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THE ART QUILT ASSOCIATION ◇ August 2011 Newsletter

The goal of AQuA is to explore textile manipulation and the diversity of mixed media as an art form.

Next Meeting: August 20th, Goodwill Industries meeting room

- September 16th, Goodwill Industries Meeting Room
- October 21st, Goodwill Industries Meeting Room
- November 11th, Goodwill Industries Meeting Room
- December: No meeting scheduled

Steering Committee Members

Head Steer: Kathy Pfeufer

AQuA Steering Committee Members: Nancy Dobson, Kathy Pfeufer, Kathy Schattleitner, Carole O'Brien, Susanne Barnhart, Carol Patten, Marla Ferguson

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Treasurer's Report: Kathy Schattleitner requests the following treasury report be appended to these minutes: AQuA has paid for the Goodwill Industries room until the end of 2011 and has reserved it 6 months into 2012. We have approximately \$5700.00 in the treasury.

July Meeting Notes (Thank you Carol Patten)

- Susan Van Voorhees opened the meeting with a brief talk about scheduling future mini-workshops. Mini-workshops seem to be most effective following shorter meetings, i.e. when there is no turn-in for exhibitions, no program like the July Pot Luck and White Elephant sale, no major program. Susan will keep us informed regarding this schedule. There is none planned for August meeting because it is the turn-in date for the Pacific International Quilt Festival (PIQuF).
- Gjeneve Hopkinson started a brief discussion regarding the Maggie Weiss Sheer Bliss Workshop (held Thursday and Friday, July 14th and 15). The feedback from those attending was very positive.
- Terry Lee gave a brief run-down on upcoming exhibitions & turn-in dates:
 1. Pacific International Show – "Curvaceous", turn-in Saturday August 20, 2011 meeting Show dates, October 13th through October 16th.
 2. Glenwood Springs – Colors of the Rockies Exhibition, turn-in Saturday September 17, 2011 meeting. AQuA's theme for this & the Alaska exhibition is "Random Acts of Fiber". The format is the 12 x 12 mat, with 8" x8" opening. Limited to one entry

per artist. These pieces will be for display only, not for sale. This exhibition will be held at the Ramada Inn in Glenwood Springs, September 30th thru October 2, 2011.

3. Alaska-"Random Acts of Fiber". These pieces will also be matted in the 12x12-8x8 format. The pieces made for the Glenwood Springs exhibit can serve dual-purpose and be included in the Alaska exhibit. At this time only two entries per artist; however, this may change as we get closer to the event. Entry date will be the January 21, 2012 meeting. The exhibition dates are March 17th and 18th, 2012.
4. Mancuso show in Denver, May 3rd through May 6th, 2012. The suggested themes were 'A Walk in the Woods', and 'Illuminations'. A vote resulted in a 13:13 tie. So a coin was tossed and our chosen theme became 'Illuminations'. These pieces will be due the meeting in March 2012.
5. There will be two shows in late summer 2012. Our entries will appear in both venues. The turn-in date will be determined. There will be one theme to be announced in the future. The shows are-World Quilt Show-New England in August 16-19, 2012 and Pennsylvania National Quilt Extravaganza in September 13-16 2012

Check www.theartquiltassociation.com for additional information regarding any of these exhibitions.

- Marla Ferguson gave a brief report on the Atrocities show which appeared at The Art Center with Grand Valley Peace and Justice sponsoring. Marla is still researching possible future venues for these quilts.
- Gjeneve gave a brief report on the KAFM opening (Friday July 15, 2011). Those in attendance agreed the venue; especially the lighting and hanging were very nice.
- Jan Rickman will be looking for additional venues in town for AQuA displays such as Planet Wine.
- Eldrid Schafer offered information regarding a call for entries with **Southwest Art** magazine. Further information will be available on the AQuA website.
- Gjeneve reported Pat Sprague and Nancy Vanaken have resigned as "quilt police". Susan Strickland and Rita Fausson have volunteered to fill those positions.
- A suggestion has been made regarding the possible need for an additional critique group. We discussed the value/s and function of a critique group. If anyone has an interest in being part of or helping to form such a group, please get in touch with one of the Steers. You will be put in touch with others with a similar interest.
- Jan Rickman reported sales are being made at the Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum. Before Jan gathered additional entries, they were passed around for viewing
- Trina Stancil announced upcoming classes at Fabric Arts Studio. A Decolorant Class (Unlike discharge, decolorants not only remove existing color from the fabric but add new color). And an Encaustics class on August 16th (Waxing Poetic with Nick Coleman). For further information go to Fabric Arts Studio website or give them a call.
- Show & Tell included samples of Sheer Bliss pieces, soy wax batik, & Ink classes, Renee Herring and Jeanette Davis have collage pieces currently at the Art Center.

- Gjeneve announced her retirement as Head Steer and reported Kathy Pfeufer has volunteered to take on that job for the next few months, until a longer-term replacement can be found.

Calendar of Events

August 20 – AQuA meeting – “Curvaceous” entries due.

Chairmen – Terry Lee, Christie Barton, Jan Warren

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2. Entry form is on the website

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Chairman – Terry Lee.

3. Glenwood Springs – Colors of the Rockies Exhibition, turn-in Saturday September 17, 2011 meeting. AQuA’s theme for this & the Alaska exhibition is “Random Acts of Fiber”. The format is the 12 x 12 mat, with 8” x8” opening. Limited to one entry per artist. These pieces will be for display only, not for sale. This exhibition will be held at the Ramada Inn in Glenwood Springs, September 30th thru October 2, 2011.

Other Events

Art Opportunities

The Arts Commission Council is putting out a call for more art to hang at Two Rivers Convention Center. It must be 2 dimensional and representative of the Grand Junction area. There are not size limitations and the pieces may or may not be for sale (I do not know whether any percentage is taken - may not be). So far, only paintings and photographs are there, and those were hung last Friday. Quilts would need to have a slat and hook, as pieces are being hung from a nail. The show will be up until the end of December.

Questions? Contact Lorie Gregor at Grand Junction Parks and Recreation. (970)- 254-3876 or lorieg@gjcity.org

Letter to AQuA from Jane of The Fabric Arts Studio

Dear Friends in AQuA,

After much thought, I have decided now is the time to make a transition at the Fabric Arts Studio. Originated as "a place to be creative", I will develop that theme, and phase out the retail portion in the next 2 weeks.

The classroom space and supplies will remain, and I plan to book classes as we have the past year, and offer rental use to other groups. The AQuA Mini-workshops will continue, as you reserve the space. I will coordinate all the activities in the studio, so book through me.

Mary Hertert, of Color Creek Studios, is our first artist-in-residence and has rented the kitchen side of the studio to create and dye her fabulous pieces. Starting August 18th, two other artist's spaces will be

available. Know any painters, collage artists, or art quilters who need more room to work and want to rent studio space? Please refer them to me and give them my number: 589-0473.

New opportunity! You are the first to know; I am establishing a Handi-Quilter Co-Op. The machine is happy upstairs in a great space. For \$30 a month (limit of 25 people) with a 12-month obligation, though payable monthly, you can be guaranteed, at least, one day to quilt on the longarm. This is a \$300 value!! If you would like to be trained on the HQ16, I can arrange that also.

BIG MOVING SALE!! 40% off – AUGUST 13th – 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Everything from the retail section! Come one, come all, and tell your friends. Threads! Books! Fabric! Gifts, and much more! I appreciate all the support you have given me since I opened the Studio, and I hope you'll continue to use it as "a place to be creative."

Love and blessings,

Jane Aldoretta

Show & Tell

Sheer Bliss. Photos from the workshop by

