TARPON SPRINGS ART ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER



—PO Box 1177—Tarpon Springs, FL 34688—E-mail: patsy.renz@verizon.net Meetings - First Monday of the Month at The Community Center. 400 S. Walton -1:30pm

December 2020

Executive Board:

Lynn Pierson - 479-8100 President Pierson.lynnf@gmail.com

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Committees:

Kathy Detrano - 817-0940 Artist of the Month

Need volunteer when meetings return!
Refreshments

Patsy Renz – 943-7732 Newsletter/Membership

Sue Thomas Trish Gregory Publicity

Lynn Kopala Historian

Venue Chairs:

Heather Risley - 937-7125 Performing Arts Center Chamber of Commerce

Lynn Kopala Valley Bank

Lynn Kopala 703-677-7805 Advent Hospital North Pinellas

Mary Silvia (774-218-1001) Tarpon Springs Library Greetings TSAA Members,

It is hard to believe that we are already in the middle of November. As I reflect on the last few months, I am gratified by how the board has risen to the challenge and tackled a new way of doing things as we all navigate the Pandemic environment. I am equally gratified by your participation in our Zoom meetings, overcoming tech challenges that may have felt initially off putting, and your encouragement as we initiate new ideas. Thank you to all.

The nice thing about Zoom is that there is no limit to the number of people in the "room". We had 26 participants in September and around 18 in each of the last two meetings. It would be wonderful to grow attendance so, if you have thought about it but haven't taken the plunge, log on for the December meeting (the access link for the meeting will be sent out on Sunday, December 6. Feel free to call me or Trish Gregory with any questions about accessing the meeting.

Speaking of Trish - our first virtual Artist of the Month (AOTM) winner for October (receiving the most votes), was Trish Gregory for her beautiful, digitally altered photograph, "Bayou Bistro". Her artwork is now the banner on our Facebook page. Congratulations Trish and thank you to all who participated; we had 14 entries!

As a reminder, at our last member meeting we discussed, and voted on, skipping the November AOTM due to an overload of life events on those responsible for making it all happen. We will pick it up again in December.

Without a holiday member show venue this year, we will continue with a Zoom meeting at 1 p.m. on December 7th. There will be no business portion to the meeting. Instead, it will be a fun and engaging time with a Show & Tell opportunity for you to show off your newest work. Also, Patsy Renz has graciously agreed to be interviewed about our website - a great opportunity to learn about the extensive, behind-the-scenes work that she does to make sure everyone has access to the information needed so as to participate fully in TSAA activities.

For those interested in showing one piece of work at the December meeting, you may send a jpg image to me at artists.tsaa@gmail.com . I will put them in a slideshow format and each artist can talk about their work as it is shown, in the same way that Sherry Orr's art destination powerpoints have been shown. If you choose not to do that, then be sure to have your work available to be shown with your device camera when you talk about it.

As we come up to the new year, the board will be touching base once again with all our members. It will be an opportunity talk about volunteer needs in 2021, in particular for the Photo & Plein Air event scheduled for next fall, as well as filling the position of Treasurer come May 2021. Sue McCubbin has provided the job description for Treasurer in her post on page 2.

Please consider how you wish to help in these or other capacities.

Last, but not least, Welcome back to all who have been away over the summer or otherwise traveling. If you are still settled elsewhere, the nice thing about Zoom is that we can all come together no matter where we may be. So, until December 7th, I wish each of you a Happy Thanksgiving whether celebrating in person or virtually!

Stay safe, stay well and keep creating,

Lynn

Lynn Foskett Pierson

Looking Ahead

Turkey Time......Time to Give Thanks.....We made it to November

We have learned so many new approaches to what we are doing. ZOOM was the sound little kids made as they drove their little cars over the furniture. Or our dogs doing zoomies around the yard. ZOOM meetings are great....grab a cup of coffee and stretch out on the couch.

Masks have had a huge impact on our budgets. When was the last time you put on blush or lipstick?

Amazon delivers to our doors. We can drive up and pick up our groceries.

And with all this free time, we have more time for art.

Demonstrations and Workshops can be shown through ZOOM. It doesn't take any more time than going to the Community Center or Tourist Building. I can do a Power Point or you can demonstrate and share your work. And no one is blocking your view. It's painless.....just give me a call...813-310-9045.

We are planning the Paint and Photo event. We meet on the grass 6 feet apart. Be sure you wear a mask. Our next meeting is December 8th at 10:00 at Craig Park.

January is coming!!!!!!

Sherry Orr

Note from Susan McCubbin who has been our treasure for 3 years. TSAA Treasurer's job - Administrative skills needed, comfortable with numbers, use EXCEL spreadsheets and have access to the internet. Keep track of the bank account, deposit all money and pay all bills; track the membership and reconcile with membership chair; make monthly reports to board and general membership meeting; and file Tax reports to the IRS and State of Florida.

Prior treasurers are available for help and advice. If needed Patsy will continue as registered agent for taxes and do the taxes if you don't feel comfortable doing them.

