

Chisholm Trail Art Association

APRIL 2020

NEWSLETTER



**APRIL 9TH
CTAA MEETING
CANCELLED!**

The CTAA

April 9th
meeting has
now been
cancelled.

**Due to the restrictions
for the virus that have
now been enacted, most
every art related
place/museum is now
closed for an unknown
length of time.**

**Please visit the
individual websites to
determine for how long
the place is closed and
if upcoming events have
been postponed or
cancelled.**

www.chisholmtrailartists.com

MARCH MINUTES

CTAA Meeting Minutes

March 12, 2020

The meeting was opened by President Larry Lemons. Larry asked the "first timers" attending the meeting to give their names and tell all what kind of art they do, where they live, etc. There were four first-timers - Valerie, Shelly, Angela, and Chelsea. Larry also took an informal poll of the members as to what media we use in our art – lots of variety in the group.

The Treasurer's report showed \$4,012.76 in our account

Larry then mentioned the upcoming programs.

April – Rick Schaub – wood carving

May – the CTAA Spring Art Show at the Cool Creek Art Gallery in Bridgeport on May 7, 8, & 9. The show is members only, and we will be limited to two entries per person – no wider than 36 inches. There will be no theme this year, and no entry fee. Everything must be delivered and set up on Wednesday, May 6, which will also be the day for judging the art work. The award of prize money and ribbons will be at 6:00 pm on Saturday, May 9, and artists will remove their art at that time. Please price your work for sale. The artist will keep 80% of the selling price, with 10% going to Cool Creek Art Gallery, and the remaining 10% going to CTAA. Please go to the CTAA website (www.chisholmtrailartists.com) for more information and the prospectus.

June – Field trip to Tales and Trails Museum on June 11 at 6pm, to view the new exhibit.

July – Possible field trip to the Wichita Falls Art Association Co-op Gallery. More information to follow.

August – Laura McGillis from Iowa Park – doodling.

September – TBD

October – Art of the Song Art Show in Nocona on October 10-12. The theme will be Music. More information to follow.

November – TBD

December – Christmas Party

Upcoming Workshops:

Soon Warren Workshop: The workshop (June 10, 11, & 12) is full with a waiting list. Had one cancellation and that was immediately filled from the wait list. The workshop cost will be \$250/person, and all attendees will be expected to pay the remaining \$200 at the start of the workshop

Jan Thompson will hold her Pastel Workshop March 29-April 4. The cost will be \$950, which includes room and board.

Jennifer Hammer will hold a pastel workshop on July 18 & 19 at the Tales and Trails Museum. The cost is \$100, and a \$50 deposit is required to hold your spot. Jennifer only has 4 spots left. Each attendee will provide your supplies,

and Jennifer has a list of those items.

New Items:

Larry discussed networking with other artists in the group, and mentioned another art gallery in Granbury – Art of Texas – may be a good place to network. He will get more information.

Although Larry did not mention this event - the Mind's Eye Group plays 50s-70s music, and on April 4, 2020, there will be a Veranda event to raise money for charity. The group has already raised approximately \$20,000 for charitable causes. Larry has encouraged all to add the event to their calendars.

Gale reported that the Frame Shop in Bowie was now fully open and operating. She urged everyone to take advantage and use the store for framing needs. Angela (frame shop) also mentioned the possibility of having a "Sip and Stroll" in Bowie the first weekend in May – May 1&2. That's where the merchants would open their shops. Nothing firm yet, but we'll post more as more information becomes available.

Guest Artist:

Larry introduced our own Jennifer Hammer, who will give a presentation on professionally finishing the back of paintings for shows. Jennifer worked in a frame shop and she frames all her work. The purpose of paper on the back of a painting is to keep dust and bugs off the art work. She reminded everyone, that when putting paper on the back of a canvas, add small air holes in the paper to allow for contraction and expansion.

