



# Ellis County Art Association, Inc.

## Fine Arts Museum

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### ECAA BOARD MEETING REMINDER:

**Monday, May 1, 2006 at 5:30 P.M.**  
**Ellis County Art Museum**

### ECAA REGULAR MEMBERS MEETING:

**Monday, May 1, 2006 at 6:30 P.M.**  
**Ellis County Art Museum**

### FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear Members,

I have so many good things to share with you. Our Paint Out event is going to be **THE MOST FUN** we've had as a group in a long time. Here's what we have in place right now:

- Our event will be listed in *TEXAS MONTHLY*, *"D" MAGAZINE*, and *TEXAS HIGHWAYS*.
- Chamber of Commerce (Debra Wakeland & Staff) is using all their local and area media contacts to assist us in promotion of our event, to include contact with local TV and newspapers in DFW metroplex.
- "Media Day" on Friday June 2<sup>nd</sup> on the square. Chamber of Commerce will host a "Meet the Artists" mixer with C of C members and Media.
- We are publishing a "Collector's Guide" – a quality souvenir booklet with participating artist bio's, maps, things to do, places to visit, etc. We are selling ads to pay printing costs. (This is going **VERY** well, have you sold yours???)
- We will provide LUNCH every day – donated by local restaurants.
- All the BOTTLED WATER you can drink – donated by local businesses.
- At the present time we have over \$750 in merchandise awards.
- We are selling "MY FAVORITE ARTIST" awards in amounts of \$100 to \$300.
- There will be 3 PEOPLE'S CHOICE awards for \$500, \$300, & \$200... (We're looking for sponsors).
- A "Quick Draw" demonstration followed by a live auction. (We're looking at doing this on the Square during Media Day)
- Artist's Backyard Bar-B-Que Party – a casual setting for artists & volunteers to meet & mix. (Catherine Byers' home on Kaufman)
- Invitational Preview Show and Sale for sponsors and patrons.

As you can see, a lot has been done in preparation of this event and there is **still more to do**.

- We have a deadline to sell ADS in the Guide...get your AD sold **TODAY!**
- We have a deadline to order pre-printed ribbons... so get out & sell "My Favorite Artist" awards **TODAY!** *continued on page 2*

### MAY DEMONSTRATOR

Our May demonstration will be presented by our own **Marca Sue DeLacerda**. Marca Sue is a mostly self-taught artist with work ranging from the whimsical to the spiritual. She lives in Cedar Hill, Texas and has been pursuing her art dream since 1996. Formal art education is limited to workshops, art magazines, and a drawing class. The flame for collage was ignited at a Jane E. Jones workshop. Marca Sue has won numerous awards for her artwork. Her linoleum block print "Funky Cat" took first place graphic division in the *Postcards from All Over* exhibit March 2000, and her collage "How Does Your Garden Grow" was honored with Best of Show at the *DeSoto Art League (DAL) 2002 Spring Art Show*. She also received a Special Award for her block print montage "For the Birds" at the DAL members only show 2001. Marca Sue's artwork is held in several private collections. Besides her collage work and linoleum block prints, she dabbles in pastel, watercolor, acrylics, and small scale sculpture using air dried and polymer clays.

Marca Sue's most widely publicized work was the linoleum block print bookplate commissioned by Barnes and Noble Booksellers at Cedar Hill. The prints from the block were given out at the stroke of midnight during the *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* book release party June 21, 2003. The first 100 people to receive their prepaid copies of the book also received a signed and numbered print.

In 2000 she created her biggest body of work consisting of over 100 individually designed and hand painted greeting cards for the *Random Accents* gifts and unique home décor shop. The shop also purchased several of her watercolors and collages.

Marca Sue is a member of the DeSoto Art League and Ellis County Art Association. She was a member and former newsletter editor for the now defunct Midlothian Creative Arts Club.

Marca Sue will be demonstrating her wonderful collage work. Be sure to plan on attending this inspirational program.



### May Hostesses



**Hostesses for the  
May 1st meeting are:**

**Gwen Tobin, Ellie Abbott and Shawn Davis**

*Many thanks to...*

Priscilla Parker and Betty King. Last month's Easter spread was delicious! You ladies outdid yourselves.

# Notes from the Anderson...

Plans for the next opening "Our Little Town - A Revelation of Life in Small Towns" is shaping up nicely. If you have already shown work at the Anderson, you can expect a communication soon via email or phone about picking up, holding over, or dropping off your art for the next show.

