



December Newsletter 2007

REMINDER!!!

There is no Membership Meeting in December.



Holiday Party

The Holiday Party has been cancelled because only 20 people responded to Barbara's lovely e-invitation. The LAA needed 100 guests, charging \$25. per person, for the Club to stay at this price. Hopefully, we will have a better turnout next year.

Plantation Club Gallery

"The Gift of Art"



"Poppies" a gouche painting by Brenda Turner



"Red Cardinal" a photograph by Sarah Lucas

"GIFT OF ART OPENING RECEPTION"

Please plan to join us for the opening reception on Friday, December 14th from 5:00 to 6:00 P.M. at the Plantation Club Gallery. The LAA will provide a fruit and cheese platter and a warm dip. There will be a member and cash bar. Please let me know if you are planning to attend. bermanb1@bellsouth.net or **Barbara Baroni at 598-4335**

In December, we will again have the "Gift of Art" at the Plantation Gallery. All members of the LAA are invited to display a painting. Ten percent of every piece of art sold will go to the charity of the buyer's choice. Everyone wins - the artist, the buyer and the charity. Last year, many charities benefited and few paintings were left!

The show will be hung on Wednesday, December 5th from 10:00 to 12:00. Each artwork will be marked with the artist's name, phone number, the medium, and the price. Each interested buyer will call the artist directly and arrange to meet the artist at Plantation to pick up their artwork. In its place, the artist will hang a white snowflake stating which charity received a donation. Remove your price label from the wall when you remove the painting, write the charity your buyer has chosen on the snowflake and put it on the hook where the painting was.

Snowflakes will be stored in the Pro Shop closet. Be aware the Pro Shop is closed on Mondays and open from 7- 5 all other days.

This year, Landlovers is supporting our efforts with announcements about the "Gift of Art" and its location at their two holiday luncheons on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 6th & 7th. Hundreds of women attend these two luncheons. This benefited sales last year and our hope is that even more snowflakes will adorn the walls at Plantation this year!

Tribute to Peggy

Peggy Hale's leadership during the past two and a half years has brought our organization to new levels of enjoyment and satisfaction. The new Artist of the Month format with the wine, cheese and fruit display, has produced a "can't be missed" monthly social event with more exposure for our artist members. She has set an organizational standard for our sales and has brought many new volunteers into the operation of our on-going activities, creating more leaders.

She obtained extended wall space at the Plantation Gallery. This is an asset for the artists as well as the Plantation Club. Now she is scrambling to find space to display larger works. Her idea "Gift of Art" for December Artist of the Month with 10% of the sale going to charity is another new venture for LAA.

She has taken the Fall Sidewalk Sale to greater heights with superb organization. The Spring Art in the Park and the Fall Sidewalk sales have grown with advertising reaching the city, not just our island. This planning will make the job easier for the next chairman.

Her push to encourage obtaining high quality digital photos of our paintings so they can be displayed in the Landings Journal as well as other advertising media is another plus to benefit the members with more positive exposure. Many artists have benefited from her expertise and years of experience. We will never know the major amount of time she has contributed to improve our organization. We are grateful for the many hours she has so graciously and generously volunteered.

GIFT of VOLUNTEERS

In addition to the monthly Plantation Gallery shows this fall, there were three LAA events: the Fall Show, Fall Sidewalk Sale and the Holiday Boutique. These hard working members made them possible:

Monthly Plantation Gallery Shows: Peggy Hale, Chair, Sally Jones, Pete Arrowsmith, Dennis Roth, Hank and Suzanne Croci, Tia Mekler, Phil Lavelly.

Fall Show: Sid Daniell, chair, Hank Brennan, Dale Blankenship, Barrie Cliff, Stu Evans, Sally Brown, Sally Jones.

Sidewalk Sale: Peggy Hale, chair Sally Jones, Tina Austing, Mary Giacchini, Sue and Bill Jessup,

Barrie Cliff, Nancy Dancu, Carol Young, Binnie Kurtzer, Blair Gensamer and Ed Pulkinen of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. (Ed had a painful kidney stone attack and still managed to drive to the island at 5am the morning of the show to deliver the trailer used to carry screens to the show.)

Holiday Boutique: Sandy Murck, chair, Gail Quinn

OPENING RECEPTION SAVANNAH WILD ACRES ARTISTS

Please join us for the opening reception of Savannah Wild Acres artists on Sunday, December 9th from 2 - 5 at the Jewish Educational Alliance on Abercorn St.

On display is a three year collection of work inspired or produced at the Wild Acres Retreat in North Carolina. Gayle Bolton, Sandra Edgar Davis, Sid Denham, Becky Frame, Edna Roeder and Ila Scholla are members of the LAA who have visited Wild Acres. Other Savannah artists include Normand Allen, Sandy Branam, Bob Friedman, Barbara Gentry, Bobbie Draft, Martha Love, Andrea Start, Kim Swann, Judy Trout, and Steve Willis.

