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Billings Arts Association  
Board Meeting – Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>  
Sandstone Gallery



Board Members Present:, Bonnie Eldredge, Mary Knapp, Eva Morgenthaler, Lana Bittner, Carol Wang, Sue Hammersmark

Secretary Minutes: Sue Hammersmark read minutes of Oct. meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Eva gave financial report on funds in BAA Checking Account in the amount of \$5,644.03. Eva received a statement on our Certificate of Deposit reflecting an amount of \$1,500.00. Lana made a motion to increase the CD amount by \$500.00, it was seconded by Bonnie Eldredge, bringing total to \$2,000.00.

Images Art Grant: Shepherd High School were recipients of a \$250.00 Art Grant to help with art supplies needed for their Yellowstone Art Museum Project. Notes of appreciation were sent by Teacher, Jeanne Graves to Billings Arts Association, and several Board Members. Their Art Project, "Expressions" will show at the YAM, November 26 to January 2, 2012—The reception is Dec. 15 from 5:30 to 7:30 at the YAM.

Informal Discussion: Board Members reviewed the past year and discussed ways to have additional member involvement. At present, we have two main shows scheduled for '2012, CTA Exhibit Art Walk May 4<sup>th</sup> and the Fall Festival of Arts Show, Gainans scheduled in September (no definite date) A committee of six to seven members are needed to help with these events, setup, visit with the public, paint (if possible) and take down. Several planning meetings are held before the show, and all members are invited to these sessions.

The board decided to schedule a Spring Banquet, as we have many new members, possibly in April at McCormick's. Will have more information in the next newsletter.

An interest has been shown to start a coffee group (Artists Network) to visit and share their art interests. Call Jeanette Magstadt (656-0794) if interested.

Two other possible locations for exhibits are the new hospital at Red Lodge and the Carbon County Art Guild. Bonnie Eldredge will contact both locations and report on the information rec'd. Madelein scheduled the Art Guild for BAA in January 2013. This was a good show and reception was well received by the public and members of the Art Guild.

The board voted to stay non-profit, and not change our status to stay consistent with our Grant Program and does not cost much per year to continue.

Meeting adjourned: A special thanks to Carol Wang for attending.

By: Lana Bittner and Sue Hammersmark

Date: Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> 2011



Artists please check the date on your mailing label to see if your membership has expired. We will be checking your membership when you bring paintings to the next show.

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Balance is \$5,644.03  
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# INFORMATION

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

BAA SCHEDULE FOR 2012

April Banquet—

Time & Location to be announced.

May 4-Artwalk—CTA

September—Gainans Show—

## GAINANS "FALL FESTIVAL OF ART"

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual BAA "Festival of Art" Show was held Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> at Gainans Nursery & Greenhouse with less participation from our members than in previous years. Comparing '2010 we had 56 artwork pieces, to 49 in '2011, with no sales. The economic atmosphere definitely had an impact with various comments from the public, "My husband's job was eliminated", "Would love to buy, but we're just maintaining what we have", plus several more. Positive comments were made on the artwork, enjoyed artists on-site painting, a great venue with artwork and florals, and several commented they attended, because of the give-aways.

Congrats to the ribboned winners in the following six categories: Acrylic-(1<sup>st</sup>) Jennifer Moler (2<sup>nd</sup>) Glenda Ramsey; Pastel-(1<sup>st</sup>) Victoria Frank Wetsch; (2<sup>nd</sup>) Louise Payovich; Three-Dimensional-(1<sup>st</sup>) Mary Knapp, (2<sup>nd</sup>) Jim Hanna; Photography-(1<sup>st</sup>) Phil Bell, (2<sup>nd</sup>) Kate Murphy; Oil; (1<sup>st</sup>) Louise Payovich, (2<sup>nd</sup>) Barbara Butler; Watercolor-(1<sup>st</sup>) Karen McBride, (2<sup>nd</sup>) Lou Taylor. **Peoples Choice Award went to Karin McBride.** Many thanks to Allison O'Donnell from Toucan Gallery for judging.

Thanks to all the Board Members, Bonnie Eldredge, Eva Morgenthaler, Mary Knapp, Jeanette Magstadt, and Phil Bell in helping setup, and take-down of the show, plus the donation of our give-aways, Eva Morgenthaler, Dolly Stuber, Jeanette Magstadt, Donna Moore, Louise Payovich and Lana Bittner. .

