

newsletter

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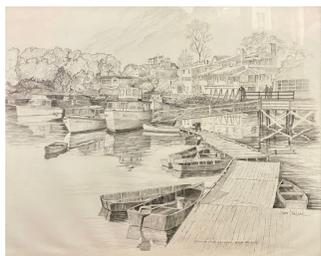
First Place: Angie Weldon



Second Place: Linda Bedard



Third Place: Joan Seller



NEXT MEETING

Monday, January 8

Plymouth District Library

6:45 PM

SNACK

Gwen Roth



CLUB NEWS

January Program

Frame Works

We are pleased to welcome Cindy, a representative from Frame Works, who will be talking to the club about the services and opportunities they provide.

She will bring some samples of different types of framing to illustrate how artwork can appear completely different depending on the framing.



January Member Spotlight: Susan Dehelean

December Member Spotlight Recap

Sharon Lee Dillenbeck-Rokita,

owner/director of D&M Art Studio, was the Member Spotlight at our December meeting. She works with students of all ages and is often in demand for spearheading community-wide recreational programs, as well as many curriculum workshops. An award-winning artist and exhibitor, her work hangs in private homes nationwide. Her

impressionistic works in watercolor and oil reflect her interest in children, florals, landscapes, seascapes and still life. Her delicately rendered series *The Child and Her Environment* illustrates scenes of her two daughters and granddaughter at play. She ended her presentation with this invitation to the Village Arts Factory: "If you need a place to paint or hang out, stop by!"



AI Controversy

As the use of AI is becoming more popular, it is important for our club to be aware of its implications. Three Cities member Fred Keebler facilitated discussion by defining it and, using a prompt, illustrating what it could do through Playground AI.com. A discussion ensued as to whether AI could be considered art in and of itself. He suggested that although AI was useful as a resource, submitting an AI image as your art was disingenuous. The club agreed and decided at this moment AI generated images would not be accepted in club exhibits.

Check it out

January Exhibits & Artsy Things in the Area

Movie Night at The PENN

David Hockney

760 Penniman Ave, Plymouth

[Tickets available in advance](#)

January 18 at 7:00 pm (\$5)

The PARC - The Art & Soul Exhibition

650 Church St, Plymouth

January 6- March 4

Congratulations

Annual Juried Art Exhibit Winners 2023-24

Gallery at City Hall Westland

PHOTOGRAPHY WINNERS



FIRST PLACE:
Lawrence Hamilton



SECOND PLACE:
Allen Brooks



THIRD PLACE:
John Middlestead



HM:
Terri Haranczak



HM:
Cheryl Chidester

2-D ART WINNERS



FIRST PLACE:
Brenda Everston



SECOND PLACE:
J. Susan Aitken



THIRD PLACE:
Barbara Kish



HM:
Gabrielle Dolin



HM:
Kseniya Hauptmann



JUDGES CHOICE
J. Susan Aitken

Our exhibit will be open to the public until January 4th. Juror Kenneth Hershenson curated a strong show and presented the awards for the art he judged best at the artist reception on November 30th.



Many of the winning artists with juror/judge Ken Hershenson (left to right): Terri Haranczak, Susan Aitken, Gabbie Dolin, Cheryl Boc-Chidester, Brenda Everson, Ken Hershenson, Barbara Kish, Allen Brooks, John Middlestead

Last month

Riverside Arts Center Presentation

At our December meeting, we welcomed Liz Warren from Riverside Arts Center in Ypsilanti. They recently purchased the building they called home for 25 years and have been busy expanding their footprint to offer more cultural opportunities for artists and the community. In addition to a theater for live performances, art galleries, and classrooms, they also have individual artist studios.

Particularly of interest to our members is their Ypsi Fine Arts Club which was inspired by the Detroit Fine Arts Breakfast Club. They meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month with doors opening at 5:00 pm.

So much is happening at this venue, keep an eye out for their calls for Art!



Clean-up Reminder

Plymouth Library Needs Our Help



“Greetings from Plymouth District Library. Specifically, I am reaching out to any groups that enjoy refreshments. The library is having an increasing problem with groups leaving the meeting rooms quite a mess with crumbs and stickiness on the floor and tables. As you are aware, **one of the requirements of using our spaces is that you leave the room clean and ready for the next group.** The library has a very limited custodial staff that must maintain our entire building including ten restrooms; we must therefore rely on meeting room users to clean up after themselves. When we can rely on our groups this way, it allows us to make space available without charge and allows groups to have food in the rooms.

Please help us to be able to keep offering this valuable resource to the community by cleaning up after your group. This may mean building in extra time to the end of your reservation or planning to complete your activities a few minutes earlier to ensure that you have time to bring the room back to ready condition. A vacuum cleaner and table cleaning spray can be found in the kitchenette attached to the Walldorf Room (which is accessible from the foyer for those in the Dunning Room.) If you ever need help finding these tools, please ask at the circulation desk. Thank you for your support on this matter and for helping us to be able to keep offering this community resource.”

In response to this letter, we are addressing this issue within our own club to be sure to leave the room the same or better than we found it.