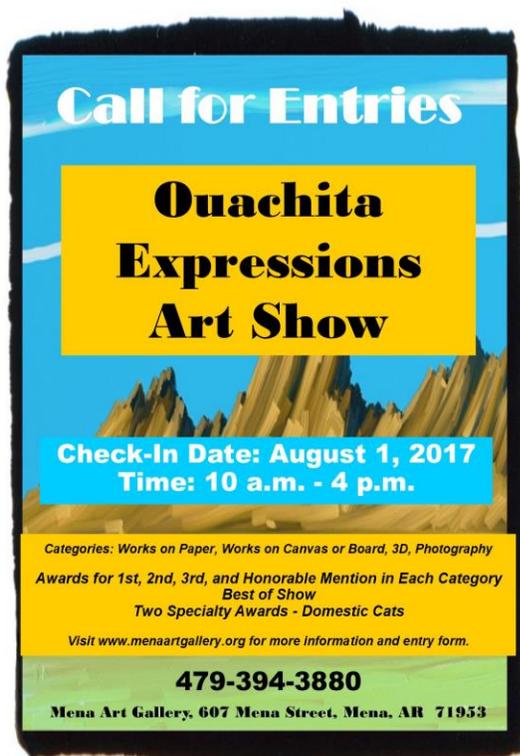


# Mena Art Gallery

August 2017

*Art for all ages in the heArt of the Ouachitas*

## Gallery Highlights...



### *Ouachita Expressions Show*

We will be accepting entries for the Ouachita Expressions Show on Tuesday, August 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Go to [www.menaartgallery.org](http://www.menaartgallery.org) for a copy of the entry form and rules or call the gallery at 479-394-3880.

**Please plan to join us for the reception and awards ceremony on Saturday, August 5 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.**

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607 Mena Street, Mena, AR 71953 479-394-3880  
[email@MenaArtGallery.org](mailto:email@MenaArtGallery.org) [www.MenaArtGallery.org](http://www.MenaArtGallery.org)  
Gallery Hours: Tue. 11-2; Wed. – Sat. 10-3;  
or by appointment call 479-394-3880

## *Hot Dog Sales*

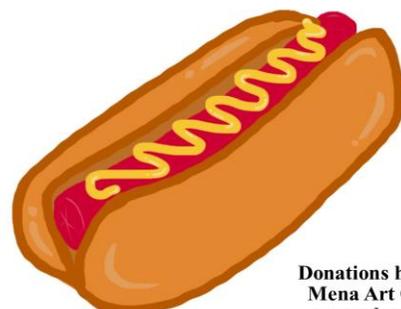
We will have a Hot Dog Sale in the parking lot at Atwood's on Saturday, August 12 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come join the fun and help support your gallery.

If anyone would like to help Julie with this project, please call her at 479-394-3880.

**Saturday,  
August 12**

**from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
at Atwood's in Mena.**

**2 HOT DOGS AND  
A COKE FOR \$1**



Donations help with  
Mena Art Gallery  
general expenses

You can sign up for coming months on the calendar on the counter in the art room to get your choice of dates! **If you can come in as Gallery Attendant on any day marked “available” below, please call the gallery at 479-394-3880. We only need volunteers for Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays; the “Art Day” attendees take care of Tuesdays and the “Fiber Arts” attendees take care of Saturdays.**

AUGUST 2017						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1 Art Day 11 am - 2 pm  Accepting Entries for the Ouachita Expressions Show 10 am – 4 pm	2 Joe and Carolynne Sizemore  Hang Ouachita Expressions Show	3 <b>Available</b>  Judging Ouachita Expressions Show	4 <b>Available</b>	5 Fiber Arts Group 12 noon – 3 pm  Ouachita Expressions Reception 1 pm – 3 pm
6 Closed	7 Closed	8 Art Day 11 am - 2 pm	9 Joe and Carolynne Sizemore  Board Meeting 5 pm	10 Betty Atcheson	11 <b>Available</b>	12 Fiber Arts Group 12 noon – 3 pm  Children’s Art Ages 10 & up 1 pm – 3 pm
13 Closed	14 Closed	15 Art Day 11 am - 2 pm	16 Joe and Carolynne Sizemore	17 <b>Available</b>	18 <b>Available</b>	19 Fiber Arts Group 12 noon – 3 pm  Children’s Art Ages 5 to 9 1 pm – 3 pm
20 Closed	21 Closed	22 Art Day 11 am - 2 pm	23 Joe and Carolynne Sizemore	24 Carolyn McCullough	25 <b>Available</b>	26 Fiber Arts Group 12 noon – 3 pm
27 Closed	28 Closed	29 Art Day 11 am - 2 pm	30 Joe and Carolynne Sizemore	31 Sheryl Davis		

## *Director's Report for July 2017*

The "This is America Show" went very well!! We had a great turnout and thank you to Lorraine Timmerman for coordinating the show. Thanks to the volunteers that helped check in artwork.

