



# NEWSLETTER

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2012

**65th Anniversary  
Year**

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# President's Message

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**Happy New Year to all of you!!!** Hope you had a stress free holiday and that you managed to find a little time to paint...

Our December party was a lot of fun! Thanks to all responsible for making it a success...especially to Pauline Holancin for producing the great variety show, to entertain us, and to all who took part...I loved it. Those of you who could not make it this time, let us know if it's a matter of needing a lift or anything like that...we have lots of volunteers in our group, who will help with rides from NYSC and back again. The food was great too! Thanks to Shirley Katz and her helpers. Thank you all, for bringing along some great finger food... Also, I'd like to say a special thanks to those of you who brought some *gluten free* dishes.

## **JURY NIGHT - APRIL 24th 2012**

Changed from March 20th to April 24th. Name of juror to be announced.

Strict rules apply on Jury night, so please read instructions carefully regarding drop off times to bring in your paintings etc. (in this newsletter).

This year's Spring Show will be held at Todmorden Mills, 67 Pottery Road (416 396 2819). June 18th to July 3rd. We will have our reception there too. More details to follow. On Jury night, whilst we wait to see if our paintings have been accepted into the Spring Show, we will have a Nomination meeting for the coming year, in the cafeteria....We encourage new members to volunteer to be on the Executive Committee.

## **WEB SITE**

At present, we are in great need of a new webmaster to take over updating our website..We have had help from Glenda Woods in the past, "thank you, Glenda"...Unfortunately, due to illness, Glenda will, in future, do minimal work on the website...However, in the meantime, the executive may have to hire professional technical support, unless any of our tech. savvy members can spend time on it....If you think you can fill this very important spot on our executive, please contact me, or any of our executive members.

## **'PAINT AROUND'**

WGA's first 'paint around' was a great success Jan 3rd....Those of you who could not make it will be surprised when you see the beautiful paintings, created by our five volunteer artists in just one hour. Marion Wilson, Margie Wagner, Jo Bauman, Gerda Eckert, and Rosemarie Dicob..

We had fun...These paintings will be auctioned off on Jury night, at the nomination meeting in the cafeteria.

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President's Message cont'd.

### **NAME TAGS..**

Thank you, for wearing your name tags, those of you who do...There is a reason why we want you to wear your name tags, besides the fact that some of us are not good at remembering names....Sometimes, we have 'visitors' coming into our meetings...We don't want to have to make it mandatory, so please try to remember to wear your tags.

There is a lot of info in this newsletter, so please read it all carefully, especially the show rules, and info on Jury night.

Joanne Braganza  
President



## **Holiday Party**

**December 2011**

**Photos by our WGA Photographer  
Yves Ameline. Thanks to all the  
wonderful show participants and  
for the great food!**



# Tuesday Evening Program

## SECOND HALF 2012 SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS, WINTER SESSION TO MAY 8, 2012

### ➔ CHANGES



**Feb. 14** – Donnah Cameron is unable to do the demo on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, she will be replaced by Ruth Luginbruehl who will be doing a demo in collage and watercolour

**March 20** – This is no longer our jury night, but will be an evening working with a model with Marion Wilson.

**April 24** – This is the rescheduled Jury Night and the important meeting for the Nomination of Executive and Officers of WGA

➔ **Critique Nights with artist Brian Smith will be**

**Tuesday April 3. A - L**

**& Tuesday April 10 M - Z**

*Maximum 2 paintings for critique to allow quality time for all participants.*

### THANK YOU

Thank you to all the volunteers who assist in set-up and take-down of the chairs and equipment and to all the volunteers that help with refreshments..

### REMINDER TO COMMITTEE CHAIRPEOPLE

Committee chairpersons, please send your annual reports to the Secretary, Carolyn Grand: [grandidea@rogers.com](mailto:grandidea@rogers.com) by Tuesday April 17th, 2012. The report should indicate what has happened in the past year in your area of WGA, for example: shows, meetings, classes, membership, records, etc.

