

Art Selection Committee Meeting
March 17, 2014
MINUTES

Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm by Magi Schwartz.

Roll Call:

Members present were: Thomas Draving, Sylvia Milkens Blutstein, Magi Schwartz, Jeffrey Fuller, Yasser Samil Heyaime, Jane Hart, Richard Sauer, Virginia Fifield, and Larry Joe Miller.

Staff members present were: Mike Wharton and Maria Lazo.

Approval of Minutes:

January 13, 2014, minutes was reviewed and approved by the committee.

Review of Applications:

- **Raymond Olivero:** Olivero presented a CD of his latest work. He has a vast history of exhibitions, locally and across the country. His work consists in digital photographs manipulated in Photoshop. Photo dimension are from 30x40, 24x16, 30x20, 13X20. The members reviewed each of his photographs and determined which art is accepted or rejected. Members considered only four to be acceptable for the average person to view. Magi will inform him that his art was not accepted.
- **Evelyn Walg:** Artist dropped off an acrylic painting for members to evaluation. Her webpage is evelynwalg.com. Sizes of the acrylics are around 30" x 40". Her inspiration comes from her desire for a peaceful world where people are in more contact with each other. According to the artist Facebook, Twitter and technology are eliminating the human touch. Members accepted Walg's artwork to exhibit at ArtsPark at Young Circle. Magi and Maria will contact artist to coordinate show schedule.
- **Heidi Chico:** Chico lives in Hialeah, FL and presented a CD of photographs. The members considered these to be inconsistent and repetitive. Magi will inform her that her art was not accepted and will need to wait a year to re-apply.

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- **Diane Romanello:** Magi Swartz picked up a business card from this artist at Coconut Grove Show that she found interesting. Her webpage is www.dianeromanello.com. Romanello resides in Florida during the winter season and lives the rest of the year up north. Magi will find out if she could exhibit originals.
- **Jennifer Ardolino:** Magi contacted this artist in a show she visited and considered her art to be fresh and bright. Art from her webpage www.jaart.com was reviewed by the committee. Some members liked the fish series, others liked the abstract. Virginia considers this a fairly professional and competitive artist but nothing extraordinary. She was thinking that the Committee's goal was looking for up-rising local artists and not established artists. Magi will contact artist regarding the availability to present only originals before the committee makes a decision.
- **Jeffrey & Michelle Cobble:** The work is executed by two photograph artists. These photographs were reviewed by members through their webpage: www.Cobble-art.com. Apparently the couple has travelled all over the world to capture these images considered by members to be great and professional photographs. Members approved to display the birds series. Magi will contact them and let them know they are approved to show.

Other Business Matters:

Mike Wharton

- ◆ Reminded all members that some have their term expired and if they wish to continue in the board they have to apply to the City Clerk's through the City website.

Member Comments:

- ◆ Members that have not presented their biography will do so as soon as possible.
- ◆ The members will pick up application forms to distribute among other artists.
- ◆ Sylvia commented that since we are not receiving applications we have to accept professional artist to display.

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- ◆ Magi gave a brief update of artists previously accepted to show:
 - **Steve Wittlock:** Whittlock's work was presented in our previous meeting a CD with photos of nature and marine life executed in watercolor and pencil but sizes of art were not noted. Magi has written to him to see if he was ready to exhibit but Magi has not heard back.
 - **R. Lewis Hooten:** Hooten is a professional photographer that presented a CD of manipulated photos reviewed in our last meeting. Magi has written twice to the artist coordinate show but she have not heard back.
 - **Deborah Gregg:** We accepted some time ago her art for exhibition. She will send us hang able boxes for the exhibit but will not be able to display her work until the end of year.

City of Hollywood exhibit updates:

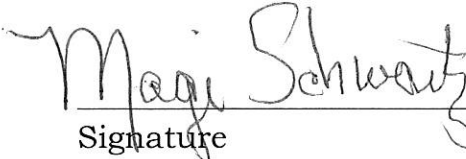
- ◆ Art Program display in **City Hall**
 - Second Floor: City of Hollywood exhibit of photographs
 - Third Floor: Photographs of Luis Olazabal.
 - Fourth Floor: Renee Falsetto (current exhibit)
- ◆ Current artist in **ArtsPark Gallery** is Photographs of Luis Olazabal. Gallery is waiting for Committee to determine next artist to show.
- ◆ First Floor of City Hall is for the City Clerk's Office exhibit of photographs exclusively.

Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting was set for Monday, May19, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.


Signature _____ Date 9/8/20