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President's Jottings by Deborah Czernecky

Art is a technique of communication. The image is the most complete technique of all communication." - Claus Oldenburg

April 11th is our Annual Juried Spring Award evening at the OLT. Lately I've heard some rumblings that "SIZE" could make you a ribbon holder. Not so! From my own experience, my 11x14 acrylic painting managed to snag that wonderful Silver Cup Trophy for a year. Remember, you should submit your best work to be juried and exhibited for this event. I'm looking forward to seeing you on April 11th.....Those door prizes are looking interesting!

Spring Awards Show

**Tuesday, April 11
Ottawa Little Theatre**

Once again, our Spring Awards Show (with outside jurors), is approaching! The hanging date is Sunday, April 9 (9 - 9:30), and the Evening Soiree is Tuesday, April 11 at the Ottawa Little Theatre.

Please remember: only one submission, which must be original, done without advice or help from any other visual source, and for sale.

Submissions must be no larger than 30" by 40" framed, and not to exceed 30 lb in weight. They must also be properly and securely wired.

Note: Only those who are members of the OAA as of March 5 (the previous hanging date) may submit work!

Next OAA Meeting

**Tuesday, March 14, 2006
7:30 p.m. - 9 p.m.**

Please Note Change of Venue

**Studio Tour: Philip Craig
Gallery
155A Loretta Avenue North,
Ottawa**

Do you dream of having your own studio space? Join us and our guest speaker Ottawa artist Philip Craig at his studio for a talk on the do's and don'ts of setting up studio space, and tour this wonderful studio.

Parking on Loretta Ave. or in the lot for Northern Art Glass on Gladstone Ave. Studio on second floor, some stairs to climb.

**Visit our website
www.ottawaartassoc.ca**



Guided Tour of Noval Morrisseau exhibit - April 9, 2006

After the April 9th OLT "hanging", hang out with OAA members for breakfast at Nate's Deli and then head over to the National Gallery. We have arranged for a guided tour of the Norval Morrisseau retrospective that traces his artistic and spiritual progression over nearly half a century.

Join us on Sunday April 9th at 9:30 a.m. for breakfast at Nate's Deli on Rideau Street then meet at the National Gallery (Group Lobby near the cloakroom) at 11:45.

The cost for Friends of the Gallery Members is \$6 (please have your membership card with you) and \$16 for non-members. Breakfast cost is not included and guests are welcome.

Please confirm attendance for the breakfast and/or the tour with Sue Ouellette at (613) 830-5813 by Monday April 3, 2006.

We need a minimum of 10 people to receive the group rates.

News Briefs

Ottawa Art Gallery Tour - January 27

Ten keen members from as far away as Cornwall attended a private tour for OAA members of the Ottawa Art Gallery and the two shows there on January 27. We felt right at home with the Firestone collection and learned about the visiting show of Contemporary Art: BODY, New Art from the UK. This free guided tour was the first of several future added-value trips for members of the Ottawa Art Association. Plans are under way for a tour of the vault storage rooms at the Ottawa Art Gallery sometime in the future to learn how the art is stored and see parts of the Firestone collection that have not been shown for many years.

— Sharon McKenna

Friday Painting at the OSA

As members of the Ottawa Art Association, you have a room set aside for your painting use every Friday from 10 to 4 p.m. all year long. Bring your own project (and lunch), and enjoy the friendly company of other artists in free studio space! Ask at the front desk for room number. Call Pat McEwen, 231-2087 for details.

Arteast

Arteast is a highly active not-for-profit group of amateur and professional artists, and those who love art. Members are from Eastern

Ontario and Western Quebec. Arteast meets each month and holds regular group shows. Call Susan Ashbrook, 833-8312, or visit www.ArteastOttawa.com for more information.

Student Art Competition

Rothwell Hauck Gallery, in cooperation with the Ottawa Art Association, is sponsoring a High School Art Competition for grade 9-10 and 11-12 art students. The winning work will be on display at Rothwell Hauck Gallery in June, with a vernissage to be announced.

Workshops

Don't forget the annual **Bridgewater Retreat Paint Out**. This year it is the weekend of June 9-11. For more info/registration, call VACO at 830-5420 or write vaco@magma.ca.

Web Corner

Want to improve your website ranking on the search sites? Go to:

<http://www.ottawaartassoc.ca/webmaster/>

If you want to personalize the display of your enlarged images on the OAA website, go to your "admin" page and click on the NEW link to "Set your display preferences" or go to:

<http://www.ottawaartassoc.ca/admin/colour-index.php> and log in with your private name and password.

— Alex Vandenharm,

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