Everyone needs a little sunshine in her/his life. Contact lynnkopala@hotmail.com if you know a TSAA member who needs a little sunshine in the form of a greeting card.

Sunshine Chairperson, is ready to supply it to those

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MEMBERS:

Susan Mayhew sold 4 glass art pieces to a gift store in downtown Dunedin for resale.

Mary Silvia has artwork at the Beach Art Center in Indian Rocks through December for their Holiday Show and in the gift shop.



Dear Artist Members,

Louanne Headrick has so much news! Having just received my first load of furniture and boxes into my new Hudson home, I have smiled through the day of unpacking art tools and books. Many are like good friends and remind me of works done over time.

Also, I just received the 49th Florida Watercolor Society's annual exhibition catalog displaying the entrants and the winners of awards. What a treasure of good work to ponder.

Next year should be a special FWS show since it will be the 50th. My goal is to enter two pieces painted in my whiz bang studio. If anyone working in watercolor is interested to make it their goal too, call Louanne @ (352) 988-3565.

In grace, new member, Louanne Headrick

Dear TSAA Members.

A few of you sent in art submissions for the **illuminated art boxes** to be placed along Dodecanese Blvd. I would like to give an update on that project.

The artwork has been completed and placed on the art boxes and are waiting to be installed.

Unfortunately, the city's public works' department is overwhelmed at this time because of the pandemic and is currently understaffed. They tell us that it will not be until the beginning of next year that the boxes can be installed.

We are trying to find a private vendor to install them, but so far have not been successful.

I will send another notification when the boxes have been installed on Dodecanese.

Best regards to all, Trish Gregory

VENUE NEWS:

Valley Bank, 710 East Tarpon Avenue - For November and December, we've staged a 2 person show featuring **Marilyn Davis and Pat Miller.** In January and February, **Carole Loiacono's** paintings will be featured. **Mary Silvia** will display in March and April. Contact **Lynn Kopala** by email at lynnkopala@hotmail.com, or telephone 703 677 7805, if you are interested in showing at Valley Bank during the second half of 2021.

AdventHealth – North Pinellas HospitalAdventHealth - North Pinellas: I've contacted our liaison, but have had no update.

Covid and renovations continue to keep TSAA work safe but not accessible to replace.

Lynn Kopala's NEW PHONE NUMBER is 703 677 7805. Her previous 727 number is no longer in service.

Performing Arts Center: Heather Risley, Patsy Renz, not available until further notice.

Chamber of Commerce (1 N Pinellas Ave) Heather Risley - Displaying now are Janice Sparks, Mary Silvia, Patsy Renz

New Opportunity - Hampton Inn on Rte. 19, Tarpon Springs has space for one artist, 3 paintings (2 large, 1 not more than 16 x 20). Subject matter is ideally Tarpon Springs - or at least Florida. These are 3 month showings and must be your best work. Displaying now is **Heather Risley.**

Let Heather Risley know if you want to sign up for this venue.

Tarpon Springs Library - Contact Mary Silvia at 774-218-1001 or maryfsilvia@gmail.com

Spoke with Denise at the Tarpon Library and she is saying no in person displaying until perhaps January. No guarantees of course.

Mary Silvia

Editors note: This year things are different for us so if you want to rejoin TSAA it will have to be done by mail. Remember, dues aren't due until January 1, 2021, but just a note to let you know ahead of time what we need. Send your check for \$25. to Tarpon Springs Art Association, Box 1177, Tarpon Springs, FL 34688, With your check please include name, address, phone number and email address so our list can be updated with the latest information. Thank you, *Patsy*

Artist of the Month



Trish Gregory our first was winner of Artist of the Month virtually. done the She took photo standing next to the Bayou Bistro. There is a of part the outdoor style restaurant in the photo. She added the birds and the painterly look of the picture digitally with two iPhone apps.



Original Photo





...to promote interest and community awareness of all forms of visual art, to provide opportunities for individuals to associate with other artists, and to share in and learn from artistic knowledge and experiences.

Application for New Member and/or Change of Address	
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Medium of choice	
Please make check payable to and mail to:	
Tarpon Springs Art Association	
Box 1177	
Tarpon Springs FL 34688	

"A good artist has less time than ideas." – Martin Kippenberger

REMEMBER.....

The next general ZOOM meeting is Monday, Dec. 7, 1:00 pm, 2020.

The next board meeting is Dec. 28, 2020, at 1:00pm via ZOOM

If you have <u>any news</u> call me at 943-7732 or email me at patsy.renz@verizon.net by December18, 2020, Everything that happens in your art is important to us all.

Artist of the Month Tentative Schedule

September – All Media artwork Voting; Program is "Show and Tell" of any painting on display.

October - Acrylic, 3 Dimensional Art

November - Oil and Acrylic

*December - No Meeting

January - Mixed Media, Photography, 3 D

February - Watercolor

March - Pastel, Pen & Ink, Charcoal, Misc. not shown elsewhere

*April - Judged Show (Picnic)

We will let you know how this will be done