

Ohio Pastel Artists League (OPAL)

Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2021

Delaware Arts Castle, Delaware, OH

Business Meeting:

1. We will go to O'Charley's on Cleveland Ave on December 2, 2021 for our annual Christmas party at 5:30 pm.
 - a. Please bring a small, wrapped, original painting to the exchange.
 - b. It can be matted but does not need to be framed.
2. We need ideas for future programs and workshops
 - a. Think about who you would like to have for
 - i. 1 hour demonstration at our meetings
 - ii. 4 hour workshop on a Saturday
 - iii. 2 day workshop
 - b. Please send all ideas to Pam.
3. Exhibitions
 - a. We are looking into having a group show at Gallery 23 in Delaware
 - b. Nina is checking into another possible show at the Westerville Community Center
4. IAPS National Convention will be held in New Mexico in 2022
 - a. Check out all the details at the IAPS website
5. Pastel Live will be held online again in 2022
 - a. This is highly recommended. Very reasonably priced and worthwhile!
 - b. Check out the details at PastelLive.com

Demonstration:

Our program demonstration was by Meredith Martin, Owner of Sunbear Studio in Westerville.

- She showed us how to do experimental drawing with hard pastels taped to 3' long sticks.
- It seemed very freeing.
- She mentioned you can try this with charcoal as well.
- Meredith primarily uses Dick Blick hard pastels and just a few soft pastels
 - Unison works well too.
- The purpose is to just make a loose drawing.
- Get the darks in first.
- This is great to try with kids using crayons on a stick.
- Meredith works large on printmaker's paper that's been dry mounted by Culvers.
- She rolls on acrylic paint with a brayer for the background.
- She then blends some areas with a large brush and water.
- She uses a hair dryer to dry.

Overall, we had a great time watching Meredith and getting caught up with each other!

Respectfully,

Diane Ruck