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President's Jottings by Deborah Czernecky

Recently created Art, ribbons for every category, music, refreshments and door prizes are moments away. The "OAA ACADEMY AWARDS" are here once more. Tuesday, Nov 8th, starting at 7:00 PM (voting ends at 8:00 PM) at the Ottawa Little Theatre! To refresh our memory, this is when we the "members of the academy" (Credit to David Houlton for this line. I know I used it last year, but it still works!!) get to vote on members' newest and exciting creations. Let's all participate and once more enjoy an evening of being with friends. Guests are welcome! Please remember - guest tickets must be purchased at the Sunday Hanging on Nov 6th.

OAA Academy Awards at OLT- 8 November

As Deborah mentioned, the Fall Awards Show is just around the corner. Hanging will be Sunday, November 6th, 9-9:30 A.M. In lieu of our monthly meeting, Tuesday, November 8th, will be our awards night and the Ottawa Little Theatre will be the venue. The proceedings will open at 7:00 PM. All members in attendance will vote on all categories.

Work must be original and for sale. It must not have been done:

- in a class,
- with help from anyone,
- with the use of someone else's photo, drawing or painting, and

- it must not have appeared in any juried show or been critiqued.

You will be required to sign a declaration to this effect.

Only paid-up OAA members may submit work!

Submissions must not exceed 32" x 40" (outside dimensions). They must be dry and ready for hanging with the artist's name, phone number, price, title, and medium on the back.

Categories are oil, watercolour, acrylic, pastel, mixed media, and other media (hard prints, graphite, ink, charcoal, painting on silk and wall sculptures.)

Each member is limited to one entry.

**No OAA Meetings
in November or December**

Next meeting

(always the second Tuesday of the month)

Tuesday, 10 January 2006
7:30 to 9:30 PM,

On the 3rd Floor, Multi-Service Centre,
1480 Heron Road, Ottawa

Executive meeting

in the 3rd Floor Board Room, at 6:15
PM

Speaker
TBA

The subject will be Cubism and Picasso



October Presentation by Alberta Dickson

Coloured Pencil artist Allison Fagan was our guest speaker at October's monthly meeting. She is a signature member of the Coloured Pencil Society of America, whose work has been published in *The Best of Coloured Pencil* and in *The Artist's Magazine*. Since 1991, and after graduating from the diploma program at the OSA, and working in printmaking and large acrylic paintings, her love for the details of rendering through the medium of coloured pencil led her to devote herself completely to this exacting and rich type of "painting". She has been teaching adults in workshops and children as guest artist in the schools for many years. At our meeting, she displayed beautiful examples of nature paintings—ice on branches, fruit, flowers, which looked 'more real than real'.

Her presentation outlined all aspects of working with this medium, from its benefits (it's direct, tidy, portable), to the best products to use, as well as some tools of the

trade (the kneaded eraser, the value finder, the importance of spray fixative in dissolving the wax which is a part of the pencil). She gave a demonstration taking a painting from its beginning plan in graphite through various techniques. While many coloured pencil artists use crosshatching or 'pointillist'-like circles to follow the shape of the form, Ms Fagan prefers not to have her pencil lines show. Her paintings are thus richly textured through the many layers of pure colour applied one over the other until extremely subtle shades of enhanced light occur. While this is obviously a painstaking style of working, Ms Fagan describes the medium as dynamic and energetic, as well as extremely satisfying in teaching us how to really 'see' the world we live in.

Check Allison's website (www.allisonfagan.com) for her upcoming workshop dates and information on her Fall Show (November 19 and 20).

Upcoming Shows

"**New Blooms**", Still Life Portraits by David Houlton
Rothwell Gallery, 3 to 30 November
Opening: Thursday, Nov 3, 6-9 PM

The **Toronto International Art Fair** runs from November 4 - November 7, 2005 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. As of Oct. 1, 2005, the AGO is showing "Catherine the Great: Arts for the Empire" which brings together 200 treasures from the Russian State Hermitage Museum.

Ottawa Area Artists Christmas Art Sale
December 4, 10:00 AM - 4:30 PM
Glebe Community Center (no admission charge)

Upcoming Events

OLT Hanging Schedule

- 06 November (for annual members' Awards Show)
- 11 December, 2005 (take down only)
- 08 January 2006

2006 Ottawa Art Festival (21,22,23 April) registration for artists is underway. Details available at www.ottawaartfestival.com or by contacting Suzanne Laniel at suzanne@kidney.ca or (613) 724-9953. Contact Suzanne if you wish a copy of the registration form. Registration required by end of November.

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