

Paletteers of Vermont

Board Meeting Notes

1-13-16

ATTENDANCE: Dee, Bob, Claire G., Jan A., Melinde

Sarah Costa Aldrich Librarian stopped by to suggest a date revision in our calendar (\*\*).

A note about members who could benefit from receiving notices in hard copy due to lack of computer services, or adequate computer services includes: Claire Geist, N. Ershaw, Jane Avery, Conrad Beaudin, Claire Dessureau, Gloria Lynn, Angela Gola, Jill Nadeau, Marilyn Piro.

MEMBER MEETINGS-ART RECEPTIONS: On Tuesday Jan 26 we will be trying out the idea of combining a member meeting with an art reception for Winter Show 2016. There was considerable discussion of whether or not to alter the way food was presented and served, but it was decided to continue with our potluck, with some people keeping in mind guests may come and want an easy to pick up snack. Some tables and chairs will need to be provided as per usual, perhaps utilizing round tables stored under the stairs. Set up will begin by 4 pm.

NEW IDEA: Dee suggested artists may be able to provide a card made from one of their paintings to be included in a card collection to be sold at local outlets to raise money for perhaps the scholarship fund! If this becomes reality, it may be possible to have themes for card collections (ie. Seasons).

VENUES: Could CVH be a venue for us? Discussion brought up the facts that these shows are scheduled way in advance and dealing with the coordinator requires tact.

**The Barre Historical Museum/Library:** Bob provided information about the exhibits and their rotation in the building. Their library contains many pieces by itinerant painter James Gilman. At one point Jackie Calder was a guest speaker about this artwork. Perhaps she would be available again for our group.

**The Montpelier Historical Society:** Victoria Hughes is looking for **volunteers** to facilitate painting sessions in one of the small front rooms of masterpieces from their collection. These would be scheduled on Saturday mornings. Space would limit attendance at these sessions.

Possible theme for an upcoming show of the Paletteers: **Itinerant artwork**. This was met with some positive feedback that it would not be limited to just Vermont. Claire noted itinerant artists in other regions have different styles entirely. In New Brunswick, an artists' group assembles in the summer for an event in which they "paint the town" similar to some of the outdoor Plein Aire events in Vermont. In the past the Paletteers did an outdoor paint-in in the Waitsfield area.

The board was genuinely interested in having a **Plein Aire Paint-Out** this summer, probably in August. No membership meetings have been scheduled yet between Jun and Oct. 2016. The Barre Town School trail and pavilion, Hubbard Park and a Bird Sanctuary on Rt. 12 were also suggested sites.

**Other Business:**

Melinde passed around a schedule of events at Artists' Mediums in Williston. For more information on their events, contact: [www.VTmakeART.com](http://www.VTmakeART.com) or call the store. You can arrange to receive their newsletter and to show your own work on their walls or attend workshops.

**Art Shows:**

\*\*The Paletteers Summer Art Show will be the weekend of July 22-24 with take down Mon. July 25. More detailed information on registration and related events will come later.

Discussion about the Paletteers Spring Show 2016 will be during the March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting of the board.

The Paletteers Winter Show 2016 is coming up.

Registration is this Fri. Jan. 15 from 3-5 pm and Sat. Jan. 14 from 10 am -noon. The new hanging rods are in a cardboard cylinder about 5' high in the closet between the children's library and the Milne Rm. Library Staff can open that door for us. Melinde distributed promotional postcards and posters for the upcoming show. More will be available at registration for people to distribute and post.

Sylvia Godin has agreed to continue doing our website, although she does not attend meetings. This year's board consists of: President: Dee Miller, Vice President: Clair Geist, Treasurer: Bob Murphy, Secretary: Melinde Kantor, and Members at large: Jan Avery and Sharon Carcoba; Web: Sylvia Godin.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinde Kantor, Secretary  
The Paletteers of Vermont

1-14-16