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# Newsletter

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Oshkosh Fine Arts Association PO Box 2805 Oshkosh WI 54903-2805

## OFAA

Club Meetings 6:30-8:30 pm  
Oshkosh Senior Center  
1st Tuesday most months  
except July, August, December

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## MARCH 3 PROGRAM: BRUCE BODDEN

Hospitality: Steve Miller and Carolyn Sturma

Biography and Artistic Statement.

I graduated from UW-Oshkosh in 1994, with a Bachelor of Fine Arts, with a double emphasis, in Drawing and Functional Design. I worked as a furniture repairman and refinisher at Vorpahl's Furniture for ten years after college, and am currently employed at The Harp Gallery, an antique store in Appleton.

I work in several mediums, including oil pastels, acrylic, and wood. I have been doing art fairs since 1999...usually in Wisconsin. I used to work mostly in oil pastels, but started doing acrylic about ten years ago in order to work on a larger scale. About three years ago I picked up marquetry after buying a book on the subject. I am in several galleries, including Art Affair in Neenah, and The Leigh Gallery in Chicago. I also sell online, and have an art website, which is easiest found by Googling my name.

My style has been evolving towards abstraction since college...and I have been experimenting with the various mediums. My oil pastels have become more loose lately...while my acrylics have become more precise and hard edged...a style that lends itself to marquetry, which must be hard edged by nature. Of all my mediums, I probably enjoy doing marquetry the most, and it surprisingly goes the fastest as well. I also have been making small boxes and furniture which incorporates marquetry as well. Examples of which can be found at Art Affair Gallery.

## ART NEWS

Our condolences to the family of **Orene Rabe**, who died on Feb 13<sup>th</sup>. She was a former art teacher in Oshkosh as well as a club member of many years. She will be missed.

**Monty Giffin** and **Michaelene Urban** are hosting a show of their work BIKES 2, at ARC gallery on Washington St. for the April gallery walk. The exhibit is the kickoff fundraiser for the 2nd annual Strong Kids Ride which will focus on bicycle awareness, the art of bikes and the beauty of the bicycle. The artwork will include photography by Michaelene, painting by Monty and several 3-d conceptual pieces involving bike parts.

Speedy recovery to **Betty Malaney** who is recovering from back surgery.

**Jenna Larson** has volunteered to create a webpage for the OFAA. Please let her know if you have any ideas and what kinds of information you would like on the website. Thank you, Jenna!

There is going to be a Vault Gallery Show on April 4<sup>th</sup> (Gallery Walk) at the Bank building at 404 North Main St. It will be a "judged by the public" show with 1 Best of Show, and 1<sup>st</sup> place in painting, sculpture, photography, and 3Dart (jewelry, painted glass, etc). Entry fee is three can goods for Father Carr's Food Pantry. One entry per person-original art-ready to hang or be displayed. For more information contact David Schuhart at 920-426-1109 or on line at [drs@drsphotos.net](mailto:drs@drsphotos.net).

### ART FAIR:

The art fair is coming together. We need everyone in the organization to do some small part, so please sign up to help. This year each volunteer will receive a free fair STAFF t-shirt, soda and lunch, besides a big thank you!!

You should have received an application for the art fair in the mail or via email. The cost for members to have a booth is \$30 and to be

in the member's booth will be \$10 this year.

You must fill out an application. Please contact Michaelene if you did not receive one.

Please welcome new members:

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*Please get any items for the April newsletter to Michele Missner no later than March 15, 2009. You can email her at [mmissner@new.rr.com](mailto:mmissner@new.rr.com), or mail your items to her at Michele Missner, 1801 Kenwood Ave., Austin, Tx, 78704*

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### **THANK YOU CAROLYN STURMA** *President's Message*

Thank you for giving me the privilege of leading the club until new officers are elected in the fall. I made this decision on my own as I want to see the club succeed and move forward in a positive way, and I know that is what will happen with every one working for the encouragement of the arts in our community. This club needs members who want to step forward and encourage everyone's artistic endeavors and then to "pitch-in" to see that events like the fair are staffed by MANY and not just a few. My thought for the day: "Be kind to everyone you meet as you don't know what battles others are fighting." Peace, Carolyn

**UP- COMING PROGRAMS ”**

April – Dennis Rockhill, author

May – Joye Moon, watercolor presentation

**KRIS PARINS WORKSHOP**

Just a reminder that Kris Parin’s watercolor workshop will take place May 15-17 at the Oshkosh Senior Center Annex. Kris’ work can be seen on her website [www.krisparins.com](http://www.krisparins.com).

