

Dallas Area Fiber ARTists

Meeting Minutes January 25, 2010

Michelle Knoerzer called the meeting to order at 7pm. There were 54 people in attendance. Michelle introduced our new members *Suzy Boyle, Wendy Frese, JoAnn DuVall, Daphne Huffman and Fanny Narte*. She encouraged everyone to visit Fannie' website: www.fannienarte.com. She also reminded members that we have a 20% discount at Asel Art.

Secretary/Communications Director *Lu Peters* asked members who are not receiving the Weekly Update to notify her. A new membership list will be sent out next week and the Class Listing is now on the website for download.

Melanie Fredrickson announced that she will be teaching two classes at Fabrique Fabrics in Richardson. Details will be sent to members.

DAFA Show at The Point: Michelle thanked members for bringing art work for our February Show at The Point, and thanked *Jules Rushing* for co-coordinating the show with Denise. Members should sign up before February 4th for the Meet-the-Artist Reception on February 11th at 6pm to 7:30pm. Michelle reminded everyone to be cautious at CC Young because of the construction traffic. Those who forgot work can bring to the Point on Tuesday.

The DAFA Special Exhibit at the Quilters Guild of Dallas is March 12-14. Drop off date is Wednesday, March 10th. Show Director *Sara Miller* stated that there are 65 entries to the show and that she had just received the show layout and will notify participants this week of what will be shown. Any members with garments (and dress forms) or sculptures that can be shown on a pedestal would be welcome as we are restricted to using a hanging system that makes it difficult to hang framed work. We will also need members to staff the booth and a sign up sheet will be at the next meeting.

Nominating Committee: *Deborah Boschert* and *Jo Appleton* are the DAFA Board representatives on the committee. *Janet Jelen, Jules Rushing, and Brenda Arrington* graciously volunteered to sit on the committee to fulfill the By-Laws requirement of needing three members. *Michelle* encouraged everyone to volunteer to be on the Board to continue the strong momentum of the group.

Ed Noyce showed an article from the Dallas Morning News about Dallas felter Elizabeth Anyaa. *Val Guignon* announced that she is moving and having a sale of her personal art collection. Her Open House is Saturday Jan 30 and Sunday Jan 31st, 10am to 6pm. Location: 3218 Urban Ave. Dallas.

Val is also showing at the Times Ten Galleries in Lakewood Feb 6th for the Art for a Cause project.

Cassie Curnutt announced that she has a gig with NBC for the next month.

April Soncrant stated that she had brought items to be given away.

Program Director *Deborah Boschert* announced that the February program presenter is *JoAnn Musso*. JoAnn will speak about *Wearable Art or Fashion- Make It Both!* She is also teaching the mini workshop at 5:30pm on making a Dior Rose. Members should bring scissors, needle, and threads. There is no fee.

Deborah also announced that the March program and the mini workshop presenter is *Dot Clarke* on Making ATCs. (Artist Trading Cards).

The April program is *Margy Woods* on Creativity and the mini workshop is presented by *Traci Hutton* on making fabric beads.

The May program is the Officer turn over, Pot Luck Dinner and Annual Art Swap.

The Raffle earned \$91. *Katina Hronas* thanked everyone who donated raffle items, especially *Val Guignon* who donated a lovely Japanese silk jacket.

Show and Tell: The \$25 gift certificate from our sponsor Asel Art was won by participant *Chuck Baber*

JoAnn Musso showed her piece Queen of Hearts

Ed Noyce showed a weaving and a felted piece mounted on a screen

Karen Chaussabel shared some passages from Julia Cameron's book, *The Sound of Paper* and showed her new encaustics, including a series on Haiti

Katina Hronas showed a fabric book

Jo Appleton showed her 12 x 12 art quilt for the Dallas Show and several small art quilts

JoAnn DuVall showed a 12 x 12 beaded art quilt

Linda Thiemann showed a felted wall piece called Midnight Blue

Connie Akers showed her "lasagna" (layered) dyed cloth, and spoke about her forthcoming move to Wimberley, Texas and an alpaca farm, Old Oaks Ranch, near her new home there.

Chuck Baber showed a modular origami piece

Tonya Littmann showed several portrait quilts including her piece for Sue Benner's workshop

Jules Rushing showed her hand dyed fabrics

Traci Hutton showed her newest stuffed animal toys

The following members showed their self portraits created on Saturday at the *Sue Benner* workshop:

Audrey Legatowicz, Deborah Boschert, Nancy Woolfolk, Mary Lou Smith, and Melanie Fredrickson

Community Service Director *Connie Akers* announced that she has only received four grant applications for the two \$500 grants we are awarding in the names of our deceased members, *Sandi Wheeler and Peggy Tjachman*. She urged members to send information to any interested teachers. The information will be repeated in the Weekly Update.

Deborah Boschert introduced *Sue Benner* who presented her program on Jurying Quilt National and showed some of her recent work.

The meeting adjourned at 9:05pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Lu Peters

Secretary/Communications Director