

## WCA Update 1-30-17

### February Lunch Bunch will be at the home of Nancy Turner

#### From Nancy Rose

Hi Friends!

Our February 6 th Lunch Bunch will be at Nancy Turner's home. Nancy is a professional painter, now that she has given up her beloved printing press. She is a conceptual artist at whatever she does and her work has a story. It will be a fun day!

Please arrive between 11:00 and 11:30am with one or two pieces of art that you want to have critiqued by the group. Announcements, art information, studio tours, sharing of shows and finished work needs to be made before or during lunch or after the critiques end at 1:30pm. Our critique time is precious!

Please RSVP to Nancy at:

[Nancyturner@comcast.net](mailto:Nancyturner@comcast.net).

February is one of our largest groups so please RSVP and find out if there is room. We only can handle 25 at Our critique Lunch Bunch. Remember to bring your sandwich..

Directions to Nancy Turner's home:

1739 Cherokee Drive. Sarasota

From the North: Take 41 south to Webber St. and turn right. You'll drive past an elementary school. At the traffic light(Orange Ave.) turn left, then immediately turn right onto Cherokee Drive.

From the South: Drive North on 41 until you reach Webber St. Turn left onto Webber St. You'll drive past an elementary school. At the traffic light(Orange Ave.) turn left, then immediately turn right onto Cherokee Drive.

From the East: Drive west on Bee Ridge Road until you reach 41 where you will turn right. Turn left onto Webber St. You'll drive past an elementary school. At the traffic light(Orange Ave.) turn left, then immediately turn right onto Cherokee Drive.

#### Upcoming LUNCH BUNCH hosts:

- > March-Nancy Heart
- > April- Jana Millstone
- > May- Cecile Moran

#### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

**Join us Monday, February 20, 2017** for a special WCA meeting. -  
*Shhhhhhhhhhh...* **SHARING SECRETS** This is when WCA artists Judy Lyons Schneider, Jana Millstone and Susan Turconi tell all!!!! They will explain their work and process in an open forum. Find out how they address the many of the issues we all share as we make a life in art. There will be a Q & A portion of the program.

Meeting will be from 2:00 to 4:00 at the Herald Tribune Building, 1741 Main St. Sarasota

### **Upcoming Women Contemporary Artists 2016-2017 Programs**

The Program Committee has been hard at work getting next year's WCA program agenda going. They have already set up all three programs for next season's WCA meetings:

- **November 2017**– Jean Joseph Renoux- with a lecture on the Art of Vienna and Gustav Klimt
- **January 2018** – Pamela Olin who is a sculptor, welder and does 3D printing and also ran a co-op in Chicago
- **February 2018** – Baila Miller with a talk on Modernism focused on Picasso, Gertrude Stein and Stieglitz and a blending of history and these famous figures.
- **WCA ART SHOW!!!**

**GET READY FOR OUR BIG SHOW IN APRIL AT THE LONG BOAT KEY CENTER FOR THE ARTS...**Bring out your best work - Six awards will be given as listed in the Prospectus on our Website. Please also read our Exhibition Policies which has all the information you will need before entering the show. You will also be able to print out your Entry Forms beforehand. Looking forward to seeing everyone participating!

Thanks from Bernice and Jamie

### **MEMBER NEWS:**

#### **From Betty Gerich**

Dear Friends,

One of my paintings and a new sculpture will be on display at the Art Center Sarasota in a show called Classic Fantastic. The exhibition runs from January 26- February 24. There will be an opening reception on Feb. 2 from 5-7. I found out just yesterday that both of these pieces have won awards which will be presented at the reception about 6:00 PM. The sculpture won first place and the watercolor won an honorable mention.

Another painting will be on view at Manatee Art Center, 209 9th ST. W, Bradenton, FL 34205. The exhibition runs from Jan. 24-Feb.24, with a reception on Jan 26 from 5-7.

#### **From Cecile Moran**

Cecile Moran will have an exhibit of her work, including her gold leaf pieces, at Unity Gallery on the grounds of Unity Church, 3023 Proctor Road, Sarasota. The opening reception will be held on February 5th, after the Sunday service which is held at 10:30 am. The work will remain hanging throughout the month.

