



the PAINT BOX

NEWSLETTER OF THE YARMOUTH ART GUILD

January 2015

2014-2015

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Message from our President, Mary Jane Xenakis

Wow, what a year is has been. We had our Spring show with the Garden Club of Yarmouth, our Fall Show with the D/Y Education Foundation and the Small Works Show all at the Cultural Center of Cape Cod. We also had the Town Hall Show for the month of December. Fulfilling the dream of CC Clement, we have opened a Gallery; and if the Grand Opening was any indication it will continue to be a big success. The Gallery participated in the Cookie Stroll for the South Yarmouth Library Association. Many of the strollers came to visit at the Gallery for the first time and said they would come again. Now, with my developing skills using *Constant Contact*, our outreach to our Art Guild community has grown. I am still researching an audio/video system for our demonstrations to make viewing a little easier. As stated in our mission, I continue to explore ways to increase our knowledge and skills and find places to show and sell our art. One event scheduled for February 2015 will be our Sweetheart Show at the Gallery that is open to all our Guild members. *(Continued on Page 2 . . .)*



Monthly General Meetings of YAG

OCTOBER SHOWCASE ARTIST: Marilyn C. McCarthy

(photo left) is the 13th generation of the Baker family on the Cape (circa 1635). She has won many awards in various shows and has exhibited in the Dedham and Cape areas. She is a member of the Norwood Art Ass'n, Cannon Art Ass'n., Hyde Park Art Ass'n., Dedham Art Ass'n, Yarmouth Art Guild & a former member of the Cape Cod Art Ass'n. She has a deep rooted love of the area; loves to paint quaint houses and beach scenes. ~ Thanks Joyce Dane!



OCTOBER GUEST DEMONSTRATION by Ron Rudat *(photo right)*

Ron graduated from Vespar School of Art and was a Designer for Hasbro for 28 years. Ron worked on the design of Star Wars figures as well as My Little Pony, GI Joe and WWII Figures. He is a Master Painter of Zinn Figures. Ron works in oil, acrylic and watercolor. For the past 4 years he has been painting in oil on copper, which he demonstrated. Ron's art is currently being shown at a gallery called Preservation Frame Company in North Attleboro. He loves to paint at home quietly listening to music and burning incense. ~ reported by Michael Helfen (Editor paraphrased)



NOVEMBER SHOWCASE ARTIST: Peg Lattinville *(photo left)*

Peg's first lessons were at the George Walter Vincent Smith Museum in downtown Springfield MA... She continued to paint all through Nursing School. After moving to Great Barrington MA, she took lessons at the high school, and Berkshire County Community College. When she moved to the Cape in 2000, she met Kat Sylvester and took lessons with her and does still to this day! She has worked in oil, pastel, watercolor, gouache, colored pencil and even some clay sculpture. She loves visiting museums, studying the masters and also knitting and crocheting. ~ Thanks Joyce Dane



NOVEMBER GUEST DEMONSTRATION by Steven Kennedy *(photo right)*

Steve is a Cape Cod artist who works in the "plein air" tradition. His commitment to his style takes him outside for direct observation of his subject no matter what the season! He refers to his style as, "painterly realism" and says of his paintings: "the light is the story. I consistently find myself drawn to scenes with strong patterns of light and shadow. Even the most mundane or ordinary views are extraordinary in the right light." *Painting on right is a perfect example . . .*

He paints mostly on the outer Cape, and enjoys close proximity to Provincetown's historic art colony. His subjects usually include more time worn elements of New England such as classic period buildings, rusty fishing boats or quiet streets at twilight. Steve has won many awards in NYC, CT and MA. He has taught in PTown for many years and is a member of the North Shore Art Ass'n. in Gloucester MA, and the Creative Arts Center in Chatham, MA. ~ Thanks Michael for booking!