PLEIN AIRE PAINTERS

If you would like to be part of the LAA Plein Aire painting group, which meets at various sites on Skidaway Island and beyond, one or two times a month, please contact **Paulette Cliff at 598-9409 Everyone is welcome!**

The LAA

is looking for more **volunteers** to get involved on committees. Share your talents with colleagues. Please contact a Board member with your interest.

UPCOMING EVENTS

David Ryden & Bruce O'Donnell at Cutters Point Coffee Shop in Sandfly

Starting December 1st, Bruce O'Donnell and David Ryden will collaborate for a one month showing at Cutters Point Coffee in Sandfly. Open daily till 6:00PM except Sunday.

Bruce does color photography using "traditional" techniques in a now digital environment. He uses the best archival elements in printing, finishing and framing. Wonderful scenes of South Georgia will be featured. David is a palette knife artist using oil. His art is infused with vivid color and defined strokes.



His "Christmas Tree" and a goose named "Reddi" and one named "Go" will be featured. And,

a larger portrait of Winston Churchill. **"Come see our show, have a great cup of coffee and enjoy."**

TOM JONES WATERCOLOR LANDSCAPES

APRIL 14 – 17, 2008

Do you want your painting to have a looser juicier look, more

bright color and a painting that turns the viewers head? Learn how to add those colorful darks that give your paintings drama. Tom focuses his workshop on teaching artists how to paint vibrant landscapes. He has demonstrated watercolor painting at the Florida Watercolor Society convention, an organization that has 1,500 members. To view his work, go to www.tomjonesartist.com. Tom will also demonstrate his painting skills at LAA's April 15th meeting, painting a scene from The Landings. He will donate this painting to the LAA.

The 4 day workshop will be held at the Skidaway Island State Park. Workshop fee is \$300. To reserve your place in this workshop, send a check for \$50, payable to the Landings Art Association, to Paulette Cliff, 2 Turtle Lane, 31411.

ATTENTION: **PASTEL ARTISTS**

Would you be interested in taking a 2 or 3 day pastel workshop with artist Greg Barnes?

Greg recently displayed his pastel landscape paintings at the Telfair Art Fair. He holds a BFA from Wake Forest University, and has a background in painting, printmaking, sculpture and figure drawing. His pastel paintings of marshes have realistic and impressionistic elements. Go to his web site at www.BarnesStudios.com to see his style of painting. Click on the icon of a palette with 2 brushes to see his "Recent Works". Greg has expressed an interest in teaching a 2 or 3 day pastel workshop here for the LAA. The

workshop probably would be part plein air and part studio time.

If you might have an interest in taking a workshop from Greg Barnes, please email Paulette Cliff at pcandbc@comcast.net or call 598-9409. If there is enough interest, we can go forward working out dates and fees with Greg for a pastel workshop.

PLANTATION DISPLAY

To hang your art in the monthly members' display at the Plantation Gallery, bring all ready-to-hang artwork on **the 1st Wednesday of the month between 10:00 and noon**. For more information, contact Fran Leighton, Chair, 598-9334. Rochelle Frank 598-2149 and Carrie Kellogg 598-4372 will be coordinators of the selection process which will begin January 1st and end March 15th.

Our WEBSITE

www.landingsart.org

Our Virtual Gallery is Open to the Public and it is open 24/7 to all viewers around the globe! Visit the website regularly to view our member "Artist Galleries" and for all your Association needs and much, much, more.

LAA NEWSLETTER

Please contact Jane Alpert at janemagic@aol.com or call her at 598-8287. We are particularly interested in members' artistic achievements and awards, exhibits, workshops, classes, publications, etc. **Deadline for getting articles into the newsletter is before the 20th of the month.**

THE GALLERY PRESENTS **"SAME FRAME OF MIND"**

Come see art, generated by the partners of the Gallery, in various sizes and mediums, all framed alike. Several partner are members of the LAA.

Please join us at **THE GALLERY**, 20 Jefferson Street, Center Court, City Market, Savannah, for our opening reception on Saturday, December 8th from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. The show runs through December 31st.



Featured Artist at the **Gallery**

Popular local artist, **Phil Stark** is the featured artist for *The Gallery*, from November 19 through January 7. Phil paints in oil, acrylic and watercolor. He is known for his watercolor scenes of Savannah and the lowcountry.

INSTRUCTION **ART VIDEOS**

Grace Rohland is the video librarian. Videos can be selected at the monthly members meeting or at Grace's home, 129 Mercer Rd., by appointment. Contact Grace at 598-8217 to make an appointment. Members are urged to return videos on time.

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