

WATERCOLOR & GRAPHIC ARTS SOCIETY OF MOBILE

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FEBRUARY 2011 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi everyone!

What a great year we've had along with some wonderful exhibits! Thanks to everyone for your continued support of the WGAS and especially to this year's board members who helped to make it all happen. They have been a joy to work with.

Thank you for allowing me the honor of serving as your president this year. I look forward to this new year and seeing your art in the upcoming shows!

~ Allan Butt

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### NEXT MEETING!!!

May 22, 2011

Morris Galleries

1011 Hillcrest Road

Board meeting 2:30 p.m.

### General meeting 3 p.m

- At this meeting we will be electing Officers for 2011-2012. If you would like to serve, or if you would like to nominate someone to an office, we encourage you to send the information to **Lynda** before the meeting. Nominations from the floor will also be accepted.
- We will also be discussing and voting on Ainsley's proposal for a Standing Rule to exclude "paint-overs" from our shows.

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FROM THE 1ST VICE-PRESIDENT:

UPCOMING EXHIBITIONS

1. July 15- September 25: Shared

Expressions at the Mobile Museum of Art

Take-in: TBA

One piece per member

Entry fee: \$10

Juried in/out

Reception: TBA

2. August 2 – 28: Members' Juried Exhibition at ESAC

Reception: August 5, 6-9pm during ArtWalk

Take-in: TBA

Entry: Two pieces

Entry fee: \$20.00

Juried in/out and awards

Note: This is also the **Proposed Members** show. Cut-off for nominations is JUNE 12th.

Per the Constitution, New Members will be chosen by secret ballot at the reception by those current active members present. Also at this show, we will be presenting the 20-Year pins to those who have achieved that standing. (Think you are one? Let us know; it wouldn't hurt.)

A plea: We need someone from the Eastern Shore to act as Chair for this show. Joanne is planning to help, but it would be *much* better if someone who lives nearer the ESAC could act as the main contact.

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#### VARIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS:

##### • CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE

The votes were 25 for the proposed wording and 13 for the current wording, so the Constitution will be changed accordingly.

*viz:* Framing: All work must be properly framed for hanging, under glass or

Plexiglas. Extremely ornate frames, mats or liners of distracting textures or colors, or that which otherwise does not conform to these rules may be cause for removal from the exhibition at the judge's discretion.

● **HISTORIAN**

**Jane Shaw** has graciously volunteered to take over the post of Historian

- **AWS: FRANCES MUTCHNICK** is now a **Signature Member** of the American Watercolor Society!!!!  
*Congratulations!!!*

● **REAL WEB SITE AT LAST!**

The new WGAS web site, designed by Lori Bernard, is now officially in operation. The domain is the same as before:

<http://wgasmobile.org>.

The member sign-in is "society48".

Everyone who has their own website should send their url to **Lynda** to be linked to the WGAS webpage.

We will try to keep up the calendar so that you can refer to it for dates and times of events. And if you have pictures you'd like posted, send them along and we'll try to make it so.

In addition to our new "official" website, we also have a Facebook page; anyone who is on Facebook should "like" it and post news and photos!



**FROM THE TREASURER**

Dues (\$20) for the ensuing year were owed on June 1<sup>st</sup>. You must be current to enter any exhibitions or to vote on proposed members. You may pay at the meeting or at the exhibition take-ins or --

Send your checks **to the Treasurer:**

Denise Inge, Treasurer  
Watercolor & Graphic Arts Society  
P. O. Box 81701  
Mobile, AL 36689



**MEMBER NEWS**

● **New Email Addresses:**

- **Jean King** [gigiking68@att.net](mailto:gigiking68@att.net)
- **Corky Goldman**  
[corkygoldman@aol.com](mailto:corkygoldman@aol.com)

- **Ainsley McNeely** displayed art at Edward Jones Financial, on Bienville Square for the month of October.
- **Fred Marchman** is now being represented at the Fairhope Connection gallery on Section St. across from Page & Palette bookstore. He also has a piece in the current Birmingham Art Association show in October, in Birmingham, Alabama
- **Joanne Brandt** and **Kathy Friedline** showed their artwork during the month of October at the Artists' Place at the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, "All Critters - Great and Small".
- **Fred Marchman** gave a block printing workshop at the ESAC Nov. 5-6
- **Ainsley McNeely's** painting, *Red Ball* won Honorable Mention at The Miniature Painters, Sculptors & Gravers Society of Washington D.C. Show. It is one of the largest & most prestigious miniature shows in the country with 800 pieces juried in to the show.
- **Marie Nickerson** gave a workshop at BRAG on November 8, 9, and 10.
- **Lydia Host** graduated from SHC with her Masters of Liberal Arts; her Capstone show was November 11<sup>th</sup>, at the Eichold Gallery. *Congratulations Lydia!*
- **Mary Elizabeth Kimbrough** exhibited at Dauphin Reality in November
- **Bill Morris** was the featured artist at the Robinson Gallery in November
- **Satomi Kamei, Fred Marchman** and **Lynda Smith Touart** were part of the *Nudes in November* exhibition at Blue Velvet Studios
- **Ainsley McNeely** won Honorable Mention in the MPS&GS Washington DC show & Best New Artist in MASF show

- **Fred Marchman** won an award at the Alabama Association for Community Colleges ceremonies in Montgomery for his serigraph *Indian Mounds*. He notes: "I still have a few prints of this serigraph available to any collectors out there; It's about 20' x 24", \$300 each, unframed. Get one while they last!
- **Martha Ann Rowan** was one of 13 Alabama artists (each with 10 pieces) in the 4th Annual Small Works Show at Ashland Gallery
- **Kate Seawell** was one of the featured artists in the *All Female Revue* at the Robinson Gallery in December
- Paintings by **Ernest Kirkland** and **Penny Lewis** were featured at the Episcopal Church of The Redeemer through month of December
- **Don Andrews** conducted a workshop for Bay Rivers in Daphne Jan 17-21, 2011
- **Lynda Smith Touart** is one of the five artists in the *DepARTmental* exhibition at the USA library, in January and February
- **Allan Butt** has a one-man show at Southern Art and Frame, January 24-February 25, and also gave a workshop there February 3-5.
- **Denise Inge** is the Featured Guest Artist at Art(ology) for February and March
- **Penny Lewis** and **Ernest Kirkland** will be having a show for the month of March at Southern Art and Framing

*[Please send all your news to [Ltouart@touart.com](mailto:Ltouart@touart.com) so that it can be included in the next newsletter!]*

***DON'T BE SHY!***

*And don't forget to send new email and snail mail addresses, and phone numbers to Denise as well:*

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