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INVITATION TO WAG MEMBERS: Annual General Membership Meeting

April 21, 2012, 11:00 am
Ho'omaluhia Gallery
Ho'omaluhia Gardens,
Kaneohe: The general meeting will provide an update to membership and an opportunity to vote for new members of the board. "ART TALKS" include a presentation by plein air artist, instructor and painter, Mark Brown on why plein air painting is important; an introduction to the work of this year's WAG atelier art scholarship recipient; and a "critique" of member artwork for those members willing to bring their pieces. Refreshments to follow.

WAG 52nd Juried Open Exhibition: March 31 to June 23, 2012, 1001 Bishop Street, Honolulu, Hawaii. Juror: Russell Lowrey, www.russelllowreyart.com Prospectus was mailed to WAG members. Additional information: www.hawaiiwag.org or call 263-3108. Intake and delivery of art is March 31, 2012 8-10 am. Intake and hanging paintings requires a few generous volunteers. Please help by volunteering to process art, help artists bring in work, help with paperwork during the entry process, etc. IT IS FUN! Call 263-3108 or any board member.



President's Message

It is always somewhat daunting to take over the leadership of an organization, but it is particularly so when one follows someone who did such a stellar job as did Don (and Ruth) Johnson. Don's resignation as president came when he realized that he and Ruth had so little time left to be together. They needed to share it with one another and with their family, and all of us completely supported that decision.

Life does go on, and the Windward Artists Guild is very much alive. Members have stepped forward to fill the gaps left by the absence of Don and Ruth. As 1st Vice President, I assumed the presidency for the remainder of Don's term. Since I have been working for almost two years as Exhibits Chair as part of my vice president duties, I know what has to be done there (although Ruth had always done a lot of the detail work to make the job a little easier for the vice president). I have taught leadership and served on a number of boards, so I know how to run a meeting (and I like them to be short and to the point) and have a working knowledge of Robert's Rules of Order. I have been a school administrator, so I know how to work with groups of volunteers. I'm a good listener and a good facilitator.

Without the tireless support of the members of the Board, especially our education chair, Sherree McKeller, I could not do this job. There is so much to be done to keep our exhibits going. Sherree has reminded me of the details that need to be attended to and made suggestions about "go to" people. She's made phone calls (something I hate to do) and searched the internet for answers to some of the Board's questions. Laurie Freed and Connie Oliva made sure the prospectus for the Open Exhibition that begins in April got finished and that the newsletter went out. Raki Brisco made sure our roster is "up-to-the-minute" and Elaine Reeve and Sherree opened their homes for our Board meetings. These people have become some of my best friends!

The WAG annual meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2012 from 11:00 a.m. to noon at Ho'omaluhia Botanical Gardens. At the meeting, we will elect new officers. I have let the Board know that I am willing to run, but I would welcome other candidates to come forward for the office of President, as well as 1st and 2nd Vice President. Please give me a call (808) 389-8907, or e-mail me at katylouse48@hotmail.com and let me know what you would like to do. As the old saying goes, "Many hands make light work."

We have a hole in our hearts just the size and shape of Don and Ruth Johnson, but Ruth would be the first one to smile and say, "There's work to be done. Let's go over the list." And we are taking care of that list for her . . . and for us.

Kathy Bowers

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WAG is Going Green If WAG Newsletter Editor does not hear from you with a request for a hard copy, this is the last paper newsletter you will receive. Newsletters are available (past and present) on line: <http://hawaiiwag.org>.

NEWS YOU CAN USE

HONOLULU ARTS BEAT

2012 has already produced some really fine art exhibits. Thank you, Ray Pace, for being such a wonderful purveyor of information and coverage. Check out www.honoluluartsbeat.com for information about the arts.

FREE WATERCOLOR DEMONSTRATION

By nationally known watercolor artist Don Andrews www.donandrews.net. Sunday March 25 from 1-3 PM at The ARTS at Marks Garage 1150 Nuuanu Avenue.

