



*October 2010*

# **Brushfire** newsletter

Creative Artists Guild, Inc.

<http://www.creative-artists-guild.com>

*Tuesday, November 9th, will be the next general meeting  
Of the CREATIVE ARTISTS GUILD We will meet at one o'clock  
at*

*The First United Friendship Hall in Dunedin*

*The hall is located at the corner of Wood Street and Douglas.  
Parking is by Friendship Hall at the corner of  
Wood St.. & Douglas Ave. If you are bringing Art, please be  
there by 12:30 as the meeting will start promptly at 1 PM and  
judging and voting is before that.*

**If you wish to join the Guild please come to a meeting and join. If you wish to be juried in to display in the venues, you must join first and make arrangements, after that, to be juried in. Upon joining, you will receive a booklet which includes the bylaws and standing rules of the organization. If you are a beginning artist, you can join and continue your art programs until you feel comfortable bringing three samples of original art work to be judged.**

### **An Important Message From MARILYN**

- 1) Proposed change to our Bylaws. We would like to change the bylaws to allow two alternate board members with full voting rights. The alternates will only be called upon to serve on the board when we do not have enough board members to make a quorum. We need 50% of the board for a quorum. We will hold the vote on this issue during our January 2011 membership meeting.**
- 2) Reminder for all artists displaying/selling artwork through any of our venues. Our venues do not have any liability for damage to or theft of our artwork.**

Please feel free to call or e-mail with additions, comments, especially changes in your mailing info, phone or address: **Joan Sofarelli at (727) 531-1108 or e-mail [jsof@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:jsof@tampabay.rr.com)**



Congratulations to October's Artist of the Month

Kathy Pollak

for her Colored Pencil rendition of "Kayaking"

Mary Silvia sold a painting at Marguerites. Beverly  
Woofter and

Betty Riggs at Country Harvest Restaurants.

And Congratulations to members Amy Kail, who was juried in  
with Wire Art and Nancy Senovich with Watercolor, Acrylic  
and Mixed Media.

**Reminder: Jurying Arrangements!**

**All work to be juried must be current  
(within two years),**

**prepared for hanging, and with titles  
listed. A minimum of three pieces  
must be submitted.**

**Work should be original. Composi-  
tion, quality of the medium and pres-  
entation will all be considered. The  
decision of the jury will be mailed  
within one week of the meeting.**

**Please join the guild first and make  
an appointment with the Chairman to  
bring your Art at a later meeting to be  
judged. You can join the guild and at-  
tend meetings without being juried in.**

**You must be juried in to show at any  
venues .**

**Prior arrangements must be made by  
calling the Jury Chairman.**



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November Demo News from Judith Durling

I am pleased to bring Kerry Didday to CAG. Kerry calls himself an American Modernist painter. Recently he is combining stylized realism and abstraction. He teaches acrylic painting at the Morean Art Center in St. Petersburg. I attended one of his acrylic workshops years back at Suntan Art Center and came away charged with ideas. Please welcome Kerry to our Demo program. You can view his work at his website, [Kerry Didday.com](http://KerryDidday.com).

Polly Berlin has taken over for Kathy Fessenbecker as Outdoor Show Chair. We will have our first Pioneer Park, Dunedin Show/Sale on Saturday, November 27th. The following shows for 2010 will be December 18th, the Saturday before Christmas. The fee is \$10.00.

You can reach Polly after October at 733-3549 or [www.lakeartist@metrocast.com](mailto:www.lakeartist@metrocast.com). Her cell is 603-630-4053.

Palm Harbor Oriental Medicine has agreed to display CAG member's artwork. PHOM is a medical office that performs acupuncture. With that said, the artwork should be calming, peaceful paintings. Paintings will be exchanged every month on a Thursday between 12:00 pm. and 1:00 p.m.

We will need 5 paintings total. Either 1 artist or 2. Due to the nature of the business, the office is fairly quiet and therefore we need to have as little disturbance as possible. Phyllis Dumdie - 727 669 7462 will coordinate the exchange. There will be a sign up sheet starting with the month of November 18<sup>th</sup> to December 16<sup>th</sup>. Please take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to display your art. It is a beautiful venue and they are excited at the prospect of our displays. Phyllis Dumdie will Chair this site. 669-7462 or [pdumdie@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:pdumdie@tampabay.rr.com). Call her for any further information or to book for a future date.