Please pick up your artwork from the previous show and drop off your new work on **Saturday and Sunday, April 29 & 30, and May 6 & 7, from 10 AM to 4 PM. No work for the new show will be accepted after May 7.** Work left in the Gallery beyond that time, which is not designated to be part of the next show, will no longer be considered under contract with the Anderson, and may be moved out to one of the other galleries in the building.

The show will begin at 6:30 PM with a wine and cheese reception. This time we are going to create an actual small town on the reception tables. If you have a china or bisque cookie jar in the shape of a Victorian house, and would feel comfortable loaning it to us for the show, put your name on the bottom on a piece of masking tape, and leave it in the kitchen or refreshment room from now until the show.

Our friend David Smith and Kirk Hunter, an expert on the Chautauqua Society and its history, will conduct a multimedia presentation upstairs in the auditorium. We will ask for a donation for admission. This event will begin at 7:30 PM. It is our hope, this presentation will appeal to a broader spectrum of people than might ordinarily attend an art opening.

Please, folks, get working! Frame your pieces; make prints. Miniature and print galleries need more inventory. Also, if you like to draw or do black and white media, we have had very little representation there. Charcoals and pencil work are welcome, and if the prices are reasonable, are likely to sell since they can fit into almost any color scheme or style.

If you have ideas or questions please feel free to email me...it's probably the only way you'll get a timely reply! — Jill at jillart2@juno.com

## FROM THE PRESIDENT... continued from page 1

The time has come to put your name on a list to volunteer during the event in some capacity. We need to get volunteers assigned and **TRAINED**. The show will be a little different from shows in years past...not hard...just a different procedure.

Thanks,  
Tina Bohlman



### "KEY" PEOPLE ARE NEEDED IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

- **ADVERTISING SALES** (See later in this article)
- **DONATIONS:** Cash and merchandise; items needed are Bottled Water, meal coupons, food for brown-bag lunches for participating artists & volunteers.
- **PROMOTION:** Press releases, flyer distribution.
- **SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE:** Solicitation, awards, ribbons.
- **VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS:** Emphasis on pleural..we'll need several coordinators to assemble volunteers and assign duties for specific needs....
- **ARTIST'S CHECK IN & PUBLIC INFORMATION TABLE** (2 LOCATIONS) This our Information table, and will be located at ECAA and Chautauqua Building.
- **QUICK DRAW EVENT** (Saturday 4pm)
- **EXHIBITION: CHECK IN FOR ARTISTS PAINTINGS**, Saturday, June 3rd, 3pm at Chautauqua.
- **EXHIBITION & SALES COMMITTEES.** 'Hang' the show and work the sale table.
- **RECEPTION COMMITTEE** for the "Meet the Artists" preview show and sale. Coordinate the refreshment table.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED NOW FOR THE FOLLOWING:

• Volunteers needed NOW to sell advertising in our "Collector's Guide" to area businesses. Forming committees of 2 or 3 people to call upon local businesses such as Banks, Restaurants, Hotels & B&B's, Grocers, department stores, boutiques, etc. Each committee will focus on a specific target group. We provide a program sample, introduction letter, and advertising rates.

The ads will be easy to sell, small ad starts at \$35. This program will have full color front & back covers, with 45 pages quality printing inside. In addition to advertising, it will feature each participating artist's bio, a centerfold map of designated painting areas, history of Waxahachie, the Art Museum, and ECAA, etc. This is a **QUALITY** program. 1000 copies of the Collector's Guide will be distributed during the 6-day event.

• Award Sponsors: The purpose of ribbons and cash prizes is to offer the participating artists the chance for additional compensation. It's a known fact that sales always follow the ribbons....new buyers & collectors need 'validation' for their purchase.

We are soliciting "My Favorite Artist" award sponsors. Sponsors will have a ribbon printed with their name (or business) to present to an artist of their choice along with a cash award. Cash award amounts can be any amount between \$100 and \$300. We need Sponsors for 3 (or more) **Peoples Choice** awards @ \$200, \$300 and \$500 each.

We must have pledges no later than May 1 so we may special order the ribbons. (These awards are similar to the popular "purchase awards", however there will be no purchase involved...simply recognition with a cash prize.)

**IF YOU CAN HELP NOW WITH THE ADVERTISING AND AWARD SPONSOR SALES, CALL ME TODAY: TINA BOHLMAN, 972-741-6154 OR EMAIL: bohlman@swbell.net**

**FOR OTHER AREAS, A VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE LIBRARY. PLEASE DON'T DELAY IN VOLUNTEERING.**

—Thanks, Tina Bohlman

Plein Aire 2006 Committee  
Executive Board & Advisory Board

## Your Help is Needed

Shawn Davis is accepting donations for the May Anderson Gallery opening for the following items:

- Sausage Cubes
- Cheese
- Fruit
- Crackers

She can be reached at 972-875-8681 (Work) and 972-875-3620 (Home)

or shawn@finelineribbon.com (Email).

