

## Art Guild Northeast Minutes from Members' Meeting on November 14, 2024

Attendance: Julie Caprera, Alla Markelova, Bruce Fitzback, Renee Gagnon, Darlene Wolfburg, Carmine Angeloni, Beth Johnston, Jeff Payette, Steve Veilleux, Cheryl Newman, Anna Mancini, Theresa Rzeppa, Alison Ciarlante, Adele Karbowski, Jen Atwood, Angela kasper, Jan Leitch, Laura Tedeschi.

A.

Call to Order: Julie Caprera called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

B.

Motion was made by Carmine Angelone to accept the minutes from the October meeting, and seconded by Anna Mancini with no discussion.

C.

Open Business:

- a) Treasurers Report-Renee Gagnon: There are presently 88 members. \$13,256.14 in Checking. Renewals for membership will be announced in the December email update.
- b) Community Liason- Elaine Turner: Jen Atwood filled us in for Elaine, on "Mural Fest 2030".
- c) Presidents Report- Julie Caprera: She discussed many of the positive ways in which the Art Guild has grown during the last two years.
- d) Exhibits-
  1. Heirloom Food company: Art Guild exhibit over the summer resulted in 11 sales, including Alison Ciarlante with 4 sales, and Liz Fecteau with 3.
  2. Articles Gallery: No recent sales.
  3. Courthouse Restaurant: 1 sale.
  4. Farmers' Market:Ran June -October and was very successful for those who participated.

C} Current Classes:

1. Charcoal with Jen Atwood continues
2. Alan James Watercolor class will be taking a winter break

D) Events:

1. Scarecrow Festival in Putnam: Art Guild entered a scarecrow in the likeness of artist Freida Kahlo

E} New Business: :

1. Art Guild exhibit in the Putnam Town Hall Corridor Gallery during the months of Jan., Feb., and Mar. There is a \$10. Fee and registration is on the website. We will have a reception on Jan. 16th with food and music. We will also hold a second reception to coincide with our March members' meeting. Register by Dec. 16th. Large pieces 16x20 are encouraged. Beth Johnston has obtained some Bradley Playhouse "Flex-Passes". These will become prizes to anyone attending the receptions. These passes are for plays at Bradley Playhouse tickets, and are worth \$200.
2. Artist Open Studios: More than several Guild members will be participating this year. We would like to set up "ride buddies" so that those of us who would like to visit the various artists during this event, can go together. It takes place the weekend following Thanksgiving, and also the next weekend which is Dec. 7th and 8th.

3. Dazzle Light Parade in Putnam on Dec. 1st, at 5p.m.  
The Art Guild will be participating with a “float” in the form of Beth Johnston’s car, which will be decorated with lights, and the Art Guild banner. Jeff Payette has offered to help with a generator for lights and spotlight. Any Guild members who would like to participate by riding in the car or walking alongside, are welcome to sign up. We may have candy or stickers to hand out to the crowd. Helpers meet at 3:30, on Grove St. in Putnam
4. Abbington Library Show: Art show at the library on Wed. Nov. 20th from 5:30-7:30.  
More info at News [news@artguildne.org](mailto:news@artguildne.org)

F. Transfers: Jewett City Bank, and Courtyard Restaurant

G. Next Meeting: Annual Members Meeting: March 13, 2025, with Corridor Gallery Reception.

H. Adjourn: Beth Johnston made a motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by Elaine Turner at 6:46 p.m.

Presenters: Jan Leitch, Carmine Angelone, and Julie Caprera.