



NOVEMBER 2008 NEWSLETTER

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Next meeting, November 20, 2008 at: Nevins Adult Day Center

12 Ingalls Court

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The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM with a brief business discussion.

Directions: From Route 93 take Exit 48, Route 213-East. Take the first exit (Route 28). Bear Right at the end of the ramp onto Rt. 28/Broadway. Go through Methuen Square and continue South. Go straight through the next traffic light (Oakland Ave.) and then turn Right into the driveway of Nevins Home. Follow the driveway back passing both the Nevins Manor and the Nursing Center until you reach the Adult Day Care Center on the Left. Park in the lot that is behind the Adult Day Care Center.



Tom Gill will demonstrate.

Tom is a Lowell, MA artist who started painting when he was 10. Early on, he tested the waters as a rock musician and then studied at the Art Institute of Boston. He began his professional art career at 28. Tom has developed his own style as he expresses his emotions using acrylic paint, mostly on canvas. He paints every day unless he is out photographing new inspirations for future paintings. Tom shares his techniques and style during art association demonstra-

tions throughout New England and we are lucky to have him demonstrate at this month's meeting.

Every artist dips his brush in his own soul, and paints his own nature into his pictures. (Henry Ward Beecher)

You are always welcome to bring your latest work (finished or not) for "SHOW AND TELL".

7Th Art at the Library Show 2008



1. Mayor William Manzi III, City of Methuen and Silvana Siudut Co-founder and President of AIGMV. The Mayors award went to Sharon Morley for “Spigot Falls” and he presented the Arts Institute Group with a citation for celebrating our tenth year as a non profit organization promoting the arts in our community. **2.** Jim Collins received 1st Place in Acrylic, 1st place for the Librarians’ Choice Awards and the Popular Vote Award. All for his painting of “What Have We Done” **3.** Janice Cosby, judge for this show- Gail Fuller, Chair- Aimee McNamara. Aimee was presented with the Best of Show Award for her oil “Joel, James and Anthony” **4.** A newly established award for this year is the “Walter E. Winn (Red) Memorial Award. Artwork was chosen by Beverly Winn (Red’s Wife) and presented to Sharon Morley for “Spigot Fall’ painting.

The 7th Annual Exhibit and Sale at Nevins Memorial Library is a success! We have had many of our members share the responsibilities this year and it has certainly lightened the load. The theme is: “HARMONY”. Patricia Beaulieu was awarded the ribbon for her pastel of “Spritey”. Best of show was taken by a new member, Aimee McNamara for her oil of “Joel, James and Anthony”. Look for further details in the December Newsletter.

This year, artisans who produce Fine Crafts were included in our show and were very well received. Aimee McNamara also makes beautiful beaded jewelry which she displayed and sold with fine crafts. Al and Marilyn Golobski displayed their hand-rubbed wooden bowls and Janice Jones displayed her fabulous quilts.

Lynn Vidler took on the challenging task as our new Head of Publicity. She has done a great job.

Several of our artists donated items for the drawing and/or the Silent Auction of Miniature originals. There seems to be a lot of activity on both fronts and hopefully will be as profitable as last year for our group's scholarship efforts.

Originality comes from just being true to ourselves and what we value about what we see. (Melinda Collins)

COOKBOOK



We are **STILL** actively working on our cookbook but it is tough to accomplish the task without member participation. We don't have nearly enough members submitting recipes for a good collection. We assume that everyone in our group eats, so you must have favorites! A few members have sent in recipes (some sent a bunch). We need more than a few members to participate. So, if you haven't already, won't you please submit the recipes for your best dishes? It's not necessary they be original. We'll give credit to the author. We want family favorites, etc. If you don't cook, perhaps you can supply directions to the frozen food section of your favorite grocery store.

If you want a cookbook for 2009, please don't put this off!
Send us favorite/family recipes (yes, that's plural~ so we can assemble a nice collection from those received). **IMPORTANT!**
Include anecdotes, photos of your artwork or, better yet, photos of YOU. We are asking you to help us out here!

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Check it out!

City Hall Program needs artists who want to display their artwork.

Would you like to be the **Featured Artist on the Web** ?

Artist for the **Meeting Mini Exhibit**

(to bring several paintings to a monthly meeting for display to the group)

Patricia Crowley has been juried into the Whistler House Museum of Art Member Exhibition. The dates of the show are November 5 to December 31, 2008. Her painting of "Milk Glass" was chosen to be on the postcard.

For more information or to see the postcard, click on <http://www.whistlerhouse.org/>

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Welcome to new our new Members: *Laurie Gagnon, Bridget Douillette, Aimee McNamara, Erika Buschmann.*

A **Spring Show** is in the planning. More detail in the December newsletter.

Reserve the date! **Christmas Party** - December 18th . Pot luck and Yankee Swap. Details to come.

DEMONSTRATORS NEEDED for our Spring meetings. Care to volunteer?

If you have questions or want more info, contact Gail Fuller, (617) 510-5742 or foffsart@gmail.com.

MY TWO BITS ~ Gail Fuller

I am still begging for recipes for The "COOKBOOK". We fully intend to proceed with it. (Please.....,if you haven't already done so, send in your favorite recipes).

Phil DiPaolo had a little health scare. Please keep him in your thoughts.

Janice Jones has fractured her foot and is somewhat incapacitated. Having just gotten out of a foot cast, I can sympathize. What an inconvenience it is!

Many thanks to all who have found the time in their busy schedules to help make the November show at the library a success.

See you Thursday the 20th?

Best to you,

Gail Fuller

Don't worry about your originality. You couldn't get rid of it even if you wanted to. It will stick with you and show up for better or worse in spite of all you or anyone else can do. (Robert Henri)

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