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**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: APRIL 2020**

It's Membership Renewing time, again! We've had an unusual year, but we have started to plan for the upcoming 2020-2021 program year. You will be hearing from our Membership Chair, Kimberly Santini, about how to register this year.

Due to the prevailing health concerns of COVID-19, the Detroit Society of Women Painters and Sculptors did not have the Gallery Talk at the Black Box Gallery in March. We will not have our General Meeting on April 23, 2020. At this time, we are tentatively planning to have our Annual Meeting and Year End Celebration at the Grosse Pointe Congregational Church on Thursday, May 14, 2020.

However, if plans change for the Annual Meeting, members with email, will receive a message about the change. If you do not have email, please ask a friend who gets email, to let you know of the change. Since this is a fluid situation, we can not at this time, be more specific.

The Executive Board of DSWPS is beginning discussions about having Board Meetings and conducting voting electronically. We are proceeding with caution and thoroughness to develop procedures and policies regarding electronic voting and meetings. If you would like to be on the ad-hoc committee that develops the procedures and policies, please let me know.

Before the Annual Meeting, please contact Jackie Rybinski, at [jackierybinski@comcast.net](mailto:jackierybinski@comcast.net), if you would like to volunteer for the following positions:

First Vice President-Program

Jackie Rybinski has graciously held the position (and several other positions) for the past two years. As expected, Jackie will help the new First Vice President- Program as she learns her job. There is an existing committee, but we need someone to be the leader.

Communications Secretary/News Chair

Joyce Manke has held the position for nearly twenty years. She is ready to retire. If you read the monthly newsletter, and refer to it during the month, you know how important the newsletter is as a member. Joyce is willing to help you learn how to do the job.

Nominations Chair

We need someone who is willing to work with the new president, Joya Rush-Keli, to identify the members of her team. The position is a seasonal one, it usually starts in the new year.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Annual Meeting. Stay healthy! Wash your hands! Make great art!

*Joan Smykowski, President*

**STRONGLY ADVISED - PLEASE CALL SITES BEFORE GOING TO BE SURE DATES & TIMES ARE CORRECT - (Due to CONOV19)**

**DSWPS Programs**

**2019-2020**

*All meetings 10am to Noon.*

**Black Box Show**

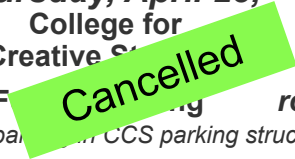
*'Woman's Work 2020' show has been extended to 4/19.*

*Pick up art 4/23, 4/24 & 4/25 3 - 5 pm*

**Thursday, April 23,**

**College for Creative Studies**

**Walter B. F. ... room 217** (free parking in CCS parking structure)



**Thursday, May 21**

**10 am to 1 pm**

**Annual Meeting & Year End Celebration**

**Grosse Pte. Congregational Church - Fellowship Hall (313-884-3075) 240 Chalfonte Ave, Grosse Pointe Farms**

**Pot Luck Luncheon**

*(Bring a favorite luncheon dish to share)*

**Silent Auction for Charity -**

**Member to Member small scale art**

*(see more info on page two)*

**History of DSWPS.**

Presentation by

**Jackie Rybinski**

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:**

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## MEMBER ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

- **Lori Zurvalec** has a showing or her work at the **Grosse Pte Congregational Church 'Poems, Drawings & Painted Stories'** from **3/8 - 4/5/2020**. 313-884-3075 www.gpcong.org 240 Chalfonte, Grosse Pte Farms
- DSWPS members accepted into the Birmingham Community Center's 'Our Town' show are: **K. Boettcher, L. Gabriel, D.Maiale, K. McNamee, S. Perrish, F. Seikely and C. Unwin**. 4/3 - 4/4/20. 10 - 6. 248.644.5832 380 S. Bates, Birmingham
- **Sue Mallick** has 5 paintings accepted in the Farmington Art Foundations jury art show 4/16 - 4/18 at Shannon Hall, Wm. Costick Activity Center, 11 Mile & Middlebelt.
- **Barbara Reich** has an exhibit 'Along the Way' from **3/6 - May** at Office Space, a venue for art, at Dentolutions. Reception on 3/6, 5:30 - 7:30 pm. 231-947-3530
- **Katy McNamee** has work in Northville Art House 'Black and White' show. She received Second Prize in the Anton Art Center 'MI Annual'
- **Judith Bemis** has work accepted in the Northville Art House show 3/15 - 4/23 as well as in AAWA 3/15 - 4/23/2020.



