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February 2015

President's Message

Welcome back members from our winter break. I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays. The executive board and the bylaws committee have been active during the winter and I am pleased to report that the East Greenwich Art Club is now an officially recognized Nonprofit Corporation. We still have much work to do. We will soon be applying for 501(c)(3) status with the IRS which will give us tax benefits, including exemption from state sales tax for items purchased by the Club. Of course we already enjoy non-tax status for all art sales as per recently enacted state law. We have the amendments to the bylaws nearly completed and will be submitting the changes to the general membership soon. A notice will be sent to all members prior to a vote.

I wish to thank all members who have helped with these momentous changes, especially John Laliberty, who did the research and leg work to make this happen. The EGAC is growing, with more members as well as further outreach into the community. Dianne Webb has reached out to the Kent Center as a way to help bring art to others in our community. We need the help of our members more than ever to support the growth and development of our Club. I encourage all members to consider taking a position on the executive board or one of the committees. The more members who participate, the more our Club will reflect our overall membership and all will be better served. We need your ideas. We need your participation. I ask that each member call, email or contact a board member with their own ideas about what else the Club can do, and what effort you may be able to take on to further these efforts. If we all work together, no one will have to work too hard. Thanks to all for who have stepped up and made the EGAC a continuing success for 55 years.

President Linda Eastman

February Meeting Presenter

Guest Artist: Deborah Baronas

Deborah is an award winning artist who studied painting and textile design at RISD. Her large landscape scale oil/pastel/ graphite paintings and installations are a combination of iconography and pattern that make up the terrain. She began as a textile designer and now incorporates the use of fabric in many mediums. Her work provides a sensuous, ethereal and contemplative quality to an investigation of patterns, rhythms and movement. The repetition of silhouettes and shapes found in the landscape evoke feelings of familiarity, order and "calmness" in a distressing world.

Website: www.baronasart.com



Special points of interest:

- Next Member Meeting Feb 3rd, 7pm, The First Baptist Church Hall, 30 Pierce Street, East Greenwich, RI
- Annual Artist Member Show—March 1-28

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2015 Annual Artist Member Show

2015 Annual Artist Members' Show

March 1st – March 28th, 2015

Cranston Public Library 140 Sockanosett Cross

Road Cranston, RI

Volunteers are need-

ed for the following: - Day of the Hanging for Registration at 12:00 on February 28th. There will be a sign-up sheet at the meeting but also anyone can email Debbie at debbiecalabro1 @gmail.com or Nancy at nmisfk@aol.com to sign up to volunteer. - Day of the show we need volunteers for the following :

- 1:00 PM for set-up
 Raffle ticket sales during the show
- 4:00 PM clean-up

Refreshments: we ask that each member bring a refreshment the day of show. There will be a sign-up sheet the night of the February meeting.

Also, each member will receive 2 books of raffle tickets. There are plenty of additional books upon request.

Opening Reception:

Sunday, March 22nd, 2015, 2:00 - 4:00 PM **Eligibility**: All Artist Members in good standing will be allowed to exhibit (dues paid). A reminder, Article III, Section 1-A of the EGAC by-laws states that artist members must exhibit one new work every two years.

Entries: Each artist may submit two entries (original works only) neatly framed and wired for hanging. No copies or class work. The exhibition will consist of oils, acrylics, watercolors, drawings, pastels, three-dimensional, mixed media, works on cloth, prints, and photography. Matted works may also be submitted for the art bin.

Entry Fee: There will be an entry fee of \$5.00. You may enter 2 paintings. No fee required for art work in the bin. **Size:** Not to exceed 30 inches on longest side (including frame). Please note the change in painting dimensions. We had to reduce the size due to losing a wall for displaying the art work.

Delivery: Saturday, February 28, 2015, between 1:00 PM – 3::00 PM, at the Cranston Public Library.

Judge: Michael Rose Pick-up: Works should be picked up Saturday, March 28^{th,} between 9:00 am - 12 noon. If you are unable to pick up your work, please arrange for someone else to do so. Should you sell a painting during the show and the buyer would like to purchase it before the show ends, you may take down that painting and replace it with another.

