



December 2020



DECEMBER EVENTS

November 30 - December 4

Last Week of Fall Classes

Thursday, December 3

Pastel Demo & Studio Tour

Live Zoom with
Jeanne Rosier Smith -
The Pastel Seascape 6pm

Thursday, December 10

Board of Managers

Meeting 10:30am

Wednesday, December 16

PAC Book Club - Zoom

Andrew Wyeth,
A Secret Life 6pm

Wednesday, December 23

Last Day to View

Little Pictures 12-5pm

December 24-January 1

Closed for the Holidays

UPCOMING

January 4

Winter Class

Session Begins Details TBA

January 5-22

**Class and Instructor and
New Year, New Members'
Shows** All Galleries

January 25 - February 12

Winter Members'

Exhibition All Galleries

Watch your email for other
upcoming events.

*NOTE: Due to the ongoing
uncertainty caused by the
Coronavirus, schedules are subject
to change. Please watch your emails
and call the Club to confirm.*

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members and Friends,

The holiday season began with a resoundingly successful Little Picture Show preview. Thanks to Michael Rose and his staff the LPS exceeded expectations by echoing sales numbers from 2019! Members and their guests were welcomed in small groups that allowed plenty of time for viewing and making purchases. The Burleigh Courtyard Café was hopping as members made their way to the special bistro lighting decorations and wood-burning firepits generously donated by PAC members. Members also enjoyed Chef Drew's special Little Picture's Sampler complete with turkey sliders and other favorites, and topped with a large frosted cookie. After a very short closure, the Little Picture Show reopened this weekend, and sales continue to be strong. The gallery staff also is focused on building online sales through new marketing strategies to capture the interest of community segments not familiar with the Club.

Thanksgiving is a special time when we celebrate family and friends and all that we are thankful for. I am thankful for the 236 turkey dinners and 41 pies that kept Chef Drew and his staff busy creating for our members. That is an amazing feat!

Some exciting news to report... a new Support section has been added to the PAC website. We hope you will visit at www.providenceartclub.org/support at your leisure. Great thanks to Gail Ginnetty, Development Chair and her committee for bringing this to fruition.

As many organizations are navigating through the constantly changing situation, the Board of Managers would like to assure you that we are looking to the future and planning ahead. You have already received several recent updates from General Manager Seb Borges. We are so fortunate to have him and his team, but in order to meet the financial needs of the organization the Board has voted to make a few modifications during the winter months.

• We will be scaling back the current Café services with a modified menu and reduction in some staff (furlough) on a temporary basis. We are committed to our staff members and will strive to bring them back as soon as possible.

• The Board will continue to monitor the financial situation very closely and seek other revenues sources, if possible.

• Our classes for the fall term end in another week. You should be hearing about our winter term offerings in the second week of December. To the extent we can offer live classroom instruction, we will. But the Education Committee is also encouraging instructors to consider moving to online classes through Zoom. To support them and their students, we have prepared detailed guides on distance learning and will be offering tutorials to help everyone become comfortable with the technology.

• We applaud the ramped-up volunteer efforts of so many Club members on various committees during this period. Our Marketing Committee, for example, has been thinking outside the box to communicate what our Club has stood for since its founding — a passion for art. The committee is implementing a comprehensive media strategy, featuring radio and tv, has not only helped our artists but also defined our role in the community, setting the tone for perseverance and a dedication to the arts.

We want to thank each of you as Club members for your support during this period. If you have questions, suggestions, or comments, know that every member of your Board stands ready to listen and respond.

I will close with a reminder to all of the importance of recognizing GM Seb Borges and his staff by giving to the Holiday Employee Fund. They give of themselves throughout the year and it's time to show our appreciation.

Wishing you all the joys of the Season.

Warmly,

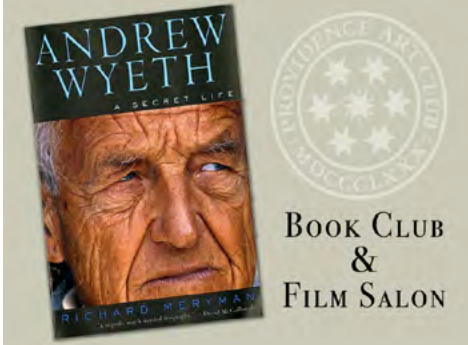
Nancy Gaucher-Thomas
President, Providence Art Club

DECEMBER NEWS FROM THE PROVIDENCE ART CLUB



BOOK CLUB AND FILM SALON

Wednesday, December 16, 5:30-7pm



Are you an avid reader? A lover of film? Do you belong to a book club? The Providence Art Club is in the process of creating a Book Club and Film Salon. A wonderful series of art and film topics are in the works, to be led by PAC members Lorraine Maloney, Craig Masten, Nancy Springett & Kathleen Tirrell!

