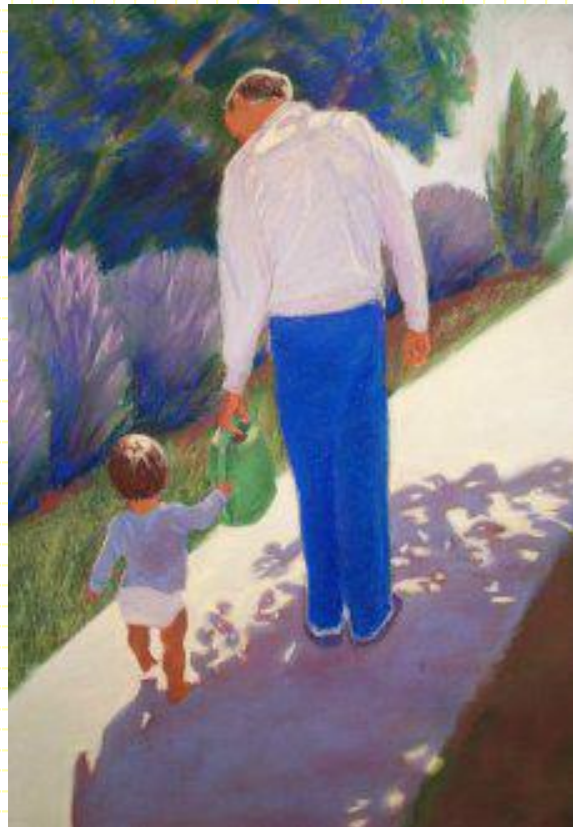


FEATURED ARTIST LAURIE PIPER

After a long break from her art to raise her family, Laurie Piper decided to get back into it. Art was all but forgotten, but it didn't take long to revive her passion. She used to feel guilt and regret over the years away from the easel, but now recognizes their importance. "If you're going to make images that reflect life, you've got to spend some time living it", Laurie says.

Though she has a greater appreciation for the pauses in her art, she tries to make it more balanced. Now people are the subject matter and the inspiration. Something of an idealist, Laurie's paintings are often of children playing in the blazing sun, happy and hopeful. "There's nothing more pure than a happy child, and I appreciate sunshine so much because I grew up in Seattle."

Laurie studied art at the University of Hawaii, Seattle Academy of Fine Art, and also under the tutelage of Yanshu Hsu. But most of her studies happened at home and through books from the public library. She likes to make her own art, but also does commis-



Walk with Grandpa

sioned portraits.

A new aspect of the art world she has found is meeting so many artists. Through ArtistsConnect, NW Pastel Society, and an artists' book club, she's made many new friendships. "Artists are generous, and optimistic Through ArtistsConnect, NW Pastel Society, and an artists' book club, she's made many new friendships. "Artists are generous, and optimistic people, and I've gained so much inspiration and support from them."

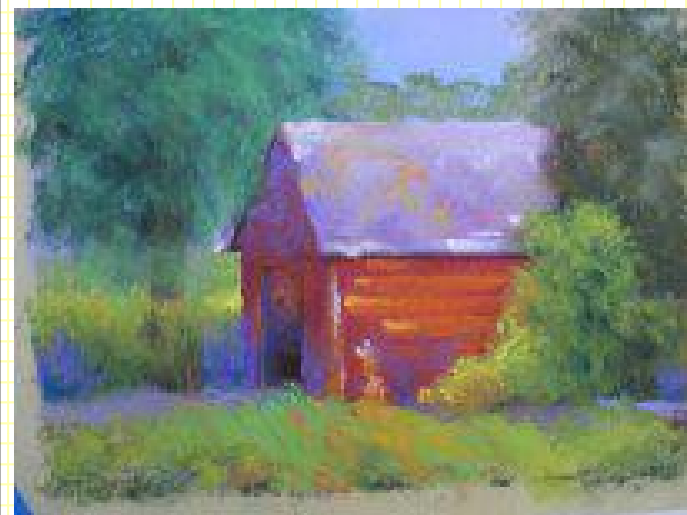
Laurie's work will be featured at the ArtWorks building in the month of November.



Sadie's Beach Day

MARSHA LIPPERT CONT'D.

