

## **Studio 55 Newsletter**

**January 2018**

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<https://www.studio55guild.com>

**Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Program and Show and Share: 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

**National Avenue Christian Church**

**1515 South National Ave.**

**4:00-5:30 pm: Reception at Sky Gallery (see below)**

**Our featured Speaker is Robert Kraft, fine art photographer (who also draws and paints)**

**Subject: The Principles of Composition, Understanding What Really Matters**

**Members and guests are invited to “show and share” their art.**

Robert will provide a review of several principles of composition that are relevant to all visual artists, painters and photographers alike. His presentation will include principles deemed valid not only from his own experience, but included in books and seminars from noted painters and photographers. Robert will recommend two books he believes contain the best advice on composition; one authored by a modern day master painter and another book from an acclaimed fine art photographer.

His presentation will include a critique of several images, some good and some not so good, that include examples of the compositional principles discussed. After Robert guides you through some examples you will be given the opportunity to conduct your own critiques of the compositional elements of some additional images and the opportunity to ask questions.

Robert shared: "While I have done some drawing and painting, my main interest is in Photography as Fine Art. I am drawn to floral and botanical subjects that I photograph both outdoors and in studio. I also enjoy photographing the great outdoors in the Ozarks."

**Reception: 4:00-5:30 p.m. there will be an Artist’s Reception at Sky Gallery (Springfield-Branson International Airport) for all members and the public hosted by The Springfield Regional Arts Council. Everyone is encouraged to carpool from the church to the airport. Invite your friends!**

**January 5, 6-10 pm: Opening reception, Color Celebration: The Art of Steve McGuire, Obelisk Home. Show runs through end of January.**

**January 5<sup>th</sup>, 6-10 pm: Opening Reception, Fresh Gallery: Congratulations to Eric Ray who is the featured artist.** Come visit or stop by when you have a chance. His art will be featured through January.

**Congratulations to Adam Schwartz, Silver Fox Photography, who is the featured Photographer of the month at Bedfords Cameras and Videos** 2550 S Campbell Ave, Springfield, MO. Adam is exhibiting ten of his photographs.

**January 8<sup>th</sup> (Monday) Hearts for the Arts, Call for Artists**, sponsored by the Springfield Regional Arts Council and The Creamery Arts Center.  
Due between 9:00 am-5:00 pm through the Month of January.

**January 9<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) Call to Artists: Maschino's Home Store**, 1715 S. Campbell, Theme: "Dreams of the New Year"  
drop off: January 9<sup>th</sup> between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm  
Reception: Date to be announced 5:00-6:00 pm  
Exhibit is for three months. January 9th through March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Exhibit may be viewed Monday through Saturday, from 9:30- 6:00.

**January 12: Meiki Aton** will be demonstrating in the Lobby of the Springfield Art Museum as well as display their cooperative project from last October. This includes a Sculptor, a Photographer, a Poet and a Musician and Meiki the Artist. Learn more:  
<http://www.biz417.com/Think-Summit/>

**January 17: Meiki Aton has a New Abstract Painting Workshop scheduled.** To learn more:  
<https://meikeaton.com/product/abstract-painting-workshop-january-17-2018/>

**Call For Entries: The Twenty-Third Annual Senior Art Exhibition: Spring 2018.** This exhibit is open to all visual artists age 60 and older. **Entries due March 5<sup>th</sup>.** See our website to learn the details and download the entry form: <https://www.studio55guild.com/call-for-artists.html>  
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