

SISKIYOU ARTISTS ASSOCIATION  
GENERAL MEETING OF APRIL 18, 2010  
LAKE SHASTINA COMMUNITY CENTER

The meeting was called to order by President Suzanne Mamedalin at 2:00 pm. All present were welcomed. Introducing themselves were Deborah Daily from Colorado, David, Shawn Smith [long time member] Donna Saunders [also a long time member] and Betty Schwartz.

Minutes were made available at the head table.

Treasurer, Linda Cosner reported that SAA has funds of \$11,754. Dues need to be submitted now.

Thanks were given to our hostess, Anne Hill. She needs a hostess for next month and sent around a sign up sheet. Those providing treats for today were Loree Dieckman, Donna Saunders and Bill Dent.

Committee Chair Suzanne Mamedalin updated everyone on the activities of the Scholarship Committee. Four members have stepped up to review the portfolios submitted by artists and to interview them regarding their goals and commitments. Those persons are George Kramer, Alan Hilsenberg, Betty Schwartz, and Lee Weber.

Referring to the board on which Linda had listed open and filled positions, Suzanne noted that some jobs are still open. Job descriptions are posted on the SAA web site, and Suzanne has additional copies with her. Suzanne pointed out that SAA is the only club in Siskiyou County to provide art critiques, demonstrations, workshops, annual show, and various other activities. Members need to support their club.

The plein aire painting group gathers the last Saturday of each month, at 9:30 am. The group will meet at the east side of I-5 and Louie Road. From there they will drive about four miles to the bridge over the Shasta River.

Our next SAA meeting is on May 16th at 2pm. We will have a carving demonstration. Members were reminded that the June critique will be on 3-D art pieces.

Suzanne introduced Dortehea Schonstein as our Vice President for 2011.

Dortehea announced the De Young Museum showing of impressionistic art from the Louver, from June through September. She suggested we hire a bus for the trip to San Francisco. Thirty-five persons are needed to make it affordable.

Joy Price announced that Judith H. Cannes had bequeathed her collection of art to COS to sell. SAA has the opportunity to assist COS and SAC in the sale. However, if you vote "yes," you must help with the show and the sales, which will last from the end of June to the end of July. When asked for a "show of hands" of those interested, no one raised their hand.

Loree Dieckman announced the sale of raffle tickets for a drawing on 5/4/10.

Victor Medrano announced a Ron Richards workshop on Composition for the dates of June 5 and June 12. The workshop will be held at the Gazelle Grange from 9 to 12 and 1 to 4. Six to 15 participants are needed. In February there will be another workshop to review progress. Victor has a sign-up sheet available.

Suzanne asked members needing a name tag to contact her.

Joy announced that Andrea Ciaston will be the SAA judge at the annual art show. Andrea is also teaching a COS art course this summer.

Barbara Stewart motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Lee Weber seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Willo Balfrey was our guest critique artist. She provided an insightful critique, with a strong focus on composition, center of interest, light, and how the eye is moved throughout the painting. Willo selected Shawn Smith's watercolor, "Cantelope" as her favorite. Popular vote went to Suzanne Mamedalin for her watercolor, "Splash and Quack," and to Joy Price for her watercolor of "Yakutania Point." Congratulations all.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Nelson, Secretary