

WAG Windward Artists Guild

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GOOD WISHES FOR PRODUCTIVE, RELAXING, CREATIVE, INSPIRATIONAL, REJUVENATING SUMMER MONTHS TO EACH OF YOU FROM WINDWARD ARTISTS GUILD

President's Message

The turnout at our annual meeting on April 22, 2007, was small but some things were accomplished. Jane Raissle was elected to continue as our first vice-president and Brian Aburano was elected to continue as our recording secretary. We are still in need for someone to volunteer as our treasurer.

A big thank you to those of you who were present at the meeting to add value to our organization. I especially want to recognize **Meg Stone** who did a superb job of reviewing works in progress of Windward Artists Guild participants. She was able to assist them in determining how best to solve problems or improve the piece. Thank you Meg, for sharing your ability to go to the heart of a composition/color problem quickly, and come up with some possible solutions to make changes. Thank you to **Shirley Samuelson** who put on an excellent spread for all to enjoy. The food was delicious. Thank you to **Elizabeth Kent** and to her friend **Constance Hassell**, who facilitated the discussion groups

and helped us to form these conclusions.

1. There will be no summer show this year as no appropriate venue has been found. The board is determined to find a suitable space for a spring show in 2008.

2. Meeting other artists is an important element of membership. There is a desire to have workshops, and we hope to organize a regular schedule of workshops for our members.

3. Artists can benefit from small critique groups. We plan to invite qualified artist members to assist those of us who benefit from this assistance.

4. WAG is on the schedule for the Ho'omaluhia Botanical Gardens Gallery for October. We plan to print post cards to encourage people to attend the opening.

5. All members can benefit by helping to organize exhibitions. Consideration is being given to waive entry fees to those who organize an exhibition. This is valuable experience as artists mature and exhibit on their own.

Frances Hill

CALL TO ARTISTS

Just East of West

The ARTS at Marks Garage
A project of Hawai'i Arts Alliance

The geography and culture of *In-Between*. The ARTS at Marks Garage, is looking for new art that reflects Honolulu as the central port of the Pacific Rim for freight, travel, immigration and culture.

Honolulu can capitalize on its geographical position, and multi-cultural demographic, as a conduit between East and West. A new focus on our fusion of cultures, informed by international trends, could increase our artistic significance globally. Far from the magnetism of New York, we can create an authentic, independent aesthetic niche.

New stories of our time and place provide a depth to our lives here, deepen the visitor experience, and ultimately strengthen the collector base. And we need it. Presently, inadequate support for the arts have created a brain-drain, and many who do not move away, decide not to pursue the arts to make ends meet.

Current trends in global economics have turned the West's gaze towards Asia. Art can be an entry point to understanding. Hawaii is years ahead of the curve on the social mechanics of working together. We look forward to your contribution to ***Just East of West***.

Please submit images of appropriate artwork to **Marks** at 1159 Nuuanu Ave., Honolulu, HI, 96817, or e-mail info@artsatmarks.com.

Call 521-2903 or visit www.artsatmarks.com for more information. Only JPEGs or slides will be accepted; no original works.

Deadline: 6pm, Friday, June 29, 2007

***** **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

June 5 Board meeting at the home of Frances Hill
455 Ka Awakea Road, 6:30 pm

October Windward Artists Guild Exhibition at
Ho'omaluhia Botanical Gardens Gallery

Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce 29th Annual "Commitment to Excellence" August 21-August 31, 2007

The Honolulu Japanese Chamber of Commerce (HJCC) is seeking entries from local artists for the Art Exhibition opening August 20, 2007, at the Academy Art Center at Linekona. The Exhibition will feature works by both new and seasoned artists. Approximately 80 – 100 pieces will be displayed from emerging artists and invited artists. This year, the featured artist is Charles Higa. Higa, whose works have graced Hawai'i and international galleries and homes for over 50 years, will have three pieces displayed at the show. Three jurists, **Wendy Kim Messier, Greg Northrop, and Lisa Yoshihara** will select 60 – 80 works from an expected 500+ entries.

A \$1000 "Award of Excellence" prize will be presented to the most outstanding work by a juried-in entrant. Cash awards will be given for 1st place (\$500), 2nd place (\$300), 3rd place (\$200), Honorable Mention (\$75), and a Newcomer Award (\$100) for two and three dimensional category works.

Artists should submit their works to the Academy Art Center at Linekona on August 13 - 14, 2007, between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Accepted entrants will be notified on August 15, 2007.

Entry specifications: Pieces must be ready "wired" for installation, and the artist's sale price must be determined prior to date of entry. Two-dimensional works must be no larger than 5 feet x 7 feet (height and width) Three-dimensional works can be no larger than 6 feet x 6 feet x 6 feet. The weight of each work shall not exceed 300 pounds. Works exhibited in previous HJCC art exhibitions are ineligible. A fee of \$10.00 per entry will be charged.

For more information on the HJCC 29th Annual Art Exhibition call Wendy Abe, (808) 945-5531, e-mail: wendy@honolulu-japanese-chamber.org, or visit www.honolulu-japanese-chamber.org.

