



WCA Newsletter November, 2005

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CALENDAR

Nov 7 – Lunch Bunch - Judy Lyons Schneider, page 5
Nov 10 – Selby Reception to meet the WCA Artists 6 to 8 PM
Nov – New Member application – deadline November 30
Dec 4 – Holiday Party – Pinebrook Clubhouse, Venice
Dec 5 – Lunch Bunch – Bernice Gaines
Dec 5 – End of Selby Gardens show – Pick up artwork
Jan 2 – Lunch Bunch – Kathleen McDonald
Jan 16 – 4 PM Program – Presentation by Kim Northrop on Marketing, Computers – help preparing member web page
Feb 6 – Lunch Bunch – Debbie Seter
Feb 27 – 4 PM Program – Presentation by Jill Dye on China and the Arts
Mar 6 Lunch Bunch – Connie Holzner
Mar 27 – 4 PM Program – Presentation by Judy Lyons Schneider & Judy Kramer on Russian Art Program
Apr 3 Lunch Bunch – Debbie Dannheisser
Apr 23 – New Officer Installation and Student Awards Event
May 12 – June 2 – Exhibition at the Ringling School, Selby Gallery – **Receiving May 8** – **Reception May 12, 5 – 7**, **Pick up Artwork – June 5**

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All board meetings and general membership meetings are held at Art Center Sarasota. Please join ACS and support Sarasota's community art center.

Please consult the WCA web site frequently for announcements, updates, general information, achieved newsletters and directions to all events.

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Send newsletter info to Kathleen McDonald by November 15 for inclusion in the December newsletter.

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Disclaimer: It is impossible for your editor to verify the accuracy of items sent by members for newsletter inclusion. Please call each venue to check date and time, especially for receiving of work.

FROM THE PREZ: Barbara Schicitano

WOW! What a month October was with the exciting start of the Selby Gardens exhibition, the retreat and the renewals of membership. Lots of fun and work!

Significant congratulations to our Selby Gardens Award Winners: **First Place - Suzanne Coogan, Second Place - Jess Miller, and Third Place - Judy Lyons Schneider. Merit Awards went to Sally Sloan, Jamie Friedli, and Julie Trigg.** I feel like a very proud Mom!

The retreat was as wonderful as always with lots of good friends, good food, some rest, and lots of artwork. Thanks to Judy Lyons Schneider for sharing and teaching her printing expertise and to Jamie Friedli for the wonderful books we created. Madelaine Ginsberg always gets us to reach in to our inner beings, this year with sand painting. We did find out that some of us are not really good at measuring things but the some of us who are really helped the rest of "us". Betty Savenor told some really funny jokes and Reggie Gurland was in charge of happy hour. Kathleen McDonald was our DJ. The work room was exploding with creativity and the sharing of ideas and methods. **Bernice Gaines** put it all together!!

We now look forward to our Holidays and our WCA Holiday party where we will get together and welcome new members.

January 16th starts the WCA Member Programs beginning with Kim Northrop and information on the website and member pages. From 1-3 PM we will be available to help anyone who wants a web page on the WCA site. We will be there with digital cameras to photograph your artwork (bring 4 pieces) and also to photograph you. **Kate Korp** will be there to help you write a bio or resume.

At 4 PM Kim will cover the following common questions ...If I push the wrong button can I destroy my computer? What's the different between webmail and other types of email? What does 72, 150 and 300 dpi mean and why does it matter? What should you pay for a website? Can I sell art on the Web? *Computers, the Web and*

Your Art Business provides a brief overview of computer and internet basics as well as the issues you most often need to have an understanding of in using computers and the internet to further your art business. ***If you send your questions to Kim in advance, she will make sure they get covered!***

On Monday February 20th @ 4 PM, Jill Dye will present “Art in China”. She has traveled extensively in this country and has much to share. Jill will display Chinese painting materials and some of the four treasures of the artist's studio. She will speak about “Friendship Through the Arts” (a program she started for the US-China Peoples Friendship Association) and her various exchanges and tours focusing on the arts. If time and equipment allow, we will see a slide presentation of some of Jill's favorite places in China that look like Chinese paintings.

On Tuesday March 21st @ 4PM, Judy Lyons Schneider and Judy Kramer will present a Program on their experiences and travels to Russia. The two Judys will make a presentation of their October, 2004 visit to Veliky Novgorod, Russia as part of a cultural exchange which involved five American artists using different mediums. They showed their work in the Fine Arts Museum of Novgorod, visited 10 artists' studios, and taught classes to two different age groups.