This is America Entry Fees - \$110.00                      Volunteer Hours – 100

This is America Sales - \$272.00 (\$68.00 gallery)

Thanks to everyone who brought in artwork for our Christmas in July!!

Christmas in July Sales - \$235.50 (\$66.38 gallery)

Thank you to Carolynne Cook Sizemore for coordinating the Indian Taco fund raiser. Carolynne and Joe put in a lot of work to organize and prepare for this and it is greatly appreciated. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped and donated. We raised \$388.82.

Thank you Missy Williams for offering the Beginner's Knitting Class which collected \$80.00 for the gallery.

Store Sales as of July 28 - \$147.00 (\$36.75 gallery)

Gallery Sign-In (Visitors) as of July 28 - 57

Volunteer Hours for July — Sit Gallery 18 of 21 days — 54 hours

Memberships January - July — 100 (6 New Members in July)

## *What's Going On?*

Be sure to check page 3 of your newsletter each month for details and contacts to learn more about any of these groups. You are cordially invited to drop in on any of these activities. Call the gallery at 479-394-3880 for more details, or contact the person listed under the activity you are interested in. **Don't see something you would like to be involved in? Call the gallery to find out how it can be started.**

Don't forget that we always need volunteers to staff the gallery. Please check the calendar on page two. If you can work as gallery attendant (lots of perks here!) on any of the days marked "Available," please call and tell Julie. And thank you!

### *Art Day*

This is open to anyone working in a media that is portable enough to bring to the classroom. Artists come and go between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. each Tuesday. Come and bring your current project or just come to watch and talk. For more information, contact Gilda Meyers at [ladyhawke95@gmail.com](mailto:ladyhawke95@gmail.com) or call her at 214-536-3658.

### *Fiber Arts Group Meeting on Saturdays*

The Fiber Arts Group is meeting at the gallery every Saturday from noon until 3 p.m. Bring whatever project you are working on and join us! If you have questions about the group call Missy William at 636-359-0911.

## ***Minutes of Board Meeting 7/12/17***

### **Board Members Attending:**

Pat Brown, Rick Chrisman, Tiffany Lane, Barbara Lewis, David Maddox, Lorraine Timmerman, Sandra Thomas, Barbara Tobias, and Diane Warren.

### **Also in Attendance:**

Jane Buttermilk and Julie Vande Zande

The meeting was called to order by acting Chairman Lorraine Timmerman at 5:02 pm.

Minutes of the June meeting were reviewed. David moved to accept the minutes, Barbara Lewis seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

The June financial reports were reviewed. There was notation made that the new accountant had added account numbers to the report for ease in classification. Rick made a motion to approve the financials, Diane seconded the motion, and the financials were approved.

In the absence of a Board Chairman after Rick's resignation, David moved to elect Lorraine as the new Chairman. Tiffany seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Barbara Lewis made a motion to elect Rick to Lorraine's vacated position of Vice Chairman. David seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. In order to facilitate this transition, Julie and Lorraine will work together over the next few weeks to conduct the daily business of the gallery and work on the account signatory changes. It was agreed by the board to add Lorraine as a signator on the accounts at the bank.

### **Executive Director's Report**

Julie presented the show totals for the Gilda Myers and Pat Trulock show in a report. The photography show produced \$422 in entry fees, and \$210 in sales (\$52.50 to the gallery).

The new accounting service is still in the process of making changes to the reports, but all looks promising going forward and the changeover is going very well.

Julie presented a letter from our webmaster sent to their clients stating that they will no longer be offering the ½ hour free on monthly maintenance and changes, but beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> will charge a minimum of \$25.00 for any web site additions/changes. Julie asked to be the primary contact and that all proposed changes to the web site be directed to her.

Changes were presented for the upcoming Ouachita Expressions show, including no money (ribbon only) for honorable mention, the 3<sup>rd</sup> place prize to be reduced to \$30, and the judge agreeing to be paid \$100 instead of \$200. Sandra made a motion to accept these changes, Rick seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Julie requested the purchase of two additional tables for \$38.88 each, for a total of less than \$100. Diane made to motion to approve, Barbara Tobias seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Christmas in July will be at the gallery July 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, and the Indian Taco fundraiser will be held on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. This event will be held in conjunction with the Downtown Partners event that same weekend. Barbara Tobias volunteered to write an article for the paper about the Indian Taco fundraiser to be published in the upcoming week.

