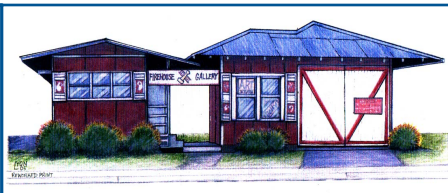


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In the Firehouse Gallery

Introducing our New Artists

January 8 - 26, 2014

The Waimea Arts Council's Firehouse Gallery will be hosting its annual "New Artists" show from January 8 through January 26, 2014. This show introduces artists who are new to the Council, but not necessarily new to art, to the community. The show is unusual in that each artist's work is accompanied by a brief biography and photograph of the artist.



"On the Rocks"

Acrylic on Paper by Jaclyn MacKinnon

Participants include award-winner Jaclyn MacKinnon, who works in acrylics; Mary Fallon, a bas-relief wood sculptor and painter; and Sam Cudney,

who specializes in enhanced photographs. Pat Dinsman, a tireless volunteer for the council, will exhibit examples of her quilting and stained glass art as well as her paintings. Diane Foster will exhibit her quilts and husband Scott will show his photographs, watercolors, and mixed media work. WAC expects to showcase more than a dozen new-to-the-council talents in this show.



Stained Glass Bird
by Pat Dinsman

WAC will also host a reception for the artists, open to the public, from 5 to 7 pm on Friday, January 10.



"Uchida's Coffee Mill"
Enhanced Photo by Sam Cudney



Quilt by
Diane Foster & Pat Dinsman

A Merry Time Was Had by All!

The first annual WAC Christmas potluck was held on Thursday, December 12, from 5-8 at the Spencer House. Lively conversation accompanied good food and libations. It was especially nice to meet some of our newest WAC members who came and enjoyed celebrating the season with us. Several members even convinced their spouses that "it would be fun" and indeed it was! Thanks to all members—new and old—who joined our celebration and prepared such tasty food. It was definitely a belt-loosening event!

As a special treat, Board Member Marcia Wishnick brought art supplies donated by a new art store, Akamai Art Supply in Kona. Marcia divided the supplies into 5 Akamai shopping bags and offered them as door prizes. Please visit their store (see page 4 for info) and tell them that WAC appreciates their generosity. Akamai is owned and operated by Johanna Wiseman and Shirley Spencer, both Certified Art Materials Professionals.

A special thanks also to WAC President Lauren Avery who, because of her volunteer efforts with the Waimea Preservation Association, was able to arrange for us to use the Spencer House—a lovely venue for a party.

So, if you attended Christmas 2013, I'm sure you'll be looking forward to 2014. And, if you couldn't join us this year, plan on making the 2014 WAC Christmas party a "must do" event. The date, time and place will be available early, so you can get it on your holiday calendar. Happy Holidays to one and all!



2013 WAC Holiday Party

From the Board...

President's Message... by Lauren Avery

The new board has been at the helm for three months, and I am pleased to report that there has been excellent synergy amongst the Waimea Arts Council board and the Firehouse Gallery committee leaders. Good ideas have surfaced, and volunteers have graciously stepped forward to lend a hand in carrying forward the work of the organization. From the December 16, 2013 board minutes:

- **Treasurer's Report** – the financial report has been deferred, pending an internal audit of the 2012-2013 data. It was decided that once the data had been compiled and reported at the January meeting, the Waimea Arts Council and the Firehouse Gallery would be a single entity for budget development, and report for fiscal year October 1, 2013 – September 30, 2014.

- **Committee Reports**

- o **House & Grounds** – Door lock has been repaired, electrical issues are nearly all addressed, and ant infestation has been resolved. Appropriate switches and interfaces for telephone and Internet services will be addressed next.

- o **Firehouse Gallery** – The Gallery committee established new core hours: Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sun from 11AM – 3PM, and Sat from 9AM – 3PM.

New signage is being developed by Jaclyn MacKinnon to display the new hours. (see page 3.)

New Gallery Show procedures – shows taken down and intake for next show will be held on Sundays (to not interrupt Saturday sales). Art then hung, and new show opens on the next Wednesday.

Receptions for Gallery-sponsored shows will be the first Friday of the month from 5PM – 7PM. Individual artist shows may select their reception times.

Gallery schedule-to-date was presented:

- January – New Artists
- February – Cherry Blossoms
- March – Youth Art
- April – Squared Away
- May – Photography is Really Art
- June – Textile Art
- July – Artists: Julie McCue & Lynn Chapman
- August – open
- September – open
- October – Helen Cassidy
- November – Coffee Festival

- o **Programs, Workshops & Classes** – see article on page 2.

