

February 2014 Newsletter

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The President's Corner



Dear Members,

We are really glad to be able to see everyone tonight. Nature has not be very co-operative with our meetings. You have to admit that there were some great snow photography opportunities!

Tonight we are delighted to have Harry Boardman, a Montgomery County artist, as our speaker. A skilled portrait artist, he also portrays local landscapes, botanicals and animals. Known for bold outlines, thick paint, defined brush strokes and abstract shapes, he also uses unique techniques and/or materials. We welcome Harry to BMAL.

Next month is the Members' Show. It is hoped that each member will show one piece of art and/or photography. This would be a great night to invite a friend! Also, we can use some extra snacks for the social time. Thanks.

Enjoy the meeting! Dawn Park

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March is the Members' Show

All members may enter 1 painting and/or 1 photograph.

- 1. Painting categories are **Advanced** and **Intermediate**.
- 2. Ribbons will be awarded in the **Photography** section.
- 3. All participants must be BMAL members.
- 4. All work is to be original and created by the BMAL member.
- 5. Registration begins at **6:00**. It closes, without exception, at **6:30**.

Sara Steele, watercolor artist and teacher, will critique and judge the show.

Sara has work in over 200 collections and has been exhibited throughout the United States and in Europe. She has licensed products for stationary, giftware, accessories, home furnishings and fashion industries. She has created book jackets, covers and interior illustrations for numerous publishers.

First Niagara Bank

Tear down: Fri., Feb. 28 at 9 a.m.

First National Bank of Newtown

832 2nd Street Pk., Richboro Set up: Mon., March 3 at 9 a.m.

Bucks County Visitors' Center

3207 Street Rd., Bensalem Set up: Fri., March 7

Bring 3 paintings

ALL PAINTINGS MUST BE WIRED.

Member Participation Needed

Our **Area Exhibits** chairman *Bart Dunlap* has done a fantastic job of securing art venues for us as well as organizing set up and tear down of all these shows. We all appreciate Bart's dedication and hard work. Bart has already scheduled most of our venues for next year. He will continue as chairman until our new season begins next September.

At this time Bart will step down and therefore we will need some members to step up and assist with these shows. *George Fieo* has volunteered to chair this committee but he will need more help. He will be our cheerleader at the meetings and will be the bank liaison. If you participate in the shows, your help with the shows is appreciated.

Below is the breakdown of responsibilities---

- 1. Person or persons to transport the 6 by 4 foot flats to each show. This is a major concern!
- 2. Help George to set up and tear down the shows
- 3. Person or persons to register participants in shows
- . We hope for 2 people in each position.

 Please see Dawn if you are interested in volunteering.

<u>Plan Ahead</u> to see the Paul Evans Exhibit:

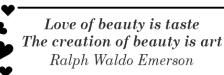
Crossing Boundaries & Crafting Modernism The Michener Art Museum Fri., Mar. 28 at 12 noon

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Helpful Hints

A tip from artist *Eric Michaels* on how to improve your painting.

His advice was to get outdoors to paint, and to paint small studies, working only an hour on each, capturing whatever could be done within the time limit. Without the pressure to create finished paintings, the artist is able to concentrate on learning from the landscape with each study.





Please contact Lynne Whitsel with any information for the newsletter. Deadline is the Wednesday before the meeting. Phone: 215 355-5730 or Email: lynnedw@verizon.net