

NewSketches

Lunenburg Art Gallery

FALL 2007

“One of our best years ever!”

Exhibition & Planning News

EXHIBITIONS WERE A
RESOUNDING SUCCESS!

The Senior schools kicked off the 2007 exhibition year; the Mermaid Theatre Puppet Exhibit in June, succeeded in encouraging art appreciation in the schools by introducing a number of young people to the visual and performing arts; and the youth participants from Paint Sea On Site joined the regular members in October as part of the Members' Show.

In May, selected member artists were invited to participate in an eclectic show to celebrate spring; two separate exhibits featuring four local Lunenburg Art Gallery Members were held in July and September; and the month of October saw the Member's Show finish off the exhibition.

In April, the first visiting artist featured a gouache exhibit; in May, the exhibit “Celebrate Spring” provided the community and visitors with a mixed media show ranging from wood carving, kite design and garden sculpture; and August featured an energetic and colourful acrylic show highlighting perspectives of Lunenburg.

As the 2007 Exhibition Season closes, the Exhibition and Planning Committee would like to thank the artists who participated, the



Mermaid Theatre Workshop

volunteers who gave their time and resources; Christine who assisted in all manner of ways; and the visitors to the Lunenburg Art Gallery who came to look, enjoy and purchase the works.

We welcome submissions. Guidelines for shows in the Exhibition and Planning area of LAG are available in the gallery.

Colleen Galloway
Exhibition & Planning Committee

Paint Sea On Site News

A very successful Paint Sea On Site was held on July 28th & 29th this year. Final profit from this year's event was \$10,384.00, about \$2000.00 over last year.



Having fun at Paint Sea On Site

Bidders this year came from all parts of Nova Scotia and from St. John, Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver and Calgary. As well, there were bidders from the states of Oregon, Colorado, Ohio, Massachusetts, New York, Connecticut and Tennessee.

The student event was very successful. Eleven students painted each day and many of those young people participated in one or all of the three workshops given prior to the PSOS weekend. The Ruby Stewart fund received a donation of \$100.00 from the student event. Thanks to Cindy Dial for again organizing this very wonderful addition to the PSOS weekend and to the artists who donated their time to lead the workshops!

The food tent proved to be a huge success. Profit from the sale of food, iced tea and chutney was \$1018.79. Many thanks to Mimi Findlay for her immediate willingness to help the PSOS committee with this new project and for bringing it to a profitable conclusion!

For the second year in a row we appreciated receiving a grant from Nova Scotia Tourism of \$250 and a donation of \$200 from Claussen Walters. Many local businesses donated items such as pizza boxes, bottled water and items to put in the "goodie bags" handed out to the artists. We thank those businesses for their generosity. Thanks, too, to all the artists, volunteers, and to the public for making Paint Sea On Site 2007 so much fun and such a success!

A special thank you to the gallery attendant, Christine Hurlburt, for all her assistance which made the work of the committee so much easier!

Paint Sea On Site will be held on July 26th & 27th, 2008. The committee is looking for new members as some of the members who have worked on the committee for a few years are now leaving.

If you would like information on what is involved in working on the PSOS committee, please feel free to call Melanie at 634-9428.

Melanie Cooke
Paint Sea On Site Committee

2008 Art Gallery Workshops

Zehava Power - May 2 & 3, 2008

Acrylic studio painting. Artist should be familiar with the medium.

Zehava had a amazing show in our gallery this year and also participated in Paint Sea On Site. Her work is bold and interesting. This workshop will be held at the MARC in Dayspring. Cost \$100. Deposit of \$50 due on March 1st. Please contact Lezlie Morgan at 543-2248 or lezliemorgan@hotmail.com

Charles Gruppe - June 9 - 12, 2008

Acrylic

Charles Gruppe will be joining us again to instruct us in the secrets of his wonderful acrylics. This workshop will be stuido and in-plein-air and held at the Lunenburg Fire Hall. Cost - \$300 - deposit of \$100 due April 1st Contact Barb Hannaford at 634-0257 or bjh@ns.sympatico.ca

Margaret Roseman - Sept. 15 - 18 2008

Watercolour - in-studio

Margaret Roseman is a fantastic instrutor from Ontario. Her works are vibrant and the watercolour technique is exciting. We haven't decided on a location yet.

Cost is \$350 with deposit of \$100 due July 1st. Contact Anne Harding 543-4007 or anne.harding@ns.sympatico.ca

If you have any questions regarding the workshops or suggestions for additional workshops, please contact Lezlie Morgan 543-2248 or Ruth Flower 634-3536 (ruthflower@eastlink.ca)

Gallery Happenings

Our sales have continued to be brisk since the last newsletter and we have had approximately 3000 visitors who have signed our guest book since the school show. There were many more who visited, but who omitted to sign the guest book. We had visitors from all over the globe and it is amazing how many people come to see the artwork of our member artists.

Residents of the surrounding areas drop in and we appreciate their support. It is good to know that they enjoy the shows. Now that we have the Featured Artist Wall in the Members' Gallery, guests especially look forward to seeing new works by our talented artists on a bi-weekly basis. Have a safe, warm winter and see you in 2008.

Christine Hurlburt
Gallery Attendant

Members' Gallery News

Thanks to my very able committee of Jane Rowberry, Barbara Hannaford, Colleen Galloway and Patty Rhineland the Members' Gallery looked smashing at all times. We had three changeovers and more than 30 artists exhibited.

Twenty-eight sales brought in \$6888, 25% of which helps pay gallery expenses. In addition twelve artists displayed their work on the featured wall with twelve sales totalling \$2535. Again contributing 25% to the gallery.

More importantly this gallery is proving to be a source of encouragement and favorable exposure for our member artists.

Ruth Flower
Members' Gallery Committee

Gift Case News

Many thanks to all those artists who supported our Gift Case. It was another successful season with sales higher than last year. Hope this can be even better in 2008!

Shirley Powers
Gift Case Committee

Attic Art & Collectibles

The Attic Art and Collectible sale brought in \$2587.43 after expenses.

Many thanks to all the members who donated both treasures and time.

Gill Osmond
Attic Sale Committee

The Lunenburg Art Gallery's

**Annual General Meeting
to be held on**

Tuesday Feb. 26, 2008

at

7:00 pm

Lunenburg Art Gallery

Letter from the Chair

One of our best years ever! Our two main fund-raisers, **Paint Sea On Site** and the **Gala Art Auction** produced outstanding results. Although I do not know the results of the Attic Art Sale at the time of this submission, I have seen the start of the contributions and it seems like another success. A lot of hard work, but well worth the effort!

Every committee chair and volunteer has put in extra effort this season and done a remarkable job. We have been more involved that ever before in bringing our resources to the youth in our community. The Mermaid Theatre exhibit and production not only provided entertainment and instruction to many children but also brought our Gallery to the attention of the Canada Council for the Arts and to some important connections within the Province. Paint Sea on Site attracted more students this year and plans are underway to expand their involvement in future events.

Further to the agreement when I took on the position of Chair, I will not be re-offering for the next term. I have enjoyed my experience this year and have learned a lot about the spirit of the Gallery and the commitment given by the membership. We have a unique opportunity ahead, and I encourage all of you to involve yourself in any way you can to work with your fellow members and share in the Gallery's success. It is with tremendous satisfaction that our membership can say that the Lunenburg Art Gallery continues as a viable operation into its 36th year.

I wish you all Health and Happiness during the upcoming Christmas Season and the New Year.

To paraphrase John F. Kennedy:

**“Ask not what your Gallery can
do for you...ask what you can do
for your Gallery”**

Jane Rowberry
Chair