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November 27th, 2023 General Membership Meeting Minutes

1. President Walt Klisht welcomed members and guests. He invited new members who had not previously been introduced, to stand and be recognized.
2. The minutes of the October 23/23 meeting were approved by Robin Barrata and accepted by the membership.

3. Executive and Conveners' Reports:

Treasurer Brian Glasspoole reviewed our current budget and explained that until the 2024 show budget has been pending approved by the Executive, the overall budget cannot be finalized. He highlighted areas of the budget and explained that our membership fees increased this year from \$25 to \$50 due to the purchase of new art stands.

Membership Convener Mary Lou Ross reported that we now have an active membership of 129, not including 11 honorary members. We currently have no waiting list. Almost 40 people have joined the club during the past year. She will share an updated membership list to all members by email shortly. It was explained that due to privacy reasons, we do not want to put this information on our website. Some new members had concerns with the Mandatory meeting attendance requirements to take part in the upcoming Art Show and Sale.

Show Convener Amelia Husnik said that as the storage unit is being cleaned out to make room for the new art stands, redundant inventory was available to members. Amelia asked for volunteers to store the wrapping materials as well as tablecloths that are used at the show. Kelly Millard and Colleen Hansen agreed to take the bins.



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Amelia explained that sign-up sheets are available for members to choose shifts at the annual show. She asked that members sign their names and include their phone numbers on the forms provided.

New members asked for information on show requirements and it was indicated that this information will go out to all members in the near future. The show committee is still making decisions regarding the number of paintings each member will be able to submit.

Social Media Convener Eleanor Ovtsherenko spoke about her involvement with Facebook, Instagram and the LAA website. She reminded members that the password to access information is Canvas123 and she invited members to send their bio to set up a studio on the site. She suggested that new members look at some of the existing studios to get some examples of what to submit.

She was pleased to say that she now has an assistant volunteer, Cathy Burgogne.

Workshop Convener Beth Stewart explained that the October workshop was canceled at the last minute because the instructor became ill.

There are still some openings in upcoming workshops and members can get in touch with her directly if they wish to fill a spot: 1 spot for Dec. 2nd workshop, 4 spots for Feb. 17 workshop, several spots for the felting workshop, and 2 openings for the May workshop. More detailed information on what workshops are offered and when, is on our website.



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Program Conveners Chris Allaway and Tina Rae spoke about the evening's Christmas gift exchange. It was a nice way for members to meet one another.

Our evening speaker is Bill Stephens who will be introduced prior to his presentation.

Angela Hardy will be our February guest speaker, January and March are to be announced. Members are invited to make suggestions.

4. LAA is still looking to fill the following executive positions: Vice President, Social Convener. Please consider providing your talents to these positions.
5. New Business: There was no new business.
6. **Next Meeting: Monday, January 22th** at 7:00 p.m. at Riverside United Church.
7. On behalf of the Executive and Conveners, Walt wished all members, family and friends a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He adjourned the meeting at approx. 7:50 p.m. After a short break, our guest speaker will be Bill Stephens.