

Sherman ARTISTS

Sherman Artists Meeting September 7, 2022 Minutes

6:30 pm. Sherman Senior Center, Sherman

Attendees: Lisa Scails and Alice Schuette of CAWCT, Christy Bonaiuto, Renee Collins, Mike Eisner, Ted Hollander, Linda Hubbard, Herb Kroeger, Mary Jane Magoon, Doreen O'Connor, Laura Paradiso, Ginny Schaffer, and Muriel Stockdale

Lisa Scails – Executive Director, Cultural Alliance of Western Connecticut - Discussion of their organization, functions, and how they can help us. It is a very dynamic and active organization. They will publicize our activities through emails and websites and guide us through becoming a 501C3. They also advocate for individual artists and promote awareness of possible grants.

Note: To receive CAWCT.org emails, signup here URL: http://eepurl.com/dGgu_9

Sherman Artists Meeting August 3, 2022, Minutes - Approved

Financial Update

Income - ARTFEST Income - Fee \$520 + Commissions \$1581 = \$2101

ARTFEST Expenses – publicity, screws, hooks \$544 + JCC \$790 = \$1334.

ARTFEST Balance \$767

- Membership is \$30 plus a donation of \$100

Expenses – CAWCT org and NWCT org plus check fees - \$197

Overall Current Balance of \$1776

Update on Members – 30 members – Welcome Terry Lawrence – Graphic Artist, Pawling
- Membership open to all – dues \$30

ArtFest - Many thanks to all that Participated

- Many thanks to Denise Schlesinger for Chairing ARTFEST and everyone that helped support her with signs, setup, refreshments, music, take down, and those that participated

- Recommendations for future: JCC, donation box at the door, charge for opening night, time that is not so hot/humid, book early with the JCC, keep to a consistent date each year.

Organization – Steps Toward becoming a 501C3

- First Step – "Organizing Boar" – Nominations – Vote in October
Pres, VP, Treasurer, and Secretary

Anyone wishing to be nominated for a position, please contact Linda. A note with candidates will go out before the October Meeting when we will then vote on the officers.

- Establish a Street Address - preferably not a personal address

- Bylaws – Linda to take our current version and merge with the standard form and then a Pro Bono Legal review

- Application to Connecticut State (\$)

Sherman Library:

- **Great Hollow Invitational** – August 26 to October 5, Artist Reception September 9, 6:30 – 8pm, "How Did You Do That" Zoom September 28, 7pm
- **Jill Kaplan, Potter & Laura Paradiso**, Painter – October 7 to November 16
- **Sherman Artist Association** – Open Studio Sampling – November 18 to January 4
- Candidates for 2023? Let Linda know if interested.

Sherman Commission on the Arts – Denise Schlesinger – Town meeting 8/25/2022

- needs definition of role such as coordinating art activities and helping publicize events)

Open Studio - December 3-4 –

- Participation Fee: SAA Members \$50, Non -members \$65. Send checks to Sherman Artists Assoc, c/o Linda T Hubbard, 6 Briggs Hill Road, Sherman, CT 06784
- Registration – 13 participants – contact Linda asap if interested
Studios: Kenny Litwak, Muriel Stockdale, MaryJane Magoon, Ginny Schaffer, Linda Hubbard
Popup Studios - Jill Kaplan, Cindy O'Connor, Carolyn Cohen, Mae Maimone, Renee Collins, Jeff Ginsburg & Lu Li, Annie McAward
- Sponsorships – Christy Bonaiuto
- Popup Locations – Senior Center and Town Hall have been booked
- Street Signs (number ?, creation, placement, pickup) – Volunteers needed
- Website, Maps (1000), Posters (40) - Lisa
- Email Blast/Distribution List -
- Thank You Notes – Carolyn Cohen

Ongoing:

Website – ShermanArtists.org – update: Lisa

Facebook - Sherman Artist Page –send info to shermanartists@gmail.com

- Question – best way to communicate information (opportunities, classes, etc) – will use both email and Facebook depending on what it is

Request from Don Lowe: looking for artists who would like to give talks, lessons (can charge) or demonstrations. Could be held in town hall, Sr Center, Library, JCC, etc. - Let Linda know if interested

Future Opportunities:

- **Artist Supplies Tag Sale** (any painting, photography, framing, etc. supplies)
- **Sherman Art Gallery –**
- **Art Auction** – Renee Collins
- **Artist Talks** - guest speakers or demonstrations - open
- **Adding Online Gallery to the Sherman Artists Website** – Jeff Ginsburg

Events: - Cindy O'Connor – Opening at White Silo this Saturday, September 8, 1 – 4.
Ginny Scaffer - Paintings at Barn Gallery in New Fairfield
Linda Hubbard - Photographs of Bannerman Island, LAND Gallery, Pawling

Next Meeting: October 3, 2022, 6:30 pm – Sherman Senior Center

- is there a better night to meet (1st Wednesday conflicts with the writer's group meetings)?