### ANNAUL GENERAL MEETING TUESDAY MAY 8th

7:00 Dessert and Coffee

7:30 Annual general meeting and Awards



**Willowdale is a successful group because of its volunteers!**

# Upcoming Shows

## WGA ANNUAL SPRING JURIED SHOW 2012

### TODMORDEN MILLS, JUNE 20th TO JULY 1st, 2012

Located within Todmorden Mills Heritage Museum and Arts Centre, the **Papermill Gallery** is at 67 Pottery Rd., in Toronto.

- Drop off of Paintings - Monday, June 18th 12.30 - 4.30pm
- Show opens Wednesday, June 20th to Sunday, July 1st
- Reception, Sunday, June 24th, 2 - 4pm
- Pick up Paintings - Tuesday, July 3rd, 9.30 - 12:00pm

### ***Jury Night:***

***Tuesday, April 24th 2012, 6:15-7 p.m. drop off***

***(Absolutely no paintings will be accepted after 7 p.m.)***

Jurying to begin promptly at 7 p.m. Members with 6 nights' previous attendance (four for new members) may submit 2 recent paintings not previously juried for WGA. Fee: \$3.00 per painting or 2 for \$5.00. See show rules page. Artists are expected to "sit" the show if your painting is accepted. Sign up!

**It is important the all members take part in the nomination meeting that evening !**



## **65th Anniversary Year**

### **PRESENTATION OF AWARDS**

The awards for the 2012 Spring Juried Show will be presented to the winners at the reception, Sunday June 24th, 2-4 pm at Todmorden Mills

#### **ANNUAL WGA AWARDS:**

**WGA ENDOWMENT AWARDS** - to students at York University fine arts program ( see page 10)

**WGA PRESIDENT'S AWARD** - to member who has made an outstanding contribution to the Willowdale Group of Artists. Presentation is made at the AGM, Tuesday May 8th, 2012



# Executive Committee Nominations

**Nominations for our 2012-2013 Executive Committee will be taken at the meeting on Jury Night, April 24th at the North York Seniors Centre.** Volunteers/nominations are welcome.

Membership on the Executive Committee of the WGA is a great way to get involved and get to know the members of WGA. New members are always welcome to join the Executive Committee. **Apprenticeships available!**

Take a minute to review the list of Executive Committee positions included in this Newsletter. There is a thumbnail sketch of responsibilities for each position. These “job descriptions” are not cast in stone; they are intended only to give you an idea of what each job entails to help you decide where your interests lie.

**President** – A two-year position. Accept responsibility for the Program of the Group, new Programs and forward planning. Co-sign Group cheques as required. (2011/12 /13 Joanne Braganza)

**Past President** – A non-elected position. Assist the President as required. (20011/12 /13 Betty Rowe)

**Vice-President** – Generally assist the President and prepare to accept the responsibility of President for the next two years. ( Janet Copps)

**Secretary** – Act as recording secretary for all executive and other meetings called by the President. Maintain the minute book of the Group, and hold all important documents such as property leases, contracts, etc. Co-sign Group cheques as required.

**Treasurer** – Accept all dues deposits and verify against the membership total. Verify expense receipts from members for reimbursement. Prepare all cheques for signature, including those for rent and for Program. Maintain the accounting of the Group and arrange for interest bearing deposits. Prepare interim and annual statements.

**Spring Show Coordinator** – Arrange all aspects of the Spring Show, arrange hall, interview and hire jurors, obtain and set-up display stands and sales area – generally assure that the show is well-organized and run, and all receipts accounted for.

**Membership** – Arrange renewal of existing members and prioritize those on waiting list. Supervise computer listing of all members and volunteers for various jobs.

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**MEMBERSHIP REPORT -**  
**JANUARY 2012**

Your GREEN RENEWAL FORM is with this newsletter !

Please return it asap with your cheque before April 30<sup>th</sup>. Otherwise on May 1<sup>st</sup> I will start filling in the spots from the waiting list.

If you are not returning please return the green form checking off that box (then I can start taking names off the waiting list).

