Manchester Art Association, Inc. Monthly Members' Meeting March 15, 2017 The Arbors

President Larson opened the meeting at 7:15 p.m. introducing guest, Sue Lyons of the Manchester Historical Society Genealogical committee inviting our members to join them on a bus trip to Boston on Tuesday, May 9. It would be an opportunity to visit the Museum of Fine Art and/or other points of art interest in Boston. Cost is \$60 round trip bus fare. More information can be obtained through the Historical Society.

Chris then welcomed those brave members and visitors who defied the weather for the evening. New member Karen Waggoner who joined in January was present. Chris also thanked Carole Fins, Carol Bryant and Anne Vogel for the refreshments this evening.

Chris asked for approval of the February meeting minutes as posted on the website, this was moved by Bonnie Lindland and seconded by Carolyn Emerson with an approving vote.

Treasurer's Report: In Emilie's absence, Chris reported income was received from workshops and dues. Expenses for workshop programs and scholarships will be paid from the account balance. Details of all income and expenses will be available for audit.

Membership: Doris Phillips reported that we now have 100 members. This evening there are 27 members and one guest in attendance.

Exhibits: The 'Interestingly Aged' exhibit at Town Hall makes a wonderful presentation; the reception for this is planned for April 7 from 5 to 7 p.m. Email notices will be sent to all members and friends lists. Please be mindful that all exhibitors are asked to bring refreshments for the reception that evening.

Change at Manchester Hospital will be May 11, 3 to 5 p.m.

Art in the Park is June 4. MAA will sponsor two adjoining booths. We will purchase one pop-up tent and borrow one other for this purpose. More information will be forthcoming.

Workshops: Carolyn Emerson reported that we need more participants for the matt/framing workshop. This will be a hands-on one day program on April 15. MAA will be purchasing a matt cutter for our own use which will be available to members at Open Studio.

There are two workshops planned for the fall; a two-day watercolor program in October with Marla Greenfield and a pastel workshop in November with Elizabeth Rhoades. Both programs will be on an intermediate level.

Eric Vogel's pastel workshop in April is full.

Details on all workshops can be found on the website.

Chris reported she attended the Manchester Arts Commission gathering where they promoted upcoming art activities for the community such as the sculpture program honoring local citizens and a musical playground being built at Charter Oak Park. It is hoped that MAA will participate in some of these activities.

Chris once again mentioned the problems encountered with poor wiring when hanging an exhibit. She handed out an instruction sheet for all to use as a guide for correct wiring. Please ask if you need assistance with this.

The question was asked about how we raise funds for our projects. Chris explained our income comes from workshops, dues, the small art auction (which we will be doing this fall again) and some donations.

It is time for nominations for next year. Eric Vogel is the elected chair of the Nominating Committee and will be assisted by Jim Oliphant representing the Board and Helena Deary representing the membership. The slate will be presented at the April meeting and emailed two weeks prior to the May Annual meeting when the elections will take place. Anyone interested in an office or board position should contact Eric.

Kelly Taylor presented an excellent and very interesting demonstration on mixed media.

Art of the Month:

1 st	Rachael Hora	Some Day Soon	Marker/Colored Pencil	Cheney Library
2 nd	Austin Pouliot	The Tree on Jewel Street	Pen and Ink	The Arbors
3 rd	Sue Masse	Matt Rainbows	Multi Media	Webster Bank
4 th	Jim Oliphant	Catching the Big One	Watercolor	Whiton Library

Respectfully submitted, Judy Burnham, Secretary