GRAPHIC ARTS SOCIETY

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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Hope you have all fared well during this particularly dreary Mobile winter. As I sit here writing this, with the sun shining bright thru my studio window, it looks like the dawn of spring is finally upon us. Flowers will be soon blooming, green grass emerging, setting the scene for lots of beautiful landscape paintings out there around our beautiful city!

WATERCOLOR

I'm looking forward to seeing all of the wonderful artwork you have created since our last show, and especially seeing the pieces from our talented prospective new members. Once again, I think our show will be amazing!

We have a huge treat immediately following our April 12th members meeting at the MMA. The talented Jeff Bass will be giving a watercolor portrait demo there in the MMA auditorium. He will be using a model and will be painting from life. I'm sure most of you are familiar with Jeff's work, but for those who aren't, please take a moment to lookup some of his work online. He is a truly gifted artist that has had the honor of painting portraits of well-known judges, dignitaries and political leaders, etc. His portrait of Pres. George Bush, Sr. is one of my personal favorites. Jeff has also offered to host future demos for us, and I assured him we would be thrilled to have him any time he's available for such.

See you guys in April, and until then, GO PAINT!

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General Membership Meeting

<u>12 April 2015</u>, Mobile Museum of Art auditorium

General Meeting at <u>2 pm</u> (Board Meeting at 1 pm.)

At this meeting we will discuss the upcoming exhibition and <u>elect officers</u> for the next year, among other business, so be sure to be there.

And a special program: Jeff Bass will be presenting a LIVE watercolor portrait demonstration after the meeting, so be sure to plan to stay for that!

EXHIBITION INFORMATION May 2015: ESAC

- Take-in Tuesday, 28 April, 10-1
- Fee: \$20 for 1 or 2 works
- Opening reception: Friday, 1 May (ArtWalk), 6-8 p.m.
- Members' Choice voting cuts off at 7:15
- Awards announcements at 7:30
- Pick-up: Saturday, 30 May, 10 -2 <u>or</u> Tuesday, 2 June, 10-4
- Entry form attached (Also available at take-in)
- Judge: TBA
- This will be our Proposed Members exhibition. Proposed for 2015:
 - o Nancy Barry
 - o Lara Haas Becker
 - o Hunter Cobb
 - o Barbara Davis
 - o Roxann Dyess
 - o Debbie Guy
 - o Kent Lynam

September 2015: Mobile Arts Council

- Drop-off: Saturday, 29 August, 10-1
- Hang: Monday, 31 August (Help may be needed from Members)
- Meet-the-artist/Reception: ArtWalk, Friday, 11 September, 6-8 p.m.
- Pick-up: Saturday, 26 September, 10-1
- Judge: TBA

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MEMBER NEWS

[Be <u>sure</u> to share your news with Lynda for inclusion in the Newsletter and the Scrapbook! Don't be shy. We don't have as many sources for news as we used to have!]

- Gail Bramer's new email address is: gaileygirl32@gmail.com
- **Fred Marchman** is the featured artist at The Artist's Place, Church of the Redeemer, in March.
- Susie Wallace's email is now susiebwallace@outlook.com
- Carmel Alvis, Ainsley McNeely, Mary E. Rodning, and Lynda Smith Touart are exhibiting in the *What's at Stake?* show in March at the History Museum of Mobile. Reception March 22, 1-4 pm
- Karen McGahagin and Carolyn Greene showed work in the 2nd Annual Village of Springhill Arts Showcase
- Members juried into the Watercolor Society of Alabama exhibition at Eastern Shore Art Center in March (through March 27th):
 - Judy Aronson
 - o Derald Eastman Signature Member Award
 - Corky Goldman
 - o Deborah Rae Hall
 - o Marcy Matherne
 - o Barbara Rettig
- In the Spanish Moss Miniature Art Show Cathedral Square Gallery, March 03 – 28
 - Liz Zirlott: Alabama Art Supply Award for *Three's a Crowd*
 - Ainsley McNeely: Southern Art & Framing Award for *Cruisin*
 - Joanne Brandt: Daugherty's Gallery & Framing Award for *True Grit – Silas*

DUES

Dues (\$20) for the ensuing year were 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. 81701 Mobile, AL 36689

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Derald Eastman with Verazza Signature Member Award



Spanish Moss Miniature Show