

September 2007 Newsletter

Thanks to all of the people helping during Art in the Park. We did not fill all the spaces again this year, but heard those attending did well for the most part. Saturday there was a huge crowd that tapered off after 2 pm. Sunday was an average crowd that seemed to hang around most of the day. The weather was extremely hot like four years ago, nothing we could do about it, just deal with it the best we could.

The show went well and our volunteers did a great job in support roles the whole week. Marking spaces, getting the vendors in and out safely worked real well this year. All the extra efforts cut down the amount of time everyone had to work. We've had no major concerns reported that will indicate any changes and are in the process of digesting information and compiling plans for 2008.

Don't forget the last member show of 2007 is coming in October. The Fall Festival is for all our members to participate in. We have made a couple of format changes that we hope benefits the membership and the show overall. Please read the prospectus to get the changes and plan on submitting works. It will be emailed to the membership, available on line and at the gallery after September 10. Contact Peggy Keagle for this show: PEGGYKEAGLE@aol.com, 532-3851.

We have been contacted to participate in a Sidewalk Sale September 14th & 15th. Independence Gallery along with Art of the Rockies will be promoting a clearance sale, sidewalk chalk art and ready-made frame sale. This is similar to our Starving Art Sale we hold in December. Jeff will try to reserve three parking lot spaces for both days and it may provide a unique audience. It is in conjunction with the Friday Night Downtown event. We will need volunteers to monitor the tables, help with sales, demonstrating art techniques and welcoming people Friday & Saturday. All of our members may bring in sale items. All sales will go through the gallery as usual. Please have things marked with your name and price on a separate inventory sheet. If you are willing to do sidewalk chalk art, demo, work either or both days contact Jeff.

Anyone that has borrowed books from the Art League or another member is encouraged to check their nooks and crannies to see what they find. Returning them to their rightful owners will eliminate the need for confession or a visit from the Mafia. This message was approved by the "Lost and Hope to Find" Foundation.

Karen Ramsay has Watercolor classes beginning again in September. She has Beginning and Experienced sessions that are very reasonable each month. Anyone wishing to register may contact her at www.karenramsay.com or 970-223-6290.

Mike Otteman opened his Custom Framing & Gallery business at 222 E 3rd Street in Loveland. He is working with new clients to meet their framing needs and is very interested in meeting fellow artists. Mike is very competitive in pricing

and may be able to fill your needs in short order. He is developing a frame line for those needing a quick frame for immediate displays, such as Plein Air Exhibits or a show that may have snuck up on you. Schedule time to stop in soon or call 970-278-0120 to visit with him about his new adventure.

The Jumping Bean, 434 Mountain Avenue in Berthoud is hosting an exhibit "Optical Extractions" by Photographer Jim Digby. The display is September 8 – October 12 with an Open House Sunday September 9th 3-6pm.

Jeanne Jeffrey is the displaying Artist at Barnes & Noble Bookstore at the Promenade Shop of Loveland the month of September. When in the area stop and take a look at her wonderful artworks.

We are working out a new format for the website and have run into a few bugs so to speak. Please allow us time to produce a product that reflects the information we need to share with the public in promoting our artists and Organization. We realize several members have not been included in the past year to promote their work and we apologize for this lapse. This has not been an easy task with the amount of Spam, viruses and other prowling effects of Cyber Space. As we proceed, new changes will be implemented for updates and information provided from the artists. Design changes and completion date are currently in process.

Calendar for September:

Sept 1 Gallery Attendant Sharon Aine
Sept 3 Gallery Closed for Labor Day
Sept 4 Tuesday Ladies 10 –3pm
Sept 4 Gallery Attendant Sylvia Bolte
Sept 5 Gallery Attendant Debbie Jansen
Sept 8 Gallery Attendant Timarie Pearson
Sept 10 Monday Night Paint resumes 6-8:30 pm
Sept 11 Tuesday Ladies 10-3pm
Sept 13 Board Meeting 5:30 pm
Sept 14 Special Clearance Sale and Sidewalk Chalk Art
Sept 14 2nd Friday Downtown Event
Sept 15 Clearance Sale Sidewalk Chalk Art Continues
Sept 15 Gallery Attendant Dena Kirk
Sept 17 Members Meeting No Program set
Sept 18 Tuesday Ladies 10-3pm
Sept 22 Need Gallery Attendant
Sept 24 Monday Night Paint 6-8:30pm
Sept 25 Tuesday Ladies 10-3pm
Sept 29 Gallery Attendant Kerri Ertman
Oct 1 Monday Night Paint 6-8:30pm
Oct 5 & 6 Fall Festival entries due