We are still needing quite a few food items to make this a nice reception. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

## May Birthdays



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|----|-----------------|----|----------------|
| 9  | Whitney Davis   | 20 | Zachery Steele |
| 16 | Shawn Davis     | 31 | Candace Faber  |
| 16 | Claudia Parsons |    |                |

## 2006 Youth Art Exhibit

This year's Youth Art Show was the best one yet!!! We had over 600 entries and 6 new schools participating. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the show's success.

—Linda Wacaster



# The Supply Box

by Jill Parr

Our contribution this month comes from our **Hobby Lobby** contact, **Marca Sue DeLacerda**.

The anticipated reset of the art department at Hobby Lobby has begun. Things may be a bit confused for a few weeks, but the pictures of the new layout look terrific. Please also bare with us as we also have to relay all of the craft and scrapbooking areas.

We've received word that we will be receiving new craft items for Vacation Bible School this year. We've already received newsprint on rolls suitable for covering tables or making large banners. The plan is to begin setting this area before the end of April. There may be items suitable for the Summer Art Academy.

## CALLING ALL ARTISTS

AARP Foundation is looking for art to include in our second annual AARP Foundation Calendar being published for 2007. And it could be YOURS!

If you're a current AARP member and a talented artist, your art could be one of 14 exclusive painting chosen to be featured in our 2007 AARP Foundation Calendar.

The theme for this year's calendar is "Home Is Where the Heart Is." So, if you have an original oil, watercolor or acrylic painting that represents what "home" means to you - whether it is representational figures, still life or nature - we hope you take this opportunity to share it by entering the AARP Foundation 2007 Calendar Contest. If your artwork is chosen as one of the winning paintings, millions of your fellow seniors and AARP members will be able to enjoy your creative masterpiece throughout the year in 2007. Plus, your artwork will be prominently displayed at the AARP Life@50+ National Event in Anaheim, California this year!

### To Enter Your Artwork:

*First*, take a color photograph of your best painting which depicts the "Home Is Where The Heart Is" theme and convert that photograph into a color slide.

*Second*, complete the AARP Foundation 2007 Calendar Contest entry form which can be downloaded from <http://givenow.ga4.org/aarp1/calcontest.html>

*Third*, send your completed entry form and one color slide of your artwork to:

**AARP Foundation**  
**2007 Calendar Contest**  
**P.O. Box 91100**  
**Washington, DC 20090-1100**

All entries must be postmarked by May 31, 2006. For more information go to <http://givenow.ga4.org/aarp1/calcontest.html>

## Quality Hand Crafted Arts Show

We are Heart of Texas Arts and Crafts Shows. We have promoted artisans who hand craft items in many media including oil painting, mosaic art, glass art, pottery and virtually everything in between. We do not allow wholesale or retail items to be represented at our events. It is our intent to offer a vehicle for the artist/craftsman to generate income from their work. We will be sponsoring an event in mid-July at the Waxahachie Civic Center and would welcome any interested members to check us out at:

[www.HeartOfTexasShows.com](http://www.HeartOfTexasShows.com) or  
contact us at [vendorinfo@shoppingseasons.com](mailto:vendorinfo@shoppingseasons.com)



## Ads for Paint Waxahachie "Collector's Guide"

To all of you who have been working so hard to collect advertising sponsors for our "Collector's Guide" for the upcoming Paint Waxahachie Paint Out event, **THANK YOU!!!!!!** We have had very good response from area businesses and your efforts are greatly appreciated.

It's really easy to sell the ads and all we need is for each member to sell two ads and the guide will pay for itself. The advertising forms are on our website: [www.elliscountyart.net](http://www.elliscountyart.net)

Just download the forms, contact a business, fill out the form, collect the advertisers check and put the completed ad form and check in the Vice President's box at the Museum. Be sure to put your name on the form in case there is a question regarding the ad.

The "Collector's Guide" is one of the most important elements of the Paint Out. It will give visitors information about the participating artists, our Ellis County Art Museum and the city of Waxahachie. It's something that people will take away with them to enjoy later on and to remind them what a colorful, friendly and supportive community we have. The guide will contribute towards making our **major fund-raising event** of the year a success. If you have any questions regarding ads, call **Lindy Nobles @ 972-935-9004**. Please help make our first Paint Out a success by volunteering to sell advertising space in our guide.

