



MCAA AUGUST 2022 NEWSLETTER

When is a “Critique” More Than Criticism?

MCAA is concerned that you are wary of a group called “Critique” fearing that it may be harsh and awkward leaving you embarrassed and uncomfortable. This is definitely not the case.

A Critique is a review, analysis, evaluation, commentary, theorization, opinion, and Praise. What name should we call this group to empathize the positive aspect of having Jeanne Koelle and Mary Monroe help you discover the true potential of your art. Both are professional artists, selling their watercolors to other professionals, and collectors throughout the country.

There is no need to fear this practice and there are many other professional and amateur artists benefiting from these sessions. Mary says, “ I promise you that the Critique is very gentle and positive. Jeanne likes to share the latest techniques that she has been experimenting with and I tend to bring in pieces that I am struggling with and want advice. You are encouraged to ask for what you need regarding your artwork. The discussions may range from composition, center of interest, color, materials to techniques, etc.... It can be very inspiring!

Show up on August 13th, 10:00 AM at the Corner Gallery to benefit from this monthly conversation.



Esther Seigel Will Teach Her Art, You Will Love It!

Assemblage Art 101

Limited space, sign up early. Full details are on the Poster and Registration forms attached to the same email where you received this newsletter. Mail the registration back to secure

your place in this creative & eclectic, but space limited workshop. The receipt of your form and payment is your guarantee of a place in this limited event.

2023 Board Positions

- President**
OPEN
- Vice President**
Membership
K Gordon-Burke
- Treasurer**
Diana Steele
- Secretary**
OPEN
- Bank Shows**
OPEN
- Corner Gallery**
Pony Wall
Jeanette Carson
- Members at Large**
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- Program Chair**
OPEN
- Historian**
OPEN

URGENT
Please review this list. It is imperative that we find members to help keep this 68-year-old Association alive. As you can see, we are in need of filling many roles. The Board meets every 3 months and takes on a few duties. It is not a huge commitment, but the roles must be filled to keep us going. Please consider and talk to Diana about what the duties would entail. The Board members are kind and helpful, you would not be alone in your role.
Diana Steele,
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Mark Your Calendars

Member Show at Corner Gallery through August

Open Studio Every Monday

Critique? Group Second Saturday at Corner Gallery

Assemblage: Esther Segal September 17

Steam Punk: Jeannie Vodden, Watercolors October 15

Annual Meeting Show & Tell November 12

Holiday Luncheon December 10

YOUR MCAA BENEFITS

OPEN STUDIO

is run on a drop-in basis at the Grace Hudson Community Room. Members pay \$4.00 and non-members pay \$5.00. Meets Mondays 10am – 2pm.

ART IN BANKS

Polly Palecek arranges with local banks and businesses so you can display your art. Call her at 707.462.0246.

YOUR ART in the CORNER GALLERY

Two artists a month are able to hang their art in the only real art gallery in Ukiah for only \$30 + \$50. Call Jeanette at 707.387.53.11 if you are interested.

CRITIQUE GROUP

Meets the second Saturday of the month at the Corner Gallery, 10am-12pm.

DISPLAY PANELS

There are enough panels for 3 people to use 3 panels each... or more if less than 3 are interested in using them. Contact **Polly** at 707.462.0246.

WORKSHOPS/DEMO

Held throughout the year, see first page for classes and dates.

MEET THE ARTIST

"Meet the Artists", a talk with renowned artists about how they "made it". None scheduled at this time.

SHOW & TELL & ANNUAL MEETING

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON

and MORE...

at the Corner Gallery & Art Center Ukiah

On the MCAA Wall

Svetlana Artemoff

A artist of many talents, Svetlana is exhibiting a range of her talent in pastels. Her talent is exceptional, and her display is alluring.

Corner Gallery Artists

Most of the cooperative members of the gallery are MCAA members:

Susan Blackwelder
Jeanette Carson
Laura Fogg
Katie Gibbs
Cassie Gibson
Kathleen Gordon-Burke
Jeanne Koelle
Elliot Little
Nancy Little

at Bona Marketplace

This month, two of our newer members are showing their art at this beautiful store.

Lynn Williams
Lynn paints in acrylic on canvas in a style all her own. Sometimes incorporating newsprint in her tree trunks. With a very brave and very beautiful result.

Laurie Howard

Laurie is showing acrylic painting of local barns as well as a series of multimedia pieces and paper collages. She is an artist of exceptional variety.

MCAA Member Artists Annual Exhibit

Twenty-Seven members are displaying their art in the annual Member Exhibit:

Svetlana Artemoff
Deborah Briggs
Jan Byland
Jeanette Carson
Jim Denham
Sara Falk
Cassie Gibson
Katie Gibbs
Kathleen Gordon-Burke
Lynn Gulyash
Carol Heady
Laurie Howard
Jeanne Koelle
Catherine Lair
Cindy Lindgren
James McKell
Mary Monroe
Cottie Morrison
Ginger O'Shea
Polly Palecek
Marie Pera
Valerie Peters
Elaine Richard
Carol Rosenberg
Kathleen Sewell
Diana Steele
Linda Talso
The exhibit is eclectic, in styles and mediums from paper paintings to oils and everything in between. Beautifully curated by **Jeanette Carson** over 3 days. "It is a challenge to hang a show with so many varieties from sizes to frames to mediums". Jeanette's efforts created an extraordinary exhibit.