### **From Eleanor Merritt**

Eleanor Merritt opens a retrospective exhibition at the Arts Alliance on February 9 2017 from 5 to 7 p.m. Sixty Years of painting...1957.. to 2017. The exhibit will hang until March.

### **From Nancy Goff**

Nancy GOFF has won Best of Show for her Pastel "Cousins" at the 8th annual Artist Guild show at the Gallery at Gulf and Pine, Anna Maria island. Reception and awards Jan. 27th, 6 to 8 pm

Nancy has started her pastel classes, working from photos, Thurs . 1 to 4, at Art Center Sarasota. She will be teaching three sessions until the end of March. The last session focuses on portraits.

### **From Donna Grasel**

Calling all Artists!

Benderson Development is requesting qualifications from artists and creative teams for a commissioned art opportunity for the primary roundabout leading into Nathan Benderson Park and University Town Center in Sarasota, FL.

The Art Selection Committee would like to commission a 75-foot tall Signature Sculpture that is of the quality and stature that one would see at the Olympic games. The artwork should not depict any overt or obvious symbol of the Olympics but should - in a realistic, naturalistic or even abstract way - reflect, embody and convey movement and the power of enduring physical strength and health.

Nathan Benderson Park and University Town Center  
Sarasota, Florida  
Deadline to submit January 15, 2017  
Budget: \$500,000

[Click here for more information. This will open a PDF.](#)

### **From Gail B White**

The event is an opportunity for members to get their work out there and help a very worthy cause at the same time.

### ***The Art of Caring: A Call for Donations of Art***

Healthy Families Sarasota, a program of The Florida Center for Early Childhood, is committed to preventing child abuse and neglect in at-risk families in Sarasota County. Each year, approximately 450 families identified as having risk factors related to child abuse receive home visitation services. The program is part of the statewide Healthy Families Florida system with proven results. 100% of children in families who complete the program have no findings of child maltreatment within 12 months following completion.

Please join Healthy Families' mission by contributing your artwork for our event. The Art of Caring Silent Art Auction will take place on Friday, February 10, 2017 at the Southbay Clubhouse Ballroom. We request that all donations be submitted by January 20<sup>th</sup>.

For more information, please contact Ginger Pavloff, event co-chair, at (732) 616-5773, (941) 966-8715 or e-mail: [ginpavloff@gmail.com](mailto:ginpavloff@gmail.com)

For more information on Healthy Families, visit [www.thefloridacenter.org](http://www.thefloridacenter.org) or [www.healthyfamiliesfla.org](http://www.healthyfamiliesfla.org)

### **From Elisabeth Trostli**

A Solo Exhibition of Digital Paintings by Elisabeth Trostli is titled "**L'Art Digitalique**".

Please visit Art Uptown Gallery, 1367 Main St., Sarasota. Show runs from January 28 to February 25. Artist's Reception will be on Friday, February 10 from 6 - 8 PM.

Elisabeth is also showing her Gallery of Digital Masques as a part of a Mixed Art Media Show titled "Infinite Mind". Proceeds will benefit the Neuro Challenge Foundation for Parkinson's.

"Infinite Mind" will be on exhibit at the Players Centre for the Performing Arts, 838 North Tamiami Trail, Sarasota FL 34236.

Show runs from January 9-Feb 7, 2017. The theater is open 10-4pm daily.

### **From Kathy Baiamonte**

Kathy Baiamonte will be showing her paintings at the Players Theater Feb.9 - Mar.15, 2017

'Beautiful Sarasota '

The reception is Wed. Feb. 15th 6:30-7:30 pm

Theater is open daily 10-4pm

838 North Tamiami Trail

Sarasota, Fl. 34236

### **From DIRCE KENNEDY**

Dirce Kennedy will have an exhibition, of her portraits, in the main lobby of THE PLAYERS THEATER. The Opening is WED, Feb, 15, 5:30-7pm. 831 Tamiami Trail, Sarasota.

I will be happy to see you there.

Thank you

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**The next News Update will be posted *January 30<sup>th</sup> 2017*:  
Please send any announcements you'd like to share by  
then: [jana.millstone@gmail.com](mailto:jana.millstone@gmail.com)**