Change of address:

Elaine Sugar                      7 Dallas Rd. North York M2R 2J3

**NEW MEMBERS TO ADD TO YOUR MEMBERSHIP LIST.**

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Iska Esther Preter                      42 Briarcliffe Cres., Thornhill ON L4J 7G4  
905-738-5678

Mary Maron                      8 Urbandale Ave., Toronto, M2M 2H1  
416-223-1749

We have 187 "full members". Spaces still available.

**Gail Thompson – Membership Convenor**

# Executive Committee Positions cont'd

**North York Seniors Center Coordinator** – Arrange rental agreement with Center each year and act as liaison with Center management on a continuing basis.

**Security** - Provide cables and locks for Spring Show, to fix paintings to stands.

**Various Shows** (organization) – Arrange for location and timing of various shows. Supervise hanging, refreshments, and sitters, as required.

**Spring Show Hanging Committee** – Supervise the set-up of show screens, decide upon the placement of all paintings, and hang all work authorized by jury.

**Spring Show Sitters' Co-coordinator** – Arrange for sitters for each assigned time segment throughout the period of the show.

**Workshops: Edithvale and Banbury** – Arrange program and hire instructors for a weekly program. While not strictly a WGA function, our members are given a preference. We need new leadership and assistance if we want the program to continue.

**Telephone Committee** – Arrange for and supervise a group of members to assist in advising all members of program cancellations (e.g. snow storm) or changes of program or other important news.

***This is a great place for new members to volunteer!***

**Refreshments - Winter Party/Receptions** – Arrange for sufficient assistance to enable the set up of tables of food, etc. Encourage members attending to provide (pot luck) food for receptions and Party.

**Annual Report Secretary:** Compilation and coordination of executive committee annual reports.

**Life Models Coordinator:** Tuesday Evening Life Models scheduling and coordination - 8 per year. (assistance given)

**Web Site/ Web Master:** Urgently required, good knowledge of computers to help organize and update the WGA website. ( It may be necessary to hire for this position.)

**Tuesday Night Sign-in Sheets :** 2 or 3 people needed to assist with attendance at Tuesday evening meetings by being responsible for the sign-in sheets. A coordinator is needed who can use excel spreadsheets and keep them updated.

**"Many hands make light work"**

# Show Rules: A Reminder

**Eligibility:** All paid-up full members who have participated in six Tuesday night meetings at North York Seniors Centre may submit two pieces of recent artwork not exhibited in a previous WGA juried show. New full members as of September 2011 must have attended at least four Tuesday night meetings.

**Artwork:** All work must be original, no prints and not previously juried and completely the work of the artist. No copies from magazines, newspapers, professional photographs, or the work of other artists or instructors will be accepted.

**ALL PAINTINGS MUST BE FOR SALE.**

**Size:** This year, because the Spring Show is at Todmorden Mills, there is no size restriction on the paintings

**Condition of Paintings:** Paintings must be clean, in good condition, and in suitable frames, ready to hang. Centre hanging devices are not recommended. **Any paintings that do not meet all of the requirements may be disqualified at the discretion of the Show Committee.**

**Labels:** Two labels must be attached to the back of each painting in the upper right-hand corner (not on the wire), one of which can be easily removed. Please use the enclosed labels.



**Title and Price:** These must be correct on Jury Night as no changes will be accepted afterward.

**Sitting:** Artists are expected to sit at least once during the Show and twice if two artworks are accepted. A sign-up list will be circulated on Jury Night. If you are unable to sit, you must find a replacement.

