

# Sandpiper Log - March 17, 2012

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*A Fine Arts Corporation*

## GENERAL MEETING

March 19<sup>th</sup> @11:00

There is a board meeting at 10 to discuss changes to festival, if any for 2013

## NEW SHOW

### *Featured Artists Multimedia*

March 27 – May 4

An invitational show of raku, quilts, leatherwork and fiber art from Judy Colvin, Matt and Heather Holmes, Monique Kleinhans and Jeff Medved

Reception: Friday,  
March 30<sup>th</sup>, 5:00-7:00

## NEXT SHOW:

### *Inspired By...*

Sandpiper photographers offer their images as inspiration to member artists  
May 8 – June 15

**BRING NEW WORK FOR THE  
SHOW ON SATURDAY  
March 24th**

## FROM OUR GALLERY DIRECTOR:



Our current show, "Kaleidoscope of Color", is another winner. On the Saturday work was to be brought in for the show, it appeared we wouldn't have a lot. We got pieces in a wide range of sizes, which always makes for an interesting exhibit, but it seemed the quantity was lower than has been typical for our open shows. We also got very little work from members for the Member Wall. That's not unusual in the winter months.

However, when the hanging crew was finished their work the following Monday, it was clear we had an excellent show. With fewer pieces we were able to space things nicely, not crowd anything as we sometimes have to do. We eliminated the Member Wall for this show; we used the entire gallery space for the show pieces, whether from SAG members or not. During the opening reception, more people than ever came to me to say what a great show it was, and that it was beautifully hung. A testament to our local artists, and of course, to the hanging crew! Thanks to all.

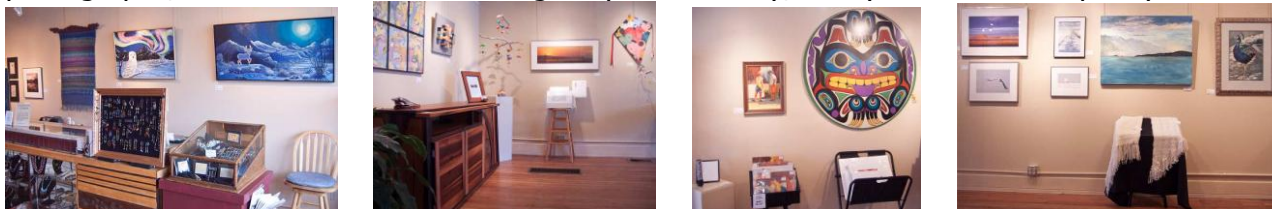
If you've not yet seen the show, you've got through Friday, 23 March.

The next day, Saturday, 24 March, is the day to come collect any work you now have in the gallery. In addition to anything you have hanging, please check the vertical bins and elsewhere in the workroom for any pieces you may have left in the gallery for a while. Saturday is also the day to bring in new pieces for the Member Wall. Bring two or three pieces of new work, and we'll do our best to fill the Member Wall. Remember to make sure your pieces are ready to hang -- picture wire *is* required on pieces larger than 9" x 12". The rest of the gallery will be dedicated to our first invitational show of the year: "Featured Artists: Multimedia", a mixed-media show featuring Judy Colvin, Matt and Heather Holmes, Monique Kleinhans, and Jeff Medved. We'll hang that show Monday, 26 March. The reception will be the following Friday, as usual, from 5:00 to 7:00. Please come, and bring a friend or two!

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Following the "Featured Artists: Multimedia" show will be "Inspired By...", a unique exhibit in which SAG member artists can look through the work of SAG photographers for inspiration to create their own unique pieces. A number of painters and mixed-media artists are producing work for that show, but there's still plenty of room for more. It's not necessary to *copy* any of the photographs (although you certainly may); instead, look through them with an eye toward creating something unique in your own medium, in your own style, perhaps only loosely based on something you find in the photo collection. The photographs and the work they inspired will be hung together in the show, which runs from 8 May through 18 June.