As the other half of this exchange, four Russian artists from Veliky Novgorod will be exhibiting their work at Art Center Sarasota in March, 2006. On March 21st, WCA members will have the opportunity to meet those artists in person. With the help of a translator, questions can be asked and a dialogue started to find out about an artist's life in Russia. It promises to be a very interesting and stimulating afternoon.

**WCA EVENT NOT TO BE MISSED!!
HOLIDAY PARTY 2005**

WHEN: Sunday December 4th at 2 PM

WHERE: Pinebrook South Clubhouse, Venice. Close to I-75 @ Exit 195 DIRECTIONS BELOW

BRING:

Food – Last Names A-J bring Hot & Cold Appetizers

Last Names K-R bring Main Dishes

Last Names S-Z bring desserts.

ALSO BRING: A Handcrafted Artsy Item, Artwork, Sculpture, Pottery, you get the idea. The gift should be wrapped in the Holiday Spirit and we will have a Game of choosing and stealing gifts from each other that will get your blood boiling. *There is no money restriction on this gift ... it is your choice of what to bring.*

RSVP TO NANCY HEART 486-8416 OR SUZANNE COOGAN 484-7452

DIRECTIONS TO PINEBROOK SOUTH CLUBHOUSE, FEATHERBED LANE

I-75 North or South take exit 195

Coming from North take a right off exit Laurel road
exit and Go to light and take a left on Pinebrook Road.

Coming from South take a left off exit Laurel Road

Go straight You will come to a light at Edmonston Road, go straight through. Keep going past golf course on your left.

You will go over a little bridge look to your next right. That is Pinebrook Way. Go Right.

Go a couple of blocks, look to your right, Turn right on Featherbed Lane.

Clubhouse is on the Left, at the end. Park and come and enjoy the Holiday Party.

Rt 41 North

Go to Venice Avenue. Splash will be on your left, a Shell Station on your right. Take a right on Venice Avenue. Continue below.

Rt 41 South

Go to Venice Avenue, Splash will be on your left, CVS on your right. (The Shell Station will be across the street from CVS) Take left on Venice Avenue

(Continue) On Venice Avenue Go straight, about a mile or so, past a 7/11 on your left.

The next light will be Pinebrook Road (You will see a Walgreens across the street on your right) Take a left on Pinebrook Road. Go straight, past ballfields, tennis courts, and woods on your right. Start looking to the left for the second entrance to Pinebrook South. This is Pinebrook Way take a left and go straight about 2 blocks then look for Featherbed Lane to your right. Take a right on Featherbed Lane, go to the end, clubhouse is on your left.

Park and come to the holiday party and have fun.

MEMBER NEWS

Kathleen McDonald – monotype classes at Venice Art Center – 6 four hour classes, 11 AM – 3 PM, in each series: Session 1, Nov. 3 – Dec 15, Session 2, March 2 – April 6; Session 3 is a three week mini-class, April 20 – May 4.

Helene Hirmes will have a class called “Clay Sculpture – Faces, Figures and Beyond” at Art Center Manatee, 209 9th St. W., Bradenton - 746-2862 Wednesdays, 9 am – noon. Session 2: Nov. 2, 9, 16, 30 Dec. 7, 14.

Carol Doenecke had a pastel accepted for the 50th Annual International Open Exhibition "Bold Expressions" at the Sacramento Fine Arts Center October 4-30, 2005. It is sponsored by Northern California Arts, Inc.

Betty Altman has been named Florida Pen Woman of the Year. The award was given at Pen Women's State Convention in Gainesville in October.

Jill Joli Wulkan's acrylic geometric abstracts will be on exhibit in the Member's Gallery at the Venice Art Center from Nov.4-22. Opening reception for this solo show is Nov. 4 from 4-6 p.m.

Margaret Murphy-Reed's mixed media assemblages are included in "Narrative Art", an invitational at the Selby Public Library downtown. October 17 - December 12.

Margaret Murphy-Reed will have work in the upcoming "Big" exhibition at H. Poto Galleries. Exhibition opens November 18. Call 923-5355 for gallery info.

The Sonnet Gallery, 1480 Main Street, Sarasota, will be presenting EXPLORATIONS, by **Barbara L Harrison**, from November 10 - 30th. OPENING RECEPTION WILL BE THURSDAY, NOV 10th, from 5 - 7 pm. All are invited.