CAG Display Cards should state the Artist's name, phone #, Medium, Price and if interested, call artist.



marilyn michalec

**Messages from our Venue Chairs                      Please support them**

**Mj Fashions:** Display only once per year: Kathy will explain Mj's request. List is full until 2011. Kathy will be at September meeting with her chart for 2011. Kathy needs Art for Belleair Landing for November and December. She has also taken over the Dunedin Library which is full for the next few months. She will take reservations for 2011.

**Sharon Florist:** Five large paintings from November to May. Floral or Florida scenic.

**Dunedin Library:** Three Artists a month on easels. No art in December. Middle easel reserved for Artist of the Month. Art changes the second Tuesday of the month. Do not put a sale price on Art.  
Kathy Rabold 781-6859 or [Ophms\\_art@yahoo.com](mailto:Ophms_art@yahoo.com)

**COUNTRY HARVEST RESTAURANT:** I still need 4 pictures for November along with Mary Silvia and Marge Giroux. In December, I need someone to put 6 pictures up along with Marilyn Michalec and Elaine McCormick.

**SOMERS TITLE:** Is filled for November and December but, I need someone for January and February 2011. If you can fill any of these needs, please e-mail or call Bev Woofter at [dhtlc@yahoo.com](mailto:dhtlc@yahoo.com)

**PROCEDURES AT THE VENUES:**

Have your CAG artist cards filled out for your art work. You can print these off the CAG website.

Fill out a sheet of your inventory with your name and phone number, a list of paintings with names and price. You can include a card or two of your own. Make a copy for yourself. Hand the envelope to the venue owner and, try to remember to pick up your letter when you pick up your art ) Be polite at all times!

The procedure at the Dunedin Library is different. The library requests no pricing on paintings.

The CAG card on the piece should state your name, phone number and please call where the price line is on the card. The middle space on the three easels is reserved for the Artist of the Month.

Elaine McCormick will be at the November Meeting to speak to us about the Christmas Luncheon/Art Display. She hasn't firmed up the judge as yet or I would have included that in this message. It will be at the Dunedin Country Club as usual. The Luncheon is \$20. and they will need volunteers for the usual centerpieces, etc. Please bring along your Checkbook as they will be collecting checks at the November meeting.



**Website sections:**

**About Us:**

*meeting dates, times, locations;*

**Officers:**

*our board members and committees;*

**Join Us:**

*links to Membership and jury applications for download.*

**Events Calendar:**

*a listing of all of our upcoming shows*

**Exhibits:**

*a calendar of our Rotating Exhibits showing available dates;*

**Artist of the Month:**

*features the current winner description of the program;*

**Member Galleries:**

*member bios and art-work;*

**CAG Brags:**

*accolades for our accomplishments;*

**Resources:**

*helpful local services and businesses and helpful downloads*

**Links:**

*links for resources on the internet;*

**Community:**

*Newsletter*

*Photo Albums*

*Opportunities*

*Workshop and*

*class listings*

*...and much more to come!*

To be included in the member's section, I will need the following:

- Photo of the artist, name, contact information such as address, phone number, e-mail address, and any web addresses you want included as links.
- A short bio (approximately one page) perhaps including:
  - Medium you normally work in, style and subject matter.
  - Where your current work can be seen, if applicable.
  - Education, awards, and other art related information about you.
- Up to 5 clear photos of your work, their titles, medium and sizes. You do not have to have five photos to be included; please submit what you have, even if it's only one.

Information can be presented to me in the following ways:

- **Via email:** at [lulen@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:lulen@tampabay.rr.com) with CAG WEBSITE in the subject line. Photos should be attached to the email. Text can either be sent simply as an email or as a Word document. Please keep the photos and text separate, if possible, as I will need to insert them separately into the web page format. Photos should be in the following formats: jpeg, gif, tiff, bmp.
- **In person:** as typed or clearly printed text and clear regular photos, or information and photos on CD. If photos are on CD they can be left very large which makes it much easier for me work with them.
- **Via mail:** type or clearly print your information and mail with clear photos to:

Lorraine Ulen  
1948 Soule Road  
Clearwater, FL 33759

If you are unsure about how to go about any of this, or if you need help with taking photos of your work, please don't hesitate to contact me. You can send an e-mail at [lulen@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:lulen@tampabay.rr.com) or call me at (727) 796-9205. Please leave a message that your call is in regard to the CAG website and I will get back to you as soon as possible. You do not need to have a computer or internet access to have your work included on the site.

