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PRESIDENT'S JOTTINGS

With the beginning of March just ahead, the longer days and brighter light should start inspiring us to get those brushes flowing! Our organization has a couple of events planned to help us bring in the season. Look below for the details Sue Ouellette has written about, and join us!

Of course, we are also only a few weeks away from our much anticipated and enjoyed Spring event-the Awards Show. Please mark your calendars for the change this year: the Awards Show is Tuesday, April 24, the 4th Tuesday of April, instead of the customary 2nd Tuesday of the month. This change is to accommodate Ottawa Little Theatre planning.

I've noticed especially over this last year that sometimes new members have been disappointed after making their way, painting under arm, to the side door of the OLT -- only to find that their painting could not be accepted. Please read the membership guide again to be sure that size and framing considerations are met, and that your masterpiece gets onto the wall for all to see! Good luck to all.

SPRING MEETING SCHEDULE

- March 13: Critique Night: Rob Hinchley; please bring up to two of your works for critiquing
- April 24: *NOTE CHANGE OF DATE; Spring Awards Show-Ottawa Little Theatre
- May 8: speaker from the National Gallery
- June 12: Social and end of year gathering: elections to the executive, materials exchange, fun

OLT HANGING SCHEDULE REMINDER

Dates: March 18, 2007
April 22, 2007 (for Awards show)
May 27, 2007
July 8, 2007 (pick-up only)

JANUARY PRESENTATION

Thank you to Anne and George Stairs from the St. Laurent UPS store for their presentation at our monthly meeting on some of the commercial aspects of getting your art out there. They explained the wet (ink) and dry (digital) methods which are used in printing at their store and had a variety of art cards, posters and calendars for viewing. They also pointed out that all paper currently used in the shop is acid free.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, March 13, 2007
7:30 to 9:30
on the 3rd floor, Multi-Service Centre,
1480 Heron Road, Ottawa

TOPIC: CRITIQUE: Rob Hinchley,
teacher at the Ottawa School of Art



Should you wish to use their service, they are located at 1769 St. Laurent Blvd. (beside Koyman's). If you mention that you are an artist with the OAA and that your purchased cards are for resale, you are also eligible for an artist's discount.

OTTAWA ART ASSOCIATION UP-COMING OUTINGS Sugar Bush Visit

Interested in drawing, plein air painting or photo opportunities at a heritage sugar shack located in a picturesque mountain setting?

Sue Ouellette is organizing a visit and lunch on Sunday April 22nd 2007 to Sucrierie de la Montagne (www.sucrierie.delamontagne.com) located near Rigaud Quebec, about an hour east of Ottawa. The all you can eat sugaring off feast is a delicious country style meal prepared just the way it was in the early 1900's and costs \$27.50 per adult.

For more details or to sign-up please email Sue at sue.ouellette@sympatico.ca or call her at (613) 830-5813 by April 13th 2007. We plan to travel via car pool so let her know if you need a drive or can be a driver.

Resounding Spirit Japanese Contemporary Art of the 1960's - March 10th 2007 Live Art Festival at Carleton University

This is the first major group exhibit in Canada of Japanese avant garde art of the 1960's. On March 10th, there will be a one day live art festival in conjunction with the traveling exhibit. Starting with coffee at 10:00 then followed by lectures, a walk-thru of the exhibition and in the afternoon, performances by acclaimed Japanese artists from Paris, Kobe and New York. For detailed program info check out www.carleton.ca/gallery and select the current exhibitions tab.

Parking is free and admission is pay what you can.

Some OAA members will be meeting at the door at 9:30 (to be sure to get in to this exciting event). If you are interested in attending with us, give Sue Ouellette a call at (613) 830-5813. We'll look for you there.

Continuing with our JOB DESCRIPTIONS FOR THE OAA, these are some of the positions where our volunteers keep the organization humming.

Treasurer: The treasurer maintains the OAA's financial records and directs the flow of income and expenses through bank deposits and cheques issued to creditors, including the OAA executive.

First and Second Vice-Presidents: The duties of the Vice-President are mainly to assist the President and other Members of the Executive in carrying out their duties or fill in for them in their absence. Some of the duties that may be assigned by the President are: to execute a survey of the members, lead the review of the Member Guidelines, help at Awards Shows, hangings, trips and social events, liaise with other Associations or assist with programming. The First Vice-president will usually have had another position on the Executive before moving into this position and will be willing to take on the role of president after the 2-year term is over.

Membership Secretary: * We need someone to take over this job for the 2007-2008 year.