Thanks to all our BAA members for continued participation and support. Recommendations and comments will be discussed with Board for '2012 Show.

Lana Bittner/Fine Arts Chair



### Sheila Ann Rieman

*Our Deepest Sympathy goes out to Pete Novotny and family in the death of Sheila Ann Rieman. Many artists in the Billings community and surrounding area have taken pastel workshops from Sheila. She was enroute to Billing from her home in Sentinel Butte N.D. for an exhibit when she hit a deer east of Pompey's Pillar. I thoroughly enjoyed taking classes from her will remember her when I look at those paintings. Sue Hammersmark*

## Billings Arts Association-Board Meeting Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011 — Sandstone Gallery

Summaries on The Fall Festival of Arts Show At Gainans Nursery in Sept., and the art walk at the Babcock Arcade Gallery were topics of discussion at Board meeting on Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>.

Members Present: Lana Bittner, Bonnie Eldredge, Mary Knapp, Jeanette Magstadt, & Eva Morgenthaler.

Treasurer report: Eva gave handouts on the financials, and reported \$5,973.73 in checking account, \$93.11 positive on Gainans Show, Arcade Art walk of \$334.00. Gainans Show: Lana gave report on Exhibit which reflected member involvement down from '2010 with artwork entries plus no sales, but felt the venue and traffic indicated interest from the community. Recommendations and comments were given to the board for future implementation.

Arcade Art walk: Bonnie Eldredge reported that members showed interest in the four hour exhibit with the number of entries that were displayed (39) in addition to the three art sales.

Board members resignations: Discussion continued on the recruiting of new board members – Important to rotate – Resignations in '2010: Madelein Bladow, Dan and Becky Burns, Linda Duncan, Karen McBride, and Lana Bittner. Most related to health, jobs and/or travel.

Images Art Grant: Jeanne Graves from Shepherd submitted an application for art supplies., etc. for a special Art Project. The Board voted to issue a check in the amount of \$250.00 for her request.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30.

Lana Bittner

## TONY COUCH WORKSHOP

The Montana Watercolor Outfit Fall Workshop with Tony Couch and sponsored by MSU-B was held Oct-3-7. This was Tony's fourth visit to Montana and attracting the majority of participants from in-state and out-of-state. His wit in the daily demonstrations and critiques received several positive comments from the students and look forward to his return.

## WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP—2012

GLORIA MILLER ALLEN

Spring '2012 workshop will feature Gloria Miller Allen, watercolorist from Boise, April 2-6.

Members — If you are interested in helping out at a gallery during the Artwalk — contact Sally McIntosh—259-6563

**RMC and YAM Art Trails Art Conference**  
**November 11 and 12, 2011**



The Friday and Saturday Art Trails Conference was begun at Rocky with a greeting by YAM director, Robyn Peterson and a welcome by President of RMC Mace.

Jim Baken, Professor, RMC Art Dept. gave the group insights about his work and motivations as well as a history of his development. He recently returned from a six month sabbatical which he took to paint 'large' canvasses.

His "Cow Elk Series" and "Club Series" was the kickoff exhibit for this exploration with Montana arts professionals.

How do artists regard their work and this region as coordinate? "Do they feel they are Montana artists or artists who happen to be in Montana?"

Several artists showed their works thru slide presentations and display explaining priorities, inspirations and influences. The speakers included such notables as Dan Flores, a writer and professor at UM in history of the west; John Giarizzo, professor at Northwest College in Powell, Wyo. and an artist with many works in regional museums; Katie Knight, who as an artist works for positive social momentum. Katie was deeply involved in the "Speaking Volumes: Transforming Hate" exhibit and movement. Katie has traveled extensively to areas at risk of inhumanity in the world and tried to bring the message back in her work.

Bryan Reintjes is the curator of art at the Montana Museum of Art and Culture in Missoula. Currently, he is reassembling the Montana Institute of the Arts promoting, preserving, and developing art history in Montana. He spoke about the history of MIA whose members were influential in the early years in Montana Arts. MIA has been inactive for some time because of an organizational issue.

Molly Murphy has a BA degree in Fine Arts and learned beadwork as a member of the Oglala Lakota tribe in Montana. Mary's work stems from a combination of traditional Native arts and modern art. Molly showed some themed wearing apparel at the YAM as a part of the conference. She explained the inspiration for her pieces in the exhibit. She is a full-time artist residing in Oklahoma presently

Jeff Anderson has a BA from Dartmouth College and an MFA from Yale University. Jeff's art pieces were shown for the audience to experience the feel of the woods Jeff uses to form his abstract sculptures of pieces attached in random patterns and painted. "Art is not to understand; it's to experience."

