



December 2019



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Gallery Hours: Tues 11 -2, Wed. – Sat. 10-3
or by appointment call 479-234-5440

Upcoming:
Members Show –
January 2020

Be sure to participate in our first
show for the year 2020!

All mediums are accepted. Cash prizes.
Entry date is Tuesday, January 7 from
10 to 4.

(Contact the gallery if you need an earlier date / time.
No entries accepted after Jan 7 at 4 pm)



The reception for this show will be on Saturday,
January 11 from 1 – 3 PM

The show runs from January 8 thru February 1.

What kind of people
are members of the
Mena Art Gallery?

All kinds!

Those who make art: We have
member artists, some of whom have been a
part of the Mena Art Gallery for decades. We
have a weekly Tuesday group who meets at the
gallery – artists who are also friends.

Those who love art: The Gallery
brings a wide variety of art to the Mena area
year-round. Our two national shows bring in
work from artists around the country. Other
events showcase our local talent, from youth to
octogenarians. Paintings, drawings, sculpture,
metal art, fiber art, photography – the list goes
on and on.

Those who support art: We have
members we rarely see who simply believe it is
vital to have an active art presence in the
community. Creating art relieves stress and
encourages creative thinking. Observing art is
calming, instructive, and just plain makes you
happy!

“Art washes away from the soul
the dust of everyday life.”
- Pablo Picasso -

What's Going On?

The Photography Club is coming back!

Contact Patricia Trulock if you are interested. She is on Facebook or you can reach her through the Gallery.

We have new Board members beginning in January

David Maddox has re-upped (don't think we could do without him) and we also want to welcome Tammy Young and Sherry Balkenhol. Our grateful thanks to departing Board members Barbara Lewis and Dorothy Stevenson.

We are still looking for your contributions to the adult coloring book to be published this spring.

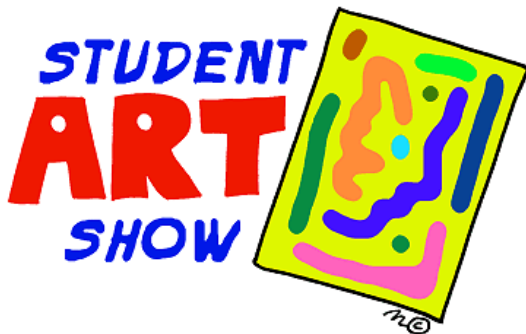
Gilda Meyers is heading this up AND donating the printing! Proceeds will benefit the Gallery. Contact Lynn or Gilda for more details.

Lynn says:

I am looking for volunteers to sit the gallery on these dates while I am out of town. If you are not available for the full 5-hour day we can split it with two people so you can commit for just 2 or 3 hours. Please let me know if you are available to help, and thank you!

Saturday, January 18

February 5, 6, 7 & 8 (Wednesday thru Saturday)



CALL for ENTRY

Our Youth Show dates for 2020 are Feb 8 – Feb 29. Entries are due no later than 4 pm on Tuesday, February 4. There are multiple cash prizes and all mediums are welcome. Contact the Gallery for more info or see the Event on Facebook.

The Christmas Show was a rousing success

The whole Gallery was (and still is . . . until Saturday, January 4) chock full of the most wonderful examples of local talent and imagination. If you have not yet made it in, or perhaps you need a few gifts for upcoming events, please come and check it all out.

Almost time to PICK UP – Artists, please plan to pick up your work Saturday afternoon, January 4th, or Tuesday January 7 from 10 to 4. Our storage options are limited.

We Love Our VOLUNTEERS!



We love our volunteers! There are a lot of moving parts to keeping the Gallery open, clean and organized. In addition, your volunteer hours can be traded toward your entry fee in most of the shows during the year. The Gallery can always use your help and it helps us to run smoother and more efficiently when we all take a small part of a big job. If you would like to help and want more information call or come by. 479-394-3880



We are planning to completely re-arrange the **Gift Store**. If you have work in the Store which has been there for an extended time please plan to pick it up or switch it out. Talk to Gilda or Lynn . . . thanks!

- Thank you to Niki Dempsey for donating a wreath for our holiday raffle. We raised \$65! Niki is a Master Florist and can create custom wreaths for you – contact her through the Gallery.
- We ran classified ads in the 3 local newsprints during November and December. Did you see them? Please let Lynn know . . . we are trying to decide if they are worth repeating.
- The Gallery will be closed on New Year's Day

Please consider an end-of-year tax deductible donation to the Mena Art Gallery

We are a 501(c)(3) organization and your gift is tax deductible. You are provided a Thank You letter for use in your tax preparation.

Additionally, our membership dues are set to renew in January for individuals and families, unless you paid in the last two months of 2019.

Please consider a monthly, sustaining membership . . . it works just like NPR does it – you authorize a small, monthly contribution from your bank account and never have to give it a second thought.

We appreciate you all so very much.

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.

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 or call 479-394-3880.

Membership in Mena Art Gallery is available at several levels:

Student: \$10:00 Individual: \$25.00 Family: \$45.00 Sustaining: \$5 (or more) Monthly

Membership forms are available at the Gallery or on the website 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.

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