

# ARTISTS OF YARDLEY – MEETING MINUTES

January 6, 2010

Dana Matas, Secretary, AOY

[www.artistsofyardley.org](http://www.artistsofyardley.org)

The **NEXT MEETING** is scheduled for Wednesday **February 3, 2009**

At 7:00PM at the Library at Lake Afton in Yardley

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## Officers:

President: Rose Marie Strippoli [rmstrippoli@aol.com](mailto:rmstrippoli@aol.com)  
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## Committees:

1. **Delaware River Gallery** – Karen Smallen [artmom51@aol.com](mailto:artmom51@aol.com)
2. **Website** – Anne Gannon [cagannon22@msn.com](mailto:cagannon22@msn.com)
3. **Plein Air** – Oz Freedgood [virozantiq@aol.com](mailto:virozantiq@aol.com)
4. **Photography Plein Air** – Derek Jecz [Derek@jecxz.com](mailto:Derek@jecxz.com)
5. **Publicity** – Colleen Attara [colattara@verizon.net](mailto:colattara@verizon.net)
6. **Project Find a Home** – Maggy Robinson [maggyrobinson@hotmail.com](mailto:maggyrobinson@hotmail.com)
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9. **Membership** – Patricia Gambino [pg2231@verizon.net](mailto:pg2231@verizon.net)
10. **AOY Tax Exempt Status** – Oz Freedgood [virozantiq@aol.com](mailto:virozantiq@aol.com)

**President Rose Marie Strippoli called the meeting to order at 7:00PM**

**Membership** – Patricia Gambino

- Welcome and Introduction of new members

- In attendance-Marlene Porter, watercolor artist; Marina Bilovol, oil painter and watercolor artist
- Welcome new board members Dana Matas and Nancy Allen

### **Secretary Report— Dana Matas**

- Minutes will be available on the website [www.artistsofyardley.org](http://www.artistsofyardley.org); in addition a limited number of copies will be on hand at the monthly meeting.
- Newsletters will no longer be mailed to members without computer access; several will be made available at the monthly meeting.
- Please be sure to let me know if you are not receiving email info from the group

### **Executive Board Meeting Report—Rose Marie Strippoli**

DON'T FORGET: All members have access to other members through the use of this email address:

**members@artistsofyardley.org**

#### ○ **AOY DUES are Due**

Rose Marie would like to thank:

- Susan and Mary Jane and those who were involved in the holiday Christmas party
- Maggie and Joe for the 501(c)3 Non Profit Status
- Stephen, Marie and John for the Newsletter
- Anne and Derek for the website
- Bonnie for being our Communications Tech
- Oz and Stephen for our Plein Air Groups
- Jo-Ann, Seth and Mary for the AOY Brochure and Etiquette Brochure
- Colleen for the Middleschool Scholarship Fund
- Anne and committee for the Member Show
- Behrooz for the Washinton D.C. show

In need of chair people to take on leadership of various upcoming events/shows-members are encouraged to consider this carefully.

## Treasurer Report- Maggy Robinson

### **Beginning Balance last report on November 4, 2009-\$4,350.96**

#### Revenue:

Item: deposit of holiday party funds	Amount: \$273.00	
		1,052.00
		425.00
		351.00
Dues for 2010		80.00

**total revenue: \$2181.00**

Expenditures: web hosting for November @ 7.95 per month

Check #1138 to Concerto Fushion for Holiday party-\$1,733.00

Note: \$500 deposit was made in July

According to my calculations Concerto Fusion charged \$49.00 over what \$39 per person for 56 people should have totaled. We were also short \$5 from member error in payment.

**Total expenditures: \$1,740.95**

### **Ending Balance January 6, 2010-\$4,791.01**

## **Standing Committee Reports**

- **Membership**—Patricia Gambino

Currently there are 96 members.

- **Publicity**—Colleen Attara

Continuing to work toward the scholarship for 3 Pennsbury Middle School 8th graders  
Their work will be judged by a panel and awarded a private lesson by an AOY member,  
opportunity to show their work in our group show, and a gift card for art supplies.  
Student Spring Show – waiting on date, memo to students.

- **Studio Tour**—Jo-Ann Osnoe

October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Saturday from 11-5

Sent email and received 10 responses to participate just in the Yardley area. Meeting next month February 10<sup>th</sup>. Send email, posters, flyers. FREE to public. Get the word out.

- **Capital Health Systems**—Colleen Attara

If anyone hears anything please contact Colleen.

- **Janney House**—Maggy Robinson

Strong possibility of being our permanent home. YAY! Some questions and thoughts that surfaced when discussing the property.

- Rent/Utilities and Repair Costs/Landscaping/Stone for Parking
- Volunteer work/Donations of paint etc./Scout troops to build ramp for Handicap accessibility
- Insurance policy for teaching children/10 year lease?
- Teaching art classes/renting out studio space
- Parties/Shows/theatre/stage
- Banner on road to promote shows
- Permits from Lower Makefield Township could take some time
- Bathroom maybe problem for handicap individuals

- **Plein Air**—Oz Freedgood

hibernating til spring

- **Website**— <http://www.artistsofyardley.org/> **Anne Gannon**

no news

- **Plein Air Photography**-Stephen Millner

no news

- **Newsletter**-Stephen Millner

Deadline for next newsletter is January 10. Stephen encouraged members to write articles and submit news for inclusion in the newsletter.

**Presenters at meetings**--John Ennis (guest speakers) and Behrooz Salimnejad (member presenters)

### **Exhibit opportunities and ad hoc committees:**

- Show Etiquette Information and AOY Brochure- Seth Robinson and Jo-Anne Osnoe  
Printed and passed out at meeting – please pass out to galleries
  
- Delaware River Gallery— Karen Smallen  
<http://www.delawarivergallery.com/>  
19 East Afton Ave, Yardley, 215-321-3825  
rotating gallery space for AOY members  
email Karen if you are interested: artmom51@aol.com
  
- Bucks County Community College- <http://www.bucks.edu/about/campuses/lbc/>  
Lower Bucks Campus 215-781-3939; 1280 New Rogers Road, Bristol, PA 19007  
"Show Some heART" -chair is Nancy Allen (nallenstudio53@worldnet.att.net; 215-493-9509) Still discussing if we are going to participate.
  
- Hicks Gallery-Newtown Campus of BCCC-need a chair – no final date yet
- In need of an Archivist – anyone interested?
- X-mas bazaar – jazz show
- Decorating Chairs Fundraiser for Janney House
- Member Show in the Spring-need a chair
- Chairs for Charity- Patricia Gambino  
we don't know what charity we will receive the donations and proceeds from this event  
(If you find any old chairs on the side of the road bring them to Maggy)  
Discussed displaying the chairs around town or auction them. Businesses to sponsor a chair.

## **Old Business-none**

## **New Business and member announcements-**

Grants- Are there any members who have experience with grant writing? Also is there anyone that has experience with finding grants? Patricia Gambino know someone who could read over what we write; Bonnie Boden volunteered to help out the Grant Finder committee.

Algazi Eli was on the front page of the Bucks County Courier Times check out the article:  
<http://www.ezistudio.net/couriertimes.htm>

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