# Sherman Artists Association Holiday Party and Meeting Minutes Wednesday, December 14, 2022

6:30 pm Sherman Senior Center, Sherman

**Attendees:** Christy Bonaiuto, Carolyn Cohen, Jeff Ginsburg, Steve Habersang, Lisa Caron Hickey, Linda Hubbard, Cathleen Kessman, Herb Kroeger, Charlotte Lietcher, MJ Newman, Cindy O'Connor, Laura Paradiso, Ginny Schaffer, Denise Schlesinger (on the phone),

Sherman Artists Meeting November 9, 2022 Minutes: Linda – Minutes approved

Financial Update: Jeff – 2022 Revenue

\$4725, Expenses: \$2498, Bal \$2227. Overall \$2426 Balance. – Approved.

- Jeff is working on getting the bank account online and then accepting online payments on the website.

### Organization – Steps Toward becoming a 501(c3): Linda

Initial steps are filed; the next step is the bylaws. Once established can apply for grants. Denise has offered to learn how to write grants.

### Open Studio - December 3-4, 2022: Lisa

Around 100+ visitors, Saturday's rain did not help, but Sunday was great. 54 street signs, 900+ brochures distributed along with 35+ posters, and 3 ads in the Town Tribune. Thank you notes have been written to the sponsors by Carolyn Cohen using handmade cards by Bethe Bogues.

- Suggestions for next year: other places: Holy Trinity Rec Hall, White Silo. Explanation of what is an "open studio."

#### **Sherman Library:**

- Current Show: **SAA** Open Studio Sampling November 18 to **January 11**, 2023.
- 2023: Open. Applicants welcome. Christy Bonaiuto Jan13. Other candidates: MJ Newman, Steve Habersang

## Happenings Coming up

- Caroline Clowes Exhibit Tour 10 am Wednesday, December 21, 2022
- Meet at 6 Briggs Hill Road at 9 am for the carpool. Please let Linda know if you are coming.

Locust Grove Estate, Poughkeepsie, NY, Ends December 30, 2022.

Wed – Sunday 1- 5 pm. https://dchsny.org/clowes-exhibition/

- Sherman Playhouse: Dec 16,17,18 - "It's a Wonderful Life." Good reviews.

#### 2023 Tentative Plans:

- ARTFEST June 23,24,25 at JCC Opening Friday night, Sat and Sun 11 5 pm
  - Rental Cost or Commission. The decision was to go with the rental fee.
  - Denise has negotiated the fee to be \$900.
  - The artist fee will be around \$75, but details are to be worked out.
- **Kent Art Show** Month of August
  - Art Show would be 8/4 27, Thursday Sunday 1-5 pm
  - Rental Cost is \$1500 plus gallery sitting if we don't do it \$50/4 hours.
  - Juried Show, approximately 125 paintings & Photographs plus 3D
- **OPEN STUDIOS** December 2 and 3, plus Library Art Show

**Sherman Commission for the Arts**: Don Lowe is to present to the Town of Selectmen meeting on December 15, 2022

**Recommendation:** The purchase of operating software to handle finances was approved. Jeff to sort out what is the best option.

**Ongoing:** Website – ShermanArtists.org – update: Lisa Facebook - Sherman Artist Page – Join, Like, Comment, Share, Post, or send info to lisa@carondesigns.com

Thanks to everyone who brought food and beverage. It was all so good!!

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 11, 2023. 6:30 pm Sherman Senior Center

Respectfully submitted: Linda Hubbard for Bethe Bogues