

NEWSLETTER

Two Great Meetings Planned

Nancy McKay on April 7, Dominic Pangborn on April 21

Nancy McKay and Dominic Pangborn will be featured at JCAA meetings April 7 and 21. **Nancy McKay** will provide a lecture/demonstration entitled *Digital Image Making as an Interpretive Medium*. She will show examples of her work and demonstrate the process she uses to create expressive imagery. Participants will have the opportunity to try silk painting with prepared images. Attend this session to learn more about the process and consider taking Ms. McKay's workshop to be offered April 28 - 29, 2015.

The JCAA and the Ella Sharp Museum are collaborating to bring artist, designer, and entrepreneur **Dominic Pangborn** to the Museum on April 21.

Mr. Pangborn will be honored at the **"Michigan in Motion" Reception** from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. The reception will acknowledge and thank Mr. Pangborn for the donation of his artwork entitled "Michigan in Motion" which was awarded the Third Place Prize in the Three Dimensional Public Vote Award at the 2014 *Artprize* competition in Grand Rapids. JCAA

members are invited to attend the reception.

At 6:30 Mr. Pangborn will present ***The Art of Creativity*** at the JCAA meeting. As noted on the Park West Gallery website, his artwork "is always changing and he's fearless in his approach. He credits his unique childhood for the constant evolution in his creative life." Don't miss this rare opportunity to hear and see this highly acclaimed and accomplished artist.

Welcome New Members

**Lisa Brown, Joyce Kent,
Kellison King, and Jean Weir.**

Schedule Your Summer Now - Go AWOL!

Our **Gerald C. Hill**, aka Jerry, will be leading a workshop **July 9 - 11**. The workshop, entitled **"Going AWOL"** will be held Thursday - Saturday at Redeemer Lutheran Church. All paint mediums (Acrylic, Oil, Watercolor Learning) are welcome. More information to come!

Notice to Members

Election of Board Members and Officers May 19

At our Annual Meeting on May 19, 2015, we'll elect JCAA Board members and officers. A slate of board members and officers will be recommended by the Nominating Committee. The committee is responsible for recommending members to fill vacant board positions which exist because of resignation, or term expiration. (Terms for board members are two years in length.)

The officers of the board include the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The terms of officers are one year in length.

Nominating Committee members, announced at the March 17 JCAA Meeting, include **Julie Highlen, Linda Alyea, and Lori Swope Sten.**

The responsibilities of the nominating committee are established in the JCAA Constitution. The constitution may be found in the JCAA Membership Directory. The constitution also describes the duties of each office.

If you'd like to serve on the board, please contact one of the Nominating Committee members.

Art 'a Loan Volunteers Needed

Attention JCAA members. We have been intricate players in coordinating the Art 'a Loan Program for Jackson County Students, K-12, since 2007. Ella Sharp Museum has promising new staff working with us this year - very helpful. With this being said, I would like to encourage JCAA members to contribute their time. During the month of May we pick up art from Jackson County schools, jury, and return the artwork back to the schools. We could easily use 10-12 people during this time of picking up and returning to schools. Additional opportunities to help will be available in future months. The more help - the merrier the helpers!

Thanks,
Julie Highlen
Volunteer Coordinator of Art 'a
Loan 2015

JCAA Exhibition at Art 634

The JCAA has been invited to submit art work for an exhibition planned at Art 634. Only JCAA members are eligible to participate in this exhibition. The exhibition will run August 1 - 31, 2015. Members may participate in the exhibit by completing an entry form/ contract. More information will be available soon.

Quote

"Go into the arts. I'm not kidding. The arts are not a way to make a living. They are a very human way of making life more bearable. Practicing art, no matter how well or badly, is a way to make your soul grow, for heaven's sake. Sing in the shower. Dance to the radio. Tell stories. Write a poem to a friend, even a lousy poem. Do it as well as you possibly can. You'll get an enormous reward. You will create something."

Kurt Vonnegut

This quote was suggested by Ed Browning.



Sharon Sunday demonstrates the use of acrylic paints on reusable Gelli plates at the March 3 JCAA meeting. Those in attendance were given the opportunity to try the technique.

Calendar

Fri. April 3, 10, 17, & 24, 2015

Figure Drawing, 9-noon, \$8 at Ella.

Tues. April 7, 2015

JCAA meeting, Nancy McKay demo on Painting Silk Digitally. Doors open at 6 p.m., meeting at 6:30. Vote for Artist of the Month.

Wed. April 15, 2015

Registration deadline for "Celebrate Spring in Plein Air" workshop.

Fri. April 17, 2015

JCAA Board Meeting. 1 to 3 p.m. at Ella.

Tues. April 21, 2015

JCAA meeting, Dominic Pangborn, The Art of Creativity. Ella's Reception 5 to 6 p.m., meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Fri. April 24, 2015 **Please call Mary Tallman to confirm.**

Portrait Art, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Ella, \$8. Bring a drop-cloth for wet media.

Tues - Fri. May 5-7, 2015

Workshop, "Celebrate Spring in Plein-Air," 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Location TBD.

Tues. May 5, 2015

JCAA Meeting, Prof. Sam Knecht art critiques. Doors open at 6 p.m., meeting at 6:30. Vote for Artist of the Month.

The Jackson Civic Art Association (JCAA) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation which promotes visual art in the Jackson area through lectures, discussion, and mutual association; and the skills of individual members. Membership is open to artists and those interested in art.

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