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CORAL SPRINGS ARTIST GUILD



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Newsletter

Letter from Treasurer and CSAG Member Lester Wolfe

Dear Coral Springs Artist Guild Members,

I am writing this letter with my deepest regret. Over the last 11 years and 4 CSAG Presidents, I have served this organization as Treasurer. I remember board meetings with a room full of people. Now when the board meets only four people are usually present, Laurianne, Robert, Janet and me.

Friends, this doesn't even follow the 80-20 rule of any organization. This rule states that in a successful group 20% of the members serve as officers or chairpersons. We have 40 members. Do the math.

The member support for the Guild has been declining since our 30th anniversary which was 8 years ago. The current board and I are tired and frustrated. Look at the column on the left and note the unfilled positions and the number of board members doing 2 or more jobs.

As you know, March is when the Candidate Selection Committee, composed of members not serving as current officers, is to seek volunteers to be nominated/elected for the following year's board. We have no one who has volunteered for the Candidate Selection Committee and only two people have expressed interest in serving on next year's board.

If we do not get more nominees for the 2012-2013 board, then with great sadness at the May board meeting, I will bring forth a vote for the suspension of the Coral Springs Artist Guild as of June 1, 2012.

CSAG Calendar of Events

What: Board Meeting
Where: Laurianne Macdonald's house
11944 NW 30th Ct., Coral Springs
When: Monday, April 2nd at 7pm

What: Coral Springs Festival of the Arts—
Volunteers Artwork Drop Off
Where: Laurianne Macdonald's house
11944 NW 30th Ct., Coral Springs
When: Friday, March 16th, 10am-noon

Call Laurianne at 954-255-8325 to arrange a drop off on an earlier day or a different time.

Remember there is a \$10 contribution to CSAG for hanging each piece of artwork in the tent at the festival.

What: Annual CSAG Spring Open Juried
Exhibit: "Pen, Paint & Pixels"
Where: Coral Springs Museum of Art
Lobby Gallery
When: April 4-April 29, 2012
Intake—April 3rd, 9am-noon
Reception date—April 10th, 6-8pm
Pickup—April 30th, 10am-noon

Coral Springs Museum of Art



February 11 ~ April 21, 2012

All Aboard
Artistic History of the Railroad
Guest Curator:
John Childrey

February 24 ~ April 21, 2012

Candy Childrey

Photography

Cesar Barroso

Photography

Nester Guzman

Sculpture



Saturday Chatauqua Programs

March 24

Alternative Traditional Bluegrass Band

March 31

Dance Dimensions - Program begins at 4pm

Call the Museum at 954.340.5000 for more information.

CHALK IT UP FOR ART!!



March 10th is the date for the second annual Coral Springs Museum of Art's Chalk It Up For Art!! This fun-filled event from 9am to 3pm will feature sidewalk chalk art for artists ages 6+ years, professional or amateur or teams up to 4 members. The registration and design submission deadline is March 8th. Time is short so call or email rjoyce@coralsprings.org (subject line: chalk it up). Since this is a public family event, all artwork must be appropriate. No violence, gore, nudity, commercial or political statements will be accepted.

The fee for a set of sidewalk chalks and a 4' x 5' image space will be \$25, paid at the time of registration. Participants need to check in at the museum at 8am. The Awards Ceremony and refreshments will be at 3pm. So bring your kneepads and lets get chalking!

8TH ANNUAL CORAL SPRINGS FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

A Weekend of ART in the HEART of the city



The Coral Springs Festival of the Arts is a cultural destination celebrating the arts and bringing focus to the downtown area. It attracts 30,000-40,000 people from all over South Florida. CSFOA is scheduled for the weekend of March 17-18th and is open from 10am-5pm at The Walk on University Drive just south of Sample Road. The event features a professional juried art and craft show with over 175 fine artisans and crafters as well as literary workshops by professional writers at Barnes and Noble.

CSAG member, Ezi Algazi, is the Signature Artist selected for 2012. As well as a tent for Ezi's artwork (pictured on left), the Coral Springs Artist Guild will have a tent with member artwork on display, member volunteers to answer questions and a working on-site artist.

If you are interested in volunteering to man the tent for a 2 hour period, contact Laurianne Macdonald as soon as possible. The drop off of your artwork for tent display is Friday, March 16th between 10am and noon at her house. She will be setting up the tent and artwork at 4am on Saturday, March 17th, the day of the festival.