## Thursday Nite Live! ...

**LIFE DRAWING GROUP EVERY  
THURSDAY, 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM**

You're really missing out on the chance to improve your drawing skills! Come on down...Thursday Nite Live! Free to members, visitors \$5 donation.



## Iris Opportunities

If you're interested in painting Iris you may still have the opportunity. Red Oak resident, Bobbie Mason, has invited our members to come paint in her iris garden, all she asks is that we call first to let her know we're coming. She lives on the west side of I-35. If you take Red Oak Road over I-35, go to the second street and turn right on Creekview Drive-West. Bobbie's address is 121 Creekview Drive-West and her phone number is **469-337-5456**.

ECAA member Jan Smith's son and daughter-in-law David and Pat Smith live at 502 W. Main here in Waxahachie and have a great iris garden also. If you'd like to contact them regarding painting their flowers, they can be reached at **972-938-2804**.

## NEW MEMBERS

**Betty Grosso**  
107 Buffalo Creek Circle  
Waxahachie, TX 75165  
972-937-5059



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### WE ARE SEEKING SPONSORS FOR CASH AWARDS IN TWO CATEGORIES:

**FAVORITE ARTIST** -unlimited. (We need 10 or more sponsors!)

This is your chance to **“be the judge”!** Awards may be in any amount between \$100 and \$300. The “Favorite Artist” sponsor will present a Certificate, Rosette show ribbon imprinted with sponsor’s name (or business), and a cash award to an artist of the Sponsor’s choice. Sponsors will receive special recognition in our Collector’s Guide to a Paint Out.

**PEOPLE’S CHOICE** - Three (3) awards; \$500, \$300, \$200.

The “People’s Choice” 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> will be awarded to three (3) artists receiving the most votes by the public. Spectators will cast votes for 3 artists throughout the 5-day official painting period. Votes will be counted and awarded on Saturday evening. The Peoples Choice Awards will be named for the Sponsor and ribbon will be imprinted with Sponsor’s name. Additionally, Sponsors will receive special recognition in all show literature including our Collector’s Guide to a Paint Out.

**The Exhibition and Sale public opening is Saturday, June 3rd from 7 to 10 pm. A special “meet the artists” patron, sponsor and media Preview Reception at 6:00 pm will allow an opportunity to view the Exhibition beforehand. The sale will continue on Sunday, June 4th from 10:00 am until 5:00 pm.**

#### AWARDS & EXHIBITION SCHEDULE

- Exhibition and Sale will be in the Chautauqua Auditorium at Getzendaner Park.
- **May 30th:** Artists will begin painting on location.
- **3:00 pm, June 3rd.** Deadline to submit at least 2 paintings (wet or dry) for Exhibition & Sale. *(In most cases, artists will submit paintings on a daily basis throughout the paint out period; paintings are available for purchase by the public prior to the exhibition).*
- **3:00 pm, June 3rd:** the committee will prepare the show for the public Exhibition and Sale.
- **5:00 pm, June 3rd:** “My Favorite Artist” Sponsors may begin previewing paintings.
- **6:00 pm, June 3rd:** “Meet the Artists” Preview Reception for Sponsors, Patrons and Media.
- **7:00 pm -10:00 pm, June 3rd:** Exhibition and Sale open to the public.
- **Sunday, June 4th:** Exhibition opens 10:00 am and closes at 5:00 pm.



**PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN WITH YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO: ELLIS COUNTY ART ASSOCIATION**

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|--|------------------|----------------------|-----------------|
| I WILL SPONSOR “MY FAVORITE ARTIST” AWARD: _____ \$100 _____ \$200 _____ \$300 or \$ _____ |                  |                      |                 |
|  |                  |                      | indicate amount |
| NAME _____   |                  | STREET ADDRESS _____ |                 |
| CITY _____   | STATE, ZIP _____ | PHONE# _____         |                 |

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| <b>I WISH TO SPONSOR A “PEOPLE’S CHOICE” AWARD:</b>  |                  |                         |  |
| _____ \$500 ( 1ST PLACE)   |                  | _____ \$300 (2ND PLACE) |  |
| _____ \$200 (3RD PLACE)  |                  |                         |  |
| <b>**note: There are only 3 of these awards</b>  |                  |                         |  |
| <b>**In the event that “Peoples Choice” Award is not available, I wish to sponsor a “My Favorite Artist” Award for the same dollar amount.</b> |                  |                         |  |
| NAME _____   |                  | STREET ADDRESS _____    |  |
| CITY _____   | STATE, ZIP _____ | PHONE# _____            |  |