**Sherman Artists Association**

**Meeting Minutes Wednesday July 20, 2024**

6:30 pm Sherman Senior Center, Sherman and Via Zoom

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**Meeting ID: 827 2897 8940 Passcode: SMq1nH**

**Link to Meeting Recording:** [**https://rb.gy/5mk5au**](https://rb.gy/5mk5au)

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**Attendees:**

Bethe Bogues, Christy Bonaiuto, Donna Castelluccio, Phylis Chadwick, Eva DeFranco, Linda Hubbard, Cathlee Kessman, Mike Kisner, Elizabeth Knowles, Jay King, Herb Kroeger, Charlene Leichter, Kenny Litwack, Susan Locke, Christina Maschke, Cynthia O’Connor, Doreen O’Connor, Kathy Marks Peck, Steve Pica, Jackie….

**Meeting Agenda**

**Introductions – Linda**

**Guest Speaker – Christina Maschke**

Many thanks to Christina for her discussion on leveraging your art and all her tips and tricks to printing your art on various products using sublimation printing. The demo on printing a mug was extremely interesting and the mug raffle was a fun bonus! Thanks again Christina. For all Christina’s insights check out her presentation and handout. <https://www.shermanartists.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/image0-17-scaled.jpeg>

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**Business Meeting**

**- Sherman Artists Meeting June: Bethe**

**Outcome: Minutes Approved**

 **- Financial Update:  Jeff**

Outcome- no financial available for July meeting

**- Membership: Bethe/Ginny**

Discussion- Membership Fees of $30 due June 1, 2024.

* + - * Payment reminder going out end of July
			* Members are asked to pay via on line link and not to send checks to Linda

 so that recording is more easily done from one source

* + - * 81 members to date

 -**SAA Annual Picnic July 17 6-8pm hosted by Ginny Schaffer**

* 45 have accepted to date

 **Action:**

* Bethe to send out membership fee reminder to all members
* Jeff to provide June/July Financials during August meeting
* Ely to send out follow up picnic invite

 **- Organization:**

* SAA Program Chair needed
* Grant Opportunity – Amber
* Publicity Comm - New section on Website: Blog – will contain presentations given at

 meetings (How to Photograph Artwork, How to Write an Artist Statement, etc)

**Events/ Committees:  Updates**

**-   LAND Gallery Featured Artist – Linda & Charlene**

**- June Artist:** Cindy O’Connor extended into July 4

* **July Artist:** Christy Bonaiuto “Fluid Fusion**”**

July 13 3-5pm Opening

 July 14 1-2pm Demo

 **- August:** Charlene Leichter – Opening Saturday August 3, 3-5 pm

 **- September:** Liz Rosiello

* **Art Jam @Sherman Library – Bethe**
	+ Beginning in Sept will start again but change to Saturdays 10am-1pm

**-   ART FEST – Lynn Slonaker.   June 21-23**

* Many thanks to Lynn and all that helped and showed in this event
* Learnings:
	+ Went well:
		- Location liked by majority (brighter, bigger, AC better, more space inside and out, better customer flow)
		- Organization/communications for event
	+ Improvements:
		- Need better configuration and signage to identify that show is inside as well as outside
		- Payment due at registration
		- Might need smaller tables
		- Wi-Fi access needed improvement
		- Additional sign ups needed for reception food and setup and breakdown
		- Help with publicity needed

**Action:**

Remember to pick up street signs and bring to August meeting

**-      August Light – Kent Art Show.   August 1-31 - Kathy Peck Chair**

* 30 artists and 100 images sent in
* July 25Kent Association contract and payment due
* Dropoff – 7/30 and 7/31 1-5pm in Kent
* Show to be hung – 8/1 10am
* Gallery Sitting: Thursday- Saturday 1-5 and Sunday 12-4 (volunteers needed)
* Discussed People’s choice prizes

Action:

All participants – look for sign up genius from Charlene to volunteer for event sitting and opening refreshments

Kathy to work with Linda to develop process for People’s Choice awards

* Farm Day – October 5 - Blake Kotenbrink
* Live 4 Art – November - Kenny Litwack
* Open Studios 2024 – Dec 7 & 8 – Bethe Bogues & Christy Bonaiuto

* **Art Exhibits & Happenings - in Sherman and Surrounding Areas**
	+ Sherman Library: Herb Kroeger “My World” June 21-July 24
* Susan Locke “Lions & Tigers & Bears Oh My! Photographs July 26-Sept 4
* Christina Maschke: New Milford Public Library from June 14 - July 24
* White Silo – July Terry Pasquale
* New Milford Pubic Library – Steve Habersang June 14 – July 24
* Mystic Outdoor Art Fest – Christina Maschke Aug 10 & 11
* Merwinsville Hotel – Christina Machke and Cindy O’Conner – Award Winners
* Kent Arts Association – Members Show – Kenny Litwack “Best in Show Award”
* Arts Mid-Hudson Poughkeepsie, NY – Phylis Chadwick July 11 – August 18
* White Silo – Christy Bonaiuto - Sept
* Apple Fest September 28
* Gallery 25 – Exposure Show 8/9 – 8/25

**Reminders:**

**-       Facebook:  Post your events….like, comment and share**

**-      Support your fellow artists… go to the openings, the artist talks… be part of**

 **our artist community.**

**Next Meeting:  August 14, 2024, 6:30 pm Sherman Senior Center – Speaker Terry Pasqule**

**For more information, visit our website:  www. ShermanArtists.org.  (Please note - we**

**have had website hosting issues and are working on correcting the problem)**