Alamance Artisans Meeting/Potluck Minutes

August 15, 2023

22 members and 1 guest in attendance

Co-Chair Anita Vigorito called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Anita announced that Board elections will be held in January and that the Vice President and Treasurer are leaving their positions. Nominations for Board members are needed.

Susan Kern also pointed out that Alamance Arts has recently posted a list of notices calling for artists.

Linda Fowler announced that the Burlington Artists League has a couple of opportunities coming up. Members of the League will choose photos taken by members of the Alamance Photography Club and create artwork to interpret the photos. The exhibit will be on display the month of September. A reception will be held Saturday, September 9, 2023, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. They will also hold their annual regional fie art competition in October. All artists are welcome to join. See their website for details – Burlingtonartistsleague.com.

Grassroots Grant application to support the Extravaganza and a second grant to NCAC to support the website were in the works at the time of this meeting and have since been completed and submitted to Alamance Arts.

AAg signs used for the studio tours and Extravaganza are now being stored by Coy Quakenbush – contact him if you have a need for signs.

**Program Committee:** Coy reported on plans to host high school art students at future meetings. Specifically, efforts are underway to contact Alamance County high school art teachers to invite 6-10 students to our September meeting, where Jan Holloman will be providing a hands-on pottery program.

**Extravaganza updates:** Deb Barnett handed out booth assignments and timelines. Brochures and save the date cards were distributed to participants at the meeting by Pat Scheible. Deb Barnett announced that we still need greeters, help with hospitality, and grid wall transport. Terry Cott is in charge of the latter and needs volunteers to assist. We are also in need of artists willing to do demonstrations, and they don’t necessarily have to be E participants. She invited members who are not participating in the event to donate items for the raffle. Finally, we are looking for photographers to photograph the E event itself.

**CCL updates**: Alamance Artisans has 22 artists who will be on display at the Center for Creative Leadership from December 1, 2023, through March 2024. Dottie Blanchard announced that we need volunteers to help check in the artwork. In addition, cards with photos of artwork will be provided and distributed by CCL. The date for providing those photographs will be sometime in November – stay tuned. She advised that any artwork included on the card must be available for the exhibit, even if it sells before the exhibit. A reception for this exhibit will be held mid-January 2024.

**Web page updates**: We are in need of a professional website manager familiar with WordPress.

**Member Shows**: AAG has been invited to exhibit in Alamance Arts’ Sisters Galleries in Spring 2025. Deb Ussery volunteered to coordinate.

Please let us know of any shows in which you are participating so we can spread the word. Here’s what we know so far:

**May Memorial Library**

\*May/June

 Tekla Frey

 Glass case still available

\*July/August

Anita Vigorito

Catherine Kramer

\*September/October

 Judy Madren

 Glass case still available

\*November/December

 A. P. Hill

**Harrison’s**

\*Pat Scheible, April 5–June 28

Donna Vitucci, June 29-August 10

**Press**

July 7 to August 31

Deb and Lisa Ussery

Our next meeting will be September 19, 6:30 pm, at Alamance Arts.