

Nordic 5 Arts

MINUTES

Fall Meeting, October 11, 2008

The fall meeting was attended by Ellen Faris (hostess), Maj-Britt Mobrand, Margaretha Miglo, Colette Crutcher, Patricia Bengtson, Anne Inger Oseberg, Elizabeth Stokkebye, Pam Fingado, Margareta Bergman, Jason Englund, Maj-Britt Hilstrom, Olivia Eielson, Dorothy McCall, Helene Sobol, Debra Jewell (new member) and Joan Heikkola Keyes (guest).

1. INTRODUCTIONS

Each artist introduced themselves and talked about their current and upcoming exhibitions.

2. EXHIBITIONS

Patricia Bengtson, who had made tentative arrangements for an exhibition starting Sept. 9, 2009, at the Eddie Rhodes Gallery, Contra Costa College, received an OK by the membership to proceed with plans for a show. She proposed hiring a juror and the members agreed to offer a fee of \$100 to be paid by Nordic 5 Arts. The participants would pay for PR, announcements and a catalog. Pat presented suggestions for a show title and the members were in favor of "Going North". Patricia's committee consists of Maj-Britt Hilstrom and Loren Rehbock; later, she will request assistance with PR, installation, reception, etc.

Pam Fingado, who opened Fingado Art Gallery in El Cerrito in July, has offered us a two month exhibition, starting in April 2009. She will be contacting each of the members directly regarding submission requirements. The gallery will retain 40% of sales.

Helene Sobol, who had a successful exhibition at the Norwegian Seamen's Church on Hyde St. in San Francisco in 2007, has arranged for a show for our group, starting in February 2009. Helene, Colette Crutcher and Trond Gilbertsen of the Seamen's Church will curate the show entitled "Nordic Moods". More information will follow soon.

3. LEADERSHIP, COMMITTEES AND TREASURER

Helene, who will have served for three years as President in 2009, expressed her wish to pass it on to another member. She appointed a Nominating Committee consisting of Jason Englund, Pam Fingado and Elizabeth Stokkebye. Their mission will be to propose a candidate at the next meeting in April 2009.

Olivia Eielson, our Treasurer during the past 2 ½ years, relinquished her duties and Maj-Britt Mobrand graciously accepted to take over the duties as Treasurer.

4. MEMBERSHIP

Debra Jewell was accepted as a new member. Membership renewal forms for 2009 were passed out.

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5. OTHER BUSINESS

Dorothy McCall announced that she'll be giving a lecture, "A Peek at the Art of the Midnight Sun", Saturday, October 18, at 3PM, Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church, 580 Trinity Drive, Vacaville. RSVP 707.425.1680, norwaybob2002@msn.com. Sponsored by Sons of Norway, \$5 suggested donation.

6. NEXT MEETING – April 2009 (date to be announced), will be hosted by Maj-Britt Mobrand in Berkeley.

MANY THANKS to

- Ellen Faris, whose home provided a lovely and comfortable setting for our meeting and whose art and involvement with Art Aids Art gave us an opportunity to enjoy her paintings and beadwork from South Africa
- Olivia Eielson for her great job as past Treasurer and Maj-Britt Mobrand for taking on the duties of Treasurer
- The members who are working on exhibitions and committees
- Everyone who brought delicious dishes for our pot luck brunch!

Respectfully submitted,
Helene Sobol