

**Yachats Arts Guild  
General Membership Meeting  
June 7, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 11:00am

In attendance: Carol Summers, Carol Cassidy, Judy Deam, Jude Toler, Debbie Aken, Phil Shuster, Kara Wilde, Ginger Gouveia, Sherry Secreast, Donna Bader, Melinda Fellini, Chuck Franklin, Dave Baldwin, Beth Kattleman, Colin Herforth, Christie Jones, Gretchen Milhaupt

Minutes of the May meeting were approved unanimously

**1) TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Thank you to Amy and Sandy for their help with the Square and financials
- Total balance April 18th through May 5th is \$9183.91
- Checks from the last show to be distributed at end of meeting
- Budget was approved unanimously

**2) MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

- Burgundy Featherkile (mixed media) and Darryl Baird (photography) were approved as new members. They will be invited to take part in the July show.

**3) WORKSHOP COMMITTEE**

- Sumi painting with Sue Valentine is scheduled for June 17th. We have five registrants and ask members to promote this workshop to get more signed up.
- Wax linen weaving workshop scheduled for August 5th has eleven registrants. The maximum number is twelve so there is one spot open.

- Intro to Watercolor with Lori Stevens is scheduled for four sessions in August. Deb Aken will verify the dates and times.
- Jude Toler is moving her silk painting workshop into September. It will be for members only, but may include a larger group next year. Jude will also be sending an email asking about interest in a tile workshop.
- Sue Valentine will be teaching a printmaking workshop on Sept 16th.
- Kara Wilde may teach painting with gouache sometime in the fall.

#### **4) WEBSITE**

- Send Kara Wilde any updates for the website. Nancy will continue to assist from her new home in Arizona. Congrats, Nancy! We will miss you!

#### **5) EXHIBIT VENUES**

- Runyon Gallery in Newport from Oct 13th - December 1st. Gallery director Chasse wants to book workshops or demos in the upstairs rooms during the show if anyone is interested. Please see Melinda Fellini for more details about the show
- Siuslaw Library show is up and running in Florence for the month of June. Check it out!
- Florence Events Center Show is scheduled for the month of August. All participating artists must sign a consignment agreement. YAG is planning a catered reception on Friday, August 11th from 5-7pm. The group involved with planning this will be meeting soon to finalize menu and cost. Carol Cassidy will create the poster. FEC has a template for the press release - Carol and Ginger will work on that. FEC will print tags for the artwork - artists will need to fill out a template for their work. FEC will let us know how many pieces each artist can show depending on registrants and size of art. Contact Sue Andrews or Ginger Gouveia for more info.

- Yachats City Hall gallery - art will be hung on the second Friday in July and rotated every quarter. Artists will hang their own work. Let Jude Toler or Lori Stevens know if you are interested. They will have a brief meeting to measure your artwork.

## **6) LITTLE ART GALLERIES**

- Judy Deam will take over. Plans are moving along. The committee will be meeting soon.

## **7) SUNSHINE CHAIR**

- Contact Lorrie Owens if any member you know needs a bit of sunshine in a card, call or email.

## **8) NEW BUSINESS**

- **Publicity - Signage, press, etc.**
  - Sherry requested and was approved for an increased publicity budget to broaden our reach
  - Signage needs a committee and additional budget. Let Carol C know if you are interested.
  - Carol C looked into plastic sandwich board signs - we could buy our own blank boards and create new signs in-house for each show or buy pre-printed ones.
  - Phil suggested more signs and had placement recommendations
  - Jude suggested a pop up tent (Sherry S has a nice one) installed near the flagpole with a sign, and suggested lamppost banners for the next Memorial Day show
  - Ginger suggested we ask Sunday Market vendors if we could put our posters on their booths.

- **SHOWS IN THE COMMONS**

- Change show times to 9-4 to coordinate time with with the Sunday Market. It would be useful to get stats on activity during all hours of the show
- Storage - we need to evaluate what we have and what we actually use. For instance, the free-standing wooden partition shelf unit is no longer needed
- Carol S read a note sent from Nina Toepfer. She wrote suggesting that we have a greeter situated at a table, as was the custom at YAG shows quite a few years ago. Other members at the meeting suggested that show participants volunteer one hour of their floor shifts as a greeter at this table. We voted YES to this. It was decided that some chairs might be provided for anyone who needed them and we could encourage people to sign a guest book and leave their email if so desired. A donation box could be placed on the greeter table, as well as brochures, etc. Jude suggested a raffle for artwork.
- Carol S. said she felt we should have an evening reception prior to the opening of our shows. This will likely be discussed for the Sept. show.

- **JULY SHOW**

- Cancel room 8
- Set up will be on June 30th

- **MEMBER NEWS**

- Dave Baldwin is going to send members info about a proposed art museum in Yachats. The first step in such an endeavor may be hanging our work in the Little Log Church to show we can support a museum in Yachats, with the end goal to eventually buy an old house for a permanent museum.

- Donna talked briefly about a Youth Art Show project she is working on with the help of Polly Plumb. More info will be forthcoming.

The meeting convened at 12:10pm. The next meeting of the General Membership will be in Carol Summers' studio at 11am on June 28th. Prior to that meeting there will be a mandatory show meeting at 10 am for all participants in the July show.