

A Message from our President

Our recent OAS Member survey indicates that you want an update each month in order to be well informed. Thanks to Sandy Greer, the Secretary of the Board of Directors, we will send out a monthly bulletin again. Its focus is the upcoming month: deadlines, workshops, demos and special events. The board is busy planning the upcoming Juried Show (open to OAS members only) and Art in the Park, two big events for OAS each year. We will be calling for many volunteers in the next few months in order to ensure these events are successful for the artists and for OAS. As you know I believe that each member should contribute at least 4 hours of volunteer work to our organization in order to help the OAS thrive. Otherwise, too few volunteers carry a disproportionate amount of work. When we all pitch in, everyone benefits !

If you are not yet a member and wish to submit work to the Juried show, join now; there is a reduced rate for those joining after February 28th.

Great news: OAS has received a grant from the Oakville Arts Council Cultural Grant program in order to continue our successful Community Outreach Art Program (COAP). Thanks to Mary Druissi and Jayne Cangemi for their work on the application. COAP is a program which serves those in our community who cannot easily access visual arts programs due to financial, physical or mental health challenges. It is entirely funded by donations and this grant.

Carolyn



Editor's Note

If you want an item included in the monthly bulletin, please submit your article by the 20th of each month.

Catching Up On What's Been Happening

- In January, Carol Sanders conducted a session on Plein Air painting in Studio 2. This session was well attended, and resulted in some new participants in our Plein Air Group which will meet at Sovereign House in Bronte every 3rd Tuesday of each month.
- A big thank you to those of you who responded to our recent survey! We had a good response, and included among the numerous suggestions for improvement were:
 - More all-member shows
 - More demos
 - More frequent communications
 - More variety in class lengths, times and short workshopsYour Board is in the process of reviewing all the data, so stay tuned for updates!
- With a goal of increasing our public exposure, we are now on multiple on-line platforms:



Catching Up On What's Been Happening (Cont'd)

New Members

(please note: the following list includes new members since September 1st ... this is the last "catch-up" item since the passing of the bulletin baton. Going forward, this will once more be a monthly list of members new to OAS.)

Eva Baxter
Louise Boileau-Labrie
Steven Jankowski
Margaret Jones
Lynda Klaassen
Chilan Lau
Shawn Macpherson Lefevre
Nadine Manuel
Julie McDonald
Rowena (Ronnie) Mills
Karen Nickerson
Suzanne Patrick
Sejal Purewal
Ronald (Ron) Van Zutphen
Jill Anderson
Kathryn Borel
Wayne Collins
Christine Davis
Frank Duyvelshoff
Jeannette Finistauri
Charlean Gmunder
Madhavi Gollagunta
Carla Hanin

Marilyn Henwood
Paul Holman
Krista Johnston
Marlene Rohal
Lee Weleschuk
Lesley Morton
Jamie Laught
Linda Macphail
David Manuel
Amabile (Mabel) Mckinney
Jenny Nemes
Raj Persaud
Debbie Richinson
Paula Sahker
Tanja Sassi
Peter Semple
Lisa Skelding
Jill Yousie
Michelle Daly
Margaret (Maggie) Doswell
Shane McLaren
Leen Ghannoun

A warm welcome to you all !

Did you know?

Gift Certificates are available for purchase?
Contact the office for more details.

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10 am to 3 pm



Thursday Evening Painters

Thursdays, 7:00 – 9:00 in Studio 2
Open to all members

Friday Morning Painters

Fridays, 9:30 – 12:30 in Studio 1
Open to all members
NB: if no classes bring lunch, stay all day

" Art is never finished, only abandoned" Leonardo da Vinci

What's Next at OAS?

Mark Your Calendar:

March 3rd, 2 – 4 pm @ Sovereign House
A meeting for anyone interested in exhibiting at Sovereign House this season.

March 5th to 29th Instructors' Show in the Gallery,
Reception on March 9th from 7-9pm.
Come out and meet our outstanding instructors!