...to educate myself and strive to become a better painter. Long ago I felt the more one knows about art, the less one knows and it was a very scary feeling. Over time I've come to realize that can be a good thing...learning to flip the negative into a positive, and continue to grow both as an artist and a person.



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The Connection!

<http://www.artists-connect.com>

A Monthly Newsletter for ArtistsConnect in Edmonds, Washington

REALLY BIG NEWS!

I am very pleased to announce the creation of our very own website! In August I suggested to the group that we have a website because this would allow our members to stay connected, and new folks find out a little about us before coming to a meeting. No one objected, so I took it upon myself to purchase a domain name, create the web pages and actually host the site itself. I paid for two years of domain name registration which amounted to \$18.95.

I hope that the website will be a valuable tool for those of you who spend some time online. I also hope it will add to the community itself. Some things are still under construction of course, but I hope to update the site regularly as new people join and new information becomes available.

This means I need your help! Despite our best efforts, I am quite certain that I do not have email information and/or phone information for everyone who is a member. PLEASE contact me, either at 360-668-5342 or apeacock@pavoninestudios.com with your information. I would like to have links to all of our artists who have webpages and for those who do not foresee having a webpage I will offer to do one for you. It will be very basic and part of the ArtistsConnect site itself. I would like to have contact info and a sample of your work for the website.

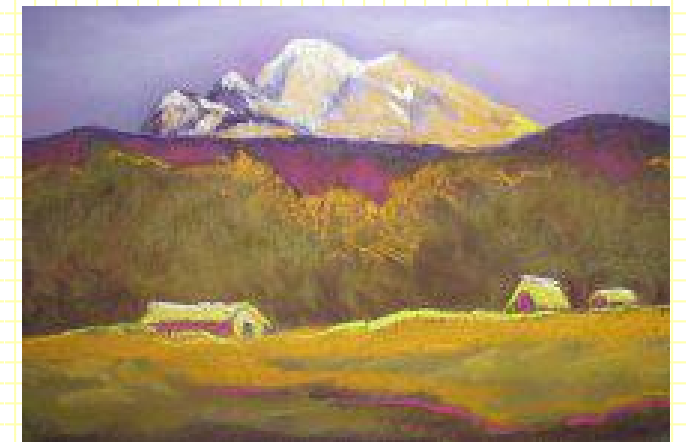
Also, there will be members only access to some items - such as the member directory. This will be password accessible - in order to keep our information private, but available to our fellow members. Also, I foresee certain documents being available this way. I will have pdf format files of the past newsletters, the guidelines and anything else I can think of available on our new site!

I welcome your feedback on the site itself, so please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any suggestions or additions. This is your site too!

--Amy Peacock

<http://www.artists-connect.com>

FEATURED ARTIST MARSHA LIPPERT



Mount Baker Early Morn

Having been born into a very creative family of writers, poets, artists, crafters, singers and musicians; I feel as though I was born to be an artist. In tribute to my parents, they supported and encouraged us, providing the resources for each of us five girls to pursue our creative interests.

I could say that the Old Masters influenced me, and they do to a degree; but growing up in a creative household was the most influential. As a family we would go to the Frye Art Museum, when it was located at Volunteer Park, and take turns sitting in the three-sided red velvet chair while admiring the wonderful paintings. After which we would climb the water tower or "ride" on the camels in front of the museum! (Try riding the camels today!!!)

First and foremost I would like viewers to see a painting which is both beautiful and peaceful. A painting that has a tranquil feeling, but at the same time touches an emotional cord within each viewer in a personal way.

At this time, I feel as though my art life is in flux. Things are happening in my art life regarding achieving previously planned goals; such as jurying into the Women Painters of Washington. I am honored and humbled to be a member of the organizations to which I currently belong. There are SO MANY good painters who are members of these groups, and who welcome and encourage each other. I am thankful for their friendship. However, feeling in flux can be a good thing because it spurs me on to continue...

OF INTEREST

Sierra Street Studio Open House and Sale

A Painter, a Printmaker and a Potter

Three Artist Connect members are hosting an art show and sale at the Edmonds studio of Tracy Fraker. Maybe someday we can turn this into an Edmonds Artist's studio tour! By the way, the painter is Tracy Kay Fraker, Mona Fairbanks is our printer and new AC member Barb Childs is

our potter. Please do stop by and say hello.

