



Fine Lines

March Greetings!

I hear that spring is just around the corner! I am ready for the beauty and freshness of new life. I thoroughly enjoyed the meeting last month and am looking forward to watching Tom DeSomer paint and talk about his process in watercolor. As a bonus, Access Fort Wayne will be taping the demonstration and airing it from time to time!

There will be more frames of different sizes and styles to purchase at the March meeting.

See you all soon!

Barb Yoder



"Spring Falls" by Tom DeSomer

The Next Member's Meeting

Wednesday, March 20, 2019, 6:30-8:30 pm at the downtown
Allen County Public Library, Room A

Program

Tom DeSomer will be presenting a step-by-step watercolor demonstration, explaining the various steps and approaches he takes in order to produce a finished piece. He will focus on composition, value, color and technique.

Members are invited to bring an example of their artwork to the meeting to display.

Committees and Chairpersons

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About this month's speaker, TOM DESOMER



After graduating high school, Tom attended the American Academy of Art in Chicago. The instruction he received there moved him beyond simple amateur approaches and provided him with the tools to pursue a career as a commercial illustrator. While attending the American Academy of Art, he was highly influenced by Irving Shapiro, a true master in the art of watercolor painting.

Shortly after completing the program, he was hired at Eaton & Iwen, a premier illustration studio located in the city of Chicago, where he created hand-illustrated storyboards for animated features, films and commercials as well as a variety of ad campaigns.

Tom worked alongside of art directors and marketing specialists providing quality marker renderings and illustrations for a number of clients including Suave, Kraft Foods, Oldsmobile, Keebler, McDonalds, Quaker Oats and Kellogg's.

Treasurer's Report 2/1/19 through 2/27/19

*Beginning Balance	\$7,266.62
Income	\$4,189.37
Expenses	\$187.94
Ending	\$11,268.05
*Includes Patterson Funds	
CD Balance as of 9/30	\$10,581.48
Total Assets	\$21,849.53

John Kelty, Treasurer

Educational Opportunities by Our Members

DONI ADAM - Art classes in home, 260-478-9666, doni.adam@frontier.com.

WILETTA BLEVINS - Art classes at Grace Presbyterian Church, 1811 Fairhill Road. Tuesdays 260-424-6394.

TOM DE SOMER - Watercolor Art Classes for Beginner & Intermediate Adult Students, 18 and older, Watercolor Basics, Design, & Technique. 260-415-4348 tom@desomerart.com Register online at www.desomerart.com.

EUNICE SCULLY - Fiber art and quilting. 260-333-0813 or eunice@thescullys.net.

Fort Wayne Artists Guild - Members' Meeting Minutes

Allen County Public Library - February 20, 2019

President Barb Yoder opened the meeting at 6:40 pm and encouraged everyone to stay through the business meeting.

Karen Harvey introduced the guest speaker, Elisa Ellsworth, owner of Picture This In Print frame shop and Wilson Gallery located in Kendallville. Eliza spoke about the benefits of gallery representation, explaining her methods of networking with both artists and clients. She discussed pricing strategies as well as marketing tools she has found useful in her career as gallerist.

Minutes: approved as printed in the February newsletter.

Treasurer's Report: approved as printed in the February newsletter.

Membership: Dianna Burt reported that we currently have 129 members, 33 in attendance tonight plus 2 visitors.

Ventures: dates have been set with St. Francis; no judge has been selected at this time.

Publicity: Susan Wenger reported that all announcements for the month have been sent out.

Exhibitions: Nancy Longmate stated March/April are filled, but slots remain for later this year. She also reminded everyone to pick up ACPL art this Saturday and that the spring show at Heritage drop off is next week.

Newsletter: 'Applause!' list was circulated for members to list sales, accomplishments, etc.

Workshop: The upcoming Alan Larkin Drawing Bootcamp has one opening available.

Kekionga: Sandy McGill gave a brief explanation of the August Taste of the Arts event. Ventures Travel Show will also be part of Taste of the Arts. Members will be needed to help with this project.

Website: Darlene Selzer-Miller explained that some of the tabs have been changed on the FWAG home page. Ventures information will be posted when finalized. She reminded everyone that members can have their website or Facebook linked from FWAG site. Also, contact her with any suggestions.

Old Business: The By-Laws have been revised and will go to the Board for approval. Once approved by the Board, all members should review them. Members will then vote on the revision at the May meeting. Summer Social will be June 8 at the Unitarian Universalist Meetinghouse.