Deborah Kline Sonderman narrated a final panel of the artists. Deborah has a BA from Kent State University and she studied art marketing with Calvin Goodman. Deborah is now the curator of the Carbon County Arts Guild Gallery. She has held positions in several museums and in galleries marketing including opening the Kevin Red Star Gallery in Red Lodge.

In a panel discussion format artists were asked questions to determine how and if they had been influenced by living in this region. This was a great opportunity for the artists to exchange information about their work. The conference was organized and funded by Karen and Michael Fried, the Montana Committee for the Humanities, Rocky Mountain College and YAM members.

Bonnie Eldredge



**YAM**

For more information go to  
[events@artmuseum.org](mailto:events@artmuseum.org) or  
[www.artmuseum.org](http://www.artmuseum.org)

-**"Capture the Moment"**  
**Pulitzer Prize Winning Photographs**

**"AWSOME—DON'T MISS IT..."**

**Q'S ART AND FRAME**

**Tuesday:** Oil & Sketching by Tyler Murphy - 5:45 to 8: 45

**Wednesday nights:** Mike Capser instructs watercolor class every three weeks—\$22 per night. Weeks in between is a free interaction class \$7 per night. We will have guest instructors from time to time.

Contact John Armstrong for more information **248-1102**

# BAA FESTIVAL OF ART SHOW AT GAINANS

This show always looks so nice with the art work displayed among the fall flowers at Gainans. Thank you to all the members who participated and helped setup and take down.



Jeanette Magstadt arranging paintings at Gainans.



Watercolor on Yupo by Lana Bittner



Watercolor on Yupo by Lana Bittner



Bonnie Eldredge and Mary Knapp at Gainan show.



Barb Butler works on a painting.



Jeanette attaching labels to paintings.



# Information

## ARTS GUILD RED LODGE DECEMBER

- Dec 1—31: Rock Creek Miniature Invitational Exhibit. Consider a small gift for the holidays
- Dec 1—31: The Art of Bob Cochran and Susan Jones in the North Gallery .
- Dec 1—31: The Art of Jane Woods in the North Gallery.
- Dec 1—31: 3rd Annual Holiday Bazaar. Traditional gifts for your Christmas Gift list...
- Dec. 17 - Santa Visits the Arts Guild from 1 to 3. Refreshments, photos, and more. Four legged members of the family are welcome.
- Dec 20—24: Extended Shopping hours. Open 10 am to 6 pm Dec 20 to 24.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL - Deborah

### JANUARY

- Jan 1-31: All Artist Exhibit:
- Jan 1-31: The Paintings of John Kosel.
- Jan 14: Watercolor Paintings with Elliott Eaton. Elliott will demonstrate his watercolor techniques then help each student individually. 10 am—4 p.. Cost is \$50 for members and \$65 for nonmembers. Call for information 406-446-1370
- Jan 21: Basic Drawing with Dorci Newman Tremblay. Learn the basics , composition, perspective etc.
- Jan 28: Problem Solving with Denney Neville. Oil painting classes. Cost \$50 for members and \$65 for nonmembers.



## MEMBERS WHERE ARE YOU ??? CALL FOR ACTION!!!!

At the present time there are workshops available for watercolor artists which bring in Nationally know art instructors. There are no regularly scheduled workshops for oil or pastel artists. The BAA is willing to help an interested group of members initiate regularly scheduled workshops catering to oil and pastel artists. This would require a minimum of 3 people to form a committee for the purpose of planning and arranging the workshops. If you would like to see this program develop, volunteer to start the planning committee. Contact any BAA steering committee member and tell them you are interested.

### SPEAKERS AND DEMONSTRATIONS

The board needs someone to schedule speakers and /or demonstrations. There are many local artists around Billings who would be willing to share their art and we just need a committee to organize this. Let a member of the board know if you would like be on this committee.

## LEWISTOWN ART CENTER

You are invited to participate in the Lewistown Art Center's **Miniature Painting Exhibit in January 2012**. the dimension of the miniature should be 1/6th of the size of the object. It is a very small detailed work of art. [Printmaking, painting, drawing, pastel, watercolor, pen and ink, colored pencil, collage]. Please, no photographs. Entry deadline is Dec. 28, 2011. If you know of anyone who would be interested in participating in this exhibit, please forward this to them. Call the Lewistown Art Center at 535-8278 if you have any questions or need further information. I couldn't find the prospectus on their web page so you might have to call to find it.

