

**October
2010**



Hello everyone,

Whether it's art sales, recognition, support, learning, the fellowship of others artists or enriching art in our community, it's that something that pulls us in. It is that one element or a combination of those elements we strive to find in an art organization. This month of October provides us with just that!

Enriching our community with art and giving back, that's what we've done in, already, our fourth year of Art à Loan, supporting young artists in our community. Located in the Hurst Gallery at the Ella, the Art à Loan young artist exhibit, is now up through October 17. Come view the exhibit and meet the young artists at a reception on Sunday, October 17, from 2-4 p.m. I guarantee you will see many delighted young faces and amazing art work! Please spread the word, that after the exhibit comes down, we are looking for sponsors to rent the art work to display in a public space through next October.

I have to give a special plug for the two workshops coming up. You asked for them and Ed Browning and his workshop committee has delivered. This is our bread and butter. Our way to make a little money to support all the marvelous demonstrations and events we put on for you, our membership. So please take advantage of them and support JCAA. Aaron Bivins will be here Oct. 9 to help you create a series of your own watercolor paintings. Mary Rochelle Burnham is coming back by demand, Oct. 19 and presenting another great portrait workshop. If it's learning and fellowship your looking for, here you are. It's a enjoyable way to meet other artists!

If it is sales and recognition you seek, the Potter Center Show, at the Jackson Community College Potter Center, and the Jackson Symphony Orchestra Show, at the JSO Building downtown, will give you a chance to get your art out there and be seen. For new members, it's a way to get your feet wet. Keep in mind the critique and art history presentations coming up at the October meetings.

My hope is that JCAA is fulfilling your art experience. The board is working very hard to do so. Send us any suggestions you have on art topics

that you wish to see. Don't forget to check out the JCAA website www.jacksoncivicart.org. Send it to a friend.

Best of luck this October in your artistic endeavors!

Beth Voulgaris

Caricature by Mary Rochelle

GRAND RAPIDS CALLING

Ave Veneklasen accepted to the "ARTPRIZE"



exhibit in Grand Rapids which is in The Waters Building (the BOB), Suite 112, 161 Ottawa NW. The top prize is \$250,000. Her piece is titled "The Peacock/Aquarium Panels". Ave needs votes to win. Go to www.artprize.org for more information.

CHECK OUR WEBSITE

Mary Burnham and Sylvia Wymer finalized the new JCAA website jacksoncivicart.org. The header on this newsletter comes from their website design. A new special feature is "Shout Out" that gives us a chance to put in our two cents regarding coming events or our own achievements and suggestions. Secondly, there is an "Events" link where members can post their events on the web in a PDF, copy ready format. Submit "Events" to webmaster@jacksoncivicart.org. *Above all, this is a major marketing step in sales for JCAA artists*, because, on the JCAA website members show and sell their art work, **world wide**. This has already happened; ask Mary.

ON JTV THIS PAST WEEK

Craig Cosey and Mary Rochelle were guests of JTV's **Bart Hawley**, Tuesday September 21st. Their discussion will include their careers and the JCAA. For those who miss

Bart Hawley



the broadcast a copy may be available to JCAA members at a future meeting. We extend our congratulations to **Betty Kochan** who conceived the idea. We also want to acknowledge and thank Betty for giving Mary Ellen relief from Secretarial duties. Mary Ellen's health dictates a needed rest for awhile.

ART `A LOAN

The Art `a Loan exhibit is open this week through the 17th of October at the Ella. The reception is Sunday, October 17th, and Beth needs volunteers for the reception to set-up, serve food, and be greeters. Members please know that the Art `a Loan is a JCAA program for students K through 12, and is intended to not only promote visual communication, *it absolutely shows students that we adults share an interest in their education and development.* This is extremely important to students living in today's social environment. Rather than just think how nice this is, **call Beth at 517.262-2350 and help out; just do it.**

CHANGES TO MEMBER DIRECTORY

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 Joe and Jan Patrell - 9960 Tioga Ct., Pinckney, MI 48169, phone 734.648-0159 (same email)

MEMBER NEWS

Gerald Hill had by-pass heart surgery a week ago. He is home now and Beverly is showering him with love and attention.

Joyce Pierson had a bad fall fracturing her knee in several places. Joyce is grateful for family and friends who visit and get her out when she wants.

Candice Murphy is home from a visit with her new Granddaughter. Candice is our Publicity Chairperson.

ANNUAL POT-LUCK DINNER

We members always enjoy a family get-together and Beredo was our Chairperson for this event and it was



complete with floral arrangements on all tables. In addition to the wonderful meat dishes brought by Sue, we had



a wide variety of pasta, veggie, and desert dishes

members. Featured this year was a show and tell



exhibit by members, some who are working with new media's. It's helpful to get some feedback and personal suggestions from

fellow artists. That is how the old masters developed their techniques, and continues here in Jackson's art colony.

OCTOBER ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Pauline Harmon's painting of Sophie gave us this month's winning art. Sophie is her son and daughter-in-law's pet, and the portrait is their Christmas present.



Pauline used water soluble oil paints for background effect and Sophie as well. Pauline loves to paint pets and as well very exotic subjects, like big cats, or wolves, or your favorite puppy.

WORKSHOPS

FYI from Chair **Julie Highlen, the Aaron Bivins** workshop has 10 artists enrolled. That means the workshop will be a go. If you're planning to take this send Julie your enrollment form ASAP.

Mary Burnham Rochelle's workshop is set for October 19th in the Community Room at the Ella, 9AM to 4PM. See the enclosed flyer. All of Mary's past workshops were booked early. So please send in your enrollment form ASAP.

EXHIBITS AROUND TOWN

September/October

Baker College Marjorie Castle – Carolyn Siler
Carnegie Library Photo Club/Joanne Schuler
Meijer Branch OPEN
Y-Center OPEN

COMING EVENTS AM = Artist of the Month

Oct. 5 – Barbara Lock Art Historian, "Portraits through History", not just another pretty face. This program touches all of us in art.

Oct. 19 – Critique with Mary Burnham.

Members are encouraged to bring their art for a thoughtful and beneficial critique.

Nov. 2 – Extreme Makeover with Gerald Hill. This program sheds a new light to fixing a picture that eludes an artist.

PARTING THOUGHT

Our sincere appreciation to **Diane and Art Rockall** who published last month's newsletter.

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