

# ARTISTS OF YARDLEY—MEETING MINUTES

October 7, 2009

Heather Davulcu, Secretary, AOY

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

The **NEXT MEETING** is scheduled for Wednesday **November 4, 2009**

At 7:00PM at the Yardley Makefield Library on Edgewood Road

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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**---Marie Finn [Mariefinn@verizon.net](mailto:Mariefinn@verizon.net)
2. **Website** --Anne Gannon [cagannon22@msn.com](mailto:cagannon22@msn.com)
3. **Plein Air**--Oz Freedgood [virozantig@aol.com](mailto:virozantig@aol.com)
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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 [virozantig@aol.com](mailto:virozantig@aol.com)

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

### **Membership** – Patricia Gambino

- Welcome and Introduction of new members
- Guest-Monique Perry-metalsmith and friend of Oz

### **Secretary Report**— Heather Davulcu

- 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**

- Possible show at Bucks County Community College in Newtown. Fran Orlando is the director of exhibitions. It is a small space and will be a juried show.
- Picasso Gallery is interested in hosting AOY show again; date is TBD
- Behrooz also has contact at a gallery in Philly for a possible show in upcoming year
- The board would also like to inform the membership that Marie Finn has been diagnosed with cancer and is seeking alternative care in the Bahamas--we are all thinking of her.

### **Treasurer Report- Maggy Robinson**

**Beginning Balance last report on September 2, 2009-\$4,389.81**

Revenue:

Dues-\$60.00

**Total revenue: \$20.00**

Expenditures: web hosting for August and September @ 7.95 per month

**Total expenditures: \$15.90**

**Ending Balance August 5, 2009 \$4,433.91**

### **Standing Committee Reports**

- **Membership**—Patricia Gambino  
Currently there are 89 members. Also see addendum to the directory.
- **Publicity**—Colleen Attara  
Contacted 3 Pennsbury Middle School art teachers who are enthusiastic about us offering one scholarship to an 8th grade student. 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.

- **Project “Find-a-Home”**—Maggy Robinson  
We are officially a non-profit- approved tax exempt status!!!!  
The process took 10 months. Now it will go through some paperwork and be complete in about 3 weeks.
  - **Plein Air**—Oz Freedgood  
hibernating til spring; opportunity to offer classes at Elm Lowne until the home sells; could be a good opportunity to reach out to the community until we have a space of our own.
  - **Website**— <http://www.artistsofyardley.org/> **Anne Gannon**  
no news
  - **Plein Air Photography**-Stephen Millner  
Derek Jecz ' 5 session workshop just came to a close.
  - **Newsletter**-Stephen Millner  
distributed last night and will go out to family and friends as well. Deadline for next newsletter is November 10. Stephen encouraged members to write articles and submit news for inclusion in the newsletter.  
Show Etiquette Information and AOY Brochure- Seth Robinson and Jo-Anne Osnoe (sethr@scoutsdesign.com) a BIG thank you to Seth for designing the beautiful brochure. The Etiquette brochure is mostly done but need proofreading. This will be printed next week. 200 will be printed for \$28.00. A pdf will also be made available for future group show guidelines.
- 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 (sethr@scoutsdesign.com) a BIG thank you to Seth for designing the beautiful brochure. The Etiquette brochure is mostly done but need proofreading. This will be printed next week. 200 will be printed for \$28.00. A pdf will also be made available for future group show guidelines.
- Delaware River Gallery— Marie Finn (*Marie was not present*)  
<http://www.delawarerivergallery.com/>  
19 East Afton Ave, Yardley, 215-321-3825

rotating gallery space for AOY members  
email Marie if you are interested: mariefinn@verizon.net

- AOY Holiday Bazaar- Anne Gannon ([cagannon22@msn.com](mailto:cagannon22@msn.com)) -Possible location could be the Yardley-Makefield Fire Company at Heacock and Stonyhill Rd, Yardley. Anne spoke with the President Larry Newman (610)-659-7608 email: tlent295@aol.com; contact person Lisa Coissorsky at the McCaffery's Corp. Office 215-752-944- ext 152)
  - the daily rental rate \$320.00 going up to \$395 Jan 2010; with a \$320 security deposit-all tables and chairs included
  - availability--Sat Dec 12-Sun Dec 13
  - Anne spoke with Larry Newman and he is familiar with the AOY and appreciates our presence in the community. Anne requested that the fire department waive the fee and the AOY participating members would donate 20% of sales to the Fire Department. They are holding the dates for us while investigating the feasibility.
  - Do we have enough members to participate? Any other groups participating too? Member requested the info be posted on the webpage. Member noted that the date avail. is too late for holiday shopping and should be closer to Thanksgiving. (Anne agreed to look for another possible date). Bonnie Boden volunteered to set up a voting email to gauge interest in this possible event.
  
- 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) Prospectus will be provided with all information at the September meeting; show taking place Fri and Sat **November 13-14**, 2009; 20 % proceeds to benefit the scholarship fund for students;
  - free to enter; no theme; 80" united size limit; 2 pieces per person
  - Due date for art Wed Sept 11, Thur Sept 12 hanging, pick up is Sat 11/14 4:30-6:30 ***Nancy needs help with pick up on Nov. 14.***
  - MUST BRING OWN EASEL (smaller easels are also good for table top art) Put your name on your easel!!
  - 3D work included--bring your own pedestal (100 lbs limit)
  - food and wine-public attending will pay \$35 per ticket; artists receive free admission (family members and guests do not)
  - ***Nancy requests help with receiving on Nov. 11***
  - prospectus is forthcoming
  - To date, 16 members are putting work in the show.
  
- Christmas Party- Susan Hogan  
Will be held at Concerto Fusion, 2 S Delmorr Ave, Morrisville, PA (215) 428-2899; [concertofusion.com](http://concertofusion.com); \$40.00 per person plus gratuity \$8- \$48.00 per person; make your checks to "Artists of Yardley" and send to Maggy. If we get around 50 people they will close the

restaurant and we can have the place to ourselves. They have 12 spaces for artwork with a size limit of 24x36-no bigger and hung for the whole month of Dec, and in the future ongoing.

### **Old Business-none**

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

Election time! Nancy Allen volunteered in the past to take nominations--and chair the nominations committee. Fran graciously agreed to take over this election process this year.

Maggy-"Philadelphia Open Studio Tours" <http://www.philaopenstudios.com/>

Craft show at Tyler state Park on Oct. 24th and 25th-"Crafts in the Meadow"

Colleen-Design Philadelphia; artists linked with Philadelphia businesses to do window. Colleen worked with architect--the public gets to vote on the windows. Her window is located at 39 North 3rd Street.

Katia- Coop Gallery is opening in Doylestown and are looking for abstract and contemporary artists. Open to all art --shows/ sales/ and classes.

**Announcement by Brian Hill from Ellarsie Trenton Museum : the museum will host an AOY show Nov 2012 in celebration of its 15th season. The AOY has always supported the museum and he thanked us for all that we do!**

Guest Speaker is **noteworthy still life painter Stanley Bielen**. Thank you to Stanley for sharing his work with our members.

### **AOY BOARD MEMBERS:**

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