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March 2014 Lemont Artists Guild Newsletter

NEXT LAG MEETING:

Photojournalism/Street Photography

Presented by Richard Ainsworth

Wednesday, March 19, 2014 - 7 pm

Lemont Public Library

The March 19th Lemont Artists Guild meeting, will begin at **7 PM** at the Lemont Public Library, 50 E. Wend Street. Richard Ainsworth of Ainsworth Gallery in Joliet will talk about photojournalism/street photography. He will show examples of his own work and examples from his gallery. The Photographic Arts Society meets in his gallery every month

Ainsworth-Photography is a full service studio and gallery located in Joliet. They serve commercial clients and collectors of fine photographic prints locally, nationally and internationally. Founded in 1973 as a part time business and full time since 1983, business has thrived in a crowded market because they consistently deliver the highest quality work at very competitive prices. From the beginning they have specialized in on-location photography for advertising, public relations and industry. Since moving to their present location in the fall of 1999 they have added gallery space and a full time portrait studio to their repertoire.

Athens Gallery

The Athens Gallery is located in the Lemont Public Library at 50 E. Wend Street and curated by Jim McGloin, LAG Treasurer. He is always looking for someone to help him with Athens Gallery, so if you would like to, let him know. There is no exhibit at present because the library has other things going on but plans for a display by Lemont Artists Guild members titled "3 Best" are under way for this summer-probably in June/July and a show with artwork created by United States Veterans is going to be displayed in the fall. Details to follow!

2014 Upcoming Events for LAG

Mar. 19 Richard Ainsworth of Ainsworth Gallery in Joliet, Photojournalism-Street Photography
Apr. 16- Liz Wall, Pastel
May 21 Tarry Erickson, How to Make Mats and put together Metal Frames for your Artwork

Letter from the President

Greetings!

Hope everyone is doing well. March has certainly come in like a lion this year, and it is not letting up! But the sun is out longer and slowly these days will get warmer, so guess it is just one of those long winters this year. At our February membership meeting we voted on student artworks from Lemont High School to be submitted to the Alliance of Fine Art's (AFA) student scholarship competition. The one that was voted to be submitted to AFA was by Thomas Janik, it was a 3D piece, a Raku Ceramic Bowl. The other students who also submitted great works from Lemont High School were Sara Van Hecke for her oil painting titled "Fast Cars" and Ciara Joy Athy for her charcoal drawing titled "Twiggy." The voting took place with AFA on Tuesday, March 4th. While Thomas's piece didn't win for the AFA scholarship, it came in really close! Lemont Artists Guild will be rewarding each student a \$25 honorarium for submitting the pieces. LAG also will be awarding a \$500 scholarship in the spring to a student who will be continuing his or her studies in art at the college level. One student will be picked from Lockport High School and one will be picked from Lemont High School.

Another annual year is coming to a close for LAG. In May, we will elect our President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Board Member at Large. If you are interested in any of these positions, please let someone on the board know and we can put you on the ballot. We also will be looking for someone to help each month set up for our meetings and keep track of who is bringing the drinks and light snacks. Shirley Sobol has been doing this for a long time and she is ready to pass the torch on. I do hope I get some volunteers for this! This is a vital part of our monthly meetings.

Well, now I am "thinking spring!" all the way. Bluer skies and warmer temps will come for us, along with some rain showers I am sure!!

Hope to see you at our March meeting!

Sincerely,
Liz Popp
President, LAG

DON'T FORGET FOR EACH MONTHLY MEETING:

- *Your Artwork for the Back of the Hall Competition
- *Bring donations for the Lemont Food Pantry
- *Create your own Nametag!! We will keep it for you to use at each meeting.

Notes from the Editor:

Information for the LAG newsletter should be sent to Betty Kirk by the first of the month (630) 257-0565, or bbkirk@sbcglobal.net

* Our Hostess for the March meeting will be Lynn Rozyski and Margaret Park will bring the beverages.

(Please arrive early to set up.) Thanks so much!

*February Back of the Hall 1st place Gene Mark's "Magnolia", 2nd place Linda Berck's "Sunshine Cacti" and 3rd place was a tie between Jim McGloin's "Ruins on the Road Less Traveled" and William Uznanski's "American Southwest."

*We need a **GREETER VOLUNTEER** for our APRIL meeting and our MAY meeting. You just have to come to the meeting a little early, set up our greeter table, and ask people to sign in at the door, and give them a door prize drawing slip. Thank-you in the past for Bill Brisick being our greeter, Tim Rozcyki, Betty Burian Kirk, and this month, Margaret Park. We appreciate you!

Alliance of Fine Art (AFA) - The next AFA Board meeting will take place on April 1, 2014 from 7 pm until 8 pm, in the upstairs conference room of the McDonald's at 22nd Street and Spring Road in Oak Brook www.allianceoffineart.org.

The newsletter is located:

http://www.allianceoffineart.org/uploads/AFA_Fall_2013_4_FINAL.pdf

AFA BEST OF THE BEST COMPETITION-This year's 22nd Annual Best of the Best Competition will take place May 16th through June 8th. They are still working out details for dropping off artwork/pick up artwork, and the reception date, we will let you know as soon as we find out and notify you if you will be in this year's Best of the Best. This year's location is new, it will be at Burning Bush Gallery in Wheaton-216 North Main Street, Wheaton, IL 60187. More details to follow!!

Have nothing in our house that you do not know to be useful or believe to be beautiful

William Morris

The creative adult is the child who survived.

Be yourself; everyone else is already taken.

Oscar Wilde

Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter, and those who matter don't mind.

Bernard M. Baruch