Sign up today for this 7-installment program where you can enhance your knowledge of art culture and discuss topics with fellow members; transport the magic of the Providence Art Club right into your living room. This club will meet virtually via Zoom on the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 5:30 to 7pm, allowing 2 months between books, and 1 month between movies. Limit 25 members only. Get your culture and camaraderie fix without ever leaving the comfort of your home!

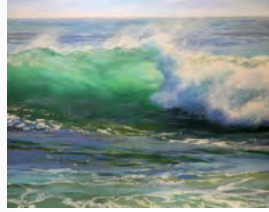
Tentative Schedule

- Dec 16 - **Andrew Wyeth A Secret Life**
by Richard Meryman
- Feb 10 - **Mad Enchantment: Claude Monet and the Painting of the Water Lilies**
by Ross King
- Mar 10 - **Loving Vincent** film (2017)
- Apr 7 - **Jean-Michel Basquiat: The Radiant Child** film (2010)
- Jun 30 - **Becoming O'Keeffe - The Early Years**
by Sarah Whitaker Peters
- Aug 11 - **Tina Modotti: Photographer & Revolutionary** by Margaret Hooks
- Sept 8 - **Frida** film (2002)

Please contact Abba Cudney, Education Coordinator to join the group, at abba@providenceartclub.org.

LIVE ZOOM PASTEL DEMO

Thursday, December 3, 6pm



The Pastel Seascape: Creating Motion and Translucency

Live Zoom Studio Tour and Demo featuring artist Jeanne Rosier Smith

About This Program

Spend an hour with Jeanne in her studio as she shares her approach to painting seascapes in pastel. Jeanne will show how she takes a piece from the beginning and then layers to create depth, translucency and movement in ocean waves.

\$15 PAC Members | \$25 Non-Members
Sign up at www.providenceartclub.org

GOODBYE DEAR BUGGIE

At one time or another, every member of the Providence Art Club ran into this little guy... Buggie. Angel's faithful companion. For twelve and a half years Buggie held a special seat in Angel's office, and everyone who visited knew that sweet Buggie was always good for licks and doggie kisses.

RIP Buggie... you will be missed by many.



GALLERY UPDATES

Little Pictures Social Media Toolkit

Exhibiting Artists, be sure to check out our new Social Media Toolkit, a guide to aid you in getting your followers excited about your presence at the Little Pictures Show.

We recommend frequently posting about the show, and make this easy by providing template posts you can either just copy and paste, or add your own customization.

You can find links to the toolkit, and a webinar on how to most effectively use social media on our website under the 'Members' menu. You must be logged in to view.

Little Pictures Online Gallery

In addition to over 700 artworks in our galleries, you can explore our virtual catalogue with 50 items available exclusively online. We will be adding more online shopping options in the coming weeks.
See it at <http://bit.ly/LP-2020-online>.



Thank You to
Betsy Zimmerman
Gail Ginnetty

for their generous donations to
Joan Boghossian's
Birthday Challenge.

Happy Birthday, and best wishes for a wonderful year of art and camaraderie!

WELCOME NEW MEMBER
C.C. Wolf Exhibiting Artist Member

WINTER CLASSES

Class Sessions to begin January 4

If there is anything we can count on for the near future, it's that we can't count on doing things the same way. With that in mind, we are working hard to present a great selection of Winter Classes and Workshops, even if it means some classes will meet virtually for this next session.

Nick Miles and team, along with the Education Committee, have been working non-stop to plan our distance learning strategy.

Instructor and Student guides to using technology we all are comfortable with, and getting comfortable with, will be available shortly.

Included in these guides will be instruction on other options to enhance the experience of students and instructors, and suggestions on equipment. We will also be offering opportunities for individual training if requested.

Be on the lookout for the winter class schedule, both in-person and online, beginning January 4th.

From the Education Committee

To everyone that signed up for a Zoom lecture or attended an in-person class or workshop; to those PAC members who volunteered their time to help create content on those platforms for us to appreciate. . . Thank you!

2020 has definitely been a challenge. A year's calendar worth of events and programming was scrapped, reworked, and to this date, has been continuously modified to keep up with current events, as well as to keep to keep PAC's membership engaged as much as possible. Abba Cudney, Michael Rose, Kathy Hodge and PAC member Nickerson Miles wasted no time in making sure that we could be entertained and involved within PAC's community while Covid forced us into isolation.

