

Paletteers Board Meeting Notes
5:30pm, Wednesday, 7 May 2014
Aldrich Library Milne Room

Present: Bob Murphy, Clara Geist, Dee Miller, Sharon Carcoba, Jan Avery, and Linda Kiniry.
Absent: Sylvia Kennedy-Godin and Melinde Kantor.

The meeting began precisely at 5:30pm.

Main Street Art Show.

Two art shows, each four weeks old, will be held at the old Family Dollar Store on Main Street. The first will run from 12 May through 9 June; the second from 9 June through 7 July. There are 17 signed up for the first show; 19 for the second. That will allow each artist to display two works of art.

A discussion as to whether to post prices or not resulted in a decision to leave that to individual artists. Posters will be placed on the windows giving contact information if someone wishes to buy.

We will show up at the old store on Monday, 12 May, between 10am and noon to assemble display panels and hang the show. We will encourage people to bring squeegees and buckets so that we can clean the windows inside and out. Linda gave to Bob a key to the store which had been furnished to her by Kay Robbins of the Barre Partnership. Bob will keep the key until the end of the second show.

June Meeting.

We discussed a program for the meeting. An idea suggested previously by Linda was discussed: that of having a one-day, multi-media plein-aire painting workshop a day or so following the meeting, with the instructor providing an introduction to the workshop at our June meeting. She had suggested as possible teachers Joy Huckins-Noss or Jeneane Lunn. No one had stepped forward to try to flesh this plan out. Dee said that she would give it a try, and would let us know shortly whether she could arrange such a workshop. The idea is that we would pay the instructor (\$250 was suggested as a likely sum) and that the cost would be borne by participants.

A fallback program was suggested by Bob – a DVD presentation on the subject of Basic Color Mixing Techniques. This could be the first of two presentations. The DVD is 138 minutes long.

Scholarship Program.

John Weaver advised Bob by email that there are three applicants. They will be interviewed on 17 May by him, Melinde Kantor and Chris Terry. Their selection will be passed by the board for concurrence, and John will take care of publicity as in the past.

The letter soliciting donations for the scholarship fund will be updated by Bob; he and Dee will get letters out to members and patrons by early June.

Summer Show.

The new display panels will be used for the show. The collectors corner panels are at Linda's. Bob indicated his desire to obtain more new panels for use in the collectors corner, but that will require more money than we have available at this time.

We will limit entries to 3 per member as we have in the past. Dee indicated that we have members who have not yet paid dues for the current year. She will send out reminders to those folks, indicating that they need to be paid up to participate in the summer show.

Sitters for show will be solicited at the June membership meeting, and, if necessary, at the time of registration on 18-19 July.

There will be no dedicatee for this year's show. [On the discussion of this item, it was suggested that a dedicatee could be the City of Barre, in recognition of its recent renaissance. Further discussion suggested that might best be done in conjunction with a future show whose theme could be "scenes of Barre" or something like that. This idea will be discussed at the June membership meeting.]

Jan will acquire ribbons needed for awards in the five traditional categories; Clara will arrange for flowers from the Barre Garden Club. Cash awards will be made as in the past.

Jan has another Fred Swan print, which will be used as this year's raffle prize. Bob will speak with Molly Binaghi of Copy World to see if they would be willing to donate raffle tickets. Last year we ran short, and believe that we should obtain 500 tickets.

Bob indicated he would take care of show labels, the list to the librarians and the printed program, and that guidelines for sitters, sales, money handling, etc., are already available for use.

Bob will send out the summer show announcement in late June/early July.

Bob will speak with Mollie Binaghi about getting our ad listed with the Heritage Festival full-page ad. We should also plan on getting an ad in the World and the Bridge.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30pm.

Respectfully,
Bob Murphy, President and sometime note-taker.