Finding and viewing the photos is very easy. It is not necessary to install any software on your computer. You aren't required to sign-up with any service, create an account, or give away any personal information. Simply visit the Picasa site on the Web, enter the account name and password, and view the photos. Contact Paula Craft or Sue Ball for details. For this show, all work, including the photographs, should be delivered to the gallery on Saturday, 5 May. You still have plenty of time!—Jay



**From the President:** *From the President: We received a touching letter about the Memory Lane show in January from Ryan Tollefson. He is the late Neva Tollefson's (for whom our scholarships are named) grandson, and he's not been to the gallery since he was a child, and Grandmother was either coming or going from the Gallery. He read about the show in the CharKoosta, and is pleased that we appreciate Neva's long-time volunteering and artwork. He has one of her paintings to remember her by—"Springtime on Muddy Creek"—that evokes all kinds of memories of goldfish, snakes and frogs at her home here. He would like to exhibit it at the Gallery someday. Ryan thanks us for commemorating his Grandmother Neva. Well done, Margery Christensen and gallery committee staff for organizing this show!*

Thank you. —Mary Sale

### *Call for Art: Inspired By.....May 8<sup>th</sup> -June 15<sup>th</sup>*

We would like to remind all our artists that the upcoming show ***Inspired By*** will be here before you know it! For this show, artists will select their favorite photograph from among the works of member photographers. They will then create a work of art inspired by that photo. This is open to interpretation in all media. The show dates are May 8th through June 15th. We have had a good response from the member photographers and some artists. To those that do not use computers, contact Paula Craft at **PBeeee@gmail.com** or **982-3215** OR Sue Ball at **skb-artsci@hotmail.com** or **370-2729** and they will help you.

Please be sure you make a comment under any photo you choose so we can make sure the photographers have a print to hang next to your work.

### ***Miracle of America Museum April Art Romp:***

**Gil Mangels** is having an April Art Romp at the **Miracle of America Museum** on April 21<sup>st</sup> from 1-4. All Sandpiper Members are invited to come and paint, sculpt or whatever art they want to

do on that day. Miracle of America Museum was founded in 1981 by Gil and Joanne Mangles. It contains over five acres of American history. The address is 36094 Memory Lane, Polson, MT 59860. Call 406-883-6804 for more information. It should be fun.

[www.miracleofamericamuseum.org](http://www.miracleofamericamuseum.org)

### *3rd annual Reservation Views Paint Out*



SAG will be hosting the 3rd annual Reservation Views Paint Out, June 14th through the 17th, followed by the corresponding Exhibition opening June 19th with a Closing Reception to be held Friday, July 6th. More information and applications are available at the gallery and on the website [www.sandpiperartgallery.com](http://www.sandpiperartgallery.com). Please remember this is a fundraising event for SAG, all members pay a reduced registration fee and are especially

encouraged to invite other artists to participate. The fee is used to cover the cost of the event, with all remaining funds going to support the Sandpiper's exhibitions, classes and scholarship programs.

Let's see if we can hit the fifty artist maximum this year. Remember getting the word out now also increases the number of potential "visitors" to the exhibition! Attached are more information and your application. Applications must be postmarked by June 1st.

**OPPORTUNITY: Hot Springs Artists Society:** It is time to send out the entry forms for our **4th Annual Juried Art Show**, to open on May 15th through June 15th. So if you are a painter, clay sculptor, wood carver, work in metal or fused glass or any of the many original hand-done forms of art, Please pickup a form at the On the Wall Gallery, go to [www.hotspringsartist.org](http://www.hotspringsartist.org) or email [marla@western-art.com](mailto:marla@western-art.com) or call me at 741-2059 and I will send you a form and information. Our judge this year is Brett Thuma of Brett Thuma Gallery in Bigfork. We are very honored to have this award-winning artist as our judge! There are cash prizes and awards, look forward to a bigger and better than every show of wonderful art. So come on and join the fun, the reception is set for May 19th, 6 to 8 pm at the On the Wall Gallery corner of Main & Wall St., Hot Springs, MT. it will be a great time to view the art, visit friends, enjoy the treats & beverages and vote for People's Choice! Thank you in advance for your support of these events and if you would like to have a personal or share space showing with another, of your art or photos at the On the Wall Gallery, PLEASE just give me a call and we will set up a show. We have many wonderful music performances, concerts, children's summer art camp, adult & children classes and events to enjoy. Remember folks we need your help to continue keeping the arts alive, please mark these dates, and look forward to your entry!!!!