- o **Membership** – Pat Dinsman reported that the on-line calendar is a work-in-progress, but looks promising to the organization. As reported from last month's board meeting, volunteer service hour requirements are 6 hours per month, beginning January 2014. This change was needed to keep the Gallery open more to benefit the Gallery and the participating artists.

- o **Marketing** – Marcia Wishnick circulated the new ad for the upcoming KEOLA magazine and led a discussion about an upcoming article about the Firehouse Gallery in the magazine. The See's candy sale realized only \$300 in profit, as only 3 members participated.

- **Old Business** – A motion was made and approved to cancel the motions approved at the last meeting, regarding the hours of operation of the Gallery, the donation on sales, and the youth membership name. New motions were made and accepted:

- o **Gallery Hours** – Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sun from 11AM – 3PM and Sat from 9AM – 3PM

- o **Donation on Sales** – As of October 2014 – donation on sales, if no service (6 hours/month) shall be 50%; donation on sales (if 6 hours/month) will remain at 25%

- o **Junior Associates** – Individuals, age 12 – 18, can join WAC for \$20/year as a Junior Associate, and enjoy the privilege of displaying their art.

- **New Business** – Lauren Avery reported that with the great success of the Holiday Party (23 attended), WAC might hold a mid-year party in the spring. Further discussion to follow. Disposition and use of the Bunkhouse was also discussed.

As we approach the New Year of 2014, it is a pleasure to work with the WAC/Firehouse Gallery Team and to look ahead to great achievements and success in the New Year! If you would like to join in on the conversation with ideas or volunteer help, please join us at the next WAC Board of Director's meeting on **Monday, January 27th from 3pm – 4:30pm in the WPA "cottage". Please note this is the 4th Monday of the month** – to avoid the Martin Luther King Holiday.

Seeing is Believing...or is it?

While people don't necessarily expect paintings to be accurate representations of reality, when it comes to photography they often think that seeing IS believing. Although concern about the veracity of photographs has increased with Photoshop, there are numerous examples throughout history of image manipulation for political gain, for profit, and just for art's sake. Come and examine some famous (and some infamous) examples of such "pictorial tampering" both before and after Photoshop, and consider when - or if - it's ethical to tinker with pictures.

This iconic image of President Lincoln has graced the walls of classrooms throughout our history. But is it really Honest Abe? Find out as we explore the history of photo manipulation before - and after - Photoshop.

As part of WAC's outreach to our community, Susan Harris will be presenting a talk and slide show of "altered images" at Tutu's House on Thursday, January 16, from 5 to 6 pm. Tutu's House is located at 64-1032 Mamalahoa Highway in the back of the Kamuela Business Center and across the road from HPM.



Community Events coming up...

Feb. 7-9 **Tracy Lewis Watercolor Workshops**, Kapaau. 10 am - 4 pm. All skill levels welcome. Tracy has been coming to North Kohala for several years to teach her techniques. For more info or to register, go to tracylewisart.com or contact Julie McCue for flyer.

Friday project will be "**Toucan**" - learn wet into wet techniques, how to keep your colors clean and bright. \$100.

Saturday/Sunday - Tracy will share her techniques for creating **shiny objects** such as glass and silver. \$200. Discounted price for all three days - \$250.

Jan 3 - 30 **The Big Island Plein Air Show**. Wailoa Center in Hilo. Reception Jan. 3, 5-7 pm. Events (including demos, lessons, art walks, paint outs) are scheduled each Saturday at the Wailoa Center 10 am - 3 pm during this show. For more info and schedule of events, go to lesliesearsart.com.

Jan. 2-6 **The Waimea Ocean Film Festival**. Go to www.waimeaoceanfilm.org for details of the program and to buy Festival passes. Films at Kahilu Theatre, HPA, Parker School, Anna Ranch, Mauna Kea Resort, Fairmont Orchid, and Four Seasons Resort.

Kahilu Theatre 885-6868 kahilutheatre.org

Jan. 11-12 **"The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee"** Sat. 7 pm, Sun. 2 pm. This musical comedy is about six quirky adolescents who compete in the spelling championship of a lifetime, run by three equally quirky grown-ups. \$10 - \$15.

