

OPENING OF MEETING –7:00pm

Board Members present – Mel A, Mel B., John E., LF,

Guests:

Next meeting November 14, 2023 7pm Hollowbrook Comm Ctr.

**Featured Artist Program (FAP):**

**SEPT:** ARC Show is down. Excellent reception!

**OCT:** Homefront: RuthAnn Traylor. & Hope installed the bulk of the show yesterday. Taniel's group to perform on the 19th. Mel took some video.

**NOV:** Marian Johnson ceemyjoy.stainedglass.com: Beverly can also show in November to complete the space. Email address for Marian lost: regained at meeting. Sent Nov 3, 2023

**DEC:** Karl Clark (photographer) Sent information via email with R&R's. He said he would review & get back to us.

**Todd Evans** -Poetry (TCNJ) possible spoken word event?(plus one). Taniel to contact/investigate. Mel will be publishing Sarari's spoken word piece to our website in an effort to increase viewership & potentially coordinate a spoken word event! Mel will reach out to Joy to see if any of her poet friends might be interested in sharing their work with us & possibly do a reading. Joy had some good feedback.

**Barry Hantman** [bhantman2@gmail.com](mailto:bhantman2@gmail.com) fused glass artist. January? (sent email 10/29)

**Kerry Depraida:** mixed media on canvas. @drawingdownlore on Instagram (Oct 2024)?

**Marissa Bosley:** Painter Feb? Mel texted (609-651-6216) her to start the ball rolling. With poetry & singers?

**Chandini Powar:** pastel artist, possibly March 2023 (email sent 10/29)

**TBD:**

**Art For Easel:** Annette interested in working with us. Mel will ask JKM to reach out to see if there is still interest.

**Joseph Hendrickson** (photographer) no contact from this artist to date.

Carol Lipson: 610-291-9101

[theartistletty@gmail.com](mailto:theartistletty@gmail.com) (Hopewell resident)

**Melissa Fusco** (tattoo artist). Not sure this artist will be able to travel to Ewing for an exhibit.

**Joanne Rogers:** artist from NC who grew up in Ewing. She would like to exhibit her work in 2024.

(On deck Jenn Winn in the coming months.)

**Display Opportunities:**

**Barry Hantman** [bhantman2@gmail.com](mailto:bhantman2@gmail.com) fused glass and mixed media artwork is on display at Element Hotel. Barry would like to host a reception. Dates?

Strobe Center has space & regularly features artists.

West Windsor Art Council does as well.

## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH:**

**September:** Community Fest: No go.

**Chat & Chew:** Possibly 2x/year. We need a way to connect with artists in the community. **National Art Day, Wednesday, October 25th.** Tentative Venue - Villa Rosa Pizzeria, Memoir Events & Studio, 1867 Sanctuary, or Element Hotel lobby/conference space. BYOW. Discuss marketing plan. Private area for us to meet. Pre-registration on our facebook group.

Taniel created a promo for our social media & start promoting/advertising, waiting on location to send eblast.

Suggested **quarterly email communication** with our network. This would be a good way to keep the community informed of our activities.

**Mary Lou** suggested a **Art Around Ewing** online picture show that would consist of pics of artwork in local businesses. Also a window painting (with themes) as another community involvement idea. She will email her notes to Mel.

**COMMUNICATIONS UPDATES:** 914 Instagram followers. (912). YouTube Subscribers 33 (33).

Facebook Group followers 541 (530).

Can we put an insert in with tax bills or Observer?

## **ONGOING/UPCOMING PROJECTS:**

**Scarecrow** What do we want to do about this? If we want this initiative to survive it must have a dedicated committee. There will be no contest in 2023. We should start recruiting in January of 2024 to revive this project. Joanne & Lisa F have a great system but it will take a dedicated group of individuals to keep it going. Advertise on SM & email blast for volunteers.