

NewSketches

Lunenburg Art Gallery

Spring 2007

Spring has Sprung and the Gallery is Hopping!



Mermaid Theatre's Suzy Crocker & Jesse MacLean. Photo by Margo E. Gesser

May 29 – June 24

Mermaid Theatre Puppet Exhibit

Opening Reception: Tuesday, May 29 5 pm

June 26 – July 29

Anya Holloway and Robin Crickmer,

Acrylics – "Carnival of Colour"

Opening Reception: Tuesday, June 26 5 pm

July 28 and 29

"Paint Sea on Site" – Wet Paint Sale and Auction, Lunenburg Fire Hall

July 31 – August 26

Zehava Power, Acrylics – "Lunenburg in Paint"

Opening Reception: Saturday, August 4, 3 pm

August 28 – September 30

Barbara Hannaford and Jane Rowberry, Acrylics – "Lifestyles"

Opening Reception: Tuesday, August 28, 5 pm

Sunday, September 24

Fund-raising Gala Art Auction and Wine Tasting, Ashlea House 3 – 5 pm

Details at www.lunenburgartgallery.com

October 2 – 31

Lunenburg Art Gallery Members

Opening Reception Tuesday, October 2 – 5 pm

November 10

10 am – 1 pm

Attic Art & Collectible Sale, Lunenburg Fire Hall

Lynn Gillard

Chair Planning and Exhibitions Committee

UPCOMING...

The Exhibition and Planning Committee, including Melanie Cooke, Robin Crickmer, Colleen Galloway, Inge Hatton, Anya Holloway, Gill Osmond and Ruth Flower, has created what is sure to be an uplifting and thought-provoking exhibition schedule for 2007.

Please join the artists at their Opening Receptions and during their show to show your support.

April 3 – 29

Jacqueline Steudler, Gouache – "Primavera"

May 1 – 27

Selected member artists; invited artists Paul Clark, Gail Logan, Bev McClare and Marilyn Congdon, Mixed Media – "Let's Celebrate Spring!"

Opening Reception: Tuesday, May 1 – 5 pm

Puppetry at the Lunenburg Art Gallery

The Mermaid Puppet Theatre is based in Windsor, Nova Scotia. (<http://www.mermaidtheatre.ns.ca>) Their unique adaptation of children's literature has delighted millions of children on four continents for 35 years. They have been named the best Performing group by the Canadian Arts Presenting Association.

This theatre's many-pronged method of introducing young people to the visual and performing arts is an apt fit for the Lunenburg Art Gallery and our interest in encouraging art appreciation in our schools. The Mermaid Theatre arrive back from many weeks of touring in the USA at the end of May and so we are delighted that we can be accommodated as their season finale.

There are three aspects to their visit to Lunenburg:

1. Lunenburg Art Gallery Show

This one is for children and adults alike. A wonderful display of smaller and life size puppets from previous shows opens at 5:00pm on Tuesday, May 29 and runs until June 24, 2007. The school board will organize trips for classes. Christine will take care of these visits.

2. Puppet-making for the schools

The Academy has given us space to accommodate classes in puppet-making for children from 4-9 years. The logistics re schools involved and transport are in the hands of the schools and the board. The workshop personnel from Mermaid have offered to do three classes on



May 30 at 6:30pm in the Pearl Theatre. Details at www.lunenburgartgallery.com

each of the following days May 30th through June 1st. Each workshop will run for one hour from 9:30-10am, 11:00am-12noon and 1:00-2:00pm.

We need 2 volunteer members to assist in the classrooms for each time period.

The children are enthusiastic and this is not an onerous task so please consider giving a hand.

You might even learn something!

3. Pearl Theatre Puppet Show

Wednesday, May 30 at 6.30pm

The Mermaid will perform three charming plays by the late Dutch children's author, Lio Lionni. The tales are Swimmy, Frederick and the delightful Inch by Inch. These stories were written for children aged 3-8 or 9 years old. If this show sells out we have a option of a second show on the 29th at 7pm after the opening at the gallery.

We will need 6 volunteers for the evening. Two for tickets, 2 to usher and two to help with drinks and cookies afterwards. It would also be wonderful if someone could undertake to provide a plate of fruit and sandwiches for the cast of three.

If you are willing to assist in any way please contact Christine after April 1st at 640-4044

2007 LAG WORKSHOPS

July 9 – 13 Ned Mueller Oil/Acrylic

Ned Mueller has been a professional artist for 40 years. He is a signature member of the Plein Air Painters of America. He is the cover and feature artist in The American Artist Magazine - Workshops issue for winter 2007.