Friday October 7th 2:30-4:30, and later that night from 7:30-9:30 with

wine and dessert.

Saturday, October 8th, 11-6

9221 Sierra Street, Edmonds

The Portrait Group is mounting a show 'Portraits in Progress' October 1st-November 20th at the Point Elliot Art Gallery in Mukilteo. Come check out this really cool new art space in our area! The opening party will be Saturday, October 1st from 6-9, with wine and goodies. Come by to see how many faces you recognize, we have been drawing portraits of people in the community for five years! The Portrait Group is Tracy Kay Fraker, Judy Hedden, Carolyn Scheldrup and Sonia Lloyd.

AC Meeting: September 24th

How to Price & Sell Your Artwork

Meeting facilitated by Sally Abby

Discussion Leader: Tracy Kay Fraker

Prior to our AC show in October, we will be discussing how to value artwork and pricing strategies. Our membership has a wealth of knowledge so I am hoping to draw from the experience of anyone who has found solutions that work for them.

If you currently have copies of gallery contracts, or items for sale through commissions, bring them along (black out any personal info if needed). It would be beneficial for us to look at the range of commissions and compare venues. If you have a favorite guide or book on pricing art, do bring it to share also.

We are all at a different point in the learning curve for selling. Plus the market is changing so what worked 10 years ago may need a new look. Another hurdle for artists is getting to a place of confidence to promote and value your artwork. Come prepared to listen and share with each other. I look forward to seeing you there - Tracy Kay Fraker

The next jury date at **Bainbridge Arts and Crafts** is September 21. For jury forms, go to: www.bainbridgeartsandcrafts.org/artists.html. For more information call 206.842.3132

CLASSES AT ARTSNOW

Mixed Media Techniques Extroidinaire!

Barbara De Pirro - Experience a burst of new ideas creating unique surfaces with acrylic techniques manipulating paper and Xerox transfers, creating transparent layers, sensuous textures and richly colored imagery. Materials provided, plus free samples of Golden products. Check out the instructor's work :www.depirro.com #C320 11- 4pm, Saturday, November 12, Edmonds Community College, \$159

Precious Metal Clay #C348

Silk Screen for Polymer Clay #C352

Sculptural Cedar Basketry #C378

Living the Artist's Life- a Guide to Growing, Preserving, and Succeeding in the Art World. Come listen to author Paul Dorrell discuss topics in his guide book on how artists can succeed and persevere against enormous odds in pushing their art forward. #C383 - 7-9pm Thursday, October 27, \$35 Edmonds Conference Center 201 4th Avenue N.

Tax Workshop for Artists, Neil Sussman - Designed for people working in the art and entertainment world. Includes deductions to claim; tax forms to use and how to fill them out; How to keep business and tax record in an organized manner. #C325 - 7-9 p.m., Thursday, October 25, \$35 Edmonds Conference Center

Copyright Law for Artists & Graphic Designers Roger Atreya - Learn the nuts and bolts of copyright law. Photographers, graphic designers and artist of all mediums face copyright issues on a regular basis. #C381 - 7-9 p.m., Thursday, November 8, \$35 Edmonds Conference Center

And More.... Check the ArtsNow website....www.edcc.edu/artsnow or call 425-640-1243

MISCELLANEOUS

Got empty ink cartridges? Don't throw them out. They can be turned into revenue to aid victims of hurricane Katrina. Rapid Refill Ink is a new ink cartridge recycling business in Edmonds. Starting this week there will be a drop off box at the ArtWorks Building for your old cartridges. 100% of the funds gathered from these recyclables will go to the Red Cross for hurricane relief. Thank you! Every little bit helps.

Check out the Edmonds Community College **ArtsNow** fall classes WEB SITE: www.edcc.edu/artsnow

Past newsletters (in pdf format) can be found in the yahoo group files as well as at the following URL: <http://www.artists-connect.com/newsletters.htm>

Congratulations are in order for Bill Butler who won first place in photography at the Coupeville Arts Festival in August and sold both entries before the show opened.

