

Visual Artists of Welland

Inspiring Local Artists

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Visual Artists of Welland: Wednesday, November 8, 2023

Dear VAW Members!

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



So far, 56 members have renewed their membership!

Here are several things for your consideration:

Huzzah!

Next General Meeting!



Sunday,

November 12:--

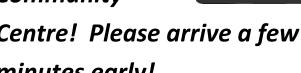
at 2 p.m. at the

Chippawa Park

Community

Centre! Please arrive a few

minutes early!



General Meeting

Please bring

\$5.00 for 50/50 draw

Huzzah!

1. Sleigh Bells Art Show and Sale:

Hart Court, Seaway Mall-- cost: \$25.00 / grid

- Thursday, November 16: 4 p.m. set-up--everyone! --do **NOT** hang any art until all the grids are assembled and, in their position,
- Friday, November 17: 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
- Saturday, November 18: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Sunday, November 19: 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; take down at 4 p.m.-5 p.m.

2. Welland Writers Guild: Neil Chopp:

- Neil Chopp made a brief oral report to the Board members on Sunday, Nov. 5--we had a Google Meet meeting
- what the Guild would like to do is partner with Welland artists--specifically the VAW
- one year the writers would write a short story and the artists would paint a picture; the next year, the artists would paint a picture and that would serve as inspiration for the writers to create a short story
- if you are interested in this partnership: Neil's phone number is: 289-682-5699 email: nchopp15@gmail.com
- he mentioned he's looking at April-June 2024
- more details when you contact him

3. Magnetic Name Tags: have been ordered and delivered!

- each VAW member will receive their own magnetic name tag
- please put your business card inside or another appropriate paper with your name
- while in Gallery Shop--please wear your name tag

- wearing the name tag at the General Meetings/VAW Art
 Shows and Sale-- would also be a good idea
- please leave your name tag in the storage box provided at each event

Huzzah!

4. Call out for Instructors for 2024!



- the VAW is planning to continue offering classes in 2024
- on the third and fourth Sundays between 1 p.m.-4 p.m.
- at the Gallery Shop
- if you are interested in offering a class--please contact
 Deedee or Pam--complete the instructor's form at the
 Gallery Shop--detailed proposal
- Tom Messina will instruct the class on Sunday, January 21

5. Pelham Art Fest: Mother's Day Weekend:

 if you are interested in volunteering for a leadership or otherwise position, please contact:

contact: Mia at 905-964-3301

6. Rose Festival:

- at this point, the Board has not heard from the Rose
 Festival people about anything to do with an art exhibit
- Pam emailed Mike Belcastro, who is the President of the Seaway Mall, regarding the Rose Festival
- perhaps there will be an update in December

7. Christmas! Preparations:

Sunday, Nov. 12: VAW
General Meeting--Dani will
distribute the ornaments that
were ordered through her; you
may want to place them back in
the boxes--Deedee and Marilyn
will bring the boxes of
ornaments to the Gallery Shop
the next day.



 You can add your business card to the ornament and sign it--with a thin Sharpie **Monday, Nov. 13:** at 10 a.m., the Christmas tree will be set up in the Gallery Shop and the tree will be decorated; if you want to help, please **join us!**

- **8.** Bev and Tom Messina: have resigned from the Board citing personal reasons
 - join the Board members in thanking both of them for their dedication and enthusiasm--applause
- 9. General Meeting Dates in 2024: 2 p.m. at the Chippawa Park Community Centre:

Jan. 14 / Feb. 11 / Mar 10 / April 21 / May 19 / June 9

Visual Artists of Welland 2023-2024 Executive Board:

Officers:

Co-Presidents: Deedee Alexandre and Pam Duncan

Treasurer: Marilyn Nevills

Secretary:

Chairs:

Website Manager: Danielle Robbins

Membership: Tracy Greening

Volunteers:

Event Planner: vacant

Marketing: vacant

Member at Large: Liz Bird and Deb LaFontaine

The Benefits of Membership



- Wallack's Art Supplies and Framing (Ottawa)—10% discount
- Great Signs and Graphics (Welland)—10% off orders over \$75
- The European Pantry (Welland)—10% off art supplies



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Stay safe, sane, healthy, and happy!

Deedee and Pam

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