Ned believes that painting is mostly about learning how to see, how to interpret, compare, and edit the objects and colors of the scene you choose to paint. He will discuss seeing things less literally, but in a more abstract manner, to enable you to see more of the unlimited possibilities before you. Ned will guide discussions about and work on what makes a plein air painting work; mood, rhythm and movement, and the interesting balance of value, shapes, masses, and color. Ned will do class demonstrations and work with each individual student. Bring a sense of humor and you will work hard and have a good time doing it.

View his web site www.nedmueller.com

Fee: \$400 (deposit of \$100 due May 1, 2007)
Where: Lunenburg Jr/Sr High School Annex Building
Info: Barb Hannaford 634-9257 or Lezlie Morgan 543-2248

Attic Art & Collectibles News

We had another successful Attic Art fundraiser in 2006. Our date for this year is November 10th, which leaves you with seven months to fill your boxes with unwanted treasures!

Gill Osmond,
Chair Attic Art & Collectibles Sale

August 27, 28, 29 Charles Spratt Acrylic

Charles Spratt has been a painter for more than 30 years. His work is represented in galleries from Calgary to Baie St. Paul and he has had over 20 solo exhibitions. For many years he taught for numerous Ontario collages and art groups in watercolours and acrylics. He is a member of the Canadian Society of Painters in Watercolour and the Ottawa Watercolour Society.

Students should have a working knowledge in acrylics to get the most from this workshop. Together, we will cover the basics of composition and opaque painting techniques in a studio setting followed by outdoor painting sessions. Some time may be devoted to painting the human face if there is enough interest.

Visit his web site www.cspratt.ca

Fee: \$275 (deposit of \$100 due June 1, 2007)
Where: Lunenburg Jr/Sr High School Annex Building
Info: Lezlie Morgan 543-2248 or Anne Harding 543-4007

Members' Gallery News

The Members' Gallery is now open for the 2007 season!

Three paintings will be selected from this gallery to be shown at the Opera House Show May 5th and 6th. The selection will be made by members of ALAG.

There will be a change-over in June, the date to be announced later.

Ruth Flower,
Chair Members' Gallery

Paint Sea On Site News

The registration forms for Paint Sea On Site 2007 will be in the mail by the end of March with a request for completed forms to be returned by June 30th. Both the call letter and the registration form are accessible on the Gallery's website.

www.lunenburgartgallery.com)

The Student Event will again be part of PSOS. This year, the paintings done by the students will be for sale and proceeds will be split 50/50 as with the sale of the adult paintings.

Our Student Event co-ordinator, Cindy Dial, hopes to offer a workshop to the students where various techniques and the use of different media can be demonstrated. This would take place well in advance of the PSOS weekend. We are hoping for some of our member artists to volunteer to spend a day, or half a day, helping these up and coming young artists. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Melanie Cooke at 634-9428.

It would also be greatly appreciated if artists who have any old art supplies they wish to donate could bring them along for the students' use and drop them off at the Lunenburg Art Gallery.

The PSOS committee could use extra help on the weekend of the event, this year July 28-29. We especially need help setting up at the fire hall on Saturday morning and clearing things up at the end of the day on Sunday around 5:30 for roughly an hour. "Many hands make light work." If you can help us out please contact Melanie ant 634-9428.

We also need volunteers to help monitor the silent auction. For more information on this, please contact Melanie Cooke at 634-9428.

Paint Sea On Site is the prime fund-raiser for the Lunenburg Art Gallery. It is also a fun-filled weekend. If you have not taken part in it before, either as an artist, a bidder or a helper, I would urge you to get involved this year.

For further information, please visit the Paint Sea On Site page on the Gallery website (www.lunenburgartgallery.com) or give Melanie a call at 634-9428.

See you there!!!

Melanie Cooke,
Chair Paint Sea On Site Committee

LAG Website News

The gallery membership list is now online, tied to the website. Board members have been given the username and password for access to the list. Anyone else who has a need for this information should contact the webmaster. The artists' page is automatically updated from the official membership list, so it will always be exactly up to date. The 2006 list will be used for this purpose up until April 3, when the switch over to the 2007 list will occur. If your name suddenly disappears from the artists' page on April 3, it may be because you haven't paid your 2007 membership fees yet.

The Google ads on the home page continue to generate money. We received a cheque for US\$122 late last year. Since this payment, we have accumulated another US\$84... Keep clicking folks!

Doug Cooke,
LAG Webmaster

A NOTE FROM THE BOARD

The Board met on April 18, 2007. The President, First Vice President, Treasurer and Chair of the Exhibition Committee have resigned their positions. The Board approved the appointment of James Hannaford as Treasurer. The Board asked the Nominating Committee (Melanie Cooke, Gill Osmond and Jane Rowberry) to meet and provide the Board with suggestions for members who would fill these positions for the unexpired portion of their terms.

Mary Catherine McDonnell
Secretary, Lunenburg Art Gallery