In the Art Center

This Month's Theme:

"The Sky is the Limit"

Human beings have always looked to the sky for inspiration. Its immense endlessness encourages and lets fly our hopes, fantasies dreams and ponderings... without limit The light and color forms in the daytime they stun us with their beauty, and the nighttime show of celestial bodies turn us to unbridled awe. In honor of the annual Perseid Meteor Showers, we ask you... what moves you to magic when you look up? See how our members, **Deborah Briggs, Jeanette Carson, Katie Gibbs and Jeanne Koelle, and Laura Fogg**, interpreted the Sky

at the Banks July through September

Savings Bank/Talmage Road
Elaine Richard
Savings Bank/Redwood Valley
Linda Talso
West America Bank
Wanda Bennett
Schat's Bakery/Downtown
Jun Chen & Polly Palecek

at the Health Club

Our ever-prolific painter, **Polly Palecek**, has secured another venue to show her many styles of oil painting.

at Gin Gilli's

If you are traveling south, this vintage store in Geyserville is a must see.

Deborah Briggs, a recent MCAA member has installed her stunning photography in this eclectic venue.

Just one wall of the MCAA exhibit showing the variety of work show.



Support your friends and MCAA members by going by and viewing their work and then letting them know of your appreciation of their art.

Letter from the Editor

Kathleen Gordon-Burke

A Repeat Message:

It is an important time in the history of the Mendocino County Art Association. Maybe you are new to this group and are unaware that it is the oldest art association in the County. Clubs and organizations are having a difficult time attracting younger members to carry on the duties of keeping them going. We are no exception. MCAA is almost 70 years old and many of us are older than that and are wearing out our abilities. I know I am!

It seems that social media is filling the need that associations did in the past. You can show your art, take classes, sell your work but can it take the place of gathering with like minded people and sharing a meal or learning an artistic technique. I don't think so.

How can we entice a younger generation of artists who can bring new techniques, enthusiasm, and energy to our association? I think it is necessary to keep it going for another 70 years, do you know someone who may fill this need? Invite them to our Summer Social to experience the joy and comradery of sharing their art with the rest of us.

Stay connected and enjoy all that this association has to offer.



Open Studio

There is plenty of room for you! Open Studio is operated on a drop-in basis in the Grace Hudson Museum community room on Mondays, 10-2 pm. Artists of many ilk's bring plastic coverings for the floor and table and enjoy each other's art in a clean well-lighted space. Always a variety of artistic people and styles of creating art and always willing to share their techniques and tips they have learned. Bring a lunch and share stories, this is a particularly pleasant time in the studio.

Members \$4.00,
Non-members \$5.00.



A sample of a corded hat band, you can make one too.

“Creativity is contagious, pass it on.”

Albert Einstein,

**To Become an
MCAA Member
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Call for Entries at Art Center Ukiah

October

Immigration: Ni de qqui ni de alla

The population of our Ukiah Valley consists of thousands of people who have immigrated here from the land of their birth, across border and ocean. Some came as children with their parents, some made the journey on their own as adults and some are descended from earlier generations who made the journey. These people also brought plants, insects and animals with them, which have all become part of our present landscape.

Looking for art that tells all sides of the story. What is life like for you in a new land... what have you lost and what have you gained by coming here? Was it worth it to leave your homeland? What was your journey like and is it over? Where do you belong now... are you from here or there? And how about the plants and animals... how do they fit in? Please include a short statement with each entry about how your art relates to the theme.

Entry Forms: At the Corner Gallery, 201 South State Street
Deliver art: Oct 4, 11-5 or Oct 5, 11-noon.

First Friday: Oct 7 5-8

Pick up art: Oct 29 or Nov 1, 11-5

Free Workshop: August 27 Cording a Celestial Hatband

With Saoirse Byrne, Aug 27, 1-4

Why Cordage? Saoirse explains: “I fits in my pocket, it can be made while my mind wanders, it can be made in the little in between spaces of time, it connects me to 50,000 years of humans making the same shape, it shows a different personality with each new material.”

Participants will learn basic cording skills and create a hand-corded hat band, complete with planetary décor for your favorite hat.

Please bring your hat, all other materials will be provided.

Maximum enrollment: 10

A Sign-Up sheet is located in the Corner Gallery.

This is a Art Center Ukiah offering in connection with the current show “The Sky is the Limit”.

Art Marathon at Medium Gallery

Draw Till You Drop...October 1 & 2

A benefit for the Medium Art Gallery, Art Center Ukiah, and Willits High School Art Department.

All participants commit to making Art for at least 12 hours until 10pm Saturday night and raise a minimum of \$180 in sponsorships. Artists are encouraged to create longer if they are able. 18 hours, 24, 30? They must bring their own art supplies, easels or tables. There is limited space available, if you are interested in participating contact Elizabeth Raybee for more information.

Fine entertainment and food will be provided.

Prizes will be awarded to the three artists who last the longest and the three who raise the most cash.

If you wish to donate rather than participate...

For further information: eray@eRaybeeMosaics.com.