

The Sketchpad

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Winter Hours	
Tuesday	1 - 4 PM
Thursday	1 - 4 PM
Saturday	1 - 4 PM

56th ANNUAL AUCTION March 25th AT MAUMEE ELKS

137 West Wayne Street in Maumee.

BRING YOUR ARTWORK TO THE CLUB BY March 17TH IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE

The club will be open March 17th from 1 to 4 PM to accept auction entries

You must renew your membership by March 17th to participate in the Auction on March 25th

Membership Renewals for 2017

Our board voted to increase annual dues for active members from \$40 to \$50. This increase is necessitated because we anticipate a large increase in rent for the clubhouse in 2018 and we must prepare. Please continue to support our club. Our gallery and classroom are unique in Northwest Ohio and southern Michigan for a nonprofit art club. Our facility allows us to offer programs that many other clubs in the area are not able to.

RENEW ONLINE at our website:

<http://www.toledoartistclub.com/>

Click on "Membership"

Memberships run from January through December. Annual dues are \$50 for Active Members, \$15 for Associate Members, and \$500 for Lifetime Members. **To continue as a member in 2017, please renew online or complete the Membership Renewal form (below), and return it by mail along with your check, or in person with either cash or check at the office.**

NOTE: You must renew your membership by March 17, 2017 in order to participate in the Auction.

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Membership Renewal Form (please print)

DUE DATE: DECEMBER 31, 2016

Mr. ___ Mrs. ___ Ms. ___ Dr. ___ Name _____

Address _____ City, State & Zip _____

Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Email Address _____

Category (check one)

Associate...\$15

Active.....\$50

Lifetime....\$500

Members' News

Welcome to our two new members, LILA DEWITTE and LAURA WHARRY, and to returning member KAREN PETERSEN. LAURA OSBORNE'S Frame Shop was voted best in the City Paper survey; congratulations. CROSBY FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS was voted Best art fair in the City Paper survey, RONALD GOSSES' paintings are included in the 12x12 Art Show through April at the New Editions Gallery in Lexington, Kentucky.

Presidents' Message

I hope everyone is having a great winter although I am sure you are looking forward to a beautiful spring that will inspire us to create our masterpiece. We held our monthly board meeting on Tuesday, February 14. I want thank the board members for giving up a couple of hours from their Valentines Day's festivities. Here are the important items from that meeting:

The Artist's Choice and Abstract exhibitions were both big successes, with 60+ works submitted for Artist's Choice and 50 for the Abstract Exhibition. We are off to a great start for the year. Congratulations to the hanging committee for a great job displaying so many works. Both shows were excellent. Please encourage your friends and family to visit the Gallery and vote for their favorite piece.

The raffle for the Chris Leeper painting of the Maumee Indoor Theater is going well. As of February 14th, TAC has taken in \$1,580 in ticket sales with a net profit of \$1,160 after expenses. Please keep selling, it's all profit now. We are getting great publicity from the local papers including the Blade and the Anthony Wayne and Maumee editions of the Mirror.

We had a great turn out for the Members' meeting on February 21. The next meeting will be May 9th at the TBG Conference Center and coincides with annual members meeting; everyone is encouraged to attend. Details will be sent out soon.

The next big event is our 56th annual auction on March 25th, at the Maumee Elks Lodge, 137 West Wayne Street. Active members may submit up to three works of their original art. All artwork should be high quality; ideally paintings and drawings should be framed to draw better prices. Please participate in the auction to support our club. We suggest offering work with little or no minimum bid. High minimum bids discourage bidding. For more information see the application (page 4 below) or go to our web site at www.toledoartistclub.com.

It's time to renew your membership and pay your dues. Payment is due by March 17, if you wish to enter the TAC Auction. If you have not paid your dues as yet you will be getting a telephone reminder from a member of the board.

We are proceeding with the Gerald Hill workshop. My thanks to all who responded to my email regarding this workshop. Also, I received several requests for a workshop that focuses on Abstracts. I will look for a good abstract artist to lead a workshop. If you know a suitable instructor for a workshop on Abstract painting, please contact me (rcarle2245@aol.com) or the office (419 531 4079, toledoartist@sbcglobal.net). We should look for an artist located near Toledo in order to minimize expenses.

Rich Carle
TAC Board President



Raffle of Original framed Watercolor by Chris Leeper, "Maumee Indoor Theater"

Chris is a well-known watercolorist and instructor who has taught several workshops at our club. He donated this painting to us to raffle. The original is on view at the club. Raffle tickets are \$20 or 6 for \$100; profits will benefit the club. Drawing is March 25, 2017 at our annual auction. Tickets are on sale until the the auction. Please take a chance on this beautiful painting, and pick up tickets at the club to sell to others.

