

nia NEWSLETTER

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December, 2011

General Meeting
 Sunday
 January 8, 2012
 South Bend Museum of Art
 1:00 pm Social
 1:30 Meeting
 Speaker: Janet Johnson
 Presentation and
 demonstration of her
 technique in painting icons

NIA Newsletter

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President's Letter

Daniel Slattery



Happy Holidays. We will be starting off the New Year (the NIA's 70th Anniversary year) with our January General Meeting, Sunday January 8, 2012 at the SBMA.

A Nominating Committee will be appointed to prepare a slate of new officers to be voted on at the March Meeting. Offices up for election are: Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, Hospitality Chair, SBMA Representative, and Scholarship Chair. Each office involves a two year term on the Board of Directors. If you are interested in serving on the Board in one of these roles, please inform any current officer.

We will also be taking up two matters tabled at the last meeting: an amendment to the By-laws concerning the number of times a work may be shown with the NIA (once in a show with awards, once in an exhibit with no awards), and a proposal to convert our annual yearbook to a paperless, on-line version beginning in 2012.

NIA Exhibit Standards

In each of the last two NIA exhibits, submitted works had to be declined for lack of proper framing. In one instance, a work was submitted (but not accepted) that had been exhibited in an NIA Juried show in the previous year. And though not addressed in previous discussions of standards, it was noticed that certain paintings were submitted for our current All-member show with the paint not yet fully dry. Several entries were submitted with dirty, streaked and splattered glass that had to be cleaned before inclusion in the exhibit. A couple of works were wired with a single, thick, inflexible wire that would slide on its hook at the slightest vibration, putting the frame in constant risk of falling off the wall.

For the safety of the works and out of consideration for those volunteers charged with hanging the exhibit, please only offer finished works that meet the following criteria:

- All flat works submitted for exhibits must be suitably and securely framed and wired, ready for hanging. Lack of proper hanging wire or

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Gallery East Exhibit Entry Form

Entry Form

(Please fill out all information completely)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Entry 1

Title _____

Media _____

Price (or value if NFS) \$ _____ NFS _____

Entry 2

Title _____

Media _____

Price (or value if NFS) \$ _____ NFS _____

Entry 1

Artist _____

Title _____

Medium _____

Entry 2

Artist _____

Title _____

Medium _____

Exhibit: Gallery East

February 6--March 23
Gallery East
514 LWE
Mishawaka, IN 46516

Drop-off:

Thursday, February 2, 2012
10:00 a.m. - 12 Noon, and
4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Reception:

Friday February 10, 2012

Pick-up of works not accepted:

Saturday, February 4, 2012

Pick-up:

Sunday, March 26
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon and
Monday, March 27 4: p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Juror will be Barbara Miller. If you have a digital image of the work you are entering that you would like to make available for publicity for the show, please email the image to Cathy McCormick, camccorm@aol.com, or Mona Witt, mona50@comcast.net. Submitted images may or may not be used, and if selected, they will only be used to publicize this exhibit.

Use the form (left) to prepare your work for entry. There is a \$5.00 submission fee for each entry. Checks may be made payable to NIA. Attach an entry label (see lower left) to the back of your work, top left corner, for identification.



Congratulations, Award Winners All Member Exhibit, Jewish Federation

Anita Beatty Memorial Award

David Allen, "Back Yard," *Oil*

Carolyn Jagodits Memorial Award

David Allen, "Alley View," *Oil*

Judge's Award

Glenda Cobb Bixby, "Black & White," *Watercolor*

Merit Award

Barbara DeLeu, "The Putt," *Watercolor mix*

Merit Award

Ellen D'Haeze, "Touch of Nature," *Watercolor*

Merit Award

Lynn Edison, "For the Love of a Horse," *Watercolor*

Glenda Cobb Bixby Award

Lea Goldman, "Magic," *Mixed Media*

Judge's Award

Cathy McCormick, "Best Foot Forward," *Pastel*

Judge's Award

Joe Ruthrauff, "South Bend," *Oil*

NIA Memorial Award

Wolfgang Schmidt, "Transformation," *Photograph*

Merit Award

George W. Millet, Jr., "Jambalaya," *Watercolor*

Judge's Award

Mona Witt, "Kings Highway2," *Pastel*

Art Matters

Jewish Federation Exhibit Pick-Up

Art may be picked up December 30, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm or January 3, 2012, between noon and 5:00 pm.

2011-12 Yearbook

The 2011-2012 NIA Yearbook was distributed at the November 13 meeting, and mailed to members not in attendance. Please send updates to Joan Spohrer, Publications chair, at jfspohrer@ameritech.net.

Pastel Society Show

The Northern Indiana Pastel Society Members' Show continues through December 29 at the Buchanan Art Center, 117 West Front Street in Buchanan, Michigan.

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framing will be justification for rejecting the entry. [Note: stretched canvas works with painted sides need not be framed as long as sufficient hanging hardware is incorporated in the back of the canvas.] Three-dimensional works must be balanced and stable, or be mounted in such a way that they can be safely exhibited.

- Where a host venue has its own standards for submitted works, those standards must be observed as well.
- The person or persons accepting works on behalf of the NIA or the venue shall make the determination as to whether these standards have been met. Their decision will be final, though the artist will be given the opportunity to correct any deficiencies and resubmit, as time allows.



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CALENDAR

Pick Up at Jewish Federation

December 30, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
January 3, 2012, noon - 5:00 pm

Membership Meeting

January 8, 2012
Social: 1:00 pm
Presentation: 1:30 pm
Janet Johnson, Icons Demo
Business Meeting following

Gallery East Exhibit

Drop-Off: February 2, 10:00 am-noon and 4:00 - 6:30 pm
Pick-Up: March 26, 10:00 am-noon; March 27, 4:00 - 6:30 pm
Pick up unaccepted work on February 4
Reception: Friday, February 10

By-Laws Change

The proposed change to Article III, Section 4 of our by-laws will be voted upon at our January 8 membership meeting:

Members who place a work in a non-juried NIA exhibition, may again enter that same work in a juried NIA show in order to compete for awards. A work that has been shown in an NIA juried competition may not be submitted a 2nd time for a juried competition, but may be shown once more in a nonjuried exhibition.

Dues Reminder

Dues must be received for 2012 by March 31. Active Membership dues are \$30 per year. If your dues are not paid by March 31, you are delinquent, and must pay an additional \$5 fee. Remember that only active members may participate in exhibits. You may send your dues to Treasurer Michelle Herrli at:

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