**Commission:** WGA takes 20% commission on each work sold.

# THE WGA ENDOWMENT

The recipient for 2011-2012 is Kaitlynn McQueston: now in her 4<sup>th</sup> year of Fine Arts at York. Kaitlin has been selected by York as a participant in an enrichment class in their Acolade programme and she will be given a solo week at their gallery. We will provide the date of her show, when received and we will invite her to provide an example of her work to be placed in our Spring Show. As a Sculptor, McQueston explores the terrain of our civilization using materials that reflect the personal/political dichotomy. Exhibiting outside the gallery, she is fascinated by the way in which the physical world, including architecture and landscape, contributes to her work as seen above in her sculpture:



*Credit Card*, bronze, 5.3 x 8.3 cm, 2011

Don Brooke

## ***ART FOR ALL CANADA***

As you know our group runs an annual conference and the fourth annual 2-day Conference for visual artists will be held again on the weekend of March 3-4th 2012 with the Art Fashion Show on March 4th and week-long public art show March 3-10th at Metro Hall in downtown Toronto. We have artists attending from all over Ontario from Thunder Bay - Ottawa - Windsor - and of course the Toronto area. We have expert speakers, demonstrators and teachers lined up to impart their experience and their wisdom. There will be networking lunches and our second Art Fashion Show, which will be on Sunday morning. This is a fun twist on a fashion show where the artists parade with their paintings. All info at our website [www.artforallcanada.org](http://www.artforallcanada.org) or

call me if you have any questions

Thanks, Sheila J. Mitchell

416-756-3221 ***Art for All Canada Inc.***

## Edithvale Workshops:

Donnah Cameron's workshops were cancelled so we are inviting the members to come along and paint on Thursday evenings for the next 3 weeks. There is no charge for this. Edith and I will be there to supervise.

D.D.Gadjanski will conduct an Acrylic on Canvas workshop Jan 26, Feb 02, 09. There are still some spaces available so please contact Edith Antonopoulos: [edithant2@gmail.com](mailto:edithant2@gmail.com) or phone: 416.759.3168.

For more information on future workshops please go to [www.willowdalegroupofartists.com/workshops/edithvale](http://www.willowdalegroupofartists.com/workshops/edithvale).

## PAST SHOWS

**Todmorden Mills Summer Show 2011** had three paintings purchased in spite of severe restrictions on accessibility due to road construction.

Sue Nelson, Show Convenor

**The Fall Show** at the North York Civic Centre saw 4 paintings sold. Congratulations to the artists. Thanks to everyone who assisted with the set –up, hanging and take down.

Mickey Katz, Show Convenor

**Markham Theatre Show** was a great show although there were no sales. A special Thank You, to everyone who assisted in hanging and taking down the show.

Anne Patrick, Show Convenor



**PARTICIPATION, INSPIRATION, CREATION, SOCIALIZATION**

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is the Group website. We are looking for everyone to have a spot and presence on the site. If you have any creative ideas or can help with our marketing on line, we would appreciate hearing from you.

Email: [wga@willowdaleartists.com](mailto:wga@willowdaleartists.com).

## BULLETIN BOARD

**Pauline Holancin and Jake Mol** are having their annual exhibition and sale at the Skelton Galleries in Collingwood Ontario. Opening Saturday February 18th., continues to March 3rd. 2012. This winter affair is well attended by skiers etc. The Gallery is located at 239 Hurontario St. (#10 HWY) Collingwood, On.

### **Heintzman House Annual Art Show and Sale 2012**

Friday April 27, 12-4, Saturday, April 28 and Sunday, April 29, 10 to 5.

Featuring 39 artists, many from the Willowdale Group. Refreshments available in the Tea Room. Free Parking .

## ALLERGY ALERT

**We ask members to refrain from wearing perfumes, colognes, and other scented products to WGA meetings. We have a number of members who are allergic. Please consider the person sitting next to you!**

## Art Stands for Rent

**WGA has stands for art shows available for rent to members.**

**There are 8 stands, each 2 ft. wide by 6 ft. high, and the cost is \$10 to rent all 8. Call Heather Cullity at (905) 889-1165 for details.**

## Newsletter Deadline

Thank you to everyone who submitted articles and helped with this issue. ...If you have interesting art tips, and info on good places to shop, or good websites for deals...that kind of thing...please send it along. The next issue of the Newsletter will be available in October 2012.

**Deadline for submissions is Sept. 08, 2012.**

Please send submissions via e-mail to [email@juliakanestudios.com](mailto:email@juliakanestudios.com)

Regular mail is also OK. Thanks!

**Julia Kane, Editor,**

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