### BAA SCRAP BOOK - HISTORY

Do we have any members who would like to do a BAA Scrapbook ?? It would be like a history of BAA activities the last few years. I have the clippings and information but I do not have it in a presentable form.  
If you are interested call Sue Hammersmark 656-7529

**SHEPHERD HIGH SCHOOL**  
**BAA Received a beautiful Thank you card from the teacher Jeanne Close Graves and students for the Art Grant that enabled them to have their Art Exhibit the Yellowstone Art Museum.**

Loved this letter....Written by my computer tech .... Sue

### Steve Jobs applied high standards to his art

It is so hard to do what Steve Jobs has done. Being a visionary is difficult: Steve made it look easy. We are all fortunate that Steve had the vision and determination to push forward regardless of the challenges before him.

He created amazing works of art. Every stroke was carefully planned before it was ever drawn. He never compromised when it came to materials. He needed quality tools, the best in the industry, in order to ensure his works reflected the best quality possible. It was important to choose tools based on what they could do, not necessarily what they had done, for many would not be used in conventional ways. Every tool was to produce masterful strokes of precision, nothing less than 110 percent was expected.

He had great faith in his tools and he took great care of them. Pushing these tools to their limits, they produced work of art that had never been seen before.

Many did not know what they were capable of: even fewer knew they had the capacity to do it in them. If you were lucky enough to be one of his tools, then you were an Apple employee. And aren't we all glad he chose technology as his canvas?

As difficult as it is for me right now I will keep my office and work 111 percent in remembrance of Steve Jobs.

Luis Perez - Billings

**FRAMING BY FRED**

**Fred Magers, a member of BAA will frame your Art Work at his Frame Studio at 1245 Rimrock Road. Contact him at 245-6733  
\*\*\*Fred does an excellent job of framing usual and unusual pieces of art. Please give him a try..**

**Phil Bell's web page at  
WWW.PHILBELLPHOTOGRAPHY.COM**

**The Frame Hut & Gallery**  
1430 Grand Ave. -Billings, MT 59102  
406-245-9728  
Open M-F 9-6, Sat. 10-5

The Frame Hut offers a 20% discount on custom framing and a 25% discount on ready made frames to artists framing their own work. The store carries a large selection of ready made frames in sizes from 8 X 10 to 30 X 40

**ART CLASSES**

**OCTOBER -**

**WATERCOLOR/WATERMEDIA**

Barbizan Art Center —Linda Duncan  
14 North 29th St. Suite 101  
Thursday—afternoon —1:00 to —3:30  
Friday mornings—9:00 to —11:00  
Wed eve - 6 to 8:30  
Call for time & more information - 208  
-3064

**WATERCOLOR**

Lance Johnson  
Sunrise Studio & Gallery  
2923 Montana Ave  
Mon. 1:30 to 4:30  
Tue. - 5 to 8  
Sat. - 10 to 1  
Gallery—294-0199 - Home 245-6199

**ART CLASSES**

Hobby Lobby — 652-1987  
Dick Moulden  
Call for Times

**PAINTING**

John Armstrong  
Q's Art Shop — 6th Ave. North  
Phone 248-1102  
OPEN—April 19  
Tue - Wed — Thur — Fri  
From 1 to 5  
Call for Information on classes....

**LIFE DRAWING**

Thursday evenings from 5:45 to 7:50 in the education room. Bring your drawing materials and enjoy an evening with other artists.  
Cost: \$5 to pay the model.  
\$2 Entry fee for non members -  
YAM Education Room



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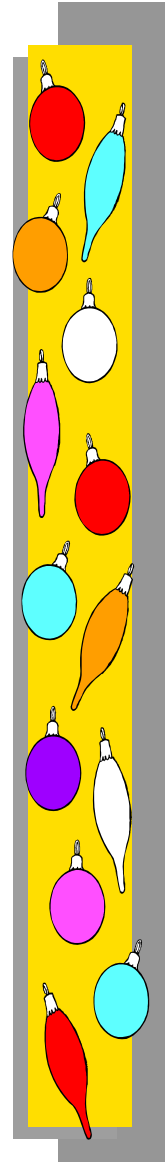
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\_\_ photography \_\_ mixed media  
\_\_ artisan crafts \_\_\_\_ Other  
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# AREA galleries and calendar.....