2017 Gallery Shows at the Toledo Artists' Club						
	Theme	Start	End	Take-in	Juror	Reception
Mar	Abstracts	2/25	3/30	Feb 16 & 17, 2017	T. Hilty	
Apr	TWAL	4/1	4/27	Mar 23 & 24, 2017	Patsy Camp	04/02/17
May	Botanical & Still Life	4/29	5/25	Apr 20 & 21, 2017		
Jun	Water	5/27	6/29	May 18 & 19, 2017	Julie Beutler	
Jul	America	7/1	7/27	Jun 15 & 16, 2017		
Aug	Urban Rural Structures	7/29	8/31	Jul 20 & 21, 2017		
Sep	Artist's Choice	9/2	9/28	Aug 24 & 25, 2017		
Oct	Around the World	9/30	10/26	Sep 21 & 22, 2017		
Nov	People & Portrait	10/28	11/21	Oct 19 & 20, 2017		10/29/17
Dec	Holiday	11/28	12/21	Nov 16 & 17, 2017		

For all exhibitions you may use any fine art medium: watercolor, oil, acrylic, pastel, gouache, encaustic, drawing mediums (graphite, charcoal, pen and ink, etc.), photography, sculpture or other 3D mediums.

Abstracts Show 2017

American Frame Best-of-Show Award

COLLEEN O'BRIEN Let's Party –

1st Place

JULIE DRAEGER – *Whistleblower*

2nd Place

ELLIE MILLER – *Looking Through*

3rd Place

KAY WEPRIN – *Gardens Changing Light*

Honorable Mention Awards

MARTI HUEPENBECKER – *Segments*

MARY MCCOULOUGH – *Entrance or Exit*

MELANIE STINSON – *Kabuki Dancer*

Juror's statement: I was pleased to jury an exhibit where artists are invited to find expression for their individual creativity. No attempt was made to choose works of any single style. Each of the artists in this show has unique solution to problems of space, color and form. What the works chosen for this exhibition have in common is their high level of execution and their effective utilization of materials. Congratulations to all the artists.

Tom Hilty – 02/17/17

Peoples' Choice Award, Artists' Choice Show:

CAROL SICHA, "End of the Road"

Classes for 2017

PAUL BRAND: Watercolor, acrylic, oil, pastel or drawing instruction. Class meets every Tuesday 2 to 4 PM. Join any time. Composition, color mixing and basic drawing are covered. Emphasis is on individual instruction. **Register with Paul** at 419-944-6150 or by email: paulhbrand@gmail.com. Website: www.dadandrenee.com. Cost is \$20 per session; come when you can, pay only when you come. *Students provide their own supplies. Contact Paul for a supply list. Class is ongoing.*

MJ ERARD: Pastel Class, Saturdays, 12 to 3 PM. Class dates are Feb 11, Mar 25, Apr 22, May 20, June 17, Jul 15, Aug 19, Sep 16, Oct 14, Nov 18, Dec 16. **MARY JANE** demonstrates technique and composition. Some supplies are available at the class for a nominal fee. Source photos for the class will be provided or you may bring your own. Cost is \$35. **To register or for more information**, email Mary Jane at maryjaneerard@yahoo.com or visit <http://www.artbymjerard.com> or MaryJaneErardFineArtist on Facebook.

ELAINE SCARVELIS: Elaine's Little Picassos, Mixed Media Class, Ages 6-11, Saturdays 10:00-11:00 AM., cost 7.00/class., Call her to register: H (419) 841-8153 or C (419) 450-4006, elainescarvelis@gmail.com
NEW CLASS: PICASSOS AND WINE. Watercolor "Arty Parties" at the club Wednesday evenings 6 to 9 PM. \$25, all art materials and project are provided. Cash or checks only. Bring wine, snacks and paper products. First meeting March 15; contact Elaine for future dates.

APPLICATION

56th Annual Art Auction

Saturday, March 25, 2017, at 7:00 pm (Preview - 6:00 pm)
 Maumee Elks Club ♦ 137 West Wayne Street ♦ Maumee, OH 43614

