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# APRIL 2014 NEWSLETTER

#### PRESIDENT'S REMARKS:

Dear Members,

I think everyone can give themselves a well-deserved pat on the back for the nice show that we have at the Daphne Art Center.

Congratulations to the award winners!

To our newest members, welcome to The Watercolor & Graphic Arts Society of Mobile.

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EXHIBITION INFORMATION

## **Daphne Art Center**

<u>Take-down</u> will be on Tuesday, April 15th from 10 am until 4 pm

In 2014, WGAS plans to have an every-othermonth exhibition at Portier Place, 4363 Old Shell Rd. This will be on a sign-up basis. On alternate months, other groups or individuals will exhibit there. For the WGAS group exhibitions, we will not require all the usual rules. That is, giclées, collages, etc. will be allowed, and also work which is past the usual time limit for WGAS. However, for the group exhibits the work should reflect WGAS in some way; No work on canvas, for example.

In April: Evonne Bilbo, Gail Bramer, Ernie Kirkland, Penny Lewis, Ann Pearce, and Kathy Stabler The reception will be held during the Spring Hill Art Stroll, Saturday, March 29, 1-4 p.m.

October 2015: Mobile Arts Council Details TBA

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

Deborah Rae Hall
Janet Hinton
Philippe Oszuscik
Barbara Rettig
Karen Spaulding
Congratulations and welcome!

#### **NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

April 27, 3:00 pm (Board meeting at 2:30) Mobile Museum of Art

Proposed Constitution Changes
In our Constitution, one of the current
exhibition rules reads: "Timeliness: Entries
must have been executed within the past two
years and not exhibited in WGAS shows
before."

At the last meeting a proposal was made to change the rules of exhibition to include work that is either 3 or 4 years old, instead. We will be voting on this change at our next General Meeting.

#### **MEMBER NEWS**

- Mary Rodning has a new email address: maryrodning@yahoo.com
- **Evonne Bilbo**'s new email address: <u>evonnebilbo@gmail.com</u>
- Ainsley McNeeley won both a Southern Art & Framing Merit Award and an Alabama Art Merit Award in the recent Spanish Moss Miniature Art Exhibition. Joanne Brandt won an Alabama Art Merit award. Barbara Cline was also accepted into the show. At Southern Art & Framing

through April 4. It includes 71 paintings from 11 states plus international entries.

• Charles and Mary Rodning's most recent book, "waitin' 'round the bend" has just been released by Negative Capability Press. The work includes haiku and senryu poetry, sumi-e painting, and essays regarding poetry and temporality. [See it here:

#### HTTP://TINYURL.COM/LCKROPR]

- From Fred Marchman: "Put it on yr calendar. April 4, 6pm First Friday Artwalk of April 2014. I will be signing Portals of Paradise my "new" book of poetry from 1973. A taste of the 70s!! Be there or be square! Profusely illustrated! A work of Art 40 years in the making! Support culture & the great independent bookstore Page & Palette (on Section St. in Fairhope) Bring yr friends too!"
- Frances Ashcraft (November), Corky Goldman (October), and Lynda Smith Touart (September) will be exhibiting at Optera Creative, 5 N. Jackson St., this year.

#### **DUES**

Dues (\$20) for the ensuing year are owed on June 1st. You must be current to enter any exhibitions or to vote on proposals. You may pay at the meeting or at the exhibition take-ins, or send your checks to:

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

## TO CHECK THE WGAS GOOGLE CALENDAR

https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=wgasmobileorg%40gmail.com&ctz=America/Chi cago

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**Spring 2014 Exhibition - Daphne Art Center** Judge's Comments

BEST OF SHOW FOUNDERS AWARD

Marie Nickerson, Where Do I Go From Here?

Great design, control of value, ethereal quality.

WGAS BEST AQUA MEDIA

Marilyn Ammons, Granny's Bowl with Fruit

Maintains freshness.

BEST GRAPHIC ARTS **Barbara T. Thomas,** *Golden Girl*Well done, looks like real person

MARIAN STOHRER MEMORIAL AWARD Mary E. Rodning, restless night...
Real good contrast, crisp

ALABAMA ART SUPPLY AWARD **Kate Seawell,** *Day, Twilight, Rain* Like all pattern design

SOUTHERN ART & FRAMING AWARD **Jo Patton**, *Buoys and Gulls* Good design theory

MERIT AWARD - LYONS SHARE GALLERY **Satomi Kamei,** *Silent Beach* Captures mood

NO. 1 HONORABLE MENTION AWARD **Gail Bramer,** *Storm Clouds*Dreamlike, economy of detail

NO. 2 HONORABLE MENTION AWARD **Ann Pearce**, *Contemplation of Color* Abstract paint, good line quality

~Terry Cherry, Judge



Marie Nickerson



Satomi Kamei



Joanne Brandt and her birthday frog.