## DMG

Division Mortgage Group at 1320 Division St open 9 to 5 Monday through Friday. Over 100 works by local artist William Crain....

Many sculptures will also be on exhibit.



**WEB PAGE** [www.BillingsArtsAssociation.com](http://www.BillingsArtsAssociation.com) Our website is up and running. If you have not visited the site check it out.. Jeanne is ready to put your photos on the site if you have a digital camera and know how to send photos. I asked Jeanne what she would need to add your art to the site and following is her reply. If you are not a computer person or don't have a digital camera we will help you by taking photos for you at the next art show. **\*\*Artists on the site need to update their paintings.**

## Cody Country Art League

Cody has classes in Pastel, Drawing, Watercolors, Photography, decorative Furniture Painting, Woodcarving, and Pottery. Classes run for 6 weeks, cost is around \$120. If you are interested contact the Art League at 1-307-587-3597

Instructors are: Pat Schermerhorn, Pastels  
Melody Christensen, Drawing  
Shirley Barhaug, Watercolors  
Jaime Penuel, Photography  
Shirley Barhaug, Decorative Furniture Painting  
Woodcarving, Dennis Barhaug,  
Steve Schrepferman, Pottery

Please enroll me as a member of the  
**BILLINGS ARTS ASSOCIATION**

My strongest interest is in:  photography  oil/acrylic  
 watercolor  graphics/printmaking  drawing/pastel   
 sculpture  mixed media  artisan crafts (pottery, fiber,  
jewelry, etc.) other \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues: Individual \$20 - Family \$25 per year  
Student \$15**

- **Make your checks payable to the Billings Arts Association and send with this application to the BAA Treasurer:**
- **Eva Morganthaler—4200 Night Hawk Road**
- **Billings Montana 59106 - 259-4395**

## BILLINGS GALLERY OF FINE ART

Victoria Welch - Babcock Building

## CARBON COUNTY ARTS GUILD - 446-1370

Red Lodge, MT - Exec. Dir. Deborah Kline

[www.carboncountydepotgallery.org](http://www.carboncountydepotgallery.org)

## CODY COUNTRY ART LEAGUE -

1-307-587-3597 Cody, Wyoming

Website: [www.codyart.vcn.com](http://www.codyart.vcn.com)

## CUSTER COUNTY ART & HERITAGE CENTER

1- 406 -234-0635 Miles City, MT [ccaric@midrivers.com](mailto:ccaric@midrivers.com)

## CTA Atrium Gallery -248-7455

13 North 23rd Street

## DMG—Gallery—294-7207

1320 Division St

## FRAME HUT - 245-9728

1430 Grand Avenue

## HARRY KOYAMA FINE ART

2509 Montana Ave - 259-2261

## MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY - BILLINGS - 657-2324

*Northcutt Steele Gallery (Now Open)*

## Q's GALLERY AND ART SUPPLY - 248-1102

1511 6TH AVE. No.

## RIMROCK ART AND FRAME

1070 S. 24th Street, Billings, 652-3455

This fine frame shop offers 25% off the total order for artists framing their own work.

## SANDSTONE GALLERY - 256-5837 -

This is a cooperative gallery with 20 local artists.

2913 2nd Ave North - [sandstonegallery.org](http://sandstonegallery.org)

Director Leo Olson, Co-Director Sue Hammersmark

## SUNRISE STUDIO & GALLERY - Lance Johnson

2923 Montana - 294-0199

## TOUCAN GALLERY 2505 Montana Ave. - 252-0122

## TWO RIVERS GALLERY

226 McLeod St-PO Box 225-Big Timber MT 59011

## WHITEBIRD GALLERY

16 S. Woodard— Absarokee, Mt - 328-7777

Laura Lee Neva, owner—cell 406-322-4444

## YELLOWSTONE ART MUSEUM - 256-6804

406 N. 27TH Street, Billings, Montana 59101



## REMEMBER...

Dues can be paid any time to Eva Morganthaler treasure. Check the month your dues are due on the label of your newsletter.

**\*\*If your e-mail changes PLEASE let Eva know your NEW one, to keep the list up to date...Information about events between newsletters... is sent by e-mail**



# Billings Arts Association

Or Current Resident

\*Check label for date dues are due!

Billings Arts Association Officers  
2011  
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