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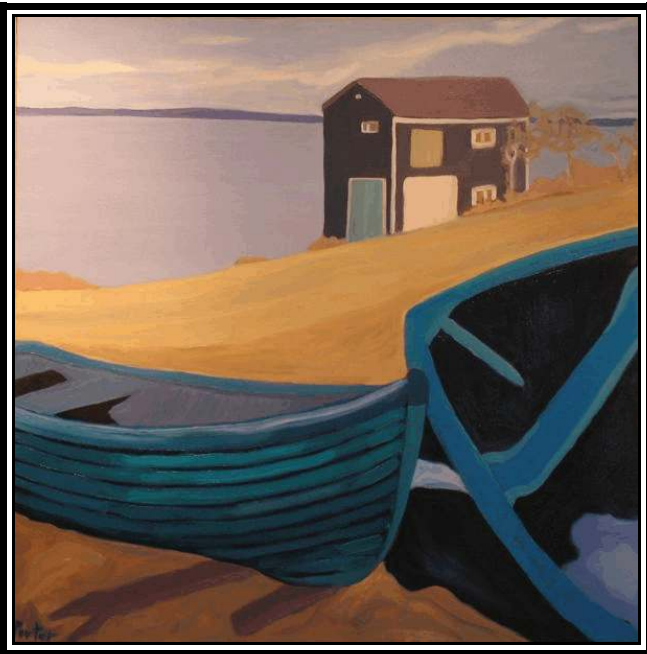
Lunenburg Art Gallery

SPRING 2008

“Greetings from the bridge!”

A Message From the President

It is with a mixture of enthusiasm, humility and a bit of trepidation that I assume the helm of the Lunenburg Art Gallery. There are some known hazards on our course, but I expect we'll be navigating some uncharted waters as well this year. I'll do my best to make the journey safe and pleasant. (Please forgive the nautical metaphors— sailing season approaches.)



WAITING by Charmaine Porter

I am aware that there are some unhappy member artists. From what I'm hearing, these folks think that we should be doing more to promote the sale of members' artwork. However, it must be clearly understood that anything we do to enhance

member vs non-member artist sales is likely to cause us to lose our not-for-profit status. The federal law governing not-for-profit organizations says that they must not earn income from members' sales in excess of 50% of total income. As it stands, LAG is very close to crossing that line. If we had to start paying income tax, we would be in serious financial trouble.

Recently, a proposal was made to the Board, that the Planning & Exhibitions Committee should be stripped of its powers. It was suggested that the committee should only make recommendations for future exhibits, to be approved by the Board. This will not happen. The Board has every confidence in the hard working, talented and dedicated P&EC members. However, in light of recent controversy, and perceived inconsistencies in the past, it was agreed by the Board that this committee should review their guidelines and procedures. This process is well under way and a document will be presented to the Board at its next meeting. This will be made public once it has been finalized and approved. Adherence to the new guidelines should avoid problems in the future.

On a happier note, there is a new LAG logo in the works. I've seen a prototype and it looks great! The committee working on the logo will be ready for an official unveiling on July 1.

Doug Cooke - President
cooked@bwr.eastlink.ca

2008 Art Gallery Workshops

Charles Gruppe June 9 - 12, 2008

Acrylic

We are thrilled to have Charles Gruppe come to Lunenburg again and teach his exciting style of painting in acrylic. Please visit his web site at www.charlesgruppe.com to view his wonderful paintings. The workshop will be 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

Margaret is an internationally recognized Canadian artist and juror. Rich, vibrant colours and decisive brush strokes characterize Margaret's paintings. Margaret has been a popular and highly respected artist and art instructor since 1970. She has conducted workshops in Canada, the United States, Mexico, the Caribbean and France. Visit her web site at www.margaretroseman.com to see her amazing works. Cost : \$350. 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 ldmor@eastling.ca 543-2248 or Ruth Flower 634-3536 ruthflower@eastlink.ca

Gallery Happenings

Another season is well underway and to date, we have had approximately 400 visitors. Everyone is thoroughly enjoying the shows, and the local folk who drop in appreciate the variety of mediums we display for their enjoyment and the educational aspect as well. The artwork on our Featured Artist Wall in the Members' Gallery has proven to be popular with the visiting public. Our regular visitors especially enjoy looking forward to new artwork on a bi-weekly basis.

