

Schoolhouse Quarterly

The Centennial Art Center of Hamburg, Inc.

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Classes and Events

Mondays

Studio Sessions 10 - 2 p.m.
Life Drawing 7 - 9:45 p.m.

Tuesdays

Jan. Feb. Mar.
*Watercolor/
Colored Pencils Class*
Noon - 2:30 (p. 3)

Wednesdays

Portrait Sessions 7-10 p.m.

Thursdays

Studio Days 10 - 2 p.m.

Saturdays

Feb. 12 9:30 - Noon
Mar. 12 9:30 - Noon
Apr. 16 9:30 - Noon
Children's Art Club (p.3)

Sundays

Screen Printing Class
January 16-February 20
Noon - 4:00 p.m. (p.3)

November 9 - December 3

Fall Members' Show

December 3

3:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Fall Show Pick up

Thursday, December 2

6:30 p.m.,
Holiday Dinner/Member Mtg.

February 24, 7:00 p.m.

CAC Board Meeting

March 24, 7:00 p.m.

Annual Members Meeting
featuring Vicky Schneider



Front row: Dorothy Markert, Catherine O'Neill, Mary Ahrens, Show Chair, Judi Witt
Back row: Dave Lesinski, Dom DiPaolo, Jack Edson, Fritz Raiser, Joe Lesinski, CAC President- Bob Hill

Winners of the Fall Member's Show

Best of Show - *Catherine O'Neill*, "Touching Down", watercolor;
1st Place - *Jack Edson*, "Night Departure", collage; 2nd Place - *Fritz Raiser*, "60's Tea", watercolor; 3rd Place - *Dom Dipaolo*, "Rocky", pastel; Grace Rosati Award - *Joe Lesinski*, "White Wolf II", oil; Honorable Mention: *Mary Ahrens*, "Shrimp Boats in Fog", oil; *Dave Lesinski*, "Lily Pad Pink", oil; *Dorothy Markert*, "The Brendel Building Hamburg, NY," silkscreen. Judge of Show was *Jacqueline Welch* of Mount Mercy Academy. Congratulations to all.

Local Artisan to Demonstrate Lampworking

At the Thursday, March 24th Members' Meeting, the CAC will welcome a new artisan to the area. *Vicki Schneider* has mastered the art of lampworking, the ancient art of sculpting glass through the use of flame. Vicki took her first class years ago at the Corning Museum of Glass and has been making beautiful jewelry and intricate sculptures ever since.

Dave Lesinski and Pat Eberle of the CAC, interviewed Vicki at her studio "Expressive Glass" in Woodlawn. She graciously explained the process of melting colored glass rods into lovely beads and tiny sculptures. For our meeting, she will augment her lecture with photos and examples of her work. You won't want to miss this opportunity to learn something new.

From the President

Fall seemed short-lived and winter is close. I hope you took advantage of the good weather. As fall ended, we had another successful Annual Member Show thanks to Chairmen Judi Witt and Mary Ahrens.

Besides our Show, members coordinated weekly programs giving members and residents many hours to pursue portrait and life drawing and painting, plein air painting, and studio time at the Schoolhouse as well as offering the Fall Art Club for Children. Instructional programs included Pat Burger's successful Watercolor/Colored Pencils class and Judi Witt's "Found Object Demonstration" at the September Member Meeting. Judi's presentation sparked interest and hands-on involvement as she taught participants to create their own mosaic art using mosaic materials and their personal found objects.

Our Winter Quarter programs are included in this issue. We have planned an exciting program on working with glass following the Annual Membership Meeting to be held in March. A recent Hamburg Sun article focused on Vicki Schneider's work, approach, and local business. See our article in this issue and plan to attend.

Winter is a wonderful time to enjoy art galleries. The National Art Gallery, Washington D.C., was spectacular on a recent visit and I was able to take photos of many famous paintings. If you can't visit in person, visit on the Internet. If you don't have a computer or you need a specific web address, head to the library to use a computer and go to the CAC website (www.centennialartcenter.org) where you will find gallery links.

Winter and holidays provide time to reflect on objectives and programs for next year. Please contact a Board member with your thoughts and ideas. Consider running an art program yourself.

Our December Member Meeting and Holiday Dinner is a fun event. No reservation yet? Please call Judi Witt at 822-2885 to make one and ask what to bring.

Hope to see you at our Member Meetings and the Holiday Party. Join us!

Enjoy the Holidays and have a Happy New Year!

Bob Hill

Kudos and Thanks



Sharon Gleason works on a watercolor during Studio Days coordinated by CAC members and held at the Little Red Schoolhouse.

- *Dorothy Markert* has self-published two books including one entitled "Winter Scenes, Hamburg, NY", a visual tour of Hamburg with 32 original screen prints. Find both on Blurb.com.
- Congratulations to *Catherine O'Neill* who won the Morrison Family Award for her watercolor "Let Me Out" in the **National Watercolor Show** at the Old Forge Art Center, Old Forge, New York.
- In the "better late than never" department, we congratulate CAC members who won prizes at the **Evans Art Show** held in June: First Place in photography, *Dave Lesinski*; First Place in watercolor, *Carol Koziol Clark*; Third Place in oils, *Joe Lesinski*; Honorable Mention graphic/mixed media, *Judi Witt*; Honorable Mention watercolor, *Jean Pauley Johnson*.
- *Kathleen McDonnell's* pastel "Summer Garden" was accepted into the 17th Annual **National Exhibition, "Renaissance in Pastel 2010"** at the Mattatuck Museum in Waterbury, Connecticut through October. Her pastel painting "Peace" received the Best of Show Award at the **Buffalo Niagara Art Association's Fall Exhibition** held at the Art Dialogue Gallery in Buffalo during August and September. Congratulations, Kathleen.
- Thanks to: the *Hamburg Public Library* for hosting our fall Members' Show and reception; the *Hamburg Sun* and *Associate Editor Felice Krycia* for their continuing support in communicating the news about our activities; *all of our members* who worked hard to make this a successful year; and the *Town of Hamburg* for its help and provision of a fine, functional facility for our art.

