Manchester Art Association Member Meeting Minutes April 17, 2025 Manchester Church of Christ

Opening: Co-president Doris Phillips opened the meeting. The motion to accept the March minutes was made by Carolyn Emerson and seconded by Tim Simoes. The member vote approved the minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Sue Massé gave the treasurers report noting over \$1,000 came in from workshop revenues and \$700 went out for demo/workshop artists. The balance in the checking account is over \$15,000.

Membership: As of this week we have 96 members and membership is still open and active.

Exhibits: Janet Heller reminded all that the pastel show is currently on view at Town Hall. Registration for the all member all mediums "Spring into Summer" show is now open and will close on Tuesday, May 6. Janet encouraged artists to sign up early so the ads for the show can be created and publicity released on a timely basis. The exhibit will be hung on Thursday, May 8 which will also be pick up day for the pastel exhibit. Also a reminder - the new acrylic show box can take items up to 15" tall.

Wood Carving – Dick Knotts. Dick showed us a beautifully carved wood statue he created of an artist painting. He was kind enough to let it circulate among the group for a closer look.

75th Anniversary of MAA: Carolyn announced that there are approximately 70 signed up for the dinner party reminding everyone that the last day to buy tickets is Sunday, April 20. There will be paintings for sale featuring work by Grace Tedford and Judy Burnham. Be sure to bring your checkbooks (no credit cards can be accepted) as there will also be a raffle. Finally – a reminder that the event is at the <u>Unitarian Universalist Society East at 153 W Vernon St West, Manchester</u> and NOT the Manchester Church of Christ.

Nominating Committee: Jim Oliphant gave an update on the Nominating Committee (see below) and reminded everyone that voting will take place at the May meeting. If people cannot make the May meeting, voting will also be conducted online – be sure to check the newsletter.

Co-Presidents: Doris Phillips and Jim Oliphant

Secretary: Judith Goldstein Treasurer: Sue Massé

Board Members at Large: Veronique Fournier-Wynne, Gail Crook, Alexis Mitchell. Nominating

Committee: Doris Phillips (chair)

Membership: Carolyn Gimbrone, Gail Crook Workshops: Louise Cooke, Emilie Beckwith

Exhibits: Janet Heller (co-chair), Carolyn Emerson (co-chair)

Communications: Website: Susan Aitner

Graphics Specialist: Jerry Madara

Newsletters: Chris Larson Exhibits: Eddie Auyeung

Publicity & MAA email: Sue Massé

Hospitality: Chris Florence

Art of the Month: Alexis Mitchell, Ann Martell Scholarships: Veronique Fournier-Wynne

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Workshops and Demos: Louise Cooke reminded everyone that there are a couple of spots open for the Saturday, May 3 pastel workshop with Jane Robbins. Flyers were available for the workshop and registration is online as well.

Art of the Month: Louise introduced the guest artist, Sarah Baskins, followed by Alexis Mitchell who announced the Art of the Month winners that Sarah selected:

Winner	Place	Artwork	Medium	Display Location
Louise Cooke	1st	Life's a Bowl of Cherries	Oil pastels	Whiton Library
Kathy Waine	2nd	Chickens in the Road	Oil	Arbors
Alexis Mitchell	3rd	Silvery	Pastel	Mary Cheney Library

Demo: Demo artist, Sarah Baskins, created an amazing watercolor painting of a sailboat. Her demo was informative and well received.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Massé For Judith E. Goldstein MAA Secretary