

City Lights Artists' Co-op

The Lantern- News Update July 2009

Third Thursdays and Featured Artists Reception:

The Featured Artist for July is Colin Pringle. His artwork is amazing. Come to his reception on **Third Thursday, July 16th.**

The Featured Artist for June was *Jane Marquez*. We all love her artwork.

The Featured Artists for August will be Ed Klein's watercolor students

Membership Dues: *Remember that dues for new members in July are \$12.00 and are good through December 2009.*

New Members: Nonette (Nonie) Perlas, Julia Winkler, Charmaine Curtin and Rey Constantine. Welcome to you all. We are looking forward to seeing your artwork in the gallery and on the website. Your participation in Co-op and gallery events is crucial to our success.

The next Membership Meeting will be held in October as we need to begin the process of electing a new Board for 2010. How about a pot luck?
We still have cook books available. They make great gifts.

Visitors Choice Ribbon for June goes to *Merle Blair* for "*Aspen Morning*" with Bill Ruth a close runner-up.

Artists Choice Ribbon for the quarter goes to *Aileen Dike* for her watercolor "*Quiet Pool*". *Congratulations to all.*

Classes:

Ed Klein's classes are still on Tuesday afternoon and Saturday morning. Check with the gallery to see if there is any space available.

City Lights Web Site: www.citylightsart.com is available at no charge to City Lights Co-op members. Be sure to get your work on-line or perhaps, change the work you have there now. Wendy Adams, our very capable web-master will assist you at sales@citylightsart.com. Or use <http://www.citylightsart.com/formsubmission.html>

Board Meetings: The next Board meeting is scheduled for *August 12th at 5:00pm at the gallery*. Remember that all members are invited and we welcome your input. The Co-op members are so lucky to have such active and caring Board members that have accomplished so much this last year.

Other News:

Don't forget the ARTsWALK Wall Exhibit.

They are currently every Friday, weather permitting. Many people attend during the concert intermissions. Please let Al know if you would like to participate. His phone number is 558-3335, or e-mail alwho90950@embarqmail.com

Unless you have your own Tax ID number and a Henderson Business License, sales done on Water Street must go through the gallery to assure that appropriate sales tax is charged. Credit Card sales with appropriate sales tax can be rung up at the gallery. This procedure must be followed as you are selling there under City Lights Business License and Tax ID.

Al Matwiejow sold 2 artworks at the Wall recently.

The gallery change over took place June 27th and as usual we have our summer slump of too few artists in the gallery and too few sign-ups to work the gallery. We really owe a debt of gratitude to Al for all the extra days he has worked and has kept the gallery open. He is now unable to continue due to health reasons to do that amount of work and it is up to the rest of us to *step up and assist*.

It's time for City Hall change over and art work will be delivered to City Hall on July 23rd. You have received a copy of the paperwork required by the City sent to you by e-mail. Please have all pages filled out appropriately and **bring your 2 pieces of artwork to the gallery on or before July 18th**. The identifying cards need to be made prior to delivery. Your artwork out of City Hall will be available later in the day on the 23rd.

The Super Run car show will be on September 24th-27th. This event usually attracts 100,000 people. We are working on ideas to attract them to City Lights....any good ideas out there????

The painting of the Featured Artist room was completed by Jane Marquez, Aileen Dike, Ed Klein and Al Matwiejow. Thanks to you all. Al is painting the door frames and Jane is putting up the blinds in the jewelry room.

The City has approved **chalk footprints on the sidewalks** to lead people to our gallery. We also need to build a smaller sandwich board with City specifications that we can put on the corner of Water Street to direct people to the gallery. **How about a volunteer to help Al with these projects?**

Al is also building locked glass doors for the case in the jewelry room. It will be turned around and be able to be placed against the wall providing more space.

To spruce up the exterior of the building, we will be planting Lantana (it grows quickly and large) in the front. We will be establishing a watering schedule for the sitters as we do not have it on a timer.

Juried Fine Art Show:

City Lights Art Gallery will host a Juried Fine Art Show at the gallery in September. This will be City Lights second show and the Liberace Show was a great success largely due to the hard work and coordination by Aileen Dike. She is again coordinating this show so we know it will be a great success as well.

As Co-op members will not be displaying in a regular fashion for the entire quarter we collected only 2 months shared expenses at change-over. There will be jury fees for the submitted art work for the show and the **jury fees for Co-op members has been reduced to half as an incentive to work in the gallery during September.**

We plan to keep the Gallery open on Sunday, as one of our new members, Rey Constantine has agreed to work all Sundays during September while he demonstrates his charcoal drawings. His portraiture is great.

We are also open shorter hours on Tuesdays as Ed Klein keeps the gallery functioning during his class on that day. So it appears that gallery will only be closed on Monday during September.

Applications for the Fine Art Show are available on City Lights web site and have been delivered to many art supply stores. The art work, 3 pieces, each not to exceed 1100 square inches, will be **accepted on August 29th 10am to 1pm**, then juried and hung the next day and the **show will run September 1st to 25th.**

The Reception will be on Third Thursday, September 17th with awards given in six categories.

We require a volunteer as Hospitality Chairperson to coordinate the food and punch for the reception. We would like all members to contribute some food for the reception. This will greatly reduce our costs for the event. We did this for our Grand Opening on Water Street and it worked great. Call Al or Merle for the details.

If you have a special announcement that you would like mentioned in the newsletter please submit it before the next Board meeting.