

Minnesota Artists Association April Newsletter-2011

Our Spring Exhibition at the Edina Art Center looks terrific! A big thank you to all the artists who entered the show! Thanks to Terrie Christian, Judy Lieber, Rita Corrigan, Eleanor McIntosh, Diane Gilbertson & Betty Hupperich for all their hard work and artistic decisions in hanging the show. Thanks to everyone who brought refreshments. A special thank you to Jeanne Emrich for designing our new brochure and making copies available at the reception in hopes of getting some new members! And thanks to Jim Conaway, our juror, for his comments about our work and private critiques with individuals! The reception was well attended and there was lots of lively conversation! The Edina Patch and the Edina Magazine had representatives present who photographed our event. We should be in the June issue of the Edina Magazine; the Patch is online only.

Congratulations to the following award winners:

Award of Excellence:

1. Marian Alstad - Temple
2. Howard R. Hanson - Minnetonka
3. Marjorie Moody - Menagerie

Award of Merit:

1. Judy Lieber - Exploring Annandale
2. Jean Meyer - Waterlilies
3. Jack O'Leary - Rojo y Blanco

Honorable Mention:

1. Marilyn Brown - A Walk in the Woods
2. Howard R. Hanson - Bull Run
3. Ron Wilson - Into the Sun

Thanks to Anne Spooner and the Edina Art Center for hosting our exhibition in their lovely Foss Gallery and for writing the article about us which was published in the Edina Sun Current on Wednesday, March 24, 2011. There was a photo of one of Judy Lieber's wonderful watercolor portraits included in the article. If you didn't get a chance to attend the reception the show continues through April 28.

April Meeting

Our April Meeting will be **Tuesday, April 19, 2011** at the Bloomington Art Center. We are having an **open studio** again so bring you paints, collage

materials, clay, whatever you want to work with and join in the fun of painting together!

Member News & Exhibitions

Congratulations to MAA member **Diane Howard Hass** for her entry "Namaste" which won BEST OF SHOW at the Robin Gallery members show!!

Eleanor McIntosh has 50 paintings at Vuitts Gallery in Minneapolis which is located 1/2 block south of 66th on Penn Ave. The reception is Saturday, April 2, 5-9pm. Call the gallery for hours: 612-866-2000.

Chi Chi Miller is the featured artist at the Edina Senior Center, 5280 Grandview Sq. #101 in Edina. The art is in the lower level of the Edina Community Library and will be on display March, April and May, M-F, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Phone: (952) 833-9570.

Jeannie Stroth will be participating in the St. Paul Art Crawl in the Rossmor Building located at 500 No. Robert St. in between 9th St. & 10th St.

Friday April 29, 6:00 until 10:00 pm
Saturday April 30, noon until 8:00 pm
Sunday May 1, noon until 5:00 pm
for more information visit
<http://www.stpaulartcrawl.org/>

Opportunities for Service

MAA has a long and rich history and next year will be our 75th year! If you have any ideas as to how we can celebrate this milestone, let us know! We would like to get more artists to join MAA and participate in the monthly meetings and exhibitions. Think about getting more active - we need a President, Vice President, Newsletter Editor, and Exhibition Chair. We might even want to have a Facebook Page...anyone willing to set that up? Please call Marjorie Moody (651) 644-0068 if you are interested in helping in any way. We have lots of people who have filled these positions before and would be willing to "train" you in! It's really a fun group of people to work with!