Sales: Entries "NOT FOR SALE" must be so marked (NFS). EGAC's commission on all sales is 10% of the selling price

"Allow yourself to be a beginner, no one starts out excellent."

Member News and Exhibits

Joyce Neville has some of her acrylics and collages on display at **Re/Max Flagship in Narragansett.** Two photographers are also showing their work. The opening reception is Thursday February 5, 4-6

Beth Johnston will be presenting an overview of four options for an artist to <u>create</u> a FREE web presence at **South County Art Association** on Feb 1st at 9am. Weebly, Blogger, Flickr and Fine Art America will be

presented. This will be followed by a hands-on workshop where students can build their own pages. Feb 4th and 14th 9-Noon.

Nancy Nielsen's work can be seen and purchased at **Save The Bay Center** 100 Save the Bay Drive in Providence. The FREE closing reception is on Sat., Jan 31,10 am - 4 pm at Guests will enjoy mimosas and Bloody Mary's with light hors d'oeuvres and background music. All art and jewelry is 10% off that day. This

is a fundraiser for Save the Bay. pictures of the art: Artwork can be seen at https:// www.flickr.com/photos /savethebayri. Their website: www. savebay.org/art. Nancy is also exhibiting at Artists' Cooperative Gallery of Westerly - 7 Canal Street, Westerly. **Opening Reception -**Friday, Feb. 6 from 5-8 p.m.; exhibit runs from Feb. 4 - March 1 Master Weavers Demonstration with Jan Doyle - Sun., Feb. 22 from 1-5



Nouveau Launch by Ian Sanderson

"Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try."

Exhibit Opportunities

Wickford Art Association—Anything Goes open juried show. Feb 6th— March 1st. Registration Feb 4th 11am—7pm, Feb 5th 11am-3pm. Juror Rebecca Siemering. Open Reception Feb 8th 1-3

South County Art Asso-

ciation - Open Juried Print, Paint, & Drawing Annual. Opening Reception Thursday, February 12th, 7 to 9 pm. Delivery, February 4th – 8th from 1 -5 pm. http:// www.southcountyart.org/ exhibit/589 New England Farm and Artist - "History and Memories" Juried Exhibit February 22nd - April 3rd, 2015. Submission Deadline: February 6th, 2015 Delivery Dates: Friday, Feb 20th 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm, Sat, Feb 21st 9am -Noon.

Opening Reception: Friday, March 6th, 7:00 pm -9:00 pm http://farmandartist.com/ history-and-memoriesjuried-exhibit.html

Attleboro Arts Muse-

um's Annual Flower Show This year's theme, Rainforest: Canopy of Color, Exhibition Dates: March 12 – 15th, 2015 Delivery of art: Thurs, February 26 – Sat, February 28; 10am-4pm http:// attleboroartsmuseum.org/ index.php/exhibitionsevents-2/cals-for-artists/

For High Schoolers- Jim Langevin (D-RI) is hosting the Rhode Island Second Congressional District High School Art Competition http://langevin.house.gov/ press-release/langevinannounces-2015-highschool-art-competition President: Linda Eastman 885-5071 LE71@aol.com

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Art Supplies and Craft Supplies Wanted!!!

Art Supplies Needed to Help People with Mental Illness

The Kent Center would greatly appreciate donations of used or new art supplies to stock art classes for youths, teens, and adults who struggle with mental illness.

Donations new and used such as crayons, markers, watercolors, acrylic paints, construction paper, pipe cleaners, fabric, buttons, coloring books, etc

Creating art reduces stress, anxiety, fears and depression in people with mental illness - and raises a person's quality of life.

Please bring your donations to the next meeting -- Tuesday, Feb 3rd. Anything you have will be greatly appreciated.

Hospitality Team: Joan Edge, Bev Silva, Beverly Rosedale and Jeannine Anderson will be providing the refreshments for the February meeting.

March 2015 Newsletter Dead-

line: The deadline for submissions to the March EGAC Newsletter is Friday, February 20, 2015.