Kim Northrop Opening Nov 19th 4-7 Stir the Soul Coffee Shop Venice, Fl. Opening Dec 15th "New Work/New Artists" Lucky Street Gallery Key West.

Judy Lyons Schneider will have a solo exhibition at the Unitarian church on Fruitville Road on December 4, 11:30 am to 1 pm.

Cynthia McMullin is showing her watercolors in a one-woman exhibition called "Heaven and Earth" and has work in the "Architects Art" Show October 25th - November 25th, 2005 at the Art Center Sarasota.

Ruth Höök Colby pastels are on display December 5 through December 30, 2005. The artist will host a reception in the atrium of the Symphony Center on Tuesday, December 6, from 5 pm – 7 pm.

"Signs of Spirit," **Beverly Fleming** Gallery Nov 18, - Jan 14, 2006. Gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 11 am - 4 pm. Complimentary Artists' Reception, Friday, November 18, 6-10pm during the Towles Court Third Friday Art Walk. For more information, please visit www.floridasecrets.com or phone 365.8683. The gallery is located at 239 S. Links Avenue.

Kim Northrop, Debbie Seter, Ginny Salerni, Jusy Nadler and Kathleen McDonald will have an exhibition titled “High Five” in the lobby of The Center for Arts & Humanities at 1226 N. Tamiami Trail, November 15 - December 22, 2005, with an Artists Reception on Friday, November 18 from 5-7 pm. Exhibit is open Monday - Friday from 9 am-5 pm.

For the second time this year, **Mary Lou Ringers** has received an Honorable Mention from the Florida Suncoast Watercolor Society, this time in their October exhibition at Longboat Key Center for the Arts.

Joyce Novak's "Wetlands Triptychs" were exhibited in the Harmony Gallery, Symphony Center in Sarasota, Oct. 3 – 28.

Anne Abgott recently won a merit award at the Florida Suncoast Watercolor show at LBKCA. She has a one woman show at the Venice ART Center running through Oct. Anne will be President of the Florida Watercolor Society in 2006 when the show and convention will be in Sarasota. The dates are Sept 10 to 17th.

Kim Northrop, Isabelle Dunkeson, Kathleen McDonald, Judy Lyons Schneider and Nancy Turner are included in the “Small and Lovely” invitational exhibition at White Dog Gallery Nov. 4 in conjunction with the Palm Avenue Gallery Walk, 6 – 9 PM. - 73 Palm Ave Suite 218 (upstairs from Caraguilos). <http://www.whitedogdesign.com/smallandlovely.htm>

Betty Altman, Debbie Seter, Glad Elias, Nell Maha, Kathleen McDonald and Ellie Merritt are included in the next Gulfcoast Foundation of Venice Exhibition. The work can be viewed during business hours thru April. Opens Nov. 1, 5pm

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WCA MAKES A BIG SPLASH AT MOTE/ACS!

FOUR WCA'ers won merit awards at the latest ACS show; **Judy Nadler, Julie Trigg, Sandra Frick and Kim Northrop.**

PEN WOMEN AWARDS

Several WCA members, who are also Pen Women members, received awards at the National League of American Pen Women Florida State Convention in Gainesville in October. www.NLAPW-Sarasota.com

PEN WOMAN OF THE YEAR *** BETTY ALTMAN *******

ART AWARDS

1st place Art.....**Betty Altman**

1st place Art.....**Kathleen McDonald**

2nd Place Art.....**Jane Dye**

Achievement Art**Julee Docking**

Achievement Art**Nell Rude**

Achievement Art.....**Betty Altman**

LETTERS AWARDS

3RD Place. Unpublished Poetry.....**Sue Anderson**

BRANCH YEARBOOK

1st Place Branches with over 50 members.....Sarasota **Barbara Schicitano**Editor

SARASOTA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL LEADERSHIP AWARDS

November 7, 2005 from 5-7 pm at the Van Wezel Performing Arts Hall. Join The Arts Council as we celebrate arts leaders and award over \$1 million in grants to artists and arts organizations. Emcees Jack Perkins and Jimmy Dean will host the festivities which will take place on stage. 2006 Arts Leadership Award Recipients are **Eleanor Merritt Darlington**, Daniel Moe, **Alan Sloan** and Burton Wolfe. Posthumus awards will be made in honor of Syd Adler and Ed Keating, Leslie Lerner. \$15 per guest, to reserve, phone 365-5118 ext. 306.