AUGUST Meeting Minutes

This space left intentionally blank....OK, not really...but we forgot to take minutes at the last meeting! The newsletter really needs someone to step up to the plate and volunteer to take minutes at each meeting...help us out, please! We do want to thank Autumn Kegley for giving her framing demo - it was entertaining and informative!

ARTISTS Connect

MEMBER GUIDELINES

A copy of the newly crafted AC Exhibition Guidelines and Mission Statement is now available! Every member should have a copy of these guidelines. For more information please contact Sally Abbey at pieart@cnw.com.

These Guidelines are also available in the yahoo group files and at :

<http://www.artists-connect.com/>

FUTURE MEETINGS

The **September meeting** will be devoted to preparation for the October show. On September 24th Tracy Fraker will lead a discussion on pricing and selling your artwork. This next meeting will be very important to anyone planning to be in Octobers show. Up for grabs are various committees crucial to planning the show. Sue Rose Gill, Sally Abbey and Mona Fairbanks have already volunteered to organize the list of food (who's bringing what). Thank you! Also, we will need to have volunteers for the staffing of the show itself. We certainly hope that everyone who is showing can attend the Friday night party as well as part of the show itself. There will obviously be no October meeting. However, we will discuss how the show went during the November meeting. No December meeting is scheduled - enjoy your break!

CALLS FOR ART

An extensive list of calls for art is provided by:

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Heather Dwyer, Public Art, 4Culture

506 Second Ave. Ste. 200

Seattle, WA 98104

206 296.8676 publicart@4culture.org

www.4culture.org

Artwalk200.org and the OK Hotel are currently seeking new artists to display original work online. Artists who submit their work will be invited to exhibit work at the OK Hotel during Pioneer Square's first Thursday art walk. The first exhibit will be held Sept. 1. For more information, visit www.Artwalk200.org

The Mukilteo Old Town Business Association is seeking artists for its art walk. For more information, email ptelliottart@verizon.net or call 425-347-8480.

The City of Lynnwood Arts Commission has exhibit spaces for visual artists. For more information, call 425-744-6459.

KATRINA RELIEF

"Call for Artists: Project Storm"

2005-09-09 until 2005-09-30

Mackey Gallery

Houston, TX, USA United States of America

PROJECT STORM is a Houston artists and galleries fundraiser benefiting Katrina Victims through the Red Cross. Artists are asked to donate two dimensional artwork less than 12 x 12 inches in size. Artist please include name, title, year, medium, and contact information on the verso. This event is open to all mediums and is open selection.

Deliver or ship donated art to:

Mackey Gallery

5111 Center St.,

Houston, Tx 77007.

713-850-8527.

Tues. - Friday 11-5: Sat 10-5.

www.mackeygallery.com

Delivery date deadline : 9-30-05

Exhibition and drawing to be held on a Saturday in October, 2005, 7 to 10 PM (to be determined) at one of the galleries participating in Houston, Texas. Art will be displayed on the floor facing up as in a Persian Rug show. Patrons will purchase a numbered ticket for \$150, which will entitle the purchaser to choose one piece of art as their ticket is drawn at random. Art will be selected in order as the ticket numbers are drawn. Each patron will have 2 minutes to choose the art selection of their choice.

All proceeds (checks) are made out to The American Red Cross.

From Rachel Van Citters: I an received an email from Tacoma Arts administrator, Zola Mumford. Art therapy and helping other artists is an important cause: Let's send them a package from Edmonds,WA representing our group, ArtistsConnect! Sue Rose and I will have a collection box at our September 24th meeting for supplies and will accept donations for postage!

SHOWINGS

Barbara Childs will be showing October 19 - 22 at Pickering Barn, 1730 10th Ave NW Issaquah, WA Preview sale Oct. 19th 3:00 - 9:00 with beer tasting and live music from 6:30 - 8:30, October 20 - 21 9:00 - 9:00, Oct. 22 9:00 - 7:00

November 16-19 at the Hollywood Schoolhouse, 14810 NE 145th Street Woodinville. Preview sale Nov 16th 3:00 - 9:00, wine tasting and live music from 6:30 - to 8:30, Nov.17-18 9:00 - 9:00, Nov. 19 9:00 - 7:00 If you have any questions, please call Patsy or Ken at 425-868-3989 or visit the website at www.undiscoveredpotters.com for maps and driving directions.