



Macon County Art Association Gallery Gazette November 2011

November Gallery Hours: Monday – Saturday 10AM-6PM

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One day last week while I staffed the gallery

I had time for a review of the total number of hours each member has staffed the library through the end of September. For those who had not yet reached 40 hours, I looked ahead to see if they had enough hours scheduled. I then called each person to remind them of the need to schedule hours and offer training assistance if they felt they needed it. Several members have faced serious family problems and been unable to even think about the gallery. That is completely understandable. Most members have already fulfilled their obligation and then some, and many have gone way over forty hours. There is one member who has 200 plus hours, one with over 75 hours and six with over 50 hours. We also have one member who has paid the \$100 exhibiting fee and who still covers the gallery when she is needed. But every member, no matter how many hours already done, must realize that to keep the doors open for the rest of

this year, it will be necessary for those of us who can to give a little more time.

At the end of this year, I will do a complete review to determine whether or not more hours will be required for next year, taking into consideration all of the hours of operation options being suggested to the Board of Directors. If you wish to make some suggestions, please send them to me via email. In the meantime, let's keep the doors open so the opportunity is there for sales. Help out if you possibly can.

Susan Lizer: President



**HAVE A GREAT
THANKSGIVING !**



Photo by Hollis Walker



October Highlights: **Pumpkinfest**

Ruth's remarks:

We had a very successful Pumpkinfest. Thanks to Carol, Elsie, Reesa, Rennie, Cathy, Sue K., Susan, Sue W. and Stephen. They all went the extra mile to make Pumpkinfest a super financial success. Thank you all for the donated art. Without your generosity it would have been less the event. We raised \$839.00 towards our expenses. And above and beyond that, many of the buyers were new buyers who never thought they could afford art from the gallery. Now they know we have minis and unframed browse box items. This should translate into future sales for us. It was great Promotion for the Gallery.

And Carol added:,,,

I'm sure by now you have received the wonderful news about the financial success at the Pumpkinfest event. Thanks to the GENEROUS donations from our artists and their willingness to turn their heads to the embarrassingly low prices I put on their beautiful work, we did VERY well. The crowds were big and enthusiastic and we made quite a few friends. I heard TWO young people saying they'd never had an original piece of art before and were THRILLED.

She continues...

I won't name names, because as sure as I do, I'll forget someone, but so many of our members worked VERY hard to achieve this successful day and they know who they are! We are fortunate to have members dedicated to supporting the arts in Macon County and our lovely gallery. Smiles all around.

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Photo by Hollis Walker



All the members send Amy Switzer condolences on the recent passing of her husband, Joe.

“ A lifetime of love and commitment—Bless you Amy”

GALLERY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Don't want our emails?
Click on reply and type : unsubscribe.

Ruth Goodier, Gallery Director is asking members to be prepared to help with Window Wonderland the first week of December and Christmas Party Monday Dec. 12th. To be discussed at member meeting. (Ruth Goodier)

Please help Kay Edson by signing up to staff the Gallery in the next months. Also when you are to at the gallery to work, please check to see what needs to be straightened up and cleaned. (Susan Lizer)

A special thanks to all the sitters who answered the "call to participate" in October in the manner of selling. The doors have remained open in spite of a few moments of "pulling a few teeth" here and there. To all of those who sat beyond their personal commitments a special "THANK YOU" is shouted out to each of you. (Kay Edson)

Hollis Walker took pictures at the Pumpkinfest. Thanks Hollis!

"Minis" are still needed in the Gallery - Small originals 3x5, 4x6, 5x7, 6x8, maybe even 8x10 all OK - for inexpensive sale prices All proceeds to the Gallery. Suddenly we have sold through a good number of them and the public really seems to love them. Bring them in whenever you finish them. Even better if you would finish the edges and keep how they are to be hung in mind. We are so appreciative to those of you who have been painting for the cause.

HANG YOUR OWN SHOW

january—march 2012

January through March of 2012 is our "Hang your own show" at the gallery. Most of us really like this time at the gallery. Drawing for these spaces will be at the Christmas Party. If you cannot attend and want to hang be sure to let us know so we can draw for you. More details by then. Members dues must be paid by December 31st to received assigned space in the January to March Hang-Your-Own Show. Members can pay their dues at the Gallery anytime or bring to the November Members Meeting or December Christmas Party.

