President’s Message

I always think of Fall as a time for beginnings: school starts with the accompanying shopping for school supplies, people return from their summer holidays, convocations are held. One can feel the pace begin to pick up at the MAG too, as the Centennial events move closer and closer to reality.

This fall we have had a significant ending in addition to our beginnings. Lynda Serafine, our Gallery Council Assistant for four years has left the MAG family to move on to a more lucrative job at the WMCA. She will be the Assistant to the Vice President of Development at the East Avenue building. She contributed much over the past four years and has made the position her own. She will be greatly missed among all the Gallery Council members and the MAG staff but this new position seems perfect for her. So we sadly said goodbye on September 28th wishing her well.

As that door closed, we have opened the door on our search for Lynda’s replacement. Nancy Holowka is doing a wonderful job going thru the myriad of resumes that we have received for the position. We interviewed several excellent prospects with the assistance of GC Board members as well as MAG staff. Hoping that an offer can be made (and accepted next week). The GC office is open but not at full force so we appreciate any and all help while we get through this next phase. Just remember the program that Margaret Thompson and Teddi Carr did for us last June about the “good old days” when all the galas, fundraisers and programs were done without a Gallery Council Assistant!!

The Gallery Council is busy getting ready for Fine Craft Show 2012. We have an excellent group of artists coming in: some familiar faces to be sure, as well as some new artists will be selling their art work November 2, 3 & 4, 2012. Be sure to sign up to volunteer as well as to attend the Preview Party on Friday evening Nov. 2nd. See you there!!

Clothesline went well this year. We had many cheerful and active volunteers who sold lots of pop, ice cream and beer and wine. We don’t have a final tally on our income yet since several bills are outstanding. This year I spent the weekend in the conference room counting money. It was enjoyable, dry and filled with non-ending, educational conversations. Thanks Money Handlers: Kathy, Hannah, Connie, Joan, Vinnie; what a fun time we had. We will give you a report on our financial status soon.

Several interesting Gallery Council events are upcoming: our October Program: “Renaissance Remix” by Sidney Greaves will be extremely educational. Sidney is an excellent speaker with vast knowledge to share. The Oct 18th Art Tours sponsored Walk through the Neighborhood with Sue Nurse is nearly full and should be fascinating as Sue describes the historical area around the MAG, complete with luncheon at Max’s at the Gallery.

Many thanks to all of you who have offered to help in the office, who have given us names for our search for the Council Assistant and who have been so understanding with our situation. ‘This too shall pass!!’

Happy Fall, Mary Sue
When Marcia Birken looks at the world around her, what she sees are geometric forms, curves, symmetries, and spirals - both in natural and human-made objects, such as quilts. A mathematics professor at Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) from 1977 to 2006, Marcia discovered, in Costa Rica, while studying and photographing mathematical patterns in nature, that her love of nature photography was so strong that she gave up teaching to pursue it full-time. Marcia will show how these mathematical patterns are represented in her art, using her own photographs of nature and of man made objects such as quilts. So call a friend, come, enjoy, and be prepare to be enlightened.

Please RSVP to gallerycouncil@mag.rochester.edu if you plan to attend.

Membership

Please join the membership committee in welcoming the following new Gallery Council Members:

**Judy Feuerherm** just moved to Rochester in April and is very excited to be a part of the MAG and the Gallery Council. She worked for an international company for 15 years and during that time offered free workshops and critiques to individuals in transition, led a team to identify and accomplish volunteer and community services, gave talks to different groups concerning changing work environments, Cape Cod Modernist Trust Fund (preserves primary examples of modernist homes on Outer Cape) assisted the President to identify and schedule contractors to perform work on houses and try to secure this work as in-kind or part donation. Judy was introduced to the Council by Anne Coon.

**Nancy Lee Heppard** is a retired law firm administrator who moved to Rochester this past December. She has worked on Arts and Treasures with Peg McNamara, who, along with Michelle Turner, introduced her to the Gallery Council. Nancy has also participated in the Gallery Art travel group. Nancy volunteers at the Shepherd Home in Penfield.

**Annette Kelly** is a new Docent and a volunteer in the Creative Workshop and Clothesline. Her community involvement includes being a Monroe Development Center ‘counselor’ for developmentally disabled people and a volunteer with WXXI children's programs. She offers skills in communication, writing, computer, data collection, research and lots of enthusiasm.

The Gallery Council is always looking for energetic new members who will support the programs of the Council by attending Gallery Council programs, serving on committees, volunteering for two Gallery Council projects a year and/or serving as a Gallery Docent. If you know of someone who would like to become a member, please contact

**Joanna Grosodonia**
Membership Chair, at 244-4594 or mgrosod1@rochester.rr.com
CASTLE SCULPTURE TO GRACE COUNCIL GARDEN

The Gallery Council’s named space in Centennial Sculpture Park will be home to the latest work by Wendell Castle to be added to MAG’s collection. Titled Unicorn Family, the cast-iron sculpture of a table, three chairs and a 13-foot LED lamp will be a gathering place for visitors to the Park. The lamp will be lit at night. Look for the maquette of the sculpture to the right of the glass doors leading to the galleries.