TAKE A LOOK:

(Our members in the news. Let us know what you're doing. We'll be glad to share the news. Call Ruth at 235-5545 or e-mail at dkrajkahiko@hawaii.rr.com. Thanks to everyone who takes the time to let us know about your activities.)

ILLUMINATE! Eleven artists display multimedia works at Academy Art Center at Linekona through May 31, 10-4:30 Tuesday-Saturday, 1-5 Sunday. Artists include WAG members **Lori Uyehara** and **Gordon Uyehara**, 532-8741.

LABWORK With experimentation and exploration in our genes we shape the evolution of the planet and push the boundaries of human experience. Our technological success affects every aspect of our existence and is busy reshaping the foundation and definition of life. Labwork investigates the interconnectedness of science and its ubiquitous influence on the global landscape. **Lori Uyehara** and **Gordon Uyehara** team with **May Izumi** for this exhibition, Balcony Gallery, Kailua, through July 3, Tues.-Sat. 10-5, 263-4434.

ALOHA HO'OMALUHIA XXIII 23rd exhibit of mixed media works by community college artists. The exhibit includes WAG members and advisors, **Carl Jennings**, **David Behlke**, **Toni Martin**, through May 27, Ho'omaluhia Botanical Gardens Gallery, 233-7323.

PRECIOUS RESOURCES: THE LAND AND THE SEA The exhibition at the Hawaii State Art Museum with works by Hawaii artists that explore the impact of our natural surroundings on our lives. Take enough time to relax and view the 56 minute video. You'll be intrigued. **Shirley Hasenyager** and **Meg Stone** have work in the exhibit, 586-0900.

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CONGRATULATIONS

The *Rainbird* is a literary and art journal published by the University of Hawai'i, Windward Community College. This year, the journal, *Omens, Visions, and other Signals from the Parallel Universe*, features Windward Artists Guild member, **Pati O'Neal**. Pati's work is on the cover and she has four other art pieces inside. She received the Kolekolea award for her work. Other WAG members with art in the journal include **Beth Anderson** and **Jaime Balugo**. **Don Johnson** has four poems in the journal. Congratulations to all four of you for your success.

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Look at your address label. If the date is circled in red, you need to renew your membership immediately. Don't wait for the next exhibition. Just use the form on the back page and send it with your check right away. You'll want to keep up with the workshops and small group meetings as well as the news for the next exhibition in October. Let us hear from you soon.

OPPORTUNITIES

Windward Wanderers If you want to join this plein air group send an e-mail to Joan Fleming, tutujoan@earthlink.net, to find out where they are meeting. They meet every Wednesday morning at 9 am.

"CELEBRATE KANEOHE" IS EIGHT MONTHS OF FESTIVITIES IN KANEOHE. The festivities began on **May 12 at the Windward Mall**. If interested in how you can participate, call Mahealani Cypher at 226-4195.

WAG NEEDS YOUR HELP: Please volunteer for any one of the following positions: Education coordinator, Parliamentarian, E-mail messenger, Telephone tree coordinator, Treasurer. We can help you learn your job. The fellowship is great. Call Frances today 261-4767.

Windward Artists Guild Membership Form
P. O. Box 851, Kailua, HI 96734-0851

Date _____ New _____ Renewal _____ \$30 Payable to WAG or \$15 With Full-time Student ID
(Make checks payable to *Windward Artists Guild* and circle above the amount paid. Thank you.)

Name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Address _____ City, Zip _____ Web Page _____

Media _____

Volunteer Interests: Please check the areas where you are willing to help your organization.

____ Serve on the board as an officer: _____ secretary, _____ treasurer, _____ awards chair, _____ e-mail chair
_____ chair for exhibitions, _____ chair for programs, workshops, classes, _____ chair for hospitality
_____ newsletter editor, _____ chair for telephone tree, _____ chair for membership, _____ chair for publicity

____ Serve as a committee member:
_____ for exhibitions, _____ for programs, workshops, classes, _____ hospitality, _____ newsletter production,
_____ telephone tree, _____ membership, _____ publicity.

____ I have computer skills for _____ making spreadsheets, _____ scanning to preserve historical files,
_____ word processing, _____ desktop publishing, _____ creating data base, _____ creating web sites

____ I am willing to teach workshops in _____.

Windward Artists Guild

The Windward Artists Guild is a non-profit, volunteer, member guild, organized in 1960 by Windward artists. Through education, collaboration, encouragement, and exhibitions, the Windward Artists Guild supports, encourages, and promotes the production and appreciation of the visual arts, with emphasis on the Windward side. The Windward Artists Guild publishes a newsletter nine times each year.

We welcome your membership in the Windward Artists Guild. DUES AND CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE. We invite you to join the guild and participate in furthering the arts. For complete information view our website at www.hawaiiwag.org or www.windwardartistsguild.org, call 235-5545, or write Windward Artists Guild, P. O. Box 851, Kailua HI 96734-0851.

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