

Studio 55 Newsletter: August 2017
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**August 9th Program of Studio Fine 55 Arts Guild
Featuring Artist Carolyn Owen**



**"Gourds from Garden to Gallery"
Carolyn Owen's Website: Wildernessgourds.com**

The program will start at 1:00pm on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at the National Avenue Christian Church, 1515 S. National Avenue, Springfield, Following the presentation, Studio 55 Fine Arts Guild members and visitors are invited to participate in an artist "show and share."

Mrs. Owen's presentation will include a display of her art, discussion about growing gourds as well as harvesting, drying and cleaning them. Also the tools used for cleaning, carving, and burning designs into the gourds will be shown as well as various methods of adding color and other embellishments.

Master Gourd Artist Carolyn Owen enjoys every aspect of the gourd from growing to transforming them into art pieces. The discovery of gourds as a creative media was the result of a life quest through numerous crafts and artistic endeavors.

She has been creating gourd art for about 13 years. Named gourd "Artist of the Year" for Missouri in 2012 and has won the "People's Choice award" two times at the Missouri State Gourd Art Festival and the "Best of Master's Award".

"I love to incorporate carving, wood burning and various ink dyes and techniques to enhance the natural beauty of the gourd. The possibilities are endless and the unique shapes and surfaces can be very challenging. No other form of art has held my fascination the way working with gourds has."

Reminders to members:

September 1st is Studio 55's Annual Fall Exhibit and Silent Auction at National Ave Christian Church Gallery

1. Silent auction items are due August 25th, at the time of set up. You can also turn them in at the August 9th meeting. We hope each member will donate or solicit at least 2 silent auction items. Check your instruction packet for details.

Need ideas for the silent auction? Last years items are listed on this link: <https://www.studio55guild.com/silent-auction-contributions.html>

2. Art for the Exhibit is to be delivered to the church on August 25th (limit 2). **Registration is required to exhibit and there will be a sign up sheet at the meeting. You must register no later than August 20th to be including in the exhibit. YOU WILL BE EMAILED THE DETAILS OR GET THE INFORMATION AT THE AUGUST MEETING.**

3. Please support the Special Sponsor's Event at Bambino's Restaurant August 30th, beginning at 4:00 pm at the 1141 Delmar Street location. The Faucett family (owners of Bambinos) will dedicate 20% of sales at their restaurant to Sammy's Window. Last year they donated \$635! Enjoy their great food, knowing you will be helping Sammy's Window give supplies and support to foster kids in Springfield and the surrounding area.

Health Concerns:

- Board Member Kathy Luna is having surgery at Cox Medical Center. Please keep her and the family in your thoughts and prayers
- One of our members, Judith McClung fell last month and is recovering at Manor Care Rehabilitation, 2915 S. Fremont Ave. Her phone number is 417-882-1709. She would appreciate cards and phone calls.

Call to Artists:

Maschinos Home Store (Nancy Brown Dornan) hosts a two-month exhibit of the work of regional artists from August 29 through October 30, 2017. The theme of the juried show is "Outside Art: Springfield's Sculptures". Springfield has a rich amount of public sculpture. The theme is this show was chosen to see how 2D artists interpret 3D art works. A limit of 3 entries is to be hand delivered to Maschino's at 1715 S. Campbell on Tuesday, August 29 between 10:00 and 12:00. For details see: <https://www.studio55guild.com/call-for-artists.html> or visit Maschino's 1715 S. Campbell.

Fresh gallery: 400 W. Walnut Street is accepting applications. Fresh Gallery is a fiscal agency of the Springfield Regional Arts Council dedicated to promoting and marketing the fine art and fine craft of area artists. If you want to apply or learn more see <http://www.springfieldarts.org/FreshGallery> or visit the Gallery.

Bambino's Restaurants: To Apply to exhibit and sell your art contact Sandra or Don Letson 417-869-7812. No fee or commission is charged. **Coffee Shop and separate café is located on the corner of Battlefield and Lone Pine and the original place on Delmar and Florence, near the Missouri State Campus.**

Art & Music Community Benefit:

August 12, The Creamery Arts Center, 411 N Sherman Parkway, Springfield
6:30 pm. Hors d'oeuvres Hosted by Meike Aton Art and Spire Composing
Performance 7-9 pm by Meike Aton (Artist) and Vincent Nolden (Musician) who will be performing live! This benefit goes to support the Life Change Program and Jobs For Life.
For more info: call Meike Aton: 417-343-3481 or <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/art-and-music-a-community-benefit-tickets-35828965400?aff=es2>

Tickets: \$25 in advance may be purchased and \$30 at the door. Get tickers at Maschino's, Waverly House, Eventbrite, and from Vincent Vincent Nolden and Meike Aton directly.

Exhibits:

Bambinos Restaurant: Janene Moser is the featured artist at the 1141 E. Delmar location.

Bambino's Restaurant at 2810 East Battlefield Road: members Steve McGuire, Penny Bantle, Darlene Prater and Nancy Dornan's are exhibiting.

Studio 55 Schweitzer Brentwood Library Exhibit: July 31st through August 29. Pick up unsold artwork August 29th, 9-10 am

Maschino's Home Store: "Art in the Garden" Juried Exhibit Exhibition thru August 27, Monday - Saturday 9:30 - 6:00 pm, 1715 S. Campbell, Springfield, Free and Open to the Public. Members exhibiting are Janene Moser, Chris Haik, Louise Eggleston, Jane Waschick, , Vivian Terbeek, Nancy Day, Honorable Mention Meike Aton, Penny Bantle, and Best in Show Audrey Bottrell-Parks.

Audrey Botrell Park's student Exhibit: Congratulations to members Judy Ferguson who won Best of Show and Nancy Brown Dornan who received honorable mention.

Classes and Workshops:

Classes at Splatter Art Studio 4160 S Lone Pine Ave
Springfield (417) 890-6464

- **Audrey Bottrell Parks:** 417-848-0894
- **Tracy Livingston Bruton:** 417-343-9892
- **Jessie Schwartz:** 417-224-0626
- **Darlene Prater:** [darlenecopelandprater@gmail](mailto:darlenecopelandprater@gmail.com)

Check the website for more information: <http://splatterartstudio.com>

Classes and workshops are taught by Meike Aton at her studio and Gallery 1200 E. Woodhurst, call 417-343-3281 or <https://www.meikeaton.com>

Senior Center at Kimberling City: are offering on going Art Classes:
Call Janice Rosenburg, 417-338-8705.