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If you have information that you'd like to include in the newsletter or on the website, email it to Duane at: duanewebb@floodcity.net

SCHEDULED EXHIBITS

Annual Fall Exhibit UPJ SAMA Gallery
Receiving: Sep 14 & 15 (Tue & Wed 10am - 4pm)
Exhibit opens: Fri, Sept. 17
Reception: Fri, Sep 24 close: Fri, Jan 7, 2011
pickup works: Jan 10, 2011 10am - 4pm

2011 AAJ Exhibit Schedule

WINTER Exhibit - Jan 29 to Mar 5, 2011
(Reception - Feb. 4) Ameriserv, downtown

SPRING Exhibit - April 2 to May 7, 2011
(Reception - April 8) Ameriserv, downtown

SUMMER Exhibit - June 11 to July 16, 2011
(Reception - June 17) Art Works in West End

FALL Exhibit - Sep 2 to Dec 2, 2011
(Reception - Sept. 2) SAMA UPJ, Johnstown

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

President's Letter

It's hard to believe that there is only a few more weeks of summer remaining. Our 2010 Summer Exhibit at the Community Art Center of Cambria County was very successful. The exhibit included 50 works by 24 AAJ artists plus 4 student works by seniors who were awarded scholarships through Allied Artists. The opening reception, held on June 11th, was well received by members and guests due to the efforts of our co-chairs, Katie Respet and Donna Housel. Thank you for making the Summer Exhibit a pleasurable experience for all.



Diane Safko

The 2010 Annual Patron Drive has ended and through the generosity of our members and contributors, AAJ raised a sum of nearly \$5,000 and has maintained its non-profit status. The Executive Board wishes to thank our patron drive chair Marianne Krizner for her unceasing efforts year after year to make the patron drive a successful venture. Marianne graciously gives of her time to write letters, make calls and do whatever is necessary to raise funds for the continuance of our organization. Thank you to everyone who assisted Marianne and to everyone who generously contributed to this year's patron drive.

In May, AAJ conducted its' annual Scholarship Awards Program. Under the direction of our scholarship coordinator Lida Hood and this year's judge, Assistant Professor of Art Ivan Fortushniak (I.U.P.), over \$3,000 in scholarship money was awarded to six seniors who will pursue art related studies: Haley Schott - Meyersdale, Tiffany Parsons and Sara Mihelic - Richland, Alexandra Mundy - Westmont Hilltop, Sarah Oldham - Windber, and Amanda Shultz - Bishop McCort. Congratulations to all and thank you to Lida for coordinating this year's scholarship program.

AAJ's 78th Annual Fall Exhibit will open on September 17th at Southern Alleghenies Museum of Art at Johnstown. The exhibit will remain on display through January 7th, 2011. The opening reception and awards ceremony will be held on September 24th from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the SAMA Johnstown Gallery. Pieces by Harriett Goff and Mark Parrish will be included in the exhibition to pay tribute to these members who have passed away in 2010. Also included will be a piece by member Elsie Krissay, who is receiving a Life Membership Acknowledgement, bestowed upon any individual who has remained a member for 50 years or more. Ms. Krissay will celebrate her 103rd birthday in November. Congratulations Elsie!

AAJ's 2011 Exhibit Schedule has been set. Please check the schedule and keep the dates in mind. Of particular interest, please note that our 2011 Summer Exhibit will be held at the newly renovated Art Works of Johnstown. We have chosen this site in response to your requests to display your larger works, especially sculptures and large installation pieces. We hope that those who have made this request will plan to enter the Summer Exhibit and we encourage all AAJ members to enter since there is plenty of space available.

On a final note, as part of my address to you in the Spring Newsletter, I mentioned that a committee was assigned to review and revise the current AAJ By-Laws. This decision was made by the Executive Board in order to incorporate amendments made to the By-Laws which had yet to be added and to update certain language and outdated terms. PLEASE pay particular attention to the section included in this issue entitled "Calling for Your Vote: By-Laws Revisions". All members are being asked to vote on the By-Laws revisions. You will find further information regarding the voting process in this section.

Wishing you all a relaxing summer's ending and terrific beginning into autumn!

Diane M. Safko

PATRON DRIVE UPDATE

"Our thanks to all of you who contributed to this year's Allied Artists Patron drive. Thus far the total is over \$5200, less than last year at this time. There is still time for anyone who has not contributed to do so, especially to the scholarship fund which is down from last year. Any additional funding would certainly be appreciated. There will be a full report in the next newsletter."
Marianne Krizner