



President's Message

School is back, the leaves are starting to turn, summer vacations are behind us, the days are getting shorter and Thanksgiving is only a few weeks away! What does this mean? Well, importantly it means that OAS Fall classes are just starting! A number of the classes are already sold out but we do have a few spots remaining in some fun sessions so why not sign up for a class or workshop and explore something new?

The recent devastation caused by Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas and, to a somewhat lesser extent in our own East Coast communities, makes me thankful that I live in an area that is relatively stable, from a weather perspective. It is unimaginable what loss there has been in the Bahamas and in Nova Scotia the recovery costs are expected to reach record levels. When I see the reports of such destruction and human disaster it always makes me pause for a moment or two to reflect on my own life and how lucky I have been. I'm sure many of you find the same thing and, if there can be any sort of silver lining to these natural disasters, I think it is that it brings people closer together and increases our sense of community. I read somewhere that "disaster spawns art" and while we would never hope to need such an event to provide us with artistic inspiration, I do think that any horrific happening makes us realize how important it is to listen to our inner selves and "get creating"!

On a more prosaic note – anyone visiting our premises this Fall will notice that we have been doing some minor improvements. We have new shades in Studio One, to cut out the sun's glare, we've fixed up some of the worst potholes in the parking lot and we've improved the appearance of the front flower bed....so hopefully everyone will enjoy these enhancements!

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Our organization depends in great part upon our willing volunteers. While those wonderful people are generally happy to slave away in obscurity, I feel we should make more effort to acknowledge their valuable efforts. To that end I will sometimes use this opportunity to highlight our appreciation of certain individuals. This month I should like to mention two people. Firstly, **Ron van Zutphen** who spends a lot of his spare time keeping our property looking smart! For some time Ron has taken on responsibility for doing landscaping and other maintenance chores around our building and we are very grateful that he keeps winning the battle against the ever-encroaching weeds, even if it means working outside in the summer heat when most of us are enjoying the air-conditioning indoors!

The second volunteer I would like to thank is **Frank Duyvelshoff**, our Membership/Volunteer Director. Any of you who have helped Frank at our events this year will know just how hard he works and how many hours he puts in to ensure that our various shows such as the Auction and the Canada Day BBQ (just to mention a couple!) run smoothly and are enjoyed by all. We couldn't do it without you, Frank!

Best wishes - Maggie

Quote of the month:

"Creativity takes courage." Henri Matisse



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At A Glance

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What's Next at OAS?

October Workshops



Exploring the Passion of Seasonal Landscape

Instructor: Bonnie Steinberg
Sunday, October 20th,
9:30 am to 4 pm
Cost: \$125.00 OAS member: \$115.00



Foot Square Impressionism – Acrylics

Instructor: Jacintha Krish
Saturday & Sunday, October 26th & 27th,
10 am to 4 pm
Cost: \$125.00 OAS member: \$115.00



Ohara Ikebana -Traditional Japanese Flower Art

Instructor: Lillian Li
Ikebana is the ancient art of Japanese flower arrangement, one of the many traditional art forms found in Japan. In this workshop, certified ikebana instructor, Lillian introduces the basic principles of Ohara ikebana in an easy-to-understand way.
Sunday, October 27
1:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Cost: \$55.00 OAS member: \$50.00
includes use of supplies and fresh flowers

Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

10 a.m to 3 p.m.

November Workshops



Paint and a Prayer - Abstracts in Acrylics

Instructor: Jacintha Krish
Saturday and Sunday,
November 9 and 10
10:00 to 4:00 pm
Cost: \$125.00 OAS member: \$115.00



Expressive Portrait and Figure in Watercolour

Instructor: Atanur Dogan
Saturday and Sunday,
November 16 & 17
10:00 to 4:00 pm
Cost: \$175 OAS member: \$160



Pet Portrait Workshop

Instructor: Laurel McBrine
Saturday, November 23
10:00 to 4:00 pm
Cost: \$90 OAS member: \$80

Welcome New Members

Joanne Lefort
Barb Weis
Audrey Campbell
Jutta M. Spengemann
Fehene Ahmad
Barbara Clausi
Rebecca Taharally
Valeria Mahlmann
Leontien Besems
Sally Booth
William Speers
Jacqueline Bryan
Priti Girgla
Lynette Ryan
Leslie Sutherland
Amanda Hollingworth

What's Been Happening at OAS?

Member Session - Adjudication

On the evening of Sept 11th OAS hosted a special Member event featuring George Wale, the adjudicator for the June Art Auction. George discussed his philosophy about how and why, he selected certain pieces for the annual auction. The event was heavily attended by artists and students alike, and he readily answered everyone's questions as well as providing honest critiques on numerous Members' artwork. A great night for all involved!

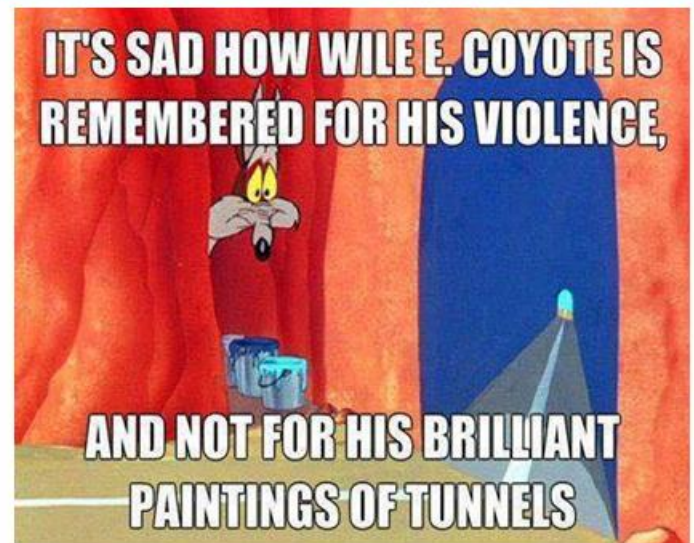


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2019 Juried Show

Jurying has been completed, accepted artists have been notified, and the show will hang in the OAS Gallery from Sept 27th to Oct 4th. Everyone is invited to attend a **wine and cheese reception** on:

October 4th, from 7 to 9 pm
At the OAS Gallery





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Friday Morning Painters	Fridays, 9:30 – 12:30 in Studio 1	
Plein Air Painters	3 rd Tues each month, 10 am Meet at Sovereign House 7 West River St Bronte	

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