

**Northeastern CT Art Guild Inc.**  
**Members Meeting Agenda**  
**April 13, 2023, 6-8pm**  
**5:30pm Social Half Hour, Meeting at 6pm**  
**Hospitality: Elaine, Darlyne, Anna, Emida, Alla**  
**Post Meeting Meet-Up @ Black Dog Grill, hosted by Julie Caprera**

Attendance: Emida Roller, Steve Veilleux, Pam Lee, Cindy Ezzell, Cheryl Newmann, Darlyne Wolfburg, Angela Kasper, Paula Pauley, Alla Markelova, Anna Mancini, Bruce Fitzback, Janice Leitch, Kathy Mulford, Lynn Burkein, Renee Gagnon, Julie Caprera, Elaine Theriault, Elaine Turner, Gretchen Maurer, Karen McFarlin.

- I. Call to order: President Julie Caprera called the meeting to order at 6p.m.  
Approval of minutes from last meeting: Motion to accept minutes from last meeting made by Elaine Turner. Seconded by Anna Mancini.
- II. Open Business
  - a. Treasurer's Report – Renee Gagnon: Checking account -\$7,058.23, Paypal-\$352.37. Total members stand at 73.
  - b. Marketing Report – Renee Gagnon Marketing meeting was held on March 23. Plenty of jobs are still available to help implement ideas put forth. A monthly Ad will be placed in the Shopper's Guide, being one of the plans to increase Art Guild visibility.
  - c. Members Report–Elaine Turner: A membership team has been formed. New Art Guild business cards are available with a QR code that leads to our website.
  - d. Community Report – Elaine Turner: The Arboretum in Woodstock will have its open house on Saturday May 6th. Art Guild members are again invited to come and paint or draw at this beautiful property. Lunch is provided. We have a collaboration with the Putnam Business Community, called State of the Arts. The first Putnam Arts and Crafts Festival is being planned for June 17th and 18th. This is a juried show and will be held on the lawn of the new Putnam Town Building. Space for a tent or booth will cost \$100. More details can be found on our website. Both Elaine Turner and Beth Johnston are members of the Putnam Business Association.
  - e. President's Report–Julie Caprera
- III. New Business
  - a. Classes & Workshops
    - i. Watercolor–Rocks and Shadows, Lori Smolin: 15 people attended this class at the Putnam library.
    - ii. Watercolor with Alan James: The Alan James watercolor classes will be renewed for another six-week session in May and June. They are held at the Putnam YMCA on Mondays from 10 a.m. - 12:30. The cost for Guild members is \$215.
    - iii. Plein Air Workshop–Barbara Lussier: A Plein air workshop is planned for Sat. May 6th from 8:30 a.m. until 11:30. This is at her

home in Pomfret. The Irises should be blooming in her beautiful gardens. Member price is \$75.

- iv. Marketing Art on FB–Gretchen and Pam–End May: This is a free workshop scheduled for May 25th from 5-8p.m. Both Android and iPhones will be demonstrated as marketing tools to help promote and sell your Art
- b. Exhibits: G All the following exhibit prospectuses can be found and registered for on our website.
  - i. ARTicles – June 30
  - ii. Chase Building Supply – Apr. 28<sup>th</sup>
  - iii. The Vanilla Bean Cafe–May 2-29
  - iv. Arts & Framing – TBD
  - v. Courthouse –TBD
  - vi. Jewett City Bank–Mar (Louise Piogett), Apr (Paula Pauley)
  - vii. Jorgenson–Fall 2023–Juried Exhibit
- c. Social Events–Summer BBQ, Aug 13, (Alison Ciarlante)
- d. Other Opportunities
  - 1. Putnam Farmers’ Market–Alison Ciarlante: the months of Sept. and Oct. are still available. No fee for having a table. 10% commission to the Art Guild.
  - 2. Art in the Park–Alison Ciarlante: This is held at Roseland Park in Woodstock. Fee is \$40. for an outside space.
  - 3. Putnam Fine Arts & Crafts Festival--Jun 17,18-Beth Johnston–Need EC
  - 4. Pluck-A-Duck Raffle–Need EC : This involves selling raffle tickets, and a percentage goes to the Art Guild. Last year raised \$600. for our Guild.
- IV. Welcome New Members: We welcomed new member Kathy Mulford, a budding artist from Brooklyn CT.
- V. Next Members Meeting, Thursday, May 11, 2022
- VI. Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Pam Lee. Motion seconded by Anna Mancini.
- VII. Featured Speakers: Emida Roller and Barbara Lussier – Sharing their art journey