

WICHITA FALLS ART ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES -----JUNE 19, 2019

Meeting called to order by association president, Kim Ward.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- / Approval of minutes from the May association meeting.**
- / Jackie Phillips was unable to attend the meeting, so no treasury report given.**
- / Dotti LeSieur was unable to attend the meeting, so there was no gallery report.**
- / Robert Hollis won the drawing for the 2 pieces free gallery hanging.**
- / Cindy Thomas reminded members that the July Artwalk will be on the 11th instead of July 4th. It is still important that members not wait and bring in their artwork by the end of the month.**
- / Judy Braddy mentioned that during her gallery volunteering on weekends, she is having lots of visitors who bring in whole families. Some come from the farmers market and some from Sheppard AFB. Kim addressed that members are always welcome to visit at the gallery just to hang out and that it is also an opportunity to meet visitors that might be interested in your art.**

- / Art Opportunities :**
 - *Chisholm Trail Art Association...Art of the Song. Music inspired entries. August 1 deadline.**
 - *Mystery Art Fest at the Kemp Center. September 4th deadline.**
 - *Gainesville "Feel The Power" exhibit. Open show – all visual art mediums Delivery dates – September 8th and 9th.**
 - *State Fair of Texas – Deadline August 2nd**
 - *10th annual "Art Comes Alive". Online entry for all mediums. Deadline is August 1. <https://adcfineart.com/pages/aca-art-competition>**
 - *Murze International Photography call for entries. Deadline July 20. <https://www.murze.org/summer-photography>**
 - *Pastel Society of the Southwest. Juried exhibition. Deadline August 7th. Online submission - <http://www.onlinejuriedshows> and look for PSSW's 2019 juried exhibition.**

- / Ann Hunter – WFAA 70th Anniversary update :**

The next step, as we move forward, will be photographing members work for the anniversary book. Photographs of former member's work will also be included in the exhibition at the museum that starts mid-March of next year.

All members will be notified as the dates come up for photographing work. Torin Halsey will be taking the photographs. The committee talked and chose Torin since he is familiar with the process of photographing for a book. Anything framed does not have to be removed from the frame for photographing. Items that are under glass or plexiglass will need to be removed before photographing. Forms will be made available for permission and general information on the artist and art work. All anniversary events will be in 2020 even though the actual anniversary is this year. Mid March through April will be the historical exhibit at the museum of work back to the formation of the WFAA. In May there will be a dinner at The Forum since that is where the association began. Then in June there will be a membership exhibit at the Kemp center in the Northlight gallery. Work that you have in the book can also be shown in the June exhibit, but needs to have been completed in the last year. Artwork in the book can be any work that is representational of you as an artist.

Judy Braddy asked if the horse statues would be in the book. Since they were a Leadership Wichita Falls project they will not be featured, but they can be mentioned in the book as to what our member artists participated in.

/ Kim Ward stated that Odd Duck has asked for artists to set up in the patio area during the Artwalks. We will also be taking to them about artists hanging their work inside the shop.

/ Marion Helmick spoke that Healthy's Downtown would also like artists to set up in front of their place at 807 8th street. She will also be in contact with the owner about members hanging art inside, possibly on a monthly basis.

/ Bob Barrow – Art Battle Update

118 tickets have been sold to date. With guests and helpers, that brings the total to 150 +. The Art Battle and the WFAA are getting a lot of publicity through tv, radio and press releases. Everything is about the 70th anniversary of the WFAA. It started with artists and we are celebrating that, along with promoting the arts and growth for our organization. We are getting a lot of publicity for the arts itself. There is a comradery and an energy going into the battle and those attending can spread the word. There will be 14 tables that seat 8 and 10 set ups on the balcony. There is a wheel chair ramp and parking is available near the Times and P2. Be sure to talk to others about this event as it helps to sell tickets. Those members who cannot, or do not want to attend, please let Bob know so he can release the assigned discount code to new members.

Confirming - battle starts at 5:00 at The Warehouse on Lamar. Stone Oven Pizza will have pizza available for purchase and there is a cash bar.

Shout out to Bob Barrow for the tremendous amount of work he has put into this fundraiser.

Reminder that the finished art at the battle will be for sale by silent auction during the event.

/Robert Hollis presentation:

Robert Hollis showed members sketchbooks that he has doodled in in the course of his life, and also alongside sermon notes taken during church services. He stated they are very special treasures to him and can inspire both small and large pieces. Some of the art he displayed were on illustration board. He said he also likes using aluminum panels which are stable and archival.