Yarmouth Art Guild's WEBSITE

www.yarmouthartguild.com

Check our website for our latest newsletter, listings of all indoor shows, monthly demonstrators and fellow members' links. Also check:

www.facebook.com/YarmouthArtGuild
[Kathy Kelly, Creator]

Artists' Paintbox Yarmouth Art Guild Gallery

11 North Main Street

South Yarmouth, MA 02664

Winter: January through April

Fri., Sat. & Sun. - 10 am to 4 pm

Or as posted

Gallery Officers:

Viola Holmgren, Director

Diane Goers, Assistant Director

Recording Secretary: Elinor Freedman

Elaine Giberti, Schedule Coordinator

Membership Directory 2015

Available soon . . . pick up at our Monthly General Meeting



AUTUMN EXHIBIT - Oct. 22 - Nov. 6, 2014

YAG and the Educational Foundation for Dennis/Yarmouth held a juried exhibit at the Cultural Center of Cape Cod. The special Reception was held on Oct 31, 2014. The judge was Carl Lopes. We are very proud of the following winners:

*First Place - H. Jean Hynes, "Family Affair" Oil, \$600
Second Place - Laurel Wilson "Pathway to Summer" Watercolor, \$1,200
Third Place - Donna Robinson "Beautiful Hydrangeas" Oil, \$1,975
Honorable Mention - Holly Trevisian "View of Boat Meadow Beach" Oil, \$525; Louise Bendonis "Honey Pears" Acrylic, \$175; Marjory Kuhfahl "Cochins" Oil, \$400 and Margrit Mason "Light Show" Watercolor, \$600*



(Left)
"Family Affair"

(Right)
"Pathway to Summer"



Above . . . "Beautiful Hydrangeas" -



"View of Boat Meadow"



"Honey Pears"
(Left)

"Cochins"
(Right)



"SILENT AUCTION"

"The Educational Foundation for Dennis and Yarmouth Annual Silent Auction was held at the Cultural Center as a fund raising event. The Yarmouth Art Guild gives the Foundation an opportunity and contribution to this event."

~ Joan Shostak

Our sincere thanks for the effort and wisdom of our talented senior member and adviser, our dear **Joanie!**



"Light Show"
(above)

Holiday Party



YAG hosted a Holiday Party on Dec. 3, 2014 at the Yarmouth House Restaurant. Our President Mary Jane (photo left) extended a warm greeting to everyone. We had a great turn out and it was truly a fun gathering with very delicious food. Note the happy faces of YAG Members

who gathered at this special luncheon. . .



During the business portion of our gathering, several things were announced, as you will note below . . .

(1) the membership cap stated in the Directory is not part of the by-laws and need not limit our organization's growth; (2) Sharon Lieberwirth came forward to be our hospitality chair; (3) Featured Artists (Paintbox Gallery) Diane Goers and Gail Burke were introduced and Receptions planned, Dec. 13th for Diane and Dec. 20th for Gail; (4) *Sweetheart Show*: Reception is Feb. 14th (details below); (5) Mary Jane put forth the proposition of adding another director to the Board roster (our Gallery Director), and that there should be wording added that indicates "positions can be added as needed". A vote will be taken to amend the by-laws at our January General Meeting.

We wish to thank the following people and business firms for their generous contributions to our Holiday Party: ColArt America Inc. sent the watercolor set, Golden Artist Colors, Inc sent the acrylic paint set and Chartpak, Inc sent the pastels set. We are most fortunate! Happy New Year!

"Sweetheart Show" Reception Feb. 14th at the Gallery. All YAG Members are invited to participate. Bring art to Gallery on Feb. 10th; closing date Feb. 22nd; pick up art Feb. 23rd.

(Cont'd. from Page 1, our President's Message . . .

Our 2015 Spring Show at the Cultural Center will be May 5 – May 17 with our reception on May 8.

We have made some changes with the General Meeting beginning January 2015. We will start with refreshments from 1:00 – 1:15. Our meetings will start at 1:15 to give us ample time for business, to enjoy the Showcase Artist and watch our guest demonstrator. I suggest you come a little earlier to get a good seat. I wish you all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2015.

It's time to get painting. . . *Mary Jane*

Very sad news of our YAG Members: Tish Murphy passed away on Nov. 7, 2014. Also, the passing of Barbara Reed's husband, Ronald on Nov. 20, 2014 and Anne Weber on Nov. 29, 2014. Our prayers are with them and their families!

RECEPTION Cultural Center

Oct. 31, 2014



**“Halloween Night” will
never be the same!**

“Many creatures were stirring!”