May 30 to June 9th Student Art Show/Open House

June 7th to 17th OAS Juried Show

August 6th Art in the Park (details to follow)

2018 Workshops

June 18, 19 – Instructor: Linda Kemp - Essential Landscape Negative Painting Techniques in Watercolour

June 25 – 29 – Instructor: Robert Burrige - Larger and Looser: The New Master's Program for The Postmodern Painter

For more information on these workshops, visit our website at: www.oakvilleartsociety.com

Please Note:

- Our juried show for members June 7th to 17th at the Oakville Gallery in Centennial Square. Please note: submission will be via computer this year, so it is time to think about getting the works you may submit photographed
- If you want to participate in Art in the Park as an artist, you should register soon as spots are limited. Go to www.artintheparkoakville.com to find the application

Build links to your website

OAS members: If you would like a link to your website on the OAS website go to "Artist's Links on the OAS site, fill out the form. This is a great OAS members' benefit as the art buying public searches our site looking for artists in the community.

Live @ The Oakville Centre March 2018

Rosanne Cash - Black List River - Friday, March 2, 2018 at 8 p.m.

The Berenstain Bears LIVE! - March Break! Monday, March 12, 2018 at 2 p.m.

Scrap Arts Music - "Children of Metropolis" - Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 8 p.m.

Tower of Power - Saturday, March 24, 2018 at 8 p.m.

Tom Cochrane & Red Rider - Monday, March 26, 2018 at 8 p.m.

On the Lighter Side ...



What's Next at OAS? (Cont'd)

SPRING CLASSES ARE NOW ONLINE – HERE IS THE AMAZING LINE-UP !

Mondays

Studio 1

Painting the Foothills of Alberta - Instructor Robin J Mitchell
Painting the Beaches & Landscapes of Florida - Instructor Robin J Mitchell
Watercolour – Painting Gorgeous Glass & Reflections - Instructor Shelley Prior
Colours on Canvas – Instructor Julie Wertele

Studio 2

Understanding Composition for Photographers - Instructor Ron Van Zutphen
Animals in Watercolour – Instructor Laurel Best

Tuesdays

Studio 1

Expressive Landscapes – Instructor Heidi Rohde
Laurel's Florals in Watercolour – Instructor Laurel Best
Paint It Large – Instructor Robin J Mitchell
Paint It Really Small – Instructor Robin J Mitchell

Studio 2

Feathers To Fur in Oils – Instructor Laurel McBrine
Dynamic Photography – Instructor Ron Van Zutphen
Intro to Photo Editing and Art – Instructor Ron Van Zutphen

Wednesdays

Studio 1

Pushing the Envelope of Abstraction – Instructor Judy Mayer-Grieve
Painting Florals, Large & Loose – Instructor Laurel McBrine
Abstraction in Charcoal and Acrylic – Instructor Dania Al-Obaidi
Abstract Watercolour for Beginners - Instructor Dania Al-Obaidi

Studio 2

Drawing Children's Portraits – Instructor Diana Lee
Drawing Springtime Flowers – Instructor Diana Lee
Painting Children's Portraits in Watercolour – Instructor Diana Lee
Painting Springtime Flowers in Watercolour – Instructor Diana Lee
Drawing for Fraidy Cats – Beginner Life Drawing - Instructor Cathy Lorroway

Thursdays

Studio 1

Introduction to Water Soluble Oil Paints - Instructor Meru Parmar
Rediscovering Your Creativity - Instructor Judy Mayer-Grieve
Fresh Cityscapes or Landscapes in Watercolour - Instructor Zan Barrage

Studio 2

Acrylics 101 for the Absolute Beginner - Instructor Margaret Doswell
Mixed Media Memories - Instructor Margaret Doswell
Mixed Media Magic - Instructor Heidi Rohde

We are also offering classes on weekends for children and teens.

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