You can preview the Council’s garden and the location of the Castle sculpture by looking out the windows in the Lovejoy Parlor. The space extends from the front gate on University Avenue, past the Castle work and across the geometric pathway designed by Jackie Ferrara to the front door of Cutler Union.

As construction on the Sculpture Park continues, so does the Council’s campaign to fulfill our pledge of $250,000. The Campaign Committee has mapped plans to contact all Council members between now and next Spring. “But you don’t have to wait to be contacted,” says Sandy Koon, Campaign chair. Call her at 425-1688 to discuss how you can contribute and for a pledge form.

Fine Craft Show

Fine Craft Show 2012 is fast approaching! Final volunteer assignments are being made; booth locations are set and invitations are out.

Starting November 2, 2012 at 6PM, Val Cushing and Richard Aerni will be discussing their work under the guidance of Marlene Hamann-Whitmore, Acting Director of Education at the MAG. This informational presentation is followed by the Preview Party that allows you to get first look at the amazing art of the 40 artists who are participating in the show.

Saturday and Sunday (Nov 3 & 4) the show is open to the public. Grab your holiday shopping lists and let the buying begin!! It will be fun to see everyone there to support one of the Gallery Council’s main fund raising events!

Fine Craft Show
November 2 - 4, 2012
Volunteers needed!
To sign up, click www.mag.rochester.edu/plugins/acrobat/gallerycouncil/FineCraft-vol-2012.pdf

Save the Date:

Pan to join us for the Gallery Council Centennial fund raising event: Art Reflected: A Century of Inspiration February and March 2013.

Local artists are creating new pieces that interpret works in the MAG collection. The artists’ work will be for sale.

The Art Reflected Opening Party will be Saturday, February 9, 2013. We hope you will join us for a cocktail reception and dinner to honor the artists. You will be able to tour the exhibit, mingle with the artists, and enjoy the first opportunity to purchase their work before the show opens to the public.

Save the Date
Thursday, December 13, 2012
Holiday Luncheon followed by Musical Entertainment At Locust Hill Wassail Bowl 11:30 Luncheon at 12:00 Cost $25.00 per person Guests Welcome RSVP to gallerycouncil@mag.rochester.edu
CLOTHESLINE THANKS

Clothesline 2012 is now only a distant memory. And for 140 Gallery Council volunteers, the memory is either Soggy or Sunny, depending upon your assignment day! Saturday's folks braved chill, tent-toppling winds and rain. Crowds were sparse, giving all attendees an opportunity for up close and personal shopping, but not ready for ice cream or that frosty beer! Sunday brought the crowds, as those who waited the extra day were rewarded with warm sunshine and smiles, to say nothing of the many wonderful art treasures to be found throughout the festival. Thanks go to all those who worked with us to make sure that all attendees had the chance to benefit the Council by visiting the ice cream/beverage stations or the wine/beer tents. Whether on the Soggy or Sunny shifts, all volunteers went above and beyond to do their job. May our appreciation find its way to you! You are the Best!

ADOBE DEHN (American, 1895 – 1968)
Peaceful Cove, 1938
Lithograph, Gift of Gallery Council, 2012

Received as donation to Arts and Treasures, the Gallery Council was pleased to donate the lithograph to the Gallery to add to its collection.

CLASSIFIED

Needed:
Two drawer file cabinet for Gallery Council office
28 inches high x 15 inches wide x 18 inches deep
If you have a file cabinet that you can donate to the Gallery Council, please contact Mary Sue Jack at msjack@rochester.rr.com
Thanks!

PASSAGES

Members of the Gallery Council extend sincere sympathy to the family and friends of Paul Moonan
Husband of Diane Moonan

DOCENT LECTURE SERIES
FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2012
Council members welcome

Tues., Oct 23 Renaissance Collection, Mary Delmastro
Tues., Nov. 6 Views of Edo, Nancy Norwood
Update of 6th Grade Tours, Carol Yost
Tues., Nov. 13 Native Works of Paper, Jessica Marten
Orientation to Changing Hands: Contemporary Native American Art, Marlene Hamann-Whitmore
Tues., Dec. 11 MAG’s Tapestries, Nancy Norwood & Sydney Greaves

If you have news of a Gallery Council member, please contact Carmen Signorino at carmensignorino@yahoo.com
Submit newsletter items or comments about the News to Barbara O’Hare at bohare5281@aol.com

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