Jan. 19 Kamuela Philharmonic Orchestra - **"Blast from the Past"**, reprising favorite works from previous concert seasons. \$5 - \$20

Jan. 24 **Oliver "Tuku" Mtukudzi** Known around the world as a truly great guitarist, vocalist, performer and composer, his trademark is his deep and gutsy voice. \$20 - \$64

Jan. 26 **Laurie Lewis & Tom Rosum** Bluegrass vocalist and fiddle player Laurie Lewis is one of the great country and bluegrass vocalists of our time. She is joined by mandolin/guitarist Tom Rozum. \$20 - \$64.

Jan. 31 **Makana** Makana's unique blend of Hawaiian, folk and rock influences and the passion and energy of his performance engages his audience like few entertainers on the scene. \$20 - \$64

REMINDER: Cherry Blossom Festival event is coming up on February 1. Additional docents will be needed for longer hours, so please sign up. To participate as one of a limited number of artists displaying on the lawn or in the Senior Center, contact Jay West at artglass@aloha.net or 885-7812.

Out and about....

Lynn Chapman, Peter Jefferson, Ann Guth and Dick Harrison are participating in the Big Island Plein Art Show. See details of show under Community Events.

Website Update

<http://www.waimeaartscouncil.org>

If you haven't been to our website in awhile, take some time to check it out - we are making changes all the time. Susie Cysewski and Julie McCue have been working on getting it updated.

Docent Calendar page - here you can view the current calendar and see who is docenting each day. Great if you want to be sure we will be open when you come in. We are working on a system so that docents can sign up online - still a few bugs to work out before it is ready to roll out. Current docents will be notified when it is ready.

The calendar will also show take-in dates and take-down dates for each show, in case you forget when things are due.

Newsletter page - the current newsletter is available to look at, in addition to an archive that goes back one year.

About Us page - now shows the current Board of Directors and Committee chairmen, along with information on each member of the board.

Events page - shows the upcoming calendar for The Firehouse Gallery.

If there are other things you'd like to see on the website, please contact Julie at jmccue@hawaii.rr.com and we will see what can be accommodated.

Welcome to our Newest Members

Linda Simrose - Waikoloa....acrylic, multimedia, jewelry and glass sculpture

Peggy Wilhelm - Kamuela...Watercolor

Harry and Ginger Miller - Kailua (Oahu)...Art Supporters

Gallery Doings

New Hours:

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Sunday - 11 am to 3 pm

Saturday - 9 am to 3 pm

Thanks to the hard working volunteers who are making these additional hours possible.



A big mahalo to Jaclyn MacKinnon, who is painting us a colorful new sign for the sandwich board in front of the Firehouse Gallery. It should help get the attention of people passing by and definitely jazzes up the front area!

Also thanks to Lynn Chapman who donated the lovely wreath for the front door, making the gallery look very festive for the holidays.



Firehouse Gallery Upcoming Calendar 2014

Calendar is subject to change.

January 8-26	New Members' Show
Jan. 29 - Feb. 23	Cherry Blossom Show
March	"Na Opi'o" Annual Juried Youth Art Show
April	"Squared Away"
May	"Photography is Really Art"
June	"Textile Art"
July	Julie McCue & Lynn Chapman two person show
August	To be determined
September	To be determined
October	30th Annual Helen M. Cassidy Juried Art Show
November	Coffee Festival

Mahalo to our Volunteers

The following members volunteered during the month of December, putting in 195 hours. Mahalo!

Docents: Joyce Robertson, Marty Allen, Pat Dinsman, Barbara Schaefer, Suzanne Haight, Sam Cudney, Lynn Chapman, Kris Lockard, Jay West, Dennis Cigainero, Judy Folk, Carolyn Harper, Mary Fallon, Jaclyn Mackinnon, Susie Cysewski, Julie McCue, Linda Simrose, Teresa Crowell, Susan Harris, Merna Watta.

Other: Susie Cysewski, Marcia Wishnick, Susan Harris, Irina Place, Lauren Avery, Julie McCue

Most hours - Pat Dinsman

A special thanks to Kris Lockard and Carolyn Harper who are part time residents and have put in a lot of time during the holidays to make up for the time they are not in Hawaii.



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New Art Supply Store in Kona....

A new art supply store has opened in Kailua-Kona, located in the Kaloko Industrial Center at Hale Kua Plaza (73-4976 Kamanu St., #108). Owners Johana Wiseman and Shirley Spencer owned an art store in Kona some years ago, then moved to the mainland, and now have returned with a new store.

The store carries a full range of quality art, glass, and craft materials at affordable prices, along with product knowledge and assistance from their staff. They have over 20,000 items in stock and can order it if they don't have it.

For more information, go to their website at www.akamaiart.com, or give them a call at 334-0292.

A welcome alternative to mail order!

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