CSMART ARTIST IN RESIDENCE 2012

Imagine Florida with Jan Kolenda

Ceramic artist, Jan Kolenda, with ceramics assistant, Ry Neilson and 10 student volunteers will be creating a ceramic sculpture 5' tall x 11' long x 9' wide. It will resemble a scroll placed on its long edge with a fold at one end and rolled edges at the other.

The Imagine Florida scroll will depict a panoramic view of Broward County from ocean reef to beach on one side and hardwood hammock to Everglades on the other. The surface of the structure will be in relief and will contain countless hidden creatures buried in the design. The ceramic material will be hard fired stoneware with a heavily textured surface and carvings. The sculpture will be cut into sections, fired and reassembled. Whether this will be an indoor or outdoor installation is yet to be determined.

Jan will be mentoring the 10 Advanced Placement Art student volunteers. They will be working with her 6 hours a week during the 10 week project, learning how to conceptualize, verbalize, plan, measure, implement, market and produce large scale sculpture pieces.





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Email from the Art Teacher at Stoneman Douglas High School

Thank you, Laurianne. It took me a while to get back regarding (the Scholar Award) but I hope this does not reflect disinterest. My students gear up each year for the visit from CSAG.

The students are very thrilled and excited to have their work viewed and judged. They understand that each of them have a chance to win or not win. I tell them it's like the lottery, you can't win if you don't play. They have also read several articles regarding success in others' eyes versus personal success. They totally understand the ups and downs of being judged.

It is a wonderful act of generosity and support of the arts when CSAG comes to choose a winner. I speak for the students when I say we are very thankful and appreciative.

I have provided financial support myself to students from my own pocket. I truly feel artists' try to lift others up in support of the important thing in life...people pursuing the expression of their soul. I believe how we treat each other is how the next generation learns.

Brooke Anderson, Art Teacher
Stoneman Douglas High School

Message from the CSAG President

Sadly I have not heard from anyone about volunteering for the departing board positions.

Due to the continuing lack of commitment to the running of the Coral Springs Artist Guild, I have the terrible job of reporting that the upcoming Coral Springs Museum of Art event, "Pen, Paint, & Pixel", could be our last. I have held the position as president for five years. A short list of others such as Al Rosenfeld, Loretta Herman, Janet Little, Lester Wolfe, Bob and Eleanor Richter have proudly honored us with their commitment and dedication for many more years than that. But it is time and our desire to move on. We so hoped there would be those willing

to continue where we left off. A nomination form is included in the prospectus for the April museum exhibit. By the April board meeting, if there are no nominees for next year's board, the Coral Springs Artist Guild will have no choice but to take a hiatus. Though no decision will be made until the April board meeting, please be aware that our board meeting in May might be our last.

I must also announce the rescinding of the 3 month themed juried exhibit in the Time Out Art & Frame prospectus. The lack of participation made it impossible for us to continue the exhibit with prizes or to dedicate our time and effort on the pro-

ject. All subsequent schedules on the prospectus are voided.

Though it seems rather superfluous in the light of recent events, I have signed us up for the Chalk It Up For Art event at the Coral Springs Museum of Art on March 10th, 9am - 3pm. The museum can always use our help. Please call to volunteer or come enjoy the event and show your support.

The postmark deadline for the next, and possibly last, museum exhibit entry form is March 27th. The post office is slower than it used to be, so if you can send it in earlier, please do so.

Laurianne Macdonald
CSAG President

Message from the Vice President—Bob Grauer

The Pen, Paint and Pixel exhibit at the Coral Springs Museum of Art is only a few weeks away. Time to fill out that prospectus and get your masterpieces ready to display. This annual spring exhibit always brings out the best in our members. The amount of talent we have in our guild always amazes me. I am looking forward to see-

ing everyone at the intake on April 3rd 10AM-Noon. Good luck to everyone!

Are you framing any new art or have to replace the glass on an existing frame? Lowe's has a very high quality Acrylic that is thicker and more durable than most and at a fairly reasonable price. The

optical purity is excellent and I will be using it instead of plexi-glass. They also carry plexi-glass for those special pieces worth the extra expense. Unlike their competition, Lowes will cut your order to whatever size you need at no charge.