- **Estela Boudreau** traveled to Rome in Mid-March to present her sculpture to Pope Francis

### • Black Box show 'Woman's Work'

#### Awards:

**Julie Sabit** - Best of Show  
**Katy McNamee** - Second Place  
**Kathleen Boettcher** - Third Place  
 Honorable Mentions went to **Nina Ashraf Asmi & Sara Hadley**.  
**Congrats to all!**

Here's a little help during these trying times and perhaps a smile or two. Stay safe!

### 12 historic sites you can tour from the couch

This *Washington Post* article has links for the Louvre, the Sistine Chapel, Guggenheim Museum, Yosemite National park, Van Gogh Museum, Great Wall of China, Smithsonian, Yellowstone National Park, Museum of Modern Art, San Diego Zoo, British Museum, and the Metropolitan Opera House.

### Take a virtual tour of 12 amazing museums

[USA Today's article](#) lists 12 museums including the National Gallery of Art, Smithsonian's Portrait Gallery, Museum of Modern Art, Metropolitan, American

Looking at the map for some weekend travel ideas



## • INFO FOR MAY ANNUAL MEETING

For the May Annual Meeting Pot Luck Lunch, Deborah Benedic will be collecting members names, food donations, and emails. She will also send a signup reminder email a week before the event. So far we are light on hot entrees. Talk to Deb to help balance the pot luck. Phone 586-206-1168, email [deborah.benedic62@gmail.com](mailto:deborah.benedic62@gmail.com)  
 Plan to please drop off your food - with a serving utensil - between 9-9:30am.

For the Member to Member Art Auction at the May meeting, we are looking for art work you would be happy to donate and have up in a friend's house. Keep the size small enough to lay flat on a table for bidding. Please have them inexpensively framed, or matted. Canvases can be painted on the side. We want to make it easy for people to take them home and put them up. Please bring them to the meeting between 9-9:30am so we can display them.

We have an incentive for bringing in and purchasing art, besides the fact that it is raising money for a great cause! Not too soon to get started on artwork for this event!!! For the first 3 pieces of art work you donate you will receive one token per piece. If you bring in 10 pieces you will still only get 3 tokens. Each token is worth \$5.00. If your bid wins, you may use one token toward your purchase. Only one token can be used per piece of art purchased. You can not combine tokens.

All bidding will start at \$10.00 and then go up in \$5 or more increments. All purchases must be paid in cash or check at the end of the meeting. Please remember to bring your check books!

## DSWPS Show

### October-November 2020

We have secured the **Detroit Public Library Main Branch Gallery on Woodward Ave., across from the Detroit Art Institute for October and November, 2020**. This is a large venue on the first floor. We will make use of the Burton Historical Collection (where DSWPS artifacts are stored) for a DSWPS History Display during the exhibit. **We will need a show coordinator and a crew to help mount this show. If interested, please contact the Exhibition Committee Chair, Erica Chappuis. (734) 672-6175 [erica.chappuis@gmail.com](mailto:erica.chappuis@gmail.com)**

or Jackie Rybinski, (313) 702-3105.  
[jackieribynski@comcast.net](mailto:jackieribynski@comcast.net)

### WHAT'S HAPPENING:

**NOTE:** due to COVID-19, some changes in show dates. (U/M '2020 Open Competition' cancelled completely)

Call to check events.