BIO PAGE: It would be helpful if all artists could provide a bio page for the Members Binder and have their work on our website. Many times people come in wanting information on a specific artist that we don't have. It is a missed opportunity of exposure for the artist, and a possible sale. If the work is on our website, I can make a copy. The page gives great information, and is a necessity, to have available in the Gallery.

WEBSITE and SLIDE SHOW: For submission of work for our website or the slide show that runs daily in the Members' Gallery, please contact Doug Cooke at 634-9428 or cooked@bwr.eastlink.ca

VOLUNTEERS: It is the policy of the Gallery that a paid member displaying any artwork should contribute as a volunteer in some way.

GALLERY PARKING: The new owners of the building, have graciously allocated one parking space in their driveway for the Gallery Attendant. All others are asked to please use the parking metered spaces on the street. Thank you.

Christine Hurlburt - Gallery Attendant
640-4044 lag@eastlink.ca



Paint Sea On Site News

This is a year of change for Paint Sea On Site. First of all, the name is undergoing a gradual change, a change we began to implement last year. Paint Sea On Site seems to be a tongue twister for some...we've heard the event called "Paint the Sea", "Paint On Sea", etc. We will gradually phase out "Paint Sea On Site" over the next couple of years and the event will become "Lunenburg's Wet Paint Sale". As you can see above, a new logo is now in place.

This year we are inviting participating artists to bring up to four pieces of finished and framed art to be sold at the gallery during the weekend. We thank the Planning & Exhibition Committee and the Member's Gallery Committee for making the gallery space available for this special sale. The profit from the sale of framed art will be 70/30, artist/gallery.

The artists have told us that they like to have some social time with one another after painting all day! This year, rather than providing a buffet supper, we will host a "mix and mingle" event beginning at 5:00 on Saturday. There will be an assortment of delicious finger foods, a non-alcoholic punch and a cash bar.

The student event will continue this year, although it may take a slightly different form.

Details are still being worked out. We are delighted to have the two NSCAD students in residence, Heather Keeling and Kristina Vermeulen, assisting with this part of the weekend. Our thanks to them!

The food tent, which was introduced last year, will be up and running again this year. Three varieties of chutney will be available for purchase and "artistic edibles" will be for sale at lunchtime on Saturday and Sunday.

Registration forms have been sent out to artists who have participated in the wet paint sale in the past. Both the Call To Artists and the Registration Form can be accessed on the gallery's website -

<http://www.lunenburgartgallery.com> - on the Paint Sea On Site page. Deadline for registration is June 30th, 2008.

The Paint Sea On Site weekend, July 26th and 27th this year, is always great fun for everyone who participates, be they artists, the public or the volunteers. This is the fundraiser that keeps the gallery going from one year to the next. I urge anyone who has not taken part to do so this year. You do not need to commit to both days or even a full day. There are many jobs to be done and we appreciate any help. If you have a bit of time and would like to work at the fire hall this year, please call Melanie Cooke at 634-9428 and together we'll find a job that's just right for you!

See you at Lunenburg's Wet Paint Sale!!!!

Melanie Cooke - Chair PSOS Committee
634-9428 cooked@bwr.eastlink.ca

Members' Gallery News

There is a very nice selection of paintings in the Members' Gallery this year, also some fibre art, carving and sculpture. It is interesting to note how the quality of the work gets better and better - the more we paint the better we get! To date five paintings have been sold which is very good for so early in the season.

Ruth Flower - Chair Members' Gallery
634-3536 ruthflower@eastlink.ca

ARTWORK PRICING

Please Note: Artists are to be reminded that all submitted works for sale should have the commission (25%) INCLUDED in the listed price.

It is not the responsibility of the gallery to mark up prices. Thank you.