**Marla**

**FESTIVAL UPDATE:** The SAG Festival Committee met in February and got things going for 2012! Member Paula Craft will be coordinating the Festival for this year with a great group of volunteers. If you wish to help, please watch the newsletter and your email for Festival Committee Meeting notices and come join us! We will need lots of volunteers for Festival Day, August 11 so please mark the date on your calendar now so you can help out. Members are needed for set up and take down the member booth, vendor amenities and many other jobs, with no experience necessary. We just need your smiling face! (Maybe a few strong backs, too.) The Festival is a great chance for new members to pitch in and help keep the Gallery running, so please consider volunteering this year.



If you are interested in having a booth at the Festival, member applications are in the Gallery in the new handbook or on line at our website [Sandpiperartgallery.com](http://Sandpiperartgallery.com). Be sure to get your application in early! If you know any artists you think might like to participate please direct them to the Gallery or our website. Contact Paula Craft at 982-3215 or [PBeeee@gmail.com](mailto:PBeeee@gmail.com) for more information.

**HANDBOOK UPDATE:** The next time you attend or visit the Gallery, have a look at the new handbook at the front counter. It has been updated with new information and clarification of old information. You will find new sections on layaway, Gift Certificates, the Festival and much more. If you have suggestions for further improvements, please write a note in the handbook and let us know. We want to make attending easier for all of us and hope this update will help members do an even better job when they attend the Gallery. Be sure to check it out!

**MEMBER NEWS:** We invite you to send information about shows, awards, etc. to [sagnewsletter@hotmail.com](mailto:sagnewsletter@hotmail.com) so that we can share your good news with other members.

- Member artist **Karla Martinson's** original music is being performed in BEAUTY AND THE BEAST, Ronan Event Center, March 15, 16.
- CONGRATULATIONS to Sandpiper member and Polson High art instructor **Matt Holmes** who has been selected as "Treasured Montana Artist" by Secretary of State Linda McCulloch. The Treasure Montana Artist show runs from April-July at the Capitol in Helena and will feature Matt and Heather Holmes' raku wall art and mixed media paintings (<http://sos.mt.gov/Galleru/index.asp>). They are also showing at the Art Festival in Bigfork Aug 4-5, and the Virginia City Art show Aug 10-12.

**MEET A MEMBER: The other side of Charlie Fudge**



*We stay at Happy Trails Resort in Surprise, AZ. Our theatre club began 17 years ago and i am a founding member. Actually, I was a member or "The First Kazoo Band" two years before that and this grand group "matured" into the theatre club.*

*We put on an annual variety show of song and dance with elaborate costumes, choreography, and stage sets. While we "lip sync" to the music some people in the audience believe we actually*



*sing for real. As evidence of our popularity and professionalism, we*

*sold out in two and a half days--about 1400 tickets.*

*We called this year's show "Let's Go To Vegas". My roles as a member of "The Chippendales" concluded with pants flying in the air and grinding out the ending with shiny, sparkly, red briefs. As a hippie in "That Old Gang of Mine" we set the stage for "Going to the Chapel" with me wedding my expectant hippie bride. My last performance as Wayne Newton singing "I Can't Help Loving You" resulting in winning the hand of my lady after our song and dance routine dazzled the audience. Other recent roles included four of us guys dressed in shiny tutus with all the trimmings to "Can Can" music, a bunny costume in "What's New Pussycat", and doing the Elvis tune "I'm All Shook Up" wearing a Dairy Queen milkshake container.*

*The next time I serve as a host in our gallery store I will do my best to contain my thespian traits.*

For those who don't know Charlie, he makes beautiful turned wood bowls.