ART CENTER SARASOTA

Following are the dates for the 2005-06 Lecture Series. All lectures take place at the Art Center, Sunday 4;30-6:30. Cost is \$10 members, \$15.00 for non-members. A wine and cheese reception follows each lecture.

2005-06 LECTURE SERIES

November 13, 2005- Mote- Bob Hite, WTPA-TV news anchor and Emmy award winning cinematographer

January 15, 2006- "Molas of the Kuna Indians" Anne Wenzel

February 26- Modern Animation- Jim McCampbell, Ringling School

March 19- Russian Art- Kevin Costello- Sarasota Herald-Tribune

May 7- How to Survive the Art World- **Sue Turconi**- from her lectures at the European Council of International Studies

LUNCH BUNCH INFORMATION

***Be sure to RSVP to the host artist
5 days in advance.***

**Bring your lunch and an unfinished piece for critique.
Refreshments and dessert will be provided!
Lunch Bunch begins at 11:00 AM**

Nov. 7 Lunch Bunch will be at Judy Lyons Schneider's house. RSVP Judy at 907-2907 or JLSArtStudio@aol.com. Your name must be on the list at the guard gate so RSVP is a must.

Directions to Judy Lyons Schneider's Home:

University Parkway going east (exit 213 on the Interstate 75) until you pass Lakewood Ranch Blvd. About ½ mile beyond the light at LR Blvd, make a left turn into Edgewater Village. Go past the gatehouse and make a right. Continue on Waterview Blvd. for about ½ mile, and #8013 is on the right. If you come to the end of the street, go back 3 houses. Please RSVP as I need to leave a list of people attending with the gatehouse.

Dec. 5 Lunch Bunch will be at Bernice Gaines's house. RSVP Bernice at 358-4931 or bpgaines@aol.com

Directions to Bernice's House 7306 38th Court Sarasota
From Rt. 41: Go East on University Pkwy – Cross 301 (next Traffic Light is Tuttle) – Left on Tuttle – (next Traffic Light is Tallevast) – Cross Tallevast – Left on 74th Avenue - (first street is 38th Ct. E) - Right Turn to #7306 (yellow house on left)

From I 75: Exit @ University Pkwy West (toward Airport) - travel approx 4+ miles (you will have passed a Publix Shopping Center on the right – to traffic light @ Tuttle - right turn on Tuttle – (next Traffic Light is Tallevast) – Cross Tallevast – Left on 74th Avenue – (first street is 38th Ct. E) Right turn to # 7306 (yellow house on left).

Jan. 2 Lunch Bunch will be at Kathleen McDonald's house. RSVP Kathleen at 497-5549 or KathleenArtist@aol.com

Feb. 6 Lunch Bunch will be at Deborah Seter's house. RSVP Debbie at 941-505-5659 or mdseter@mns.com.

Mar. 6 Lunch Bunch will be at Connie Holzner's house. RSVP Connie at 359-9175 or heholzner@alum.mit.edu

Apr. 3 Lunch Bunch will be at Debbie Dannheisser's house. RSVP Debbie at 371-2579 or flowsthru@aol.com

The Lunch Bunch continues throughout the year. If you are interested in hosting this affable group in any future month, particularly in May, June, July or August, please contact our Lunch Bunch Coordinator, Helen Pfeifle at 488-4147 or hmpfeifle@comcast.net

ART CENTER SARASOTA RECEIVING DATES:

www.artsarasota.org

If you can assist with ACS receiving on any or all of the dates below, please contact Kathleen at KathleenArtist@aol.com or 497-5549.

ACS RECEIVING DATES:

November 29 – Holiday Show, "Small Works"
February 7 - Watercolor
March 14 – "The Art of Travel", Members' Show
May 2 – Photo Show
June 13 – "Dreams", Open Exhibition

CALL TO ARTISTS: ART CENTER HOLIDAY GIFT BAZAAR

All ACS members are invited to bring items to sell in the front and middle galleries from November 22 through December 30. Artist receives 65% of sales price. Receiving of items is on November 22 from 10-3 PM. There is no entry fee and there is no limit on the number of items you can submit. Things that sell particularly well are usually priced under \$25. Suggestions: greeting cards, pottery, jewelry, matted artwork, fine craft items.