Schoolhouse Sessions

Portrait Sessions

Wednesdays
7:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Portrait sessions are uninstructed studio sessions. All media may be used. New artists are encouraged to attend. There is a \$1 fee per artist per session. The portrait group always needs volunteer models. Models are rewarded for their time with a free portrait that they may choose from any of the artists. For more information, call Pat Eberle at 648-0488.

Studio Days

Mondays and Thursdays
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Spend time on your art in the company of other artists.

Call Teresa Salem at 649-7337
Or Mickey Green at 457-9801

Life Drawing

Mondays, 7:00 to 9:45 p.m.

Draw or paint a figure model. Artists pay approximately \$7 - \$8 per session to cover the cost of the model. Artists must be over 21. For more information, call Jack Edson at 648-7350.

Sunshine

If you know a CAC member who is ill, in the hospital or rehab, please inform Barb Wiesen at 649-5202.

Dorothy Markert Screen Printing Class

Six Sunday afternoons
12 Noon to 4:00 pm

January 16, 23, 30 · Feb 6 & 13 and 20
Cost: \$125

New students will be sent a list of materials and tools as well as suggestions for projects. They will have an opportunity to come to the teacher's studio for an introduction. In the classes they can see the process and get ideas from the other students. Students will receive individualized help with their projects and will bring their own supplies.

Each week a different aspect will be covered including simple one-color prints, multicolor reduction prints, textile printing, using more than one screen and prints made from rubbings. The sixth class on Feb. 20 will be from 1:00-4:00 at Dorothy Markert's home in Hamburg. It will be a "show and tell" of accomplishments as well as a social time. *In case of bad weather, Dorothy will call everyone and postpone.*

The class is limited to 8 students. The first eight who send their registration checks to Dorothy Markert, 253 Maple Ave., Hamburg, NY, 14075 will be registered.

For more information or to register for the class contact Dorothy at 649-4052.

Mary Beth Cunningham Class Coming in March

For those who have requested it, Mary Beth Cunningham will teach a watercolor class on Tuesday evenings starting March 1, 2011. Call her for details and for advance enrollment at 716-648-2384.

Therapeutic Mosaic Class

"Healing the Shattered Pieces" an artful, healing event offered by CAC member Judi Witt, will be held at the Yoga Universe. Call her for information at 822-2885.

Watercolors/ Colored Pencils Class with Pat Burger

Tuesdays

Noon - 2:30 p.m.

November & January - March

Students are invited to bring photos of people or houses if they wish to personalize their work. Books and videos will be available showing a variety of watercolor techniques you may wish to try. Pat suggests that you not purchase new materials before you attend the class, as she will make suggestions on appropriate materials for your needs.

Cost: \$10 per class plus \$8 monthly lab fee.

This is an on-going class. Painters may enter the class at any time.

To register and for information, call Pat at 649-0398

SPRING ART CLUB

For Children Ages 6 - 13 years

Saturdays 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 pm.

February 12 - Valentine Hanging Sculpture (Paint & Decorate)

Registration due by Feb. 6

March 12 - Tile & Beach Glass Trivet (on wood) Registration due by March 5

April 16 - Painted Wooden Birdhouse Garden Stake Registration due by April 9

Price per week:

\$15.00 plus \$5.00 materials fee

Class will not be run with less than 8 students. No more than 20 will be admitted.

Instructors: Judi Witt and Terry Walkowski are degreed art teachers and artists with years of experience.

Contact Judi 822-2885 or Terry 480-0103

Pre registration required.

Membership

Membership in the CAC is open to anyone interested in supporting our goal in the field of Visual Arts. All members receive the Schoolhouse Quarterly and membership card. Some programs have a reduced fee for members. New members are welcome at any time. Dues and renewals are received by January 31st of the calendar year.

Mail remittance to:

David Lesinski
5877 Feddick Road
Boston, NY 14025

Make checks payable to:

The Centennial Art Center of Hamburg, Inc.

Please send a self-addressed stamped envelope with your dues and application to receive a membership card.

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Address _____

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Patron \$50 _____

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From Hamburg Village, take Pleasant Avenue West to junction of Amsdell



Gerry Read works in acrylics on Studio Days at the Little Red Schoolhouse. For more information about Studio Days, classes and other CAC opportunities, see p. 3 inside.

Attention Members. Please check your mailing label. If you find a DD in the bottom right corner, your dues are due. Please use the membership form in this Quarterly. Call Dave Lesinski 716-941-6785 or e-mail davelesin@juno.com with any questions or problems

To send information for the Schoolhouse Quarterly, e-mail to mgregory@roadrunner.com or call using the phone number above. Information and photos may also be given to Jack Edson if you don't have computer access. Deadlines: February 1, May 1, August 1, November 1.



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The Centennial Art Center was founded in 1975 for the purpose of promoting and encouraging public interest and support of the Arts. We encourage cooperation among artists, art students, craftsman, publishers and others engaged in artistic activities through exhibitions, classes and workshops. We are here to promote the study and improvement of the Arts and provide a registry for artists. Membership is open to all who are interested in supporting our mission.



**Holiday Dinner, Dec. 2, 6:30 p.m.
 at the Schoolhouse
 Call Judi Witt 822-2885 NOW!**