

**2015-04-12**

WGAS General Meeting – Mobile Museum of Art

April 12, 2015

- 1) President called the meeting to order at 2:05, asking members to sign attendance roll.
- 2) Members signed a “get well” card for Linda and we gathered around the lovely message board that Satomi had made to have our picture taken, wishing Lynda well.
- 3) Monique updated info for the September show which will be at the Mobile Arts Council. The Take-in is Saturday, August 29th, 10-1 pm and will hang from August 31, to Pick-up September 26, 10-1pm
- 4) We were asked to find out what the % of sales the ESAC would receive.
- 5) The 1st V. President, Ainsley McNeely, passed out the rules and guidelines for the judging of the show at the Eastern Shore Art Center on April 28th, 2015. She also announced the judge as Joan Blackburn, an award winning Pensacola artist, teacher, juror and judge. She is a Signature member of the Florida Watercolor Society, Watercolor Society of Alabama, Texas Watercolor Society, Montana Watercolor Society, and Southern Watercolor Society.  
  
Ainsley also told us that they would cover the names of participating artists on their paintings before judging.  
  
We also discussed that the Member's Choice Award could possibly go to two separate paintings. The judge may not give two awards to the same painting, but could have more than one piece by the same artist selected for an award.
- 6) The 2nd V. President, Gail Bramer, asked Members to be sure and vote for the Member's Choice Award on Opening night at the ESAC, and that the voting cuts off at 7:15, with all awards announced at 7:30. Reminder to have your art work ready to hang with proper wire hardware on April 28th take-in.
- 7) Treasurer's report given by Patti Vickery. She said she is still waiting to hear from Regions about the \$15. fee they have been charging us. If that will not be waived, she will look into other banks. The Audit of our books is being done by Susan Wright and Jane Shaw. Ainsley moved we accept report, Monique seconded and members voted to approve report of Treasurer.
- 8) Monique then asked the Nominating Committee Chairman, Marcy Mathurne, to report on the nominees for the two positions of 1st and 2nd V Presidents. They are Janet Hinson, for 1st VP and Marcy Mathurne for 2nd VP. There were no nominations from the floor and after Ainsley moved that we close the Nominations and Karen seconded the motion, they were approved. Gail Bramer then moved that we vote on the nominees and Monique seconded. All approved the election of Janet Hinton as 1st VP and Marcy Mathurne as 2nd VP. For the year beginning June 1, 2015.
- 9) Ainsley also stated that it will be important for the new officers come to the take-in for the judging to get a handle on how that is done. We will have an orientation in other areas after the show.

New Business is that Karen McGaghin is opening her show, “All about Hats”, at the Mobile Arts Council On May 8th, during Art Walk; Janie Brown will have a show at Church of the Redeemer Art Space in June; Ainsley at the Heritage and Art Center on Dauphin Island ( did not get date?) and Lynn Weeks and Phyllis Hinson @ MAC Repurposed Art: “What's at Stake”, through April. Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 with Jeff Bass WC demonstration to follow in Auditorium.

Respectfully submitted: Gail Bramer for Lynda Smith Touart, Secretary.