

ART ALLIANCE of the Riverside Art Museum



President: Anne Deem November 2020

"The arts are... a very human way of making life more bearable. Practicing an

art, no matter how well or badly, is a way to make your soul grow." Kurt Vonnegut

An example of an art release is seen in the picture here. My husband let me tie

a watermelon rind onto his face for a Pageant of the Masters night. This past summer I cut my bangs to one inch long so I could play Caesar for a Monty Python night. These were activities for a Zoom group I belong to. We call ourselves the Pandemic Players. I know some of you have recreated art pictures – I've seen some. If you forward them to me, I'll share:)



But I'm not sure my soul is growing. I'm working to maintain right now. The Off-the-Wall event certainly helped my maintenance plan. The committee did a terrific job of making this virtual event successful. We sold a lot of wonderful art. And the gala was brilliant. I must confess I did not expect it to be so entertaining. Kudos to the OTW committee! Receiving a new banner will also put a smile on my face. I better get that ordered!

One thing that does give me joy is the work I do with all of you. Visiting with those who were able to volunteer at the museum for OTW was delightful. Seeing your faces on Zoom meetings makes me happy. Getting involved in our various projects is purposeful and fun. Thank you, friends for making this difficult time much easier.

Anne Deem, President

PROGRAMS

Please join us for a VERY short program at the beginning of the meeting. You will not want to miss this. This will lift your heart and steady your spirit and give you HOPE through ART, which is our theme for this year.

Kathy Bocian, Programs Chair

OFF THE WALL

OFF THE WALL 2020 results are in!

Thanks to a wonderful committee, volunteers, and an amazing RAM staff, our first virtual OTW gala and sale was a great success. Over 100 people watched the gala on Friday October 23. Our sponsors enjoyed the special Off the Wall Banger cocktail presented by Chris Kern and Teresa Rynes, Gra Pow restaurant and La Bodega delighted our top sponsors with food and wine, and I believe everyone was enthralled by Greg Adamson's painting demonstration. Adam Guzkowski, RAM's current board president did a super job at emceeing the gala, and the art sales started coming in as soon as the sponsors were allowed to go to the website. In just six days we sold 110 pieces of art benefitting both the museum and the artists. The quality of the art was superb and all purchasers were very happy with their treasures. The sponsorship was higher than the last OTW and the event raised close to \$33,000. Thanks to all.

Emmanuelle Reynolds, Co-chair OTW2020.

MINI FUNDRAISERS

GARDEN BANNER SALE

The banner sales are going well. 22 were on our first order. I am monitoring the orders daily and place the orders with Blanchard Graphics every Sunday night so that it's there first thing Monday morning. I'll be delivering the first order of banners on Friday Nov. 6. Banner orders will be accepted until Sunday, November 29, and my last Blanchard order will go in on Monday, November 30. This should give us time to get everything delivered by the holidays. There will be no deliveries between November 6 -20 because I'll be traveling.



Thanks to Ai Kelley for getting the banners on-line and figuring how to make this project work. Many thanks to Valerie Found for her support, and to Laura Lomas for the accounting. And of course to the countless Art Alliance volunteers and supporters!

In case you missed it, here's the link for viewing and purchasing the beautiful garden banners.

http://bit.ly/artbanners



If you would like to see the banners, drive by my home at 1397 Ransom Rd. I have a large and a small banner displayed in my front yard. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Take care,

Patti Funder, Banner Sale Chair

Mardi Gras Virtual Wine Tasting

Date: Saturday February 6th Time to be determined

Virtual Wine Tasting Host: Chris Kern of Forgotten Grapes (He hosted the cocktail segment of Off the Wall and presented to Art Alliance on the Art of Wine Labels)

Virtual Cooking Demo host: Chef Maree with a Mardi Gras menus, recipes and a cooking demo

Wine package will be shipped to your doorstep with full bottles of wine for tasting, recipes and Mardi Gras beads (throws) for a fun and festive atmosphere.

Explore with your 'pod' a fun evening of New Orleans Art, wine tasting and Creole/Cajun gourmet cooking!!

Ticket prices: To Be Determined

Kathy Bocian, Wine Tasting Chair



BLUE DOOR MUSEUM STORE

The annual Holiday Sale had to be cancelled due to COVID. In lieu of your support of that event, we are asking that you support the museum by purchasing banners for holiday gifts for friends and family.

Kathy Arthur, BDMS Chair

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome our newest member, Christina McManaway!

Christina is an interior designer. She hand-renders her clients' designs when she does custom furnishing projects. She enjoys art and architecture, and loves how they meet when she is creating her clients' designs. In addition, she enjoys photography – particularly, of landscapes. She has lived in the Wood Streets for the past three years, is married, and has two children – Claire (7) and Charlotte (4½). Claire has enjoyed Art to Go at school, and both of Christina's children have enjoyed taking RAM classes. We

are excited to have someone with Christina's passions for interior design and photography, as well as a family that clearly loves art. Welcome, Christina!

Please add Christina to your directory:

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Linda Kieding, Membership Co-Chair

I SECOND THAT

Have you ever been in a board meeting when the discussion of a motion seems interminable? Robert's Rules of Order provides an out for you. You can "call the question". Here are the details:

- A member must have the floor in order to make this motion. Raise your hand and wait until the chair gives you the nod – "recognizes you" – before speaking.
- When you make this motion, you are only suggesting that YOU
 would like to stop debate and vote. It is an expression of your
 wish, not a hammer to bludgeon your colleagues.
- This motion requires a second. There have to be at least two people in the room who want to cut off debate before it can be considered.
- This motion cannot be discussed or debated. As soon as the chair hears a second, she immediately takes the vote.
- It takes TWO-THIRDS of the voting members in favor to cut off debate. Therefore the chair should take the vote by show of hands, and not by voice.
- If indeed two-thirds of the group want to stop debate and vote, then the chair immediately takes the vote on the pending motion – the motion that the group is considering at this time. No further discussion is allowed.
- It is also possible to call the question on ALL the pending motions, in which case the chair will take the vote on each motion that is before the group, one after another.
- Robert's Rules of Order does not allow this motion to be made in committee meetings.

Jackie Hopper, Parliamentarian

CALENDAR

Thursday, November 19, 2020 - General Meeting via Zoom at 6:30

Tuesday, December 2, 2020 - Board Meeting via Zoom at 5:30