

MINUTES — Delaware Artist Guild — April 22, 2019

BUSINESS

The first 2019 meeting of the Delaware Artist Guild (DAG) was held at the Arts Castle on April 22, 2019. Carolyn Jones opened the meeting at 7 p.m. with a welcome to members and guests. There were 9 members and 7 guests in attendance.

- Treasurer report stated the account balance was \$276.48. Dues for the year are \$25.
- The next DAG meeting will be held on May 20, 2019—the 3rd Monday—since Memorial Day falls on the 4th Monday.
- Carolyn also requested feedback about possible paint-outs or other warm weather painting sessions for DAG members to participate in.

ART NEWS

- Josephine Lake informed us of a **painting group at SourcePoint** a.k.a. the Senior Center. There would be an exhibit with items for sale. See Diane Almendinger at SourcePoint.
- Latest on the **Mural Project** — 3 murals will be painted throughout locations in Delaware. If you wish to participate in the murals, there will be a hands-on workshop Saturday, May 4 at Andrews House from 10am-1pm and one on Sunday May 5 at the 2nd Ward Community Center from 2-5pm. The murals will be painted on fabric here, then the artist in charge takes it back to his California studio to complete the process before they are installed in the Delaware locations.
- The **Arts Festival** is May 18-19.
- There is a possible **Dumpster Project** in the future for Delaware City but City Council needs to authorize it before it can come to fruition. It would involve painting large steel, normally ugly, dumpsters and turning them into works of art. They would be painted in an enclosed environment and relocated to the city's Franklin Street parking lot. There are 4 in total. Photos of samples were passed around so that artists could see what the project manager, Bill Ferrigno, has in mind. He will keep us informed if the project is approved.
- Several **upcoming shows** were announced: Ohio University Print Media Show; Ohio Watercolor Society; a Japanese art exhibit; a 30th Anniversary Arts Castle show featuring past and present instructors; the Gallery 22 show featuring Jackie Cox; a pop-up show featuring DAG members at Gallery 22 that will begin June 7; an exhibit of graduate student art at the Ross from April 13-May 11.
- Warren Hyer announced the Central Ohio Symphony concert call "**Local Focus**" that would take place April 27 at 7:30pm at Gray Chapel on the OWU campus. The music, as well as the photography and video that serve as backdrop to the music, is all about and created by Delaware natives. The photography is by Frank Lee Ruggles who was our speaker for the evening.

SPEAKER

Carolyn Jones adjourned the business portion of the meeting and introduced Frank Lee Ruggles who showed some of his work and gave us a tremendous backstory of his start in photography and his prestigious rise to becoming the 13th National Parks Photographer. He spoke of his passion and drive to educate children about conservation through photography.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Smith, Secretary