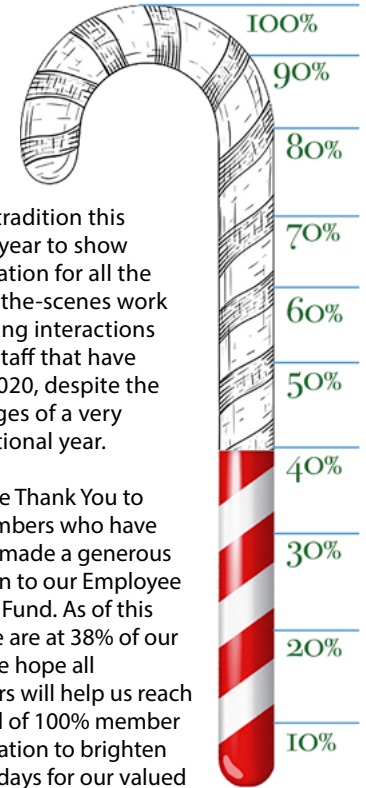
Also, as a committee, we're continuing to adapt for what lies ahead. Abba is already planning a winter session for you. Michael is creating a new roster of lectures for 2021. Nickerson Miles' "Around the World" series was so well received that we are hoping it remains as a monthly fixture for the near future.

To be honest, Distance Learning at PAC isn't going away. If anything it will be used as a tool to enhance our in-person classes. Distance learning will be a means for those who travel away from PAC, or for those of us stuck at home for one reason or another, to attend a lecture or workshop and to appreciate the diverse curriculum that PAC has to offer.

Again, thank you and stay tuned!

— PAC Education Committee

A gentle reminder during this season of thanks, and giving ...

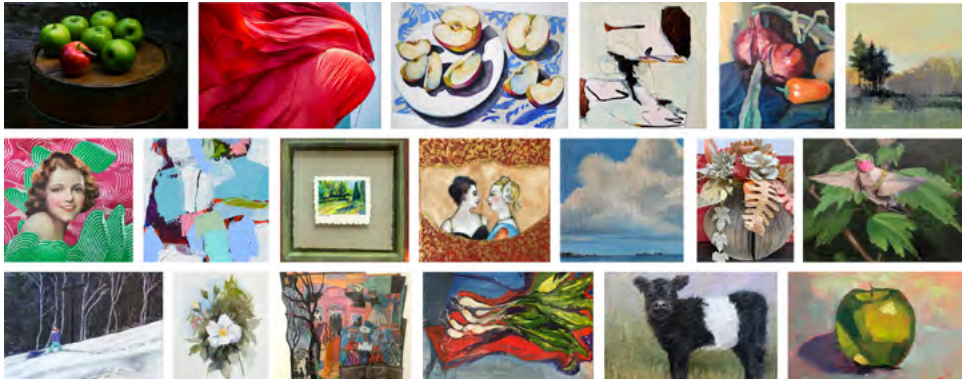


It's our tradition this time of year to show appreciation for all the behind-the-scenes work and caring interactions by our staff that have made 2020, despite the challenges of a very untraditional year.

A sincere Thank You to our members who have already made a generous donation to our Employee Holiday Fund. As of this date, we are at 38% of our goal. We hope all members will help us reach our goal of 100% member participation to brighten the holidays for our valued staff members.

IN THE GALLERIES

Through December 23 • Extended Gallery Hours 12-5, 7 days a week



116TH LITTLE PICTURES SHOW & SALE

Despite the challenges of 2020, this year's Little Pictures Show has had strong sales, and new work is being added daily. If you haven't yet seen the show, we are open to the public with all COVID19 precautions in place, so you can be assured you can browse safely. If you've already been, it's worth a revisit — so much is new!

Galleries Open 7 Days 12-5
through December 23

Over 700 works of art sized at 16" x 16" or less
Priced at no more than \$300

See more member art in our online gallery
<http://bit.ly/LP-2020-online>.

Upcoming in January 2021

CLASS & INSTRUCTOR SHOW & NEW YEAR, NEW MEMBERS

JANUARY 5-22

Any member who has taken a class or workshop during 2020 may submit up to three works (no more than one per class). Works substantially aided by the instructor and copies of original artworks are not allowed. Any photographs utilized in work must be original and the property of the artist.

Each new Exhibiting Artist Member admitted to the Club through November of 2020 may submit up to two works.

WINTER MEMBERS' EXHIBITION

JANUARY 25 - FEBRUARY 12

*Watch your email for the
Calls for Entry for these
great member exhibitions.*

For questions about these exhibitions or regarding preparing your work, please contact Gallery Manager Michael Rose at 401-331-1114 ext. 5, or via email at Michael@providenceartclub.org.

Our Gallery Staff are always happy to assist you in preparing for shows.

A LOOK BACK AT OUR 140TH YEAR



Happy Holidays
to all our members
and their loved ones
and Best Wishes
for Happiness
and Health
in the New Year!

