

13 – A Lucky Number for Artsbridge

Our Annual Juried Show was a big success. This marks the 13th year of the event, which seems to get better every year. Over 100 works were displayed, prizes and purchase awards of almost \$3,000 were distributed, and a record number of works were sold!

Artsbridge honors Jan Lipes with the "Marty Award" for his outstanding contributions to the arts community.

The Doris Brandes Memorial Award for Overall Best in Show was awarded to Richard Lennox for his oil painting "Float." The First Place Award for Painting was captured by Steve Zazenski for his watercolor, "Winter Morning – Longport Key."

Sheila Coutin was awarded First Place for her sculpture, "If You Love Them, Let Them Go." Mixed Media First Place was awarded to Rose Marie Strippoli for "Castles and Moonbeams." Marge Milne was awarded First Place in Photography for "Dress Rehearsal."

Honorable Mentions were awarded to Dot Bunn's oil painting "Spring Rain"; Carol Cosh-Harrison's acrylic painting "The Last Brake"; Lou DesMarsis's cast stone sculpture "Torso"; Steve Messenger's oil painting "Winter Light"; and Marc Reed's oil painting "Reach."

Major sponsors for the show included First National Bank and Trust of Newtown for the Michener Museum Purchase Award and Russ Poles of N.T. Callaway in Sergeantsville for the Doris Brandes Memorial Award.

Other supporters included: David Rago of Lambertville; Lucinda and Adam Chou; Walter Hazzard, Topeo Galleries of New Hope; The Woolverton Inn, Stockton; The Segeantsville Inn; Pierre and Sheila Coutin; Jim's Antiques of Lambertville; The Artisan's Gallery in Lahaska; The Sojourner in Lambertville; Coryell Gallery, Lambertville; The Artists' Gallery, Lambertville; Pewter and David Mancuso Professional Show Management; and Ty Hodanish, The Art Colony at the Prallsville Mills, Stockton.

The jurors for this year's show were Tom Chesar and Robert Sakson.

How Big Are We?

Thought you'd like to know that our membership now numbers over 300. That makes us a pretty healthy organization. What's even better is that we have a number of members who volunteer to keep our activities going. Remember, we're an all-volunteer organization. Let us know if you want to get involved.

How to Get Us

Make a point of visiting our website (Artsbridgeonline.com), give us a call at the Artsbridge office (609-773-0881) or visit us at the office in the Artists' Gallery in Lambertville (we're usually there on Thursday afternoons). Keep in touch!

Member Spotlight – Karen Caldwell



We like all our members, but some in particular. Karen is the particular. Always ready to help out, she is the Artsbridge PR person who keeps everyone informed with announcements and articles. After studying Landscape Architecture at Rutgers, she and her husband Jeff started Sunflower Glass Studio in Sergeantsville. She's also one of the founding members of the Cover Bridge Artisans group. Next time you see her at one of our functions, stop by to say hello.

Upcoming Meetings

Artsbridge meetings are usually scheduled for the 3rd Thursday evening of every month. Next up:

- **TY HODANISH WITH PETER AND COLIN HUNT**

SEPTEMBER 20TH – Riverrun Gallery – 7-9 pm

By popular demand (even if we rigged the votes), Ty, Peter and Colin will discuss their work and why they love to paint "Plein Air."

- **ART SHARE**

OCTOBER 18th – Riverrun Gallery – 7-9 pm

Here's an opportunity for members to share some of their work with one another. Don't be bashful – bring one or more of your creations. It's great fun!

- **MYSTERY GUEST**

NOVEMBER 15th – Riverrun Gallery – 7-9 pm

So what if we haven't been able to get the commitment yet? We will – and let you know later!

- **WINTER SOLSTICE PARTY**

DECEMBER 20th – Prallsville Mill – 7 pm

We celebrate the Solstice with a party at Ty Hodanish's gallery at Prallsville Mill each year. Mark your calendar – it comes quicker than you think!

Members' Show in the Works

Plans are now being made for an Annual Members Show – probably some time early in 2008 at a location to be determined. Every member will be able to contribute one piece. The event is always lots of fun. Rose Marie Strippoli has agreed to chair the show. Give her a call at 419-239-3938 if you have any suggestions or would like to help organize the event.

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