

 $ART\,ALLIANCE\ of\ the\ Riverside\ Art\ Museum$



President: Anne Deem February 2021

President's Message:

Hope is the thing with feathers That perches in the soul and sings the tunes without the words and never stops - at all ...

-Emily Dickenson

2021 finally starts to live up to hopeful expectations. Two good vaccines and more on the way! A number of our members appear to have already received a vaccination. This is truly wonderful news. And if the plan to administer more than 100,000,000 doses by April is successful, I hope all of our members will be in that number. I look forward to seeing your smiling faces before long.

By the time this newsletter reaches you we will have had our Mardi Gras wine tasting experience. To all who were able to join us, thank you and I hope you had a good time. I am so impressed with this committee comprised of Kathy Bocian (chair), Kathy Christmas, Beth Kollmyer and Barbara Holshouser. The January general meeting presentation was colorful and fun. Ticket sales exceeded expectations with over 80 tickets purchased representing close to 200 attendees:)

We turn our attention to next year's projects: Art Market (Kathy Christmas and Ruth Ann Ryan) and Fall project (Kathy Bocian, Anne Deem & Madelyn Warner). I know these chairs would appreciate all the help they can get. Additionally, if anyone is inspired to put on another event, please share your thoughts and ideas. I am all ears.

Anne Deem, President

FUNDRAISERS

MARDI GRAS WINE TASTING

Laissez les bon temps rouler! The good times really rolled!! Thanks to all of you who joined us in our virtual Mardi Gras celebration February 6th. We sold

97 tickets and had participants from Hawaii to New York. Thanks to our generous donors from within Art Alliance and the larger community who helped us with covering expenses. Several took advantage of the non-alcoholic option and it was a fun evening for all. Special thanks are due to our amazing 'Krewe' who helped put this together, particularly Barbara Holshouser, Beth Kollmyer and Kathy Christmas. RAM staff Ai Kelley and Valerie Found made everything run like clockwork!

Many of you expressed interest in contacting Shadow Run Vineyards, Chris Kern of Forgotten Grapes, and Chez Rae. This information is noted below. Information re: our bottom line will be available next month. Thank you again!!!!

Kathy Bocian and The Krewe of Riverside Art Alliance and the Riverside Art Museum.

Chris Kern, our sommelier: to sign up for his no-obligation, first come, first served featured winery of the month offer list, email chris@forgottengrapes.com.

Shadow Run Vineyards and Winery: wine@shadowrunvineyards.com We make magic here! Susan Evans, Winemaker Shadow Run Vineyards & Winery

Marée Reed | Personal Chef and Caterer | Chez Rae

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ART MARKET

Art Market Postponed Until Spring 2022.

As you know there have been multiple postponements and date changes due to the ongoing Covid pandemic. We have been consulting with RAM and the city as we try to get this wonderful event rescheduled. The potential of a June 2021 date was jettisoned, as the city is not approving any events through the end of June. We considered a September, 2021 date but that time frame conflicted with a fall fundraiser in development and the hoped for opening of the Cheech. As a result, we decided that the best course of action would be to hold the Art Market in the usual time frame of April 2022. We are presently nailing down a specific April, 2022 date as well as the White Park venue for the event.

We are ever thankful for our artists and sponsors for hanging in there with us. We will be reaching out to them to see if they would like to continue to keep their current status for the 2022 date. If not, we will reimburse their monies.

Kathy Christmas, Art Market Chair



CALENDAR

Thursday, February 18, 2021 – General Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 PM Tuesday, March 2, 2021 – Board Meeting via Zoom, 5:30 PM Thursday, March 18, 2021 – General Meeting via Zoom, 6:30 PM



The Cheech is coming!

https://thecheechcenter.org







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