

Visual Artists of Welland

Inspiring Local Artists

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Visual Artists of Welland: Saturday, August 22, 2020

Dear VAW Members,

This e-blast is **chock full of information**! Please read thoroughly. Any questions, please contact Deedee or Pam.

Here are several things for your consideration:

1. Reminder: Tuesday, August 25: 11 a.m.

VAW Meeting: Chippawa Park—OUTDOORS!!!

- --please meet at the pavilion—look for Deedee and Pam
- --bring your own chair, mask, and water bottle
- --everyone in attendance who was a VAW member 2019-2020 will receive a new **2020-2021 membership card**
- --this will also give you an opportunity to pay \$10.00 to have your bio & ten photos of your art on the VAW website

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2. Website Member Page!

a) The annual VAW membership fee (which is waived for 2019-2020 members) entitles you to have your very own page on the VAW website. This is one of the many benefits of being a member of the VAW.

When you click on Members in the top navigation bar of the website, you will find a gallery of Member photos and names arranged at the top of the page. Click on one of those and that member's very own website page will open.

However, you MUST submit a photo to have a page.

No photo, no page.

What type of photo can you submit?

- Ideally, a head shot of yourself. Or, just a photo of yourself taken in a garden, on a trip, while painting, etc.
- Or—a self-portrait (line drawing, sketch, painting, etc.)
- Or one of your pieces of artwork—perhaps a signature painting

- --You are also allowed to include any contact information you wish to be made public: phone number, email address, website, or the name and address of a studio or shop. *Personal addresses cannot be included on these pages.*
- --please email your photo image, along with all contact information, to Tina at visualartistsofwelland@gmail.com with your name clearly indicated.
- b) For an additional \$10 per year:
- --You can send Tina: at visualartistsofwelland@gmail.com
 - Your Artist Bio, Statement, and any other information you wish to include about yourself and your art (ex. Info about classes, etc.)
 - Up to 10 photos of your art, each with the following information: Title, Size, Medium, and Price (optional). Once these photos are placed on your page, they are fed randomly into the slide show on the opening Home page of the website.

 You will have the opportunity to refresh your information and photos each year and you must renew your \$10 payment to keep the extra information and photos visible.

Head shot (or otherwise) and/or \$10.00-and bio and images will be **due by September 30**.

3. Silver Linings Art Auction:

There are 22 people signed up for this show. Here is more information:

- the Auction will be at The Black Sheep Lounge
- the drop-off date is Wednesday, Sept. 16
- the pick-up date is Sunday, Sept. 27
- August 25 Meeting at Chippawa Park--PROMO
 PHOTO will be taken for those who are signed up for Silver Linings—bring the painting you will be submitting; Lucas Spinosa, owner of The Black Sheep Lounge, will hopefully be there as well

Method: ALL paintings—the opening bid will be \$50.00 and the max bid will be \$85.00.

- if someone wants to bid \$85, then he/she has essentially purchased the painting
- otherwise, bidding will be at \$5 increments
- bidding will close at 2 p.m. on September 27
- no sit times for the Silent Art Auction
- artists who have registered for the Art Auction will be notified next week
- voting results: thank you to everyone who voiced their opinion as to where the donations should be sent: women's shelter is the clear winner

4. Facebook: Sharing—

Please: if you see a **VAW post on Facebook**, please, please, share it. We want to extend our reach as far as possible.

5. **Website**: visualartistsofwelland.com is now live—please visit it! Thank you Tina!!!

Deedee and Pam

The End!

The 2020-2021 Executive Board will be:

Officers:

Co-Presidents: Deedee Alexandre and Pam Duncan

Treasurer: Marilyn Nevills

Secretary: Patricia Haftar

Chairs:

Website Manager: Tina Clancy

Membership/Volunteers: you

Event Planner: you

Marketing: or you

Member at Large: Tracy Greening

As we stated earlier, all present memberships are good for another year without charge, we want to make this period of separation as easy as we can on our group.

If you are interested in being on the Board, please contact Deedee or Pam any time. Good times! Keep Safe everyone and keep in touch.

