

**THREE CITIES
ART CLUB**



January 2015 Newsletter
www.threecitiesartclub.org

Monday, January 5th, 7 - 9 pm
Canton Township Hall
1150 Canton Center Road South
Lower Level - Meeting Room A



**SNACKS FOR
January
ROD
JENKINS**

February: Jo Ahola

January Event

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CRITIQUES**

Critique by Committee

We are trying something new this season for our annual critique. Rather than having one person (usually a local art instructor) review member art, a group of members have formed a committee that will provide input on a variety of topics. Allen Brooks will focus on composition, Doreen Lawton will provide insights into use of color, Liz Gullikson will look at how value (otherwise known as tone) can be used to create focal points of interest, and Kay Masini will talk about the use of rhythm and how repeated patterns can be used to strategically move the viewer's eye throughout the work of art. As moderator, Marilyn Meredith will explore texture plus provide other suggestions not covered by other committee members which may be helpful.

Members are encouraged to bring one or two pieces they are working on or never finished because they weren't satisfied with the result. We will ask the artists to bring up their art and tell us a bit about the piece (the stage they are at and if there is some specific assistance they are looking for). Since there are many forms of art, the committee will take into consideration whether the artist is striving for realism or an abstract/ethereal style. Our goal is not to criticize but rather to provide helpful suggestions so artists can reach their goals.

We will try to review all the pieces brought by members, starting with one per person and, time permitting, include second pieces. Everyone attending will hopefully learn something new, relearn things they had forgotten but more importantly, continue their growth as an artist. There will also be some handouts provided by committee members.

CALL FOR ARTISTS Westland Library Spring Exhibition

Enclosed with this newsletter is the entry form which provides the rules for submissions to the 2015 Call for Artists Exhibition April 17-20.

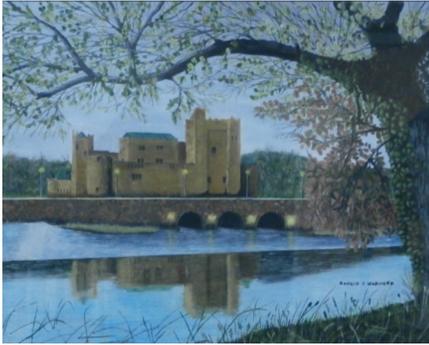
Free Photos of Art:	March 2
Submission Deadline:	March 21
First Notification By:	April 1
Delivery 4-6pm:	April 16
Final Notification By:	April 17
Artist's Reception 1-3pm:	April 19
Awards Presentation 2pm:	April 19
Pick-up Art 5:30-7pm:	April 20
Final Pickup 9-10am:	April 21
(by prearrangement)	



DECEMBER POPULAR VOTE WINNERS

FIRST PLACE

Watercolor by **Ron Warunek**



SECOND PLACE

Photography by **Allen Brooks**



THIRD PLACE

Photography by **Karen Yops**



The Critic at the Cocktail Party

The critic was waxing with eloquence
(He'd never been known to wane-)
Critiquing his host's art collection-
A tastemaker in his domain.

He sharpened his personal monologue
then, flexing his cultural brain,
declared to the guests there assembled,
"Conventional art I disdain.

"My senses are trained to aesthetics, so
I look at these works and feel pain!
They're maudlin, inept and outmoded."
The critic was very urbane.

Now several guests there were shaken, for
they feared their own taste was in doubt-
They'd never ask him to their parties
with all their art works hanging out!

By *Kay Masini*

TIPS & TRICKS

Before putting the finishing touches on your artwork, take a picture with your digital camera using the black and white setting or change it to black and white on your computer. You will be able to quickly judge if your values are correct.

Newsletter/Website News/Articles?

**SHARE YOUR NEWS,
UPCOMING SHOWS,
THOUGHTS,
HELPFUL TIPS & TRICKS,
and/or POETRY**

Share news of honors, awards, upcoming shows and events, write an article or poetry, share a helpful tip or trick which would be of interest to our readers. Please bring information to our monthly events and/or send information for publication to Marilyn Meredith via mail to 41021 Southwind, Canton, MI 48188-1321, email at marilynmeredith@wowway.com or fax to (248) 557-6442. Deadline is two weeks prior to the meeting date.