

City Lights Artists' Co-op

The Lantern- News Update November 2009

Third Thursdays and Featured Artists Reception:

Our Featured Artist for November, Anneliese Kielhorn had a wonderful exhibition of her oils. The reception on Third Thursday, November 19th was well attended.

Third Thursday on December 17th will be the reception for Featured Artist *Etel Surany*. Don't forget to attend and support this terrific artist.

We are excited to announce that Henderson Art Association Artists will be our Featured Visiting Artists for January.

We have openings for Featured Artists for February and March.

Membership Dues: *Remember that dues for new members in November and December are \$24.00 and are good through December 2010.*

The next **Membership meeting** will be a *Potluck* held at the gallery on Monday **December 7th at 6:00 pm**. This will be a Christmas party; there will be really nice *door prizes*. Bring a gift (approx. \$10.00) for the same sex as you for the Christmas gift exchange. The Co-op will provide Dessert and Punch so dig out your favorite main dish or salad recipe and let's have a great party!

There will be the elections of our new Board of Directors for 2010.

The nomination committee has the following slate but all positions are available for nominations and/or volunteers until the formal election.

President: Ed Klein has accepted a nomination.

Vice Pres: Aileen Dike has agreed to remain.

Treasurer: Jacqueline Tritsch has agreed to remain.

Secretary: Jane Marquez has agreed to remain.

Gallery Director: Al Matwiejow has accepted the nomination.

Assist. Gallery Director: Andrew Maioli has accepted a nomination.

Member at Large: Richard Kielhorn has agreed to remain.

Member at Large: Merle Blair has accepted a nomination.

Hospitality Chairperson: Vacant

Membership Director: Vacant

Outside Show Coordinator: Vacant

The Board is very active in planning and coordinating Co-op and Gallery activities and meets only once a month. Volunteer...you will find it to be very rewarding.

Classes:

Ed Klein is now conducting 3 watercolor classes, all at the gallery; Tuesday Am ; Tuesday PM and Saturday. Call the gallery and check on available space.

We are hoping to soon be starting a mixed media class in the New Year. New member Jan Schaeffer is a fantastic teacher and likes abstract....wouldn't that be fun?

City Lights Web Site: www.citylightsart.com is available at no charge to City Lights Co-op members. Be sure to get your work on-line or perhaps, change the work you have there now. Wendy Adams, our Webmaster will assist you at sales@citylightsart.com. Or use <http://www.citylightsart.com/formsubmission.html>

Board Meetings: The next Board meeting is scheduled for *Monday, December 7th at 4:00pm in the gallery preceding the Membership meeting*. Remember that all members are invited and we welcome your input. The Co-op members are so lucky to have such active and caring Board members that have accomplished so much this last year.

Other News:

It was discussed at the Board meeting that we should design a **new logo** for City Lights. This was tabled until the New Year.

It was also decided that we would produce two fine art shows in 2010. They would be in the gallery as we did this last September as it was successful and did net some funds for us. It was suggested that we have the shows in March and October and hopefully avoid any other large activities being held at the same time.

Artful Gift Store

. More artwork is needed. We have some nice Christmas cards now.

Co-op members who are not showing in the gallery will pay \$20.00 for the quarter to display their work in the gift shop.

2-Dimensional artwork will have no larger than a 5x7" image and a frame no larger than 8x10". The number of framed pieces allowed will be determined by the number of submissions and the available space.

3-Dimensional artwork must have its own stand or fit on the wall or a 10x10x10 space. You will set your own prices but we ask that they be "affordable".

The Gallery will receive the usual 20% commission on all sales.

The gallery Artist Inventory Sheets will be used with the small white stickers indicating artist #, inventory # and price. Artists who have work in the gallery will make a separate area on their inventory sheet and will not duplicate numbers used in the gallery.

The only cards for sale in the gift shop will be hand made "one of a kind" cards, priced by the artist.

We will have gift bags and tissue paper available for gift shop sales.

A complete list of the art supplies for sale at discounted prices is available at the gallery. Supplies include mats, backing boards, sleeves, and note cards, mounting tape, wire, hangers and screws. We also will do special orders of larger quantities. These supplies are for Co-op members only.

A Reminder to All Gallery Sitters: you are responsible for arranging your own replacement if you are unable to keep your commitment to work in the gallery. We have are developing a list of members who may be available to call upon to work for you. You may trade days with another person or pay some-one on the list \$20.00 to work for you. The money exchange for this is not a gallery transaction, but between the artists and it is suggested that the sitter be paid in advance. Let Merle or Al know if we can place you on the list and it will be made available to all sitters.

Our application to the IRS for 501© 3 status was returned for more information. This is not unusual. Merle and Bob met to go over those details and Bob has sent information back to them. The IRS has phoned with further requirements and they are being worked on.

The newly placed slat boards that were purchased from the generous donation by Colin Pringle have been placed in the front gallery and are working wonderfully.

Our Assistant Gallery Director, Al Who had surgery on his knee and recently had a set back with an infection, more surgery and lots of antibiotics. He is home again and improving. He is greatly missed as he has done so much for the gallery, including sitting many days a month as well as the physical labor. It is time for the rest of us to help out.

The “sick painting clinic” was held by Colin Pringle at the gallery. There was no charge for his expertise. It has been discussed that we hold this again as more people would find this very helpful.

If you have a special announcement that you would like mentioned in the newsletter please submit it before the next Board meeting.