1. **Only Active TAC members** may submit 1 to 3 artworks. There is no entry fee.
2. All Items should be delivered to TAC no later than **Friday, March 17th**.
3. All work must be original and executed by the artist.
4. Size limit: No larger than 40" in any direction.
5. Acceptable mediums include paintings, pastels, graphics, photography, pottery, jewelry, sculpture, glass and fibers. **No Prints.**
6. Work on paper should be framed and matted. Work on canvas should be framed unless the artwork includes the edges of the frame. Unframed work draws lower prices or doesn't sell.
7. All frames must be in good condition with sturdy hanging equipment. **NO sawtooth** hangers.
8. Attach an artwork tag (available at the office) to each item when delivered. **Leave the duplicate tag (carbon copy) attached.**
9. Indicate on the tag the minimum bid and the percentage of the sale price donated to the club. The TAC pays sales tax.
10. **Please enter zero minimum or keep your minimum bid as low as possible.** Lower minimum bids encourage the start of the competitive bidding. Minimum bids above \$100 discourage bidders from opening, resulting in no sale.
11. To stay within our auction time limit, approximately 80 works of the highest quality will be selected by an auction committee. Some submitted work may not be included.
12. A Best of Show and six Merit awards will be selected by an independent juror; winners will receive ribbons.
13. Unsold work may be picked up at the close of the auction or at TAC starting, Tuesday, March 28.
14. Care will be taken to protect the artwork, but the Toledo Artists' Club is not responsible for damage or loss.
15. Checks for the artist's share will be mailed starting Thursday, March 30. **PLEASE DO NOT CALL THE OFFICE ABOUT PAYMENT.**

----- **Complete, detach and return with your entries** -----

2017 TAC AUCTION

Complete this entry form and bring it to TAC with your entries by Friday, March 17th.

Name _____

Phone: _____ email address _____

Title	Medium	Minimum	TAC % (circle one)
			50 60 70 80 90 100
			50 60 70 80 90 100
			50 60 70 80 90 100

I cannot donate artwork, but I would like to make a donation of \$_____

Please fill out the next page also

Selection Committee

The Club truly appreciates all entries. While no one wants hurt feelings, members must understand the sometimes-difficult decisions that the Selection Committee must make to limit the inventory to approximately 80 items in keeping with the evening's time restrictions. The objective is to select the highest quality work with the potential to sell for the highest price. Even though the Selection Committee may accept one, two or all three entries by an artist, there are cases when none of an artist's submitted work is chosen. Your patience and understanding helps greatly!

DOOR PRIZES NEEDED!

The lure of winning a door prize is a popular attraction at the auction. Please donate one original artwork to provide door prizes; any income from the door prizes is donated wholly to the club. Bring your donation to the office by March 17th. Artwork may be 2 or 3 dimensional, and it should be small or medium sized. Frames are not required, but work on paper should be matted with a backing board and covered with acetate or shrink-wrap. Label these donations as "Door Prizes" and attach the special tag that can be obtained in the TAC office. We greatly appreciate your generosity!

PUBLICITY

Publicity is crucial to our success—personal invitations and "word of mouth" are the most effective approaches. Our membership covers a large geographical area. Please post flyers—available in the office—in your church, grocery store, office, school, frame shop, club, doctor's office, etc.

VERY IMPORTANT: BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Each auction guest receives a booklet containing a biographical sketch about each artist. If you participated in last year's auction and want your biographical information to remain the same, please print, "Use biographical information from last year" on the form below. **If you did not submit biographical information last year**, or if you want to change your previous write-up, please print a brief statement pertaining to your artistic education, area(s) of specialty, awards, noteworthy exhibitions, etc. on the form below. **If you can email your bio, that saves having to retype the information.**

----- **Complete, detach and return with your entries** -----

PLEASE email your bio to: toledoartist@sbcglobal.net. If you do not use email, please print or type your bio below and deliver it to the office as soon as you can.

NAME: _____

Biographical information:

March 2017

56th Annual Auction March 25th at Maumee Elks, 137 West Wayne Street
Viewing at 6 PM, Auction at 7 PM

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Bring Your Art Work For The Auction To The Club By March 17th			1	2 9 to 12 Thu Morning Painters	3	4 10 to 11 Elaine's Little Picassos
5	6 9 to 12 Mon Morning Painters	7 2 to 4 PM Paul Brand Class	8	9 9 to 12 Thu Morning Painters	10	11 10 to 11 Elaine's Little Picassos
12	13 9 to 12 Mon Morning Painters	14 12 TAC Board Meets 2 to 4 PM Paul Brand Class	15 6 to 9 PM Elaine Scarvelis Arty Party	16 9 to 12 Thu Morning Painters	17 1 to 4 PM Last day to submit art work for the Auction	18 9:30 AM Auction Jurying
19	20 9 to 12 Mon Morning Painters 12 to 2:15 TWAL	21 2 to 4 PM Paul Brand Class	22	23 9 to 12 Thu Morning Painters	24	25 10 to 11 Elaine's Little Picassos 12 to 3 PM MJ Erard Pastel Class 56th Annual Auction Maumee Elks 6 PM
26	27 9 to 12 Mon Morning Painters	28 2 to 4 PM Paul Brand Class	29	30 9 to 12 Thu Morning Painters	31	
				TWAL SHOW TAKE IN 1 to 4 PM		