**STUDENT EXHIBIT:** Cherry Valley students' paper sculptures were exhibited for family and friends Thursday, March 8th at the gallery. Heather Holmes worked with Helen Seimers and Pam McCrumb's 1st grade classes on paper mache sculpture. The parents of these 40 students were invited.



**WINTER POTLUCK:** The Winter Potluck on March 3<sup>rd</sup> was a great little party! We had a nice turnout and the group sat out in the Gallery in a circle and chatted over wine and great food. What a treat it is to get to know each other better in such a pleasant setting. Several members have offered to host the summer potluck at their home and we really hope more of you will be able to attend. Watch the newsletter and your email for upcoming dates. Thanks to everyone who attended the Winter Potluck!

**PAINTING GROUP:** Painters in all media are welcome to meet Wednesday mornings from 9:30-noon. All skill levels are invited. It is an excellent way to develop your skills. Call Carol Daniels at 883-5553 for information. \*When we are painting indoors, no paint thinners with fumes are allowed.

### REMINDERS:

**GALLERY SIGN-UP:** *The 2012 calendar is on the back counter. Please sign up to help.*

**RECEPTIONS:** We need members to sign up to host our opening receptions. Please help with this program.

**GIFT CERTIFICATES:** Gift certificates are available at the gallery. Let customers know that these are available. The holidays are a great time to promote gift certificates

**NEW MEMBER INFORMATION PACKETS:** All people that sign up for membership should receive a new member information packet. The folders are fuchsia or yellow in color and are found in the second drawer in the filing cabinet in the bathroom.

**ART QUOTE:** *Fluidity is the presence of long, languorous strokes, elegance, panache, dash and curves. To the sensibilities of most, like a long fluid line in a symphony, they give a feeling of completeness, mastery and intrigue. There is, of course, a place for short staccato bursts and all kinds of other notes, but it's the long fluid line that beguiles.*

Robert Genn



### 2012 SANDPIPER ART GALLERY WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

Stay up-to-date by signing up for workshop updates at  
[SandpiperWorkshops@gmail.com](mailto:SandpiperWorkshops@gmail.com) .

**Marla Brown Robins: Acrylic Painting**

**Dog Gone Fun!** Animal portrait study (on facial features, fur texture, personality)

Friday & Saturday, May 25 & 26

10:00 - 4:00 \$85 for both days

• **Tom Lewis: Expressive Impressionism Oil Workshop**

Monday, April 23 - 10:00 - 12:00 orientation

Tuesday - Friday, May 1, 2, 3, 4 - 10:00 - 4:00 \$195

• **John Davis and Nancy Zadra: Adventures in Abstraction**

Monday - Thursday, June 25, 26, 27, 28

10:00 - 12:00 free to Sandpiper members, \$50 for non-members

**Joanne Simpson**

**Watercolor for the Terrified**

Monday through Friday, June 16—20

9:00 - 12:00 \$125

**The Magic of Color (any medium)**

Monday through Friday, July 30—Aug 3 9:00 - 12:00 \$125

**Flower Power (watercolor)**

Saturday, August 25 9:00 - 4:00 \$45

**Clouds and Other Atmospheric Phenomena**

Sunday, August 26 9:00 - 4:00 \$45

• **John Davis & Margery Christensen: Art Classes for Kids! (For ages 8 and up.)**

**Classic Cartooning**

Monday through Thursday, July 9—12 10:00 - 11:30 \$25 (includes materials)

**Rock Animals**

Monday through Thursday, July 9—12 1:00 - 2:30 \$25 (includes materials)

• **Loren Kovich: Beginner to Intermediate Watercolor**

Sunday & Monday, August 12 & 13 Time tbd

**Contact the gallery for workshop details and registration information.**