trees, was awarded "Best of Show" in painting at the 2008 "Festival of the Masters" held in Glencoe, on the North Shore. He competed with over 100 award winning artists and received perfect scores from the judges.

Meredith Schnelle has had one of her photograph submissions accepted in the CLC Recent Works Juried Competition. Congratulations, Meredith!

Patricia Rodgers is showing her Black and white paintings and drawings of Interiors and still life, and Cityscapes at the Gregory Gaymont gallery, 3948 N. Southport Ave., Chicago, 60613.

Aruna Sarode's painting 'Veronica's Veil' won the 3rd prize in the Northwest Area Arts Council (NAAC) members' show. The show ran from the 6th of October through the 31st at the historic Dole mansion in Crystal Lake. (Address: 401 Country Club Rd, Crystal Lake, IL-60014 Ph: (815) 455-8000). Congratulations Aruna!

Let's hear from you! The Applause column publicizes our members' art-related exhibits, activities, and achievements. If you would like to have your news published in this column, please leave the items in the "Newsletter" mailbox at the Gallery, or e-mail jtata2@yahoo.com.

Membership Renewals

It's time to renew your AFAF membership. Please fill out the attached membership form and give or send it along with your payments to Darlene Schoenke, AFAF Treasurer. Please get a receipt when you pay or do it by check.

Deadline for next newsletter: November 17, 2008. Send news items to [jtata2 at yahoo dot com](mailto:jtata2@yahoo.com) or drop them off in the "Newsletter" mailbox at the gallery.

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