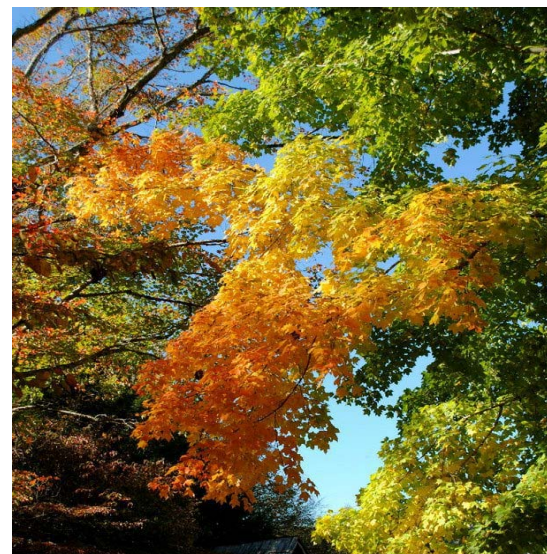


Photo by Karen Smith

SITTERS SELLERS SITTERS SELLERS SITTERS SELLERS SITTERS!!!!

November and December, the two busiest months of all are upon us. I ask, as the calendar coordinator, that each of you go to the gallery and sign up for your preferred dates and times at your earliest convenience. Ask the person at the desk what the scheduled cleaning duties are for that particular time and if you are physically unable to accomplish said chore look at another day. If that doesn't work let me or someone on the board know that you have an issue. We will work it out.

Hope to see everybody soon. Kay Edson

There is nothing so beautiful as the change of season here in the Western North Carolina Mountains....

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Submissions for the gazette should be emailed to uptowngallery@charter.net
Next newsletter deadline is November 20.

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association open to artists
and supporters of the arts.**

We're on the web:

<http://mcaauptowngallery.org>

The gallery received a check for \$225 from the auction of the historic places quilt "The Way they Were" Thanks to all who helped.



UPCOMING EVENTS

November 12 - Painter's Pot Luck Workshop with Nick DePaolo. Watercolor with the use of Acrylics. \$15 Members \$30 Non-Members. 10:00-3:00 Bring a dish to share (if you want to stay in for lunch) and plan to have fun. Supply list at gallery. Acrylic paint will be provided. Or call 828-593-9023 for information. Sign Up sheet at Gallery - Time is close - Nick needs to plan ahead.

November 14 Member meeting: 1:00 PM - Things each of us is doing with Art . Show and Tell something you have been doing with color, style, technique, etc. Everyone participates!!

December 3- (Sat.) Winter Wonderland 6:00 PM. Come early to help set up. Uptown Gallery and Main St, Franklin. Dress up in old world style and come to party! (not a requirement????) Teacher Demos, refreshments, mini sales and FUN!!!

December 12 Members Meeting and Christmas Party - 12 Noon at St. Agnes Church Hall. There will be a raffle for Gallery Hanging Space placement for January - March. Sign up and pay your dues to be eligible. If you cannot attend, let us know so we can enter you in the raffle . Bring a hand made card to swap.

Winter Hours: Tuesday–Saturday 11AM-3PM
JAN-MAR 2012

Spring Hours: Monday–Saturday 10AM-5PM
APR-DEC 2012

HANGING SCHEDULE

October 31 for Nov. - December Show

December 30 for Jan.- Mar. Hang your Own Show

MARKETING NEWS

Veteran's Portrait Project: The Portraits are completed for the Veteran's Project and a good round of applause is due to those members who painted them. Thanks Much! The show will be in the center of the gallery during the month of November. The write up that was submitted by the family (some are very heart felt) will hang with the portraits. At the end of the month we will contact the family and ask them if they wish to have the portrait.

PROGRAM NEWS

SCC: Karen Smith October, No Show in Dec. Camille Tuttrup scheduled for Mach. Need volunteer for July, August, and September.

Airport: Susan Lizer until end December Sue Weathers for Jan-Feb, Need Volunteer Mar-Apr.

The **next Library Show** is December 1 - Eligible pieces from the show now hanging will be at the library the month of December.