Kathleen is in charge of the Holiday Bazaar again this year but will be visiting children in Albuquerque on the November 22 receiving date. This is a plea for a WCA member who is also a member of ACS to step in and take over on that date. Please contact Kathleen at KathleenArtist@aol.com if you can help.

HOW TO READ MESSAGES ON THE WCA WEBSITE:

www.WomenContemporaryArtists.com

There is no need to sign in or join anything.

From the WCA website, click Board Messages and Updates

This will bring you to our Message Board
Click Messages

The Messages will be in chronological order (with the latest on the bottom)

Click on the Message to open and read

The Messages will stay on the site while applicable.
Only announcements with a very close deadline will go out in email updates. All other announcements and information can be found on the WCA web site.

**Want your own WCA web page on WCA?
Contact our web master Kim Northrop at info@kimnorthrop.com.**

NEWS YOU CAN USE

Memo from Sue Anderson: To all you gals getting your work ready for upcoming shows: if you need mats cut, contact my daughter, Sarah Phillips. She's a pro, has samples and will come to you if it's not too far. She'll also frame. Her rates are very artist-friendly. You can reach her by email at Sphil34896@aol.com or call her at 927-3728.

Drafting Table 30X40 adjustable height, white formica top, new condition \$75 - **Jess Miller** 312-0030
jessicawillie@earthlink.net

Diane Schmidt has metal frames complete with plexi for full sheet watercolor, very reasonable. 343-8718.

Plexiglas boxes needed to protect small art work for a March 2006 show at Art Center Sarasota. Does anyone have some to loan us for one month?

Thanks, **Judy Kramer**

KAOS GALLERY SOUTH, Village of the Arts, 1122 12th Street West, Bradenton FL 34205, Home of the 8' Zebra Gecko. A whimsical gallery in the Village of the Arts is filled with things useful, beautiful and eye-catching. Artist-owner **Miki Boni** features her colorful paintings along with some of the works of her own favorite artists: co-owner Thomas Paulsin, George Bieber, **Ellen Kaiden**, outstanding Raku potter, Andrew Berends, Bonnie Hoffman's extraordinary glass fish, and Judie Bomberger's clay things. Many other wonderful surprises and regularly changing exhibits. Hours: Fri-Sat. 11-4 and anytime by appointment. For information, call 747-0823.

Chapel in the Woods by Alegria Glad Elias

Like an albatross
It stands alone
On Mother Nature's land
Glimmering in dawn's light
Spectacular, wondrous sight

Speaks
Without a word
Listens
To prayers heard
A silent pace to meditate

Stained glass
Reflects the sun
Sky and trees are one
Little Chapel in the woods
Windows on the world

Written at the 2005 Retreat inspired by the morning sun at the Dayspring Chapel



Gathering at the Retreat 2005



Happy Hour Retreat 2005

ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES

ArtCenter Manatee, "Images & Inspirations"

An open, juried, all media exhibition open to all artists. On Saturday, October 29 12-4pm, Monday, October 31, 10am-4pm, and Tuesday, November 1 from 9am-12pm. There is no limit to the number of entries per artist yet there is an entry fee of \$15 per entry for ArtCenter Members, \$25 per entry for non-members. 1st place award, \$1,000, 2nd place, \$750, and 3rd place, \$500. For more information, visit www.ArtCenterManatee.org or phone 746.2862.

Drawing, Painting, and Printmaking Competition at Palm Beach Community College. The slides are due January 9, 2006. First prize is \$1000.00. Fee for entry, \$10.00 per slide, 4 entries at most. Send email for information to: janvier@pbcc.edu

Applications are now available for the **Fifth Annual Venice Art Show**, Feb. 25 & 26 at the Venice Community Center. Betty Volpe (484-3349) and Marilyn Cassidy (493-2744) will be co-chairmen this year. Applications are available from the Venice Art Center, 390 Nokomis Ave. S., Venice 34285 or call 485-7136.

Embracing our Differences, a project of the Florida Holocaust Museum and its Sarasota-Manatee Arch Family Holocaust Education Center announces its call to artists with a submission deadline of November 8, 2005. To submit a work of art, please find guidelines and applications on www.EmbracingOurDifferences.org. You may direct questions to embracingourdifferences@aol.com or 928-0567. The exhibition is scheduled April 2-30 2006, at Island Park along Sarasota's bay front, is an outdoor juried art exhibition consisting of 39 works of art. The last two similar exhibits, produced in 2004 and 2005, were viewed by over 130,000 people. Artists are asked to submit their interpretation of the theme Embracing Our Differences and are encouraged to collaborate with artists in other disciplines.

