



February 2014

THINK HEARTS AND FLOWERS...

...at our February meeting! AGS member, Pauline Bergassi, will provide an overview of floral preservation methods, the various results achieved, and the many uses for preserved botanicals. Pressed botanical art is just one aspect of floral art; preserved plants may be used in encaustic painting, jewelry, pottery, and more. Pressed botanicals are also used in many crafts. Pauline will show us this delicate art and give us a pressing demonstration. **February 3rd, 6:45 at Southgate.**



Also note that prior to our general meeting there will be a steering committee meeting starting at 5:30. All members may come and participate.

UP AND COMING

We are excited to have enlisted award winning plein-air artist, Mike Graves to speak with us in March. Mike has work in numerous galleries and collections throughout the US and was once featured in American Artist.

COMMUNITY PROJECTS

We are gearing up to begin a fabulous collaborative project with the Sherwood Middle School. We will create 3x3 painted panels representing the school's core-values. At our meeting, Sam will fill us in on details. We need many hands!

AWESOME OUTINGS (yes, even in the cold!)

The Worcester Art Museum is free on the first Saturday of every month. Let's meet to warm our souls and get inspired! Bring your sketch book and pencils (the only medium allowed) and we could copy paintings, draw sculptures, great halls, beautiful florals or each other. We will meet in the lobby by the educational wing at **10:00 AM** this coming **Saturday, February 1st.**

MOVIE NIGHT

Come relax with fellow artists! Mark your calendar for February's movie "**Cutie and the Boxer.**" This candid New York love story explores the chaotic 40-year marriage of famed boxing painter Shinohara and his wife, Noriko.

SALON NIGHT

Salon nights are a wonderful addition to our monthly events and a great way to get to know one another. Is anyone interested in hosting our next one, tentatively scheduled for Thursday, March 20th? Please email Bob Wilson (rrwilson55@gmail.com) for details.

ON EXHIBIT

Our **Animal & Pet Show** at the Credit Union is just beautiful! Make sure you drop in for a look at this super assortment of creatures. And do keep painting. We will show off our best landscapes and seascapes in our next show, opening in late March. Still lots of time to create another masterpiece!

Year at a Glance

Feb. 3— Meeting 6:45 pm:
Floral Artist P. Bergassi
Feb. 17—Movie Night 6:30 pm
Mar 3—Meeting 6:45 pm
Oil Painter Mike Graves
Mar. 20—Salon Night
Mar 24—Art Drop off/Pick up
Mar 24—Movie Night 6:30 pm
Apr 7—Meeting 6:45 pm
May 5—Year End Meeting 6:45
Election of Officers

Steering Committee

Chairman: Bob Wilson
Secretary: Jenn Falcon
Treasurer: Chris Anderson
Membership: Chris Anderson
Publicity: Joseph Rice & Fay
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Newsletter: Melissa Maglio
Website: Joseph Rice
Program chair: Lee Smith
Member at Large: Cindy Staub
Exhibits Committee: Nancy Allen
Pauline Bergassi, Kay
Vuona, Cindy Staub &
Melissa Maglio

Member Benefits

- Educational presentations
- Opportunities to exhibit artwork
- Space on our web directory
- Group visits to area galleries
- Discounts at local art stores
- Art themed movie nights
- Plein air outings