- **MWCS** - coming up in the Spring **5/17 - 5/19/20** - 3-day workshop - 9:30 - 4:30 at **U-M Matthael Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum** in Ann Arbor 248-399-4186 or Rocco Pisto @ 614-408-8500 [nightcry@wowway.com](mailto:nightcry@wowway.com)
- **Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center** presents 'Animals Dreams' a solo art show featuring work by former Michigan, now Florida artist **Weatherly Stroh**. Specializing in landscapes and animal portraiture (growing up on a farm, she's always been at ease around animals. Show on thru 6/4. **Also on display:** 'Students of Meighen Jackson Show'. 248-644-0866. [Bbartcentr.org](http://Bbartcentr.org) 1516 S. Cranbrook Rd,



### ENTRIES WANTED:

• **Deadline: 4/10/20**  
**Northwest Area Arts Council** show 'Heaven & Hell' in Illinois. A juried national fine art exhibition that explores the concepts of good vs. evil, and the idea of a link between our experiences during life and after death. Heaven & Hell is a joint project between the Old Courthouse Arts Center located in Woodstock IL outside of Chicago and long-time collaborators J + K Isacson to celebrate their 10th show at the Art Center. The J + K Isacson team has curated more than 100 exhibits and art events over their career in the greater Chicago area. [handh@naac4art.org](mailto:handh@naac4art.org) 815-338-4525



• **Deadline: 4/24/20**  
**Fenton Arts Council Fine Arts Exhibition.** Show dates: **7/10 - 8/8/20** at the **Cause & Effect Gallery.** Up to 3 entries accepted. \$10. members, \$30. includes member fee, 20% commission. Reception 7/10 6 - 9 pm. 810-354- 5659 126 N. Leroy St, Fenton

• **Deadline: 5/01/20**  
**Royal Oak Commission for the Arts** is looking for artworks that will be installed in and around the city. Up to 10 new pieces of art will be selected as part of the city's Art Explored program. info: [romi.gov/arts](http://romi.gov/arts)

• **Deadline: 5/15/20**  
**Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center '2020 MI Fine Arts Competition'** **6/19 - 8/27/20** **248-644-0866** [info@BBArtCenter.org](mailto:info@BBArtCenter.org) 1516 S. Cranbrook, Birmingham

U/M Dearborn 'Open Competition' /15/20  
 - Accepting late submissions.

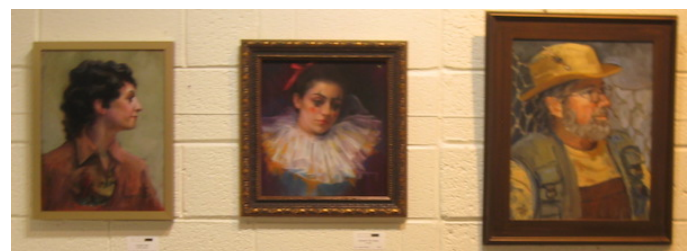
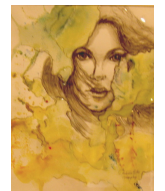
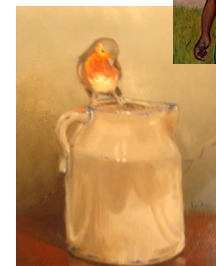
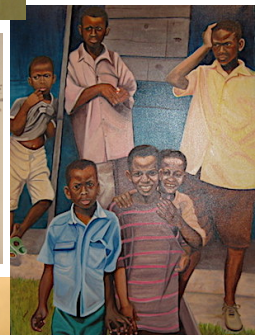
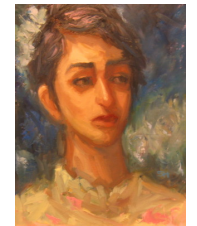
**Cancelled**

### Women's Work at the Black Box

If you haven't seen the show at the Black Box, don't miss it!

Great work, a well-hung show in a roomy gallery - makes a great showing!

This is just a few of the pieces there!



### GROANER:

They started driving a different route to avoid us so we started doing work on that road too!

I changed my car horn to gunshot sounds. People get out of the way much faster now.

