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CAG Minutes for September 11, 2023

CAG Members Present:

Amy Wandless, Vince Pitelka, Boots Quimby, Leslie Palmer, Louise Hobbs, Minnie Gallman, Selden Lamoureux, Steevie Parks

Exhibitions Committee: Boots Quimby

We are all set for the October exhibition at the Frame and Print Shop in Chapel Hill. Nineteen Artists submitted two paintings a piece. Participating Artists are currently signing up to bring refreshments. The reception will be held on September 28th 6-8pm .

For the November Arts Center show, all we need to bring for refreshments is a cheese plate and a vegetable plate. We will bring two small towers, the cabinets from SMELT, and a tower lent to us by OCAG. Boots will relay this information to Janice from the Receptions Committee.

Sarah Graham introduced Boots to Bobby Duke from 79 Degrees West, a co-working space in Chatham Park. At least two CAG members have shown there, and they may be open to our rotating Artists in the future. Boots will meet with Bobby to discuss this possibility. They reportedly have space for 12-15 paintings. While the shows currently last six months, they might be able to change this to every three months. There is no charge to show there. It may also be possible for us to have a 'Pop-Up Market' there in the future. Boots volunteered to lead a committee to plan for an Art Market. The space is currently only appropriate for 2D work.

Selden motioned, and Steevie seconded a vote to give Boots the 'go ahead' to talk to Bobby Duke about rotating CAG Artists at 79 Degrees West.

There is a possibility that the Hampton Inn in Chatham Park may be interested in allowing local Artists to show there.

Steevie brought up the suggestion that we set up an Excel sheet to coordinate all of our shows and receptions, so that we can keep all of the dates straight. Vince suggested that this can be placed onto the Member's Resources page in our website.

Treasurer's Report: Selden Lamoureux

The August report was approved online. We paid \$40.00 to share a space at the Pittsboro Street Fair with ClayWorx on October 28th.

Public Relations: Janet Place and Donna Stubbs

Report submitted by Janet Place via email. Janet reported that the PR committee has been very busy. There have been a number of Member Spotlight ads on Social Media which were extremely well done and consistent in style, as well as ads to recruit new members to the guild. The committee will hold its next meeting on Zoom on September 20th from 6-8pm.

Andrew was able to purchase one month of Mailer Lite for up to 2500 contacts. At first they did not give us a discount, so we will have a small credit on our Mailer Lite account for next month.

There was a vote to table our discussion about whether to pay for Mailer Lite monthly vs. annually, until Pam and others have a chance to evaluate any issues with the service. We will pay monthly until we make a decision.

Education: Louise Hobbs

Bridgett Comellas will organize a children's Art Activity Tent with four other committee members for The Pittsboro Street Fair on October 28th. The Emerging Artists and other guild members will assist. We could also have a table there to support the guild. Louise will get the storage key from Steevie. The K-12 teachers loved the glass workshop. Vidabeth will be providing a third printmaking workshop this Friday at 10 (Sept. 15th). One of the EAP Artists is looking for a place to show their work. Darcy reported that the Pittsboro Gallery of Art will be happy to host an Emerging Artists show early next year. The Student Art Show Reception will be held on Thursday, December 7th from 6-8pm. All are welcome to attend.

Brochure: Minnie Gallman

1. The brochure has been approved and is being printed by Chatham Magazine.
2. We have ordered 7,500 copies of the brochure in addition to the ones that are inserted into the Chatham Magazine. These brochures will be delivered to Jeff Clark, the Chair of the Distribution Committee the week of October 2nd.
3. There are still some issues with the interactive links, which should be fixed shortly.
4. Lisa Stokes has completed her work for this year's brochure.
5. Jeff will distribute the 7,500 brochures along with the rest of the Distribution Committee members.

Smelt Gallery: Leslie Palmer

1. We are averaging two to three art sales per show.
2. October and November were reserved for Latino Artists and the Death Faire, but the Latino artist group decided not to exhibit. Therefore Leslie will ask the exhibiting CAG Artists to leave their work at the gallery through October.
3. The date for the reception for the All Members show will be the last Sunday in November.

4. Leslie will promptly notify the board should there be any new changes in the SMELT schedule.

Website: Vince Pitelka

1. Bridget Comellas has been interviewed by Forest and Vidabeth, and her interview is up on the website and linked to her profile page.
2. Cally provided new information and PDF's for the Emerging Artists Program on the education page and Vince updated the page and linked to the PDF's.
3. Vince fixed the link for new members to pay their application fee and to access the application form. He also added a list of instructions for logging in for new members on the Membership Page.
4. We are keeping the email 'chathamartistsguild @ gmail.com' for messages generated by links on the website, because the .org email can only go to a single person and this is not practical for our purposes.
5. The time period for new members to join the guild for 2024 is from September 1-October 31st. We need to keep sending out ads on social media to recruit new members.

Fundraising: Diane Swan

Nothing new to report since last meeting.

Membership: Vidabeth Benson/Forrest Greenslade/Anna Julian

Nothing new to report since last meeting.

President's Report: Amy Wandless

Amy will send an agenda out for the All Members Meeting on October 22nd by the next board meeting on October 9th.

We need to appoint a nominating committee in order to conform to our amended By-Laws. Amy will discuss this with committee chairs via email.

Several board members have served their three year term and will be leaving the board.

Amy will be stepping down as President

Stevie will be stepping down as Secretary (but remaining as a Member at Large or other position)

Minnie will be leaving the board and resigning from the Brochure committee

Louise will continue as a Member at Large

Leslie will also remain on the board as either a Member at Large (or other)

Amy will attempt to recruit new board members at the All Members Meeting in October.