Especially when our visitors were greeted by the attractive (?) creature in photo (*above right*)! Can you even begin to guess that this is the Director of the YAG Artists' Paintbox Gallery? Yes, it's the one and only Viola Holmgren. On her left, standing guard in an official uniform is none other than our Assistant Director, Diane Goers! *What a pair!*

Thank you for . . . the Greeting Card Rack on loan from Joyce McConnell and Jean Hynes for the new one!

In addition, we now have a lovely table and two beautiful upholstered chairs to accompany it; given by Karen Pryce and Gail Burke. They are perfect! And thanks Dakota for the lucite cover for our Gallery Desk!



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A Warm Message from our Director Viola Holmgren

Since our Grand Opening in October, the Artists' Paintbox has been busy! Featured Artists exhibits and receptions — a month-long “Shop Local for the Holidays” sales discount event—applied for and received a \$300 grant from the Educational Foundation for Dennis & Yarmouth—sent the YAG membership a special Artists' Paintbox Gallery e-mail newsletter blast—ran a special opening day for the Brewster Garden Club and welcomed holiday strollers from the 9th Annual Holiday Cookie Stroll into its gallery doors! In November and December, the Gallery featured Aleta Anderson, Diane Goers and Gail Burke. All receptions had many people in attendance, sales occurred and fun for all! Joan Johnson created an e-mail blast for our membership highlighting our Grand Opening. Also in December, we welcomed holiday strollers with plenty of tasty treats and hot apple cider to warm their artistic souls as they browsed our Gallery! To keep holiday shopping local we ran a “Shop Local for the Holidays” sale on some of our gift shop items.

Elaine Giberti accepted on behalf of the Artists' Paintbox, Yarmouth Art Guild Gallery, a \$300 grant from the Educational Foundation for Dennis & Yarmouth for future student art painting classes. Donna Robinson, arranged a special Gallery opening for the Brewster Garden Club to tour the gallery after they enjoyed their holiday luncheon at the Riverway Restaurant next door.

In February, and open to all members, is the Sweetheart Exhibition. The theme is, naturally, *(Continued on next column . . .)*

(cont'd.) “Sweethearts and Love” and the artist's interpretation upon this theme and, of course, the reception just has to be Valentine's Day, Feb. 14th!

The Artists' Paintbox plans to feature more artists, conduct student art painting classes, and showcase some of the winners from the May 2015 Dennis-Yarmouth High School Art Show.

By working hard and with some fun along the way, we have achieved much in a short amount of time - - we have created a beautiful art selling gallery for our community and the Cape to enjoy. Thank you!

I welcome any suggestions or exhibition ideas. You may reach me at our new email address artistspaintboxgallery@gmail.com.

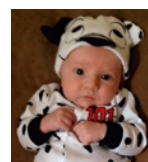
Before you know it, summer will be upon us and we will be in the full swing of art sales!

I wish you all a Happy, Healthy and Artfully Blessed New Year!

Your Gallery Director, *Viola*

Welcome New Members. . .

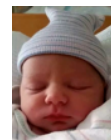
With great pleasure, we welcome three new members to our Gallery, Sallie Raymond, Celine Federici and Leslie Altman!



Congratulations to Viola Holmgren & Tony O'Loughlin who are thrilled with the birth of their grandson, Harrison James Wytrwal, born on 9/18 at 9:18 pm. *Pictured left is*

Halloween Harrison in a Dalmatian costume.

Congratulations to Diane Goers who became a grandmother to a lovely baby girl, named Coraline Lily born on December 6th (*photo right*).



Congratulations to Marianne Crowley who won First Place in the Small Works Show for the Southwest Florida Pastel Society.

Meet our Featured Paintbox Gallery Artists for November and December. We have enjoyed welcoming many visitors to our Gallery and Receptions!