The workshop title is “The Power of Watercolor and here is her description:

Learn to employ the flowing nature of watercolor in creating a powerful painting. Emphasis will be on planning, values, composition, using landscapes and cityscapes with figures for subject matter. See how to use a digital camera and computer as tools for planning and analyzing paintings. Intermediate to Advanced Level; Artists using acrylic in a transparent manner are also welcome.

At the present time we have 14 people enrolled with a maximum of 20 for the three day

workshop. The cost to members is \$100 which includes continental breakfast and snacks. We understand that this is several months off. You can make a deposit of \$25 to hold your place and pay the balance in April. In January, we will advertise to the public to fill any remaining spaces. Please contact Michele Missner at [mmissner@new.rr.com](mailto:mmissner@new.rr.com) or (920) 730-0768.

Please contact Michele and send your deposit or the entire fee to OFAA, PO Box 2805, Oshkosh WI 54903-2805. Be sure to indicate in your mailing that the money is for the workshop

Steve Quiller will be presenting a week long workshop at Richeson Gallery and Art School on March 23 to 27th. Lunch is included each day. Contact Richeson's to find out about this workshop and others that they are offering in 2009, Call 800.233.2404. You can find out more on their website.

**MEMBERSHIP FORM**  
**(September 2008 – August 2009)**

Please renew my membership

I would like to become a member

Individual Membership - \$20.00                      Joint Membership - \$30.00

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make your check payable to Oshkosh Fine Arts Association, PO Box 2805, Oshkosh WI**

OFAA Meeting notes of 2-3-09

Michaelene nominated Carolyn Sturma for president. Fred Belehndorf made a motion and it was seconded. Carolyn was voted in as our president.

Cori Conrad read the minutes from the last meeting.

Treasury report. Julie Zinth was absent so Carolyn gave the amounts in the checking and money market account.

Checking	\$438.73
Money Market	\$10,765.08
Total	\$11,203.81

Michaelene and Cori organized the t-shirts for the members and the art fair when they came in and they are available tonight. The cost for the members shirts are \$6.00 a piece and the art fair shirts are free for the people who will be working there. The total cost of the shirts came to \$375.00. Michaelene used her tax exempt number and was asking for the organizations number. Our tax exempt number is #15725 Oshkosh Fine Arts association. We still need to pay Satori for the shirts.

The lease for the Senior Center has not been signed. We currently pay \$40.00 per evening for our space. It was voted in that we will pay quarterly for the meeting space. Again, Fred made the motion and it was seconded.

Jenna Larson has offered to set up a web site for OFAA. We could add a number of accounts probably for a fee. We would have a password we could all have access to. Jenna will work on setting up the web site. Fred made a motion to have club pay for a web site and set it up. The motion was seconded and it was voted in.

Michaelene set up an agenda. The agenda includes Presidential nomination, website vs newsletter, t-shirts, meeting place: change in hours, scholarship requests and art fair. She included a typed agenda sheet referring to duties for art fair and timetable.

Scholarship requests:

Oshkosh Christian schools requesting money for ribbons for art show. Motion passed for \$75.00 for their ribbons. \$25.00 could be added if it is needed. We will send an acknowledgment of our club on a letterhead for them to post for our sending them money for theirs. They will also acknowledge in their program that OFAA has contributed to their art show.

Zac Giffin requesting \$500.00 scholarship. Motion was passed for the \$500.00.

UWO High School Art Show 2/\$100.00 awards for OFAA art excellence for their art show and exhibit. Fred made the motion and it was passed.

Bergstrom Mahler High School art show. 2/\$100.00 awards for OFAA Art Excellence Awards for their art show and exhibit. Fred made the motion and it was passed.

Carolyn and Steve Miller will do refreshments for March.

Art Fair

Michaelene has organized a list of team leaders consisting of 4 teams that will organize the duties for the fair. There were questions as to why we are paying people to do what was always done by volunteers. The answer was that we are not getting people to volunteer on a timely basis and we had made the decision last summer to pay a stipend to the people who were to be leaders.

Paul Imholt - traveling folk singer.

Orene Rabe has terminal cancer and she is not expected to live long. As of this note she has since passed on. Faith Harvey has been added to the memorial list.

Michaelene has expressed a desire to raise the amount on the awards. Michaelene has found a judge, she charges \$75.00.

The Parins workshop in May. There are still openings.

The vault gallery will have a show for hunger during the April 4th gallery walk. Canned good for entry fee for displaying one piece of art. [www.drsphtos.net](http://www.drsphtos.net) Dave Shuhart.

Meeting was adjourned.  
Cori Conrad, Secretary

**The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at  
8:30 p.m. (New Senior Center Rules)**

**March Program: Bruce Bodden**

Tuesday, March 3, 2009 Meeting, Oshkosh Senior Center,  
234 Campbell Rd., Oshkosh

Hospitality: Steve Miller and Carolyn Sturma

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