TWO WORKSHOPS BY DON ANDREWS

- March 26-30 “Plein Air Color Emphasis Landscape” 5-day workshop. Limited to 25 students. Don Andrews demos each morning for one hour then works with the individual students. After lunch, another demonstration for one hour followed by a student painting session. Each day will include personal and/or group critiques. Please bring a sack lunch.
- April 2-6 “Interpreting the Figure in Watercolor”

Both workshops are sponsored by the Hawai'i Water Color Society. Contact Rebecca Snow 286-5905 or rebeccasnowart@gmail.com for information. WAG members will receive Water Color Society courtesy discount.

HPU 'OHANA EXHIBIT

Featuring Sophie Breton. March 11-April 27, 2012 45-045 Kamehameha Highway Mon-Sat 8-5 PM.

KAILUA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

WAG is a member of the Kailua Chamber of Commerce. Any WAG member may have artwork featured at the monthly meetings. Next meeting is March 21, Mid-Pac Country Club. Contact Sherree McKellar. Mckellers001@hawaii.rr.com

I LOVE KAILUA TOWN PARTY

Art-In-The-Park Sunday April 22. Any member who wants a booth should contact Bea Hunt bhunt@hawaii.rr.com. 262-7344
Cost is only \$30 for the 11 am - 4 pm party. WAG will have a booth. Any member with a piece or two to display is welcome to come, help set up and sit

a portion of the time. WAG owns no display equipment and would appreciate borrowing anything members have that may help. Contact Kathy Bowers (katylouse48@hotmail.com, 263-3108) or Sherree McKellar (Mckellers001@hawaii.rr.com, 375-9643) if you are interested in participating.

2011 SCHOLARSHIPS

Among other contributions and scholarships donations, the WAG Education Committee was privileged to award several scholarships in 2011. Art teachers benefited from \$250 grants. Teacher Jean Noguchi for Integrating Art and English Governor Samuel Wilder King Intermediate School; Zeilyn Zahaki for Steam Project (science, technology, engineer, Art, math); Lisa Johnson, Sunset Beach Elementary for creating pieces that demonstrate concepts in the forest biome study program. In addition, \$500 was awarded to Sean Yoro to attend the Atelier at Windward Community College.

HONOLULU MUSEUM OF ART

Don't forget to check out www.honolulumuseum.org every once in awhile. Always some new and diverse exhibits.

LEND A VOICE!

Americans for the Arts Action Fund works on behalf of federal funding for the arts and supports arts education. Cast a vote for the arts by voting for arts' policies and candidates who support arts funding. This organization has a long term vision: federal government investment of at least \$1 per citizen in the nonprofit arts, and local governments investment of 5% of their local education budgets in arts education. Cast a ballot in support of arts' policies or make a donation: artsactionfund.org.

ON GOING SHOWS

- Through March 29 at Mu'umu'u Heaven Kailua Road, Kailua. Artist Frank Oliva has included paintings, prints and furniture in the art gallery.
- Through March 29, Gallery on the Pali, First Unitarian Church, 2500 Pali Hwy. Warren Stenberg's mixed media and collage “Small Surprises”.

PLEASE SEND MEMBER NEWS TO
WWW.CONNIEFIVE@YAHOO.COM

WINDWARD ARTIST GUILD.....IS GOING STRONG

Windward Artist Guild has more members than ever, a greater presence in the community; a dedicated mission to award scholarships to arts students and teachers; genuine interest in inspiring artists who enliven and brighten the world with their works. Soooooo, let's do more!!

Sharing is important. Artists need all the news, information and help they can get. Share what you know with your fellow WAG artists. Is there an arts event coming up; is there a possibility of an exhibit somewhere; do you know a vender doing good work with framing, giclee, printing; do you know an artist who may be interested in joining WAG????..... Please share (conniefive@yahoo.com)! This past year, there have been OPPORTUNITIES for members to display art. The WAG Newsletter tries to anticipate exhibits and events for members, but there are probably more opportunities, so when you become aware of a possible venue, let us know. Working together, there is no end to possibilities.