Fifth Biennial NATIONAL ART EXHIBIT", Charlotte County Visual Arts Center, Punta Gorda, FL, February 4 to March 17, 2006. This exhibit is limited to two-dimensional paintings and drawings. Each artist may submit up to 3 slides. Deadline: November 1, 2005. Over \$7,500 in prize money (Best of Show-\$2000, First Prize-\$1,500, Second Prize-\$1,000, Third Prize-\$750, etc). The judge is M. Stephen Doherty, Editor-in-Chief of both "American Artist" and "Watercolor". Please write for prospectus: Charlotte County Art Guild, Inc, The Visual Arts Center, 210 Maud Street, Punta Gorda, FL, 33950. or call Michelle Valencourt, Director, at Ph: 941-639-8810 or vac@daystar.net and www.visualartscenter.com

Fine Art Show Opportunity Englewood United Methodist Church will host an Invitational Fine Arts Show on Friday and Saturday, November 25 and 26, 2005. The location is inside the church Fellowship Hall at 700 E. Dearborn Street, Englewood, FL. Weather will not be a problem. The event will be widely advertised. Paintings, prints, photography, sculpture, fine art ceramics, jewelry, glass, wall hangings, etc. are welcome. No crafts. Please contact event Chair Nancy Prins at 941-474-7344 or jnprins2@msn.com for information and an application.

Katherine Cobb, owner of the furniture store, THE URBAN WAY, is looking for artists to display and sell their work (in 4-6 week segments) beginning this fall. As this store features contemporary, Asian, and exotic furniture and accessories, Katherine is looking to fill the walls and spaces with artwork that is compatible with that look. Artwork could be paintings, sculpture, fiber, monoprints, etc. She is not looking for the traditional floral, wildlife, or the beach and Florida-look. If booked, artwork will stay in the store until the end of the time period when buyers may pick up purchases. Artists receive 75% of the sale price with Katherine retaining 25%. If you wish to have your work initially considered for this venue, please email photos to Katherine at katherinecobb@comcast.net or mail photos or a cd to her at The Urban Way, 2402 Manatee Avenue East, Bradenton, FL 34208. Phone number: 941-714-0428 Katherine will respond back to you regarding an appointment and to see your work personally.

John Myer at the JCC has exhibition space available for one person shows in the main lobby. Anyone interested should contact him at 378-5568 ext. 231 or email him at culture2flanzerjcc.com. Also, any Muralist with experience and knowledge may want to contact him regarding a 3,000 sq. foot wall needing estimates for a mural.

Florida West Coast Symphony invites local artists to submit entries for the official 2006 Sarasota Music Festival poster. The chosen piece will also be displayed on T-shirts and related publicity. Artists must have a part-time or full time residence in either Sarasota or Manatee Counties. The artwork must include musical images or references to music as part of the overall design. The Sarasota Music Festival features classical music. Consideration will also be given to work that also incorporates a "Florida" feel. Artists can either submit final work or conceptual sketches along with samples of similar genres. Local artists are invited to submit entries for the official 2006 Sarasota Music Festival poster by December 31, 2005. Artists should submit quality photographs or concept sketches, along with background information on the artist, by December 31, 2005. Entries should be sent to: 2006 Festival Entry, Florida West Coast Symphony, 709 N. Tamiami Trail, Sarasota, FL 34236. Images can also be emailed to marketinglinda@fwcs.org.

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WOMEN CONTEMPORARY ARTISTS

Women Contemporary Artists is a strong regional organization of vibrant, professional and award winning women dynamically engaged in the visual fine arts. Based in Sarasota, Florida, our goal is to provide visibility, encouragement, and inspiration to women artists. Membership is available to women who want to actively participate in the functions of WCA.

WCA originated in 1984 from the vision of 20 Charter Members committed to fostering recognition for women's artistic accomplishments and contributions to the visual arts, and to promoting professional equality. In 1985, that group was affiliated with the national organization "Women's Caucus for Art". In 1998, WCA separated from the national organization, and changed its name to "Women Contemporary Artists".

WCA's many activities include juried exhibitions and various programs scheduled for members and guests. We assemble once a year for our fall retreat and, in the spring, present scholarship awards to outstanding women students in the community who choose to continue their art education.

Every effort is made to publicize and recognize the awards and achievements of our members and other women art professionals.



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