### **Studio 55 Newsletter**

(See the website for more information: www.studio55guild.com)

# May 10th Program Eric Ray Award-winning Artist, Illustrator, Designer, and Art Director

#### "Telling A Story In Pen And Ink"

Eric Ray, artist, illustrator, designer, and art director, will be the speaker at the May 10th meeting of the Studio 55 Art Guild. He will be discussing his photo-realistic pen and ink illustrations. This will include the progression from a pencil sketch to the final inking, the tools used and the thought process involved. He will cover how the subject matter is chosen and feel of the final work.

Mr. Ray has requested that those attending bring paper and pen or pencil for hands-on instruction.

He started doing pen and ink artwork decades ago as a freelance Illustrator in Southern California. Mr. Ray has a great passion for creating art. "I choose to work in Pen and Ink because it is not a simple media to master and is also relatively uncommon. I strive to develop art with a feel for the subject matter and the story I wish to tell. The search for the beauty in the complexity of form, pattern and texture is important. I enjoy creating visual shortcuts, innuendo and suggestion balanced against insanely detailed rendering in my pen work."

Following the presentation, Studio 55 Fine Arts Guild members and visitors are invited to participate in an artist "show and share." The program is free and open to the public. Join us from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 10th in "The Gallery" at National Avenue Christian Church, 1515 S. National Ave., Springfield, Missouri.

http://ericraycreative.wixsite.com/artwork/pen-and-ink-artwork

### **Library Center Exhibit: June**

Drop off artwork at the Library Center June 3rd at 9:00 AM.

Pick up unsold artwork at the Library Center June 30th, at 9:00 a.m.

20% commission on sold art work

Sign up sheet and the meeting (limit 2) or contact Louise Eggleston at 417-616-1139, or email her at 17leggleston@gmail.com

# **Brentwood Library Exhibit #1: July**

Drop off date Sat. July 1st 9:00 am

Pickup unsold artwork Sat. July 29th, 9:00 am

20% commission on sold art work

Sign up sheets at the meeting (limit 1) or contact Louise Eggleston at 417-616-1139, or email her at 17leggleston@gmail.com

# **Brentwood Library Exhibit #2: August**

Drop off date July 31st 9:00 am

Pick up unsold artwork August 29th, 9:00 am

20% commission on sold art work

Sign up sheets at the meeting (limit 1) or contact Louise Eggleston at 417-616-1139, or email her at 17leggleston@gmail.com

Studio 55 is happy to announce that Sammy's Window has been selected as the recipient of our charity funding for the September Art Show and silent auction. You may recall that last year Studio 55 raised more than \$5500 for this organization, benefiting foster children and families throughout Springfield.

We in Studio 55 believe in the work that Sammy's Window does, and encourage you to remember Foster Adopt Connect, the parent organization of services for foster families including Sammy's Window, this May 9th during Give Ozarks! Please mark the date on your calendar to consider a contribution to Foster Adopt Connect on May 9th! Thank you!

Two other events of interest that need your support:

You are invited to the "Foster Adopt Connect Open House and Ribbon Cutting!" At their offices, 509 S. Cavalier, Thursday, May 11 at 10:30 AM

Please participate in a unique event, "Ribs for Kids!" On Sat May 13 at 10 AM to Sun May 14 at 4 PM at Harter House Eastgate in Springfield. For complete details please call their office 417.866.3672.

Learn more about Sammy's Window and Foster Adopt Connect and their community mission, visit their website https://www.fosteradopt.org/southwest-mo/ and the Sammy's Window Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/groups/53740542338/

Offices located at 509 S. Cavalier, Springfield, MO 65802, phone: 417.866.3672.

Bus Trip to Crystal Bridges: Thursday, July 13, 2017 Time of departure 8:00 a.m. from the parking lot at National Ave. Christian Church Cost:

Bus fee \$20

General Admission: free

Chihuly Exhibit: \$20

Studio 55 members and their spouses will have first priority and Joan Bowen (secretary) will start collecting money and signing people up at the April Meeting. Email Joan Bowen: wahoomamaj@gmail.com or call 417-720-4583

**Special Project:** Working with children is one of the many ways our members promote the arts. Recently a team from Studio 55 worked with children at Discovery Gardens Montessori School. With the help of Larry Stevens, Cindy Merritt, and Mona Gist, all 58 children constructed individual art projects, and 4 group projects. Many thanks to Larry, Cindy, and Mona!

**You are invited:** Maschino's, 1715 S. Campbell Ave. is hosting a juried show: "Impressionists from the Ozarks." Several Studio 55 members are in this show.

Artist Wine and Cheese Reception/Awards Ceremony will be at Maschino's on Tuesday, May 16, from 5:00-6:00. This reception is free and open to the public. Please feel free to invite your friends to celebrate at the reception. The Exhibition may be viewed Mon through Sat, from 9:30-6:00, now through June 25. Future juried shows are:July/August: Art from the Garden, September/October: Outside Art: Springfield's Sculptures, November/December: The Art of Entertaining