We have held several well attended Paintbox Gallery Receptions during the months of October, November and December. The Gallery space consists of several rooms of original paintings in oil, acrylics, watercolor and montage creations. There is also a lovely Gift Shop which displays original prints, both framed and unframed with mats, as well as ceramic tiles and greeting cards. . . a collection of creative art that delights the *eyes of our hearts!* ~ Joan Johnson, Editor



Aleta Anderson
A passionate NE Painter

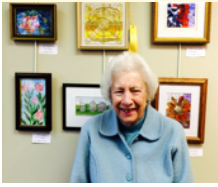


Diane Goers, our Assistant
Director of the Gallery



Gail Burke is our Featured
Artist Contact Person

Our gallery artists have a talent of capturing nature at its very best in a unique style of their very own! There are vast varieties of landscapes, seascapes, lighthouses, flowers, animals and designs of various kinds of art, all quite interesting! We encourage other YAG members to visit and join our Gallery!



Looking back upon our YAG history and anticipating a great future, I've asked our Community Liaison, Joan Shostak to express her feelings . . .

"I have been a member of the Yarmouth Art Guild for many years and an Honorary Member for more than 25 years. My husband Jerry and I came to the Cape in 1983 and I joined the Guild soon after. It has been a pleasure to get to know other artists, attend meetings, be on the Board and enjoy the demonstrations of well-known artists at our meetings. How wonderful that we now have the 'Artists' Paintbox YAG Gallery!' It has been successful, thanks to a lot of hard working people!"

Art Classes for Students April Vacation at the Artists' Paintbox Gallery

The Members of the Artists' Paintbox Gallery of the Yarmouth Art Guild will be offering two hour art classes to students ages 7 to 12 at the Gallery during April vacation on April 22nd, 23rd and 24th. The classes will be from 10 AM to 12 Noon. Students will be invited to register at the Gallery starting in January for the cost of \$10.00 for each two hour class. Registration will continue until April. Each class will be taught by two artists and will be a different lesson or medium, acrylic or watercolor. Students will take home a finished painting which may be exhibited in the Gallery following the classes when said painting is framed (the responsibility of the student). All art supplies for the lessons will be provided at the classes.

Please direct all questions to Elaine Giberti, a member of the Artists' Paintbox and the Yarmouth Art Guild at (508) 385- 5181.

"What life means to us is determined no so much by what life brings us as by the attitude we bring to life; not so much by what happens to us as by our reaction to what happens." ~ (Lewis Dunnington)

YAG Members: Kindly send your "news" information to the Paintbox Editor, Joan Johnson: joanrayjohnson@gmail.com

A Comment From Your Editor: Generally speaking, some of us are more gifted than others. There's one member who is quite gifted in art as well as having a dry sense of humor ... especially at our General Meetings!

Dakota De Smet shared her sense of humor with us before she introduced Russell Vjus at our September General Meeting. She compared the process of getting our gallery open to an old feature film starring Judy Garland and Mickey Rooney. Dakota's remarks preceding the demonstrator's introduction were . . . and I quote: "We now have a GALLERY!! Our meetings this summer reminded us of an old classic movie some of you may remember (ahem). A movie with Judy Garland & Mickey Rooney about a group of teenagers who had to raise money.."



Mickey says: 'I have an idea...let's put on a show!'
Judy says: 'Hey, that's a good idea. We can use old Mr. Bailey's barn!'

And one of the kids yells, 'We can paint it and fix it up!'
Now all the kids are yelling at once - - - 'and the shop teacher can help us make benches for the theater.'

Another kid yells, 'we can ask the home EC teacher to make the costumes!'

"Well, our gallery meetings showed the same spirit! Ideas were flying all over the place -- everybody talking at once. Only a moment would pass before someone volunteered to do something. Then someone else would say, 'I'll help you.' It was like that throughout all the meetings. Without hesitation everybody contributed their ideas, their precious time, and energy. I tell you, it was Mickey and Judy all over again!! And Viola led all these meetings beautifully - did more work than all the rest of us. That's as good as a clue for applause that I can give ----Stand up, Viola! There was rousing applause as Viola stood there, **blushing!**"



BUS TRIP to Museum of Fine Arts Boston - Nov 12th

Great harmony of friends and breathtaking exhibits at the Museum. We particularly enjoyed the exhibits of Jamie Wyeth and John Singer Sargent and many more, too numerous to list. Thank you Jean Thompson & Barbara Reed for all your effort in the planning! *Be sure to join us on next outing!*



Yarmouth Art Guild

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