Gift Case News

Members displaying artwork are permitted to have in the Gallery, at any given time, no more than 12 note cards, 5 original and/or prints. The Gift Case can accommodate artwork no larger than 7"x9" – framed size. Larger works can be displayed in the rack, but they must be in a clear plastic envelope or shrink wrapped.

Carol Colby - Chair Gift Case
627-1580 carolcolby@eastlink.ca

Education Committee News

Looking for Art Supplies! If any artists might have good quality, still usable art supplies - WC pencils and/or crayons, WC paint, Quality Acrylics or any other items that might be suitable, please contact me. We are also looking for Art Books, Art DVDs and/or VHS tapes as well as a DVD player.

Jennie Carton - Education Committee
766-0139



MEMBERS' SHOW MAY 27 - JUNE 29, 2008

Member Artists' Guidelines:

1. Each member may bring one framed work up to 18"x24" framed or two small framed works up to 12"x12". We will have room for free-standing works (sculptures etc.).
2. Contact Christine(640-4044 lag@eastlink.ca) with Title, Medium, Size and Price of the piece(s) you intend to display no later than Friday, May 16th.
3. INTAKE DAY will be SUNDAY, MAY 25 between 1 - 5pm.
4. Works currently in the Members' Gallery must be picked up at that time.

Volunteer Committee News

We require volunteers to gallery sit when Christine, our Gallery Attendant is away from the Gallery.

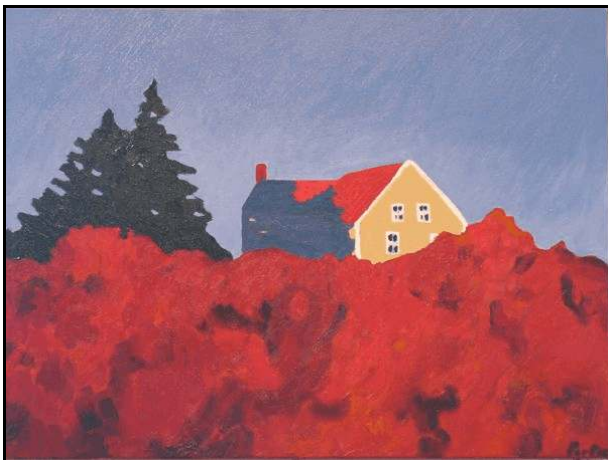
Please keep in mind that volunteers are also required for the School Show next season. You can contact me at 634-4050. Thank you.

Doreen Himmelman - Chair Volunteer Committee 634-405

Publicity News

Publicity of our exhibitions and our Featured Artists in our Members' Gallery is going well. Keep an eye on our local papers for our advertisements and should anyone have any comments, please contact me at 634-8156. Thank you.

Bev Cluett - Chair Publicity
634-8156



TERRAIN by Charmaine Porter

Website News

The "Newsletter" page on the website has been replaced by a "News & Info" page. Board members and Committee chairs can log in and input brief news items, which will appear on the page. Hopefully this feature will be useful for keeping members and the general public up to date.

Also on this page are listed the Board members and Committee Chairs. Links to Newsletters remain here as well.

Doug Cooke - Webmaster
634-9428 cooked@bwr.eastlink.ca

2008 UPCOMING SHOWS

May 27 - June 29
Lunenburg Art Gallery Members Show
Mixed Media
Opening Reception: Tuesday, May 27 - 5 pm

July 1 - July 25
Leslie (Deede) Miller
Oil - Collected Images of Newfoundland
Opening Reception: Tuesday, July 1 - 5 pm

July 26 - July 27
Paint Sea on Site
Nova Scotia Artists' Wet Paint Sale

July 29 - August 24
Mady Thiel-Kopstein
Acrylic and Oil - Of Water
Opening Reception: Tuesday, July 29 - 5 pm

August 28 - September 28
Lisa Hannaford
Acrylic - Nova Scotia Inspiration
Opening Reception: Tuesday, August 26 - 5 pm

September 30 - October 31
Juried Show
NS South Shore & LAG Members
Mixed Media
Opening Reception Tuesday, September 30 5pm

November 8
Attic Art & Collectibles Sale
10:00am-1:00pm