## WORKSHOPS/ART FAIRS

### • Ann Arbor 2020 Workshops:

April 3-4 - Oliver Sin - charcoal

April 6-7 - Stanka Kordic - oil

April 8-10 - Iain Stewart - watercolor

April 15-17 - Stan Miller - watercolor

April 17-19 - Loriann Signori - pastel

JOIN US IN FLORENCE, Italy 2020!

May 6-12 - Marla Baggetta - pastel or oil

May 14-21 - Lyn Asselta - pastel

May 23-29 - Kim Casebeer - pastel or oil

*artensity.org or write Debra at [artensityworkshops@gmail.com](mailto:artensityworkshops@gmail.com)*

### • Birmingham Bloomfield Art Center:

Apr. 2, 3 - Barbara Holmer - 'Drawing Botanical Art w/Colored Pencil' 10 - 3

*Spring Class book, check out on their site!*

248-644-0866 - long list of more upcoming workshops [bbartcenter.org](http://bbartcenter.org)

### • Franciscan Life Process Center

April 3 & 4 - Barbara Schilling-An Adventure Into Textures In Oils -

April 3 & 4 - Catherine Toning-Popowich-Gelli Prints: Mono Printing Without a Press

April 13 - 15 - Kathleen Mooney-Contemporary Watercolor

April 23 - 25 - Sarah Rehmer-Encaustic Collage and Mixed Media

May 6-9 - Kathleen Conover-Chaos to Order: Watermedia Workshop

May 7-9 - Karen Kaapcke-Metaphor and Memory/Painting Life's Events -

May 12-14 - Stan Kurth-Mix It Up On Canvas, Mixed Media and Collage -

May 18-22 - Big Brush Watercolor Workshop by Sterling Edwards -

June 11-13 - Ann Larsen, AWAM, OPA, AIS-Capturing the Moment in Light & Color -

June 24-27 - Terry Miura-The Figure Demystified

June 25-27 - John Budicin-PAINTING OUTDOORS



### • Grosse Pointe Art Association

Mar. 28 - Mar. 29 - Liz Frankland - Portraits in Acrylic - 10 - 4 pm

April 7 - 9 - Spring Break with Angela Galea - 3 days of art for young students

April 25 & 26 - Vianna Szabo - Mastering Color

June 13 - Amy Foster - Drawing Hands and Feet - 10 - 4:30 pm

July 20 - 24 - Summer Art Camp: Drawing & Shading - 1 - 4 pm - Ages 10-15

Aug -3 - 7 - Summer Art Camp - Acrylic Painting - 1 - 4 pm - Ages 12 - 15

713-881-3454 [gpaa@grossepointeartcenter.org](mailto:gpaa@grossepointeartcenter.org)

### • Northville Art House

For upcoming workshops [store@northvillearthouse.org](mailto:store@northvillearthouse.org) [campscui.active.com](http://campscui.active.com)

### • Paint Creek Center for the Arts (PCCA)

Classes & Workshops - 248-651-4110 [pccart.org/art-school/](http://pccart.org/art-school/)

### • Visual Arts Association of Livonia (VAAL)

New Five Plaza, 37653 Five Mile Rd, in Village Shopping Center

734-838-1204 [vaalart@yahoo.com](mailto:vaalart@yahoo.com)

### • Thursdays at the DIA

Free special weekly program for adults 55 & over. Start at 1 pm

• **Color|Ink Studio & Gallery** presents: 'Rewired: Objects & Drawings from found wire' by Joe Davis.

**3/6 - 4/25.**

'Taking Portraiture to the Next Level with Amy Foster'.

Join Metro Detroit's best figure artist and instructor on **4/25 - 4/26** (10am-4:30pm)

## UPCOMING FALL WORKSHOP

Highland Painting Workshop

*Presented by artist*

*Laura Whitesides Host.*

'Order From Chaos'

**September 18 - 21, 2020**

Cost: \$295. Interested?

Contact Barb Weisenburg

248-787-1133

Huron Valley Council for the ArtsW.  
Livingston Rd, Highland MI 48357



## Words of Wisdom

Life is a Great Adventure -  
each day brings some  
new interesting experience.

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Happiness comes  
when you're too busy  
to be miserable