Frames donated by Tom Woodfin are for sale tonight. Proceeds to help pay for storage facility.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02

Submitted by Susan Wenger for Lynne Padget, Secretary

Art Calendar

The opening reception/meet & greet for Alan Larkin's Drawing Bootcamp is open to the public. It will be held from 5-7pm on Saturday, March 9, at Crestwoods Gallery located at 314 North Main Street, Roanoke, IN. Come meet Alan and see a collection of his wondrous paintings along with a collection of fine works by other artists.

A **Qiang Huang Landscape Workshop** will be held at the Franciscan Life Process Center on May 23. The center is located at 11650 Downes Street Northeast Lowell, MI. The cost is \$440 plus fees. For more information, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/qiang-huang-landscape-workshop-tickets-48930667945>

Arts on the Millrace! Display your artwork along Goshen's scenic Millrace Trail on Saturday, June 15, for the chance to win cash prizes in this juried show! All artists will be supplied with a 12'X12' area. Tents are very highly encouraged and must be provided by the artist, but are required to be staked down to prevent damage. Artists will be assigned to their specific location after being accepted into the festival. Registration does not guarantee a spot in the festival. Artists will be selected by the Arts on the Millrace Committee and [Downtown Goshen, Inc.](#) The deadline for application and fee is May 3 and can be found at <https://cityonthego.org/arts-on-the-millrace/home-2019/>.

The 4th Annual Decatur Sculpture Tour Plein Air Paint Out will be held on Friday, June 14. Registration costs \$10 which includes a welcome tote, lunch, and a ticket to attend the Sculpture Artist Reception on Thursday, June 13. The paint out is a judged event with cash prizes. See page 5 for registration.

Applause!

John Kelty received two commissions! John is teaching a one day workshop on watercolor painting at Rhapsody Gallery on Wednesday, March 13 from 6-8:30 pm! There is still space in the class. For details, go to <https://www.rhapsodyartgallery.com/events>

Nancy Longmate sold one painting at Heritage Pointe!

Darlene Selzer-Miller sold a painting at the Library Show!

Susan Wenger sold a painting at the Library Show!

April Weller sold a painting!

Tom DeSomer sold four paintings, two of which were commissioned!

Annette Colgrove sold a painting at Heritage Pointe!

Emily Butler sold two commissioned works!

Patricia Weiss sold two paintings at Expressions Gallery!

Maeve Cook completed four small commissions of drawings and completed one commission she got through Facebook. Her drawing "Sabriel" was juried into Encounter: Sci-Fi and Fantasy Art Exhibition. It will be on display at Garfield Park Arts Center in Indianapolis through the end of March. The opening reception is on March 1 at 6pm on March. Also, 3 to 5 of her works will be on display at Fishers Art Council during the entire month of August. Opening reception will be on August 16.

Competition Rules:

- Only registered artists may enter paintings into the competition and sale.
 - Please check in at the Welcome Tent in front of the Adams County Courthouse between 8-9 am to receive your location map and welcome bag.
 - Only artwork created at the Friday, June 14, 2019 Paint Out may be entered in the competition and sale.
 - All artwork must be labeled with the artist's name and contact information.
 - Artwork will be displayed from 4:30-7:30 pm in the 2nd Street Loft building at 118 N. 2nd St.
 - All sales are handled by the Decatur Sculpture Tour Committee. Artists will receive payment within two weeks of the sale.
 - Competition prizes will be awarded at the time of the judging on June 14.
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RETURN THIS REGISTRATION FORM
along with your \$10 registration fee by June 7, 2019 to:
DECATUR SCULPTURE TOUR
PO BOX 175, DECATUR, IN 46733

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-MAIL _____

PHONE _____

WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK PAGE _____

FWAG Exhibition Locations for March & April 2019

Active Day of Fort Wayne

Aldersgate Church

Allen County Retinal Surgeons

Citizens' Square 2nd Floor

 3rd Floor

Heritage Pointe of Fort Wayne

Ophthalmology Consultants SW (Engle Road)

Ophthalmology Consultants N (Dupont Road)

Pat Bryan Insurance Agency

Rehabilitation Hospital of Fort Wayne

Townhouse Retirement Center

Visiting Nurse Hospice

Will Jewelers

Susan Wenger

Emily Butler

Karen Bixler

Lynne Padget

Dianna Burt

Spring Members Show

Susan Voight

Dick Heffelfinger

Jerry Hertenstein

Nancy Longmate

Karen Harvey

Robin Hawkins

Toni McAlhany and Jodi

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