If anyone has any suggestions for things you would like to see included on the website, please speak up! This website is for the members and your input is welcome.

**[Http://www.creative-artists-guild.com](http://www.creative-artists-guild.com)**



Minutes for the General Meeting held on October 12th 2010

Marilyn Michalec, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:PM. All cell phones were silenced and Pam Beyersdorf gave the Treasurer's report as \$3,953.93.

The directories for 2010-11 were distributed with the new covers created by Pat Morrison. Marilyn asked that any data that was wrong be reported so the correction can appear in the next Brushfire.

She also announced that a change to the standing rules was voted by the Board that a quorum would be considered 50% of the directors. This will be presented for a vote at the January meeting. They also voted to have two members serve as alternate directors and they would vote if there were any absences in the monthly Board Meeting. Betty Brunson was asked to become one of the alternates. We still need another.

We have a new venue for our Art. It is the Palm Harbor Oriental Medicine. They are interested in five paintings. Phyllis Dumdie will be Chairing the site. Details on page 4 of this issue.

Beverly Woofter needs paintings for Somers Title and Country Harvest. Call Bev if interested.

Elaine McCormick made an announcement for the December Luncheon Art Show. Details will be announced at the November meeting. Please bring your check book as they will be collecting at the November Meeting. Elaine said she hopes it will be \$20.00 but will verify the menu, and price at the meeting. There will be a \$5.00 gift exchange also.

Mary Ann Tucci asked for refreshment volunteers for the future meetings. Two or three are needed for each month. Please volunteer, it is a chance to help out at one meeting of the year for those who do not take on the other commitments to make our club function and enjoyable for all. She thanked Kathy Pollak and Stella Brown who did October.

A new sign was purchased and an advertisement in a local Newspaper was approved for the Pioneer Park, November 27th Outdoor Venue. It will be worded so it can be reused at future Venues.

Marilyn announced there was a three way tie for Artist of the Month and asked for a re-vote during the refreshment break. Joan Sofarelli asked the meeting close with a second by Renie Lundquist. Gloria Roberts announced Kathy Pollak won the re-vote. Lori Ulen won the 50/50,

Carol Frye gave an informative and very entertaining demonstration of her abstract, multi media, acrylic art. I'm sure everyone was pleased. Our thanks to Judith Durling for arranging. Many thanks to Richard Pollak who used our new Camera and Screen to give us all a great view of Carol's painting as she worked. *Respectfully Submitted by Mary Lou Meyer, Secretary*

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Please cut and  
paste into new  
booklet. **Keep it  
up to date.**

## *Welcome to the Creative Artist Guild*

**Mary Silvia's telephone number is 774-218-1001. She says it always has been. Evidently somewhere along the line someone thought the 774 was a typo error for 727? Please correct it in your new booklet.**

**Gloria Roberts e-mail is *marley and me2434@yahoo.com*.**

***The Pollak's correct phone # is 738-9132***

**We are again in need of a club historian as Kathy cannot do it.. The historian will take photos of the artist of the month winners and take photos at our luncheons and special events for our website and scrapbook. (we do not need any photos of our meetings or artist demos.) Lorraine Ulen will post the photos on the CAG website and burn the photos to a dvd for our scrapbook. Our scrapbook may have been left at the last meeting. If anyone has the scrapbook, please bring it to our Nov meeting.**

**For all artists who will be participating in the Paint and Photo Tarpon Springs Plein Air Event in November:**

You will be able to "sign-in" at our CAG meeting on November 9, instead of having to drive up to the Leepa Rattner museum that same afternoon to do so. Just remember to bring **all** painting surfaces that you might use during the 3-day event, since they will have to be stamped and then verified before entering your work. For those who haven't pre-registered but still want to participate, you can register at the same time. The fee will be \$20. Look for Nancy Hossbach at one of the back tables before the meeting. She will be available from 12:30 - 1:00 She hopes to see you there!

**The Creative Artist group extends our love and sympathy to the family of Betty Hunt who passed away (unexpectedly) in June of this year. Betty lived in Clearwater and spent her summers in Pittsburgh. Many thanks to her son, Robert, for informing me of her passing. Sympathy cards to the family can be sent to :  
**Mr. R Hunt, 138 Link Ave Pittsburgh, Pa. 15237****