

newsletter

GENERAL MEETING SCHEDULE

General Meetings are held on the **2nd Tuesday** of every month at 7:00 pm at the *Bellingham Public Library, downtown branch.*

June 14

July 12

August 9

September 13

October 11

November 8

Next Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 28
at 7 pm at the
Whatcom Art Market
in Fairhaven.

The Whatcom Art Market is OPEN!

We have been open just over a month now and things are settling down as far as everyone is adjusting to all the new items, like where we have stored things and where are all those light switches! Many of our previous customers are finding us, but we're looking at ways to help ALL of them to be able to locate us now. Our landlord has been wonderful to us and responded to any call, which we so appreciate.



We enjoyed our All Hands Meeting last weekend and had the opportunity to visit a little and share all the updates and ideas. Our next event is on



June 17th, the Summer Solstice Art Walk in Fairhaven, from 5 – 8 pm. We will have refreshments, demos, and hope most of WAM's artists will come so we can use it as an excuse to have a party. It's fun just to have time to talk to each other in addition to our visitors. All of WAG is of course invited too.

Whatcom Art Market

Wednesday - Sunday, 10-6

1103 - 11th Street - Fairhaven
360-738-8564

www.whatcomartmarket.org
facebook.com/WhatcomArtMarket

A Note From Our Shows Chair

Janice Hartwell

I'm seeking interesting and informative program ideas for our general meetings. I'd especially like to take advantage of the vast experience of our WAG members. If you have a method or practical hint you could share with us, please speak up. It could be a group, sharing their ideas, or a one hour demo of your artistic process.

Several people have expressed their lack of knowledge of how to photograph and submit their artwork to galleries and shows. If anyone knows of someone who has this expertise and can teach us, or can advise us on who can be hired for this service, your input would be appreciated. I hope it will come together for our July meeting.

If you haven't signed up for the June 18, Golden Art presentation, there are a few spaces remaining. 2-4pm at the Fairhaven Library. It's free and lots of samples are given out.

Barbara DePirro from **Golden Art Supplies** will present a free program on **Saturday, June 18 from 2-4pm at the Fairhaven Library Fireside Room**. Besides valuable information, you will receive generous free samples. RSVP at the May 10 General Meeting or email Janice Hartwell, jnicehart@gmail.com.

GOLDEN

Artist of the Month

Congratulations to the Artists of the Month selected at the May General Meeting.



1st Place
Caroline Schauer



2nd Place
Phyllis Howard



3rd Place
James Weaver



4th Place
June Kiefer

Membership

We extend a warm welcome to our new members!

Carolyn DeSilva
Jessica Wilbert
Julie Mortimer
Georgia Donovan

Library News

Please be sure to check out the great books and DVDs available at our library located at the back table during our WAG General Meetings. WAG members may check out videos for \$5.00 for one month. Several videos need to be returned! There is a \$5.00 fine for each month that they are not returned. If the video library is not open during a general meeting, there will be a library box available at the meeting for video returns.

Questions:
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Square Flowers



Really? What have flowers to do with squares? Or, squares with flowers? Probably very little.

The idea of presenting square photos of flowers came into view back in 2015 while I was playing in Lightroom and discovered its cropping tool. In the cropping tool's menu, I saw "1x1" as an option and clicked on it to see what would happen.

Voila! The image I was working/playing on changed in appearance — instead of a rectangular view with its usual choice of landscape or portrait orientation, here was 1) a new way, to me, of viewing an image file, and 2) an inspiration to search for images that would meld easily into squareness.

I looked at photos of cars, houses, mountains, and most of the various kinds of objects represented by my picture files. While several of the subjects seem to work fairly well, flowers seem to work best. Thus came about my idea for a project of square flowers.

James Weaver

International Doll & Teddy Show

Pam Pontious was invited to attend and vend at the International Doll and Teddy Show in Asheville, NC, June 10-11, 2016.

ID&TS was created for artists to display and sell their creations to not only shops, but also directly to the collectors. Pam will be selling her soft sculpture characters there.



Member Items For Sale

For Sale: three table top spinning card racks, lightly used

Height: 18"

Width: 10"

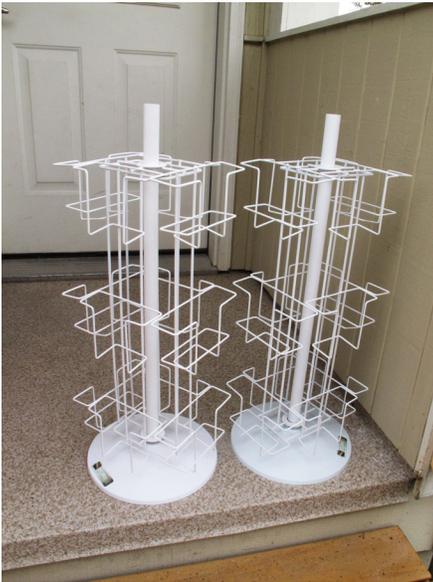
Color: two are white, one is off-white

Pocket sizes: 5' x 7'

White racks each: 6 vertical pockets and 6 horizontal pockets

Off white rack: 12 vertical pockets

Price: \$12 each or all three for \$30



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or

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The Purpose of the Whatcom Art Guild

- *to encourage and promote the visual arts within Whatcom County*
- *to welcome and encourage all artists - beginning to professional*
- *to provide an environment in which artists can meet and exchange ideas and information*
- *to organize exhibits in which members may display and sell artworks*
- *to establish ties within the county and promote the visual arts*
- *to support lifelong art education*
- *to promote member artists and the Whatcom Art Guild*

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A Sense of Place: the Pacific Northwest

presented by the The Whatcom Art Guild

The Jansen Art Center is hosting the Whatcom Art Guild's Summer Exhibit, A Sense of Place: the Pacific Northwest. On display during June and July will be various artistic expressions such as oil, acrylic and watercolor paintings, drawings, photography, mixed media, textile art, glass jewelry, wood turning, soft-sculpted animals, and



crafts. All art on display will be featured in a collector's catalog available for purchase while visiting the exhibit, or at the Whatcom Art Market in Fairhaven.

The Whatcom Art Guild is a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing and promoting the arts in Whatcom County. Formed in 1964, the Guild is the oldest continuously operating art group in Whatcom County, and currently has more than 120 members from across Whatcom, Skagit, and Island Counties who support and create a wide range of artistic media. In 2010, the Guild opened the Whatcom Art Market in Fairhaven, where approximately 50 Guild artists exhibit and sell their work year round.

The above article is from the May 31st email sent out by The Jansen Art Center.



Remember that our **May 10 General Meeting** will be held at the **Bellingham Public Library**