Julie also stated that she will be working only her regular hours starting in August, so that she can find additional part time work. Barbara Tobias volunteered to take over the newsletter to lessen the workload.

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## Committees and Special Events

**Building and Maintenance** – Rick will complete the repair of the back door knob.

**Exhibits** – The next meeting date will be Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at noon, where they will go over the upcoming schedule. The next show will be Ouachita Expressions.

**Art of the Heartland** – The committee presented their minutes, and committee members were verified. Jane Buttermilk will also be helping with the reception.

**Small Works** – This show is now also being handled by the AHL committee, with a separate budget. The committee will still work on coordinating a possible gallery fundraising event to occur during the show. The deadline for entries has been extended 10 days. In the event that the show does not take up enough gallery space, additional art from private collections will be bought in, if needed.

**Ouachita Art Celebration** – Minutes from the June meeting were presented, and it was verified that the AAC grant will be awarded in the amount of \$3,240. The car show portion of this event is up in the air due to a family medical emergency concerning one of the organizers. The next meeting will be July 27<sup>th</sup> at 5pm at the gallery.

**Finance** – The minutes from the July meeting were presented, along with noting the need for classroom renovation and additional hours required for the executive director list of responsibilities. Jane Buttermilk brought up the option of finding someone to serve as a volunteer coordinator, to lessen the burden of this task from the director. The coordinator would be in charge of finding all the volunteers, as well as covering shifts that the volunteers do not work. Barbara Tobias volunteer to handle the coordination for September, the AHL committee will coordinate volunteers for October, and Carolyn Cook was suggested as the coordinator for August.

**Marketing and Promotion** – No update.

**Fundraising** – Minutes from the meeting were presented, and the upcoming meeting date will need to be rescheduled.

**Old Business** – Regarding the Director's and Officer's insurance, Barbara Tobias discussed this with P.T. Plunkett at Mena Insurance, who also has our building insurance. She recommended that we renew the current policy for a limited time until a final decision is made concerning a new policy. She will get quotes on a reduced policy.

The Board will be reinstalling signs stating that works inside the gallery are protected by copyright, as suggested by Joe Van Wolf at the prior meeting. Pat volunteered to make the sign.

**New Business** - Christmas in July will be the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, with all of Mena Street participating.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.

## *Art of the Heartland*

Entries are all in for the Small Works show, but there is still time to get an entry in for the 2017 Art of the Heartland national juried painting competition and to sign up for the Paint Out that will be held the weekend of September 30/October 1. You can find all the information at [www.theartoftheheartland.com](http://www.theartoftheheartland.com). Click on "Events" to find details

Mena Art Gallery is owned and operated by SouthWest Artists, Inc., a non-profit corporation, and support is provided, in part, by the **Arkansas Arts Council**, an agency of the Department of Arkansas Heritage and the National Endowment for the Arts, and several local businesses and individuals. Donations are tax deductible and help ensure the continuing work of bringing art to the community of Mena and the surrounding area. Sponsorships and donations can be made on our website at [www.menaartgallery.org](http://www.menaartgallery.org).

If you prefer to have your name removed from our mailing list or would like to be removed from our email list please send an email to: [email@MenaArtGallery.org](mailto:email@MenaArtGallery.org) or call 479-394-3880.

Membership in Mena Art Gallery is available at several levels:  
 Student: \$10:00      Individual: \$20.00      Family: \$35.00      Sustaining: \$5 Monthly  
 Membership forms are available at the Gallery or on the website [www.MenaArtGallery.org](http://www.MenaArtGallery.org)  
 We encourage you to become a member in this progressive artistic community and hope you will remember Mena Art Gallery in your Estate Planning by Leaving a Legacy for the Arts within the community for future generations.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Lorraine Timmerman, Chair (2019)	David Maddox (2019)	Diane Warren (2017)
Joe Van Wolf (2017)	Patricia Brown (2017)	Barbara Tobias (2017)
Jan Wennberg (2018)	Rick Chrisman (2019)	Sandra Thomas (2018)
Tiffany Lane (2018)	Barbara Lewis (2018)	

The Executive Director of the gallery is Julie Vande Zande. She is available at 479-394-3880 during regular business hours to answer your questions and assist with your artistic endeavors.