

City Lights Artists' Co-op

News Update –January, 2006

The Next Membership Meeting will be held at the Henderson Convention Center on February 18th from 12-3pm. Our President, Richard Blanchard has arranged for **lunch** and a great teaching video. A notice will be out shortly telling you about this wonderful video. Be sure to mark this on your calendar and attend this meeting. Bring the questionnaire that has been distributed to you all so that future programs can be geared to your specific needs. You may want to bring an artist friend to join the Co-op and participate in our educational opportunities.

Membership Dues: *Just a reminder to all Co-op members that your yearly dues for the Co-op are due in January.* \$24.00 must be paid to continue your membership. Membership fees have been prorated throughout the year so that all renewals are in January. You must be timely to retain your artist number and keep your work in the gallery and on the website or any outside venues that we have such as City Hall. Remember that these monies go to support our mini grants and educational programs that are being planned for you the artist.

Third Thursdays and Featured Artists Reception:

Our Featured Artists for the month of December, Eileen Fischer and Joy Prendergast had their reception on *December 15th*. We did not have a large crowd but were encouraged to see new faces and we had some sales!

The First Featured Artists for 2006 are Barbara Beccue and Karl Zemann. Their reception will be on January 19th. Please plan to attend and a contribution to the food table will welcome. Invite all your friends to attend Third Thursday and the Featured Artist Reception.

Welcome New Members: Elton Blair and Jessica Thomas. We look forward to seeing your artwork in the gallery.

Ribbon Awards: Encourage all Visitors to vote. ...you may be the recipient of this award! The Visitors Choice Award for December is Richard Blanchard for his lovely oil painting "My Gems".

Gallery Changeover: was on January 7th and went smoothly. We have a few less artists in the gallery this quarter but the gallery is full of wonderful new artwork. If you can volunteer some time to sit the gallery, please contact Merle and help us to keep our wonderful gallery open.

City Lights Web Site: www.citylightsart.com is looking marvelous. Be sure to get your artwork onto the virtual gallery. There is no charge for Co-op members. Wendy will assist you at wendy@aweecat.com. We are pleased to announce that we have had a sale from the website. Remember to tell clients that the sales from the website are subject to Nevada sales tax and shipping charges.

Board Meetings: all members are invited to attend the board meetings. Your input and suggestions are needed and welcomed. The next Board meeting will be January 24th at 6:30pm at the Gallery.

Other News: The Board approved grant applications for 3 art teachers in Las Vegas and checks have been sent for them to start new art projects this year. We are hoping that the Gallery will be hosting an event for some of these projects in the new few months.

The change over at City Hall will occur in January or early February...dates for delivery of new art and pickup of your art coming out of City Hall will be announced. We are pleased that we have had a sale out of our City Hall exhibit.

Reminder:

If you need to make gallery sitting schedule changes, remember it is your responsibility to exchange your sitting date with another artist. Merle will help you and needs to know of the changes you make.

Remember that your commitment is for the quarter and it is not appropriate to “quit” the gallery or to remove your artwork before the end of that time.

If your artwork from the gallery during your quarterly commitment is sold outside the gallery, 20% commission is due the gallery.

Should an emergency situation exist that prevents you from sitting, you must contribute to the sitters fund to pay for some-one to sit in your place.