Come to a Board meeting....better yet, become a member of the board!! Even if you are familiar with volunteer boards, the WAG Board is thoroughly unique. The diversity of interests, artistic backgrounds, sweet joy in sharing art and planting “art” seeds in the community through workshops ---- are amazing. The spirit is contagious. Come! Join! Support! The invitation comes with a guarantee of welcome, comraderie and....OPPORTUNITY. Let's hear from our wonderful membership. Contact any board member if you are interested...and be sure to attend the WAG Annual Membership Meeting, April 21, 2012, 11:00 am at Ho’omaluhia Botanical Gardens in Kaneohe.

Our dear Ruth Johnson, WAG cheerleader, former Parliamentarian and Newsletter Editor is missed, missed, missed. Thank you members for your tribute recognition by donating to the Ruth Johnson Memorial Scholarship Fund. Contributions to Ruth's Fund can be made to the WAG address.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WAG PAUAAHI TOWER OPEN SHOW

Entry and Dropoff:
Saturday March 31, 2012, 8-10 am

Pick up works not accepted:
Saturday March 31, 2012, 12:30 - 1:30pm

Exhibit opens: April 2, 2012

Reception/Awards Presentation:
Friday April 6 4-6:30 pm

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WAG BOARD MEETING

Monday April 2, 7 PM

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HONOLULU FIRST FRIDAY

Friday, April 6

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WAG ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 21, Saturday, 11 am
Ho'omaluhia Botanical Gardens Gallery, Kaneohe

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KAILUA TOWN PARTY ARTS IN THE PARK

April 22, Kailua Town 11 am-4 pm

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REMEMBER TO LOOK AT YOUR ADDRESS

LABEL: If the date is in red, please renew your membership today. Use the membership form above, attach a check, and mail it to the new post office address in Kaneohe. If you have renewed recently and the date is still in red, please contact Raki Briscoe 216-7093 or rakiraku@gmail.com

CONSIDER A GIFT TO WAG: Donations made to WAG are tax deductible. This past year, WAG was able to award several scholarships to art students and grants to art teachers. It is a primary goal of WAG to support the arts and art programs, and your gift goes a long way. Mahalo!

First Class

The Windward Artists Guild is a non-profit, volunteer, member guild, organized in 1960 by Windward artists. Through education, collaboration, encouragement, and exhibitions, the Windward Artists Guild supports, encourages, and promotes the production and appreciation of the visual arts, with emphasis on the Windward side. The Windward Artists Guild publishes a newsletter nine times each year.

We welcome your membership in the Windward Artists Guild. We invite you to join the guild and participate in furthering the arts. For complete information view our website at www.hawaiiwag.org, or write to Windward Artists Guild, P.O. Box 288, Kaneohe HI 96744.

Windward Artists Guild Membership Form

P.O. Box 288 Kaneohe, HI 96744

Make checks payable to Windward Artists Guild. Thank you. Date _____ ☐ New ☐ Renewal
☐ \$30 Regular Member ☐ \$15 Student Member (with full-time student ID)

Name	Phone/Cell	E-mail	Web Address
Mailing Address			
City	Zip	Media	

Volunteer Interests: Please check the areas where you are willing to help your organization.

- ☐ **Serve on the board as an officer:** ☐ Secretary ☐ Treasurer ☐ Awards Chair ☐ E-mail Chair
☐ chair for exhibitions ☐ chair for programs, workshops, classes ☐ chair for hospitality ☐ newsletter editor
☐ chair for telephone tree ☐ chair for membership ☐ chair for publicity
- ☐ **Serve as a committee member:** ☐ for exhibitions ☐ for programs, workshops, classes ☐ hospitality
☐ newsletter production ☐ telephone tree ☐ membership ☐ publicity
- ☐ **I have computer skills for:** ☐ making spreadsheets ☐ scanning to preserve historical files
☐ word processing ☐ desktop publishing ☐ creating data base ☐ creating web sites
- ☐ **I am willing to teach workshops in** _____