She uses a variety of tools, and plain brown paper. Many of her tools were ordered online from places like Blick Art Supplies. She starts with a bead of glue all the way around the back of the frame, then lays the paper across the back, and uses a razor blade to push the glue out, and a paper towel to clean it up. Jennifer uses a picture framing tool that's specifically for cutting dust covers – a dust cutter trimmer from Blick. She also sprays water lightly around the edges to tighten the paper.

Jennifer uses "D-rings" of various sizes depending on the size/weight of the painting, and coated wire (48 max lb) on the back of the paintings to ready them for hanging. She suggests keeping a variety of furniture markers handy in case your frame is damaged in a show. Jennifer uses an Avery Shipping Label on the back of her art work, with name, date, price, and other artist information on it. Museum-grade glass is laid directly on her painting, and she uses foam core behind it, then tapes all together with clear painters tape.

There is no movement of the artwork by doing that simple act. She also includes a Certificate of Authenticity with each painting. She writes, using invisible ink, on the back of the certificate to ensure originality.

Her presentation was really interesting and we all thanked her.

Artist of the month was won by Jennifer Hammer with her pastel painting – Golden Road

The meeting was then adjourned.



MARCH DEMO

JENNIFER HAMMER



During college, Jennifer worked for a picture framing business. For her presentation she shared many tips on how to frame and finish your artwork. Her demo included showing everyone how easy it is to put or replace the dust cover on the back of the frame and how to install the hardware and wiring to hang the finished picture. She also provided information about repairing scratches, dents, repainting frames, cleaning glass, creating a certificate of authenticity and attaching identification for the back of your art.



ARTIST OF THE MONTH

JENNIFER HAMMER

JENNIFER WON FOR HER SOFT PASTEL PAINTING TITLED "GOLDEN ROAD". THE PHOTO SHE USED WAS TAKEN BETWEEN CREEDE AND LAKE CITY, CO.

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We are currently monitoring the public health situation each day and adjusting our course of action to suit the situation at the time. The health and well-being of our students, guests and staff is extremely important to us. This includes physical health, but also includes the emotional health assisted through participation in the arts. For this reason, we are making day-by-day decisions about programming, so we can best serve our community.

UPDATE: (Wednesday, March 18) The Kemp and The Forum buildings will be closed to the public starting Friday, March 20 at midnight. This includes all classes and workshops. The buildings will be open to staff, and to guests by appointment only, through Friday, April 3. We strongly encourage you to monitor our social media pages for the most up-to-date information on programming changes.

Postponement Announcement: With the health and well-being of our community in mind, the Arts Council has been closely monitoring the situation regarding the Coronavirus (COVID-19), along with national and state announcements. Ultimately, it has been decided that postponing the Cowboy True event until July 31st and August 1st, 2020 is the best decision for the welfare of our community and all artists, volunteers and staff involved.

So please stay tuned to the Cowboy True Facebook page for more details on the date change. We look forward to seeing everyone later this summer!

For questions about pre-sold tickets and table sales, you may call (940) 766-3347.



9th Annual Cowboy True

July 31 - August 1
2020

@ The Forum



It is important to our Board of Directors and Foundation members to be part of the solution, so we are closing our doors due to the recent health scare. This was a difficult decision, but we feel it is best that we do our part.



CTAA May, JUNE & July MEETINGS

May 9th

At this time, the CTAA May meeting is still scheduled for May 9th at the Cool Creek Art Gallery 1018 Halsell Street, Bridgeport, Texas. Further updates will be posted as we learn more from the course of the virus and travel restrictions.

June 11th

Rick Schaub's woodcarving art will be moved to the June 11th meeting if his schedule permits.

July 9th

FIELD TRIP! Gale Cochran-Smith will conduct a private after-hours tour of the Tales 'N Trails Museum's new exhibit hall (1522 E. Hwy 82 in Nocona). This tour will begin at 6 pm. Refreshments will be served.

Please check the CTAA website for further updates.