

# The Palette

The Irondequoit Art Club November/December 2010

www.irondequoitartclub.org

## SAM's Snippets

By Sheila (S.A.M.) Shrestha



### Florida Fantasy



My husband and I recently took a trip to Florida. During the first leg of the trip, we visited a former classmate of mine who lives in Cape Coral. She took us to Babcock Farm, a wildlife preserve. During a swamp buggy safari, we had the opportunity to stroke a live alligator, which we found out was traveling with us all along. He was leathery, bumpy & a bit pudgy. What the heck, artists are supposed to love texture! Around the bend, a herd of wild pigs stampeded us, seeking grain thrown by the tour guide. One young male was nicknamed "Kevin Bacon". A white, female pig was called "Half 'n Half".

For the next major leg of the journey, my friend, husband and I traveled by car to Orlando. There, we tackled the theme parks of Universal Studios. In addition to the unique buildings, the park is beautifully landscaped with many tropical plantings, including an unusual white Bird of Paradise. I took many pictures hoping to transform the images into future art works. We enjoyed the attractions & daring rides, of which "Harry Potter" was the newest. These rides are not for the squeamish! We went in looking like three, conservative, retired professionals, but came out looking like Larry, Moe and Curly (The Three Stooges). No exaggeration!

During a more sane moment, we attended Mary Queen of the Universe Church. As shown by a raise of hands, about 90% of those present were tourists. Both the pastor

and visiting priest had quite a sense of humor. My favorite line was the dismissal—"Remember when you leave today, the person in the other car is not your enemy". We appreciated not just the service and hospitality but also the brilliant stained glass windows, exceptional sculptures and art collection, all of which were phenomenal.

The hotel at which we stayed was the Gaylord Palms Hotel. My husband attended an oral health conference and I continued to party. The interior of the hotel's huge atrium was amazing with landscaping & waterways running throughout. I kid you not-- there were live alligators in the lobby. A fellow from "Gatorland" came about three times a week to feed these critters. After the Tuesday evening feeding, the "Alligator Man" happened to climb onto the walkway where I was standing. We conversed and I found out that not only was he originally from Rochester, but he also formerly worked at "Bazil's" on Empire Blvd, about 3 miles from where we now live. How about that for coincidences? Could this mean that tropical climates can promote conversion into alligator people?

Our final tourist thing was a visit to the Morse Museum in Winter Park which houses an incredible collection of Louis Comfort Tiffany's works. That, along with all the other treasures of the trip, really knocked my socks off. That may explain why Floridians run around in flip flops!

Florida is a land of tropical climate, palm trees, incredible foliage, exotic wildlife, exquisite art collections, elaborate theme parks and many other beautiful sights, but when all is said and done; it's still good to be back home in Rochester!

## IAC Notes:

### Officers for 2011

**Co-Presidents: Sally Steinwachs and John Ciminelli**

**Vice-President: Diane Bosco**

**Secretary: Barbara Montione**

**Treasurer: Barbara Petro**

A vote will be taken at the November business meeting to confirm these positions. If anyone wishes to serve as co-vice-president, please call Fran Mascari: 467-7743.

**The Art Walk at the Irondequoit Town Hall** will be featured in the 2011 winter issue of Metropolitan magazine.

### Wednesday meetings

Pinegrove, 12:30 PM

Nov. 17 – Workshop/Monoprints (Bring flat plates & water-based paints)

Nov. 24 – No meeting

Dec. 1 – Critique

Dec. 8 – Workshop/Drawing Text Descriptions (Bring drawing medium of choice & paper)

**Dec. 15 – Holiday Party (Bring a dish to pass & place setting)**

**Barbara Ford** is very happy so many members have sent cards. She will be coming home next Tuesday, Nov. 16, so future cards should be mailed to her home address.

**Norma Gingold** will have 3 pieces in an Art Show at the JCC from Dec. 2 to Dec. 21. The JCC address is 1200 Edgewood Ave., and the show is open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Of most importance to her is the associated Craft Show at the same place which is on ONLY from Dec. 2 to Dec. 3,

when she will also be in attendance with her jewelry, enamels, etc.

**Jeanette Musliner** has had two miniatures accepted into the Miniature Painters, Sculptors & Gravers Society of Washington, D.C. Exhibition of Fine Art in Miniature. The exhibit, from Nov. 21 (opening) to Dec. 30, will be at the Strathmore Mansion, 10701 Rockville Pike, in Bethesda, MD. Open daily except Sundays and holidays. See the website (mpsgs.org) for more details and pictures of last year's prize winners.

**Renate Eckart and May Lou Swicklik** are among the exhibiting artists in the "Off the Wall V" Art Show sponsored by AAUW, 494 East Ave, Rochester, NY 14607. Show Dates are Nov 9 thru Dec 31, 2010, Mon thru Fri. 10 AM to 2 PM, by appointment, 585-244-9892.

**IAC members** have work in the High Falls show featuring Parks during the months of November and December.

**Sister Estelle Martin** has a new address and phone number. 123 Whittington Rd. 14609 585-288-4853

**NOVEMBER MEETING**  
**Tuesday, November 23, 7 PM**  
**at Chapel Oaks**

This will be our annual business meeting so there will be no speaker.

**Refreshments**

Barb Montione  
S.A.M. Shrestha

**Shows and Demos**

**Rochester Art Club**  
**Annual Fall Show**

Barnes and Noble, Pittsford  
Nov 2-29. Free and open to the public during regular store hours.

**Peggy Martinez Workshop**  
Watercolor Painting and Clayboard mounting

**Date:** February 8-10, 2011

Tuesday thru Thursday

**Time:** 9am-4pm

**Location:** Rochester Art Club Studio  
1115 E. Main St. Suite 437-439,4th Floor Rochester, NY 14609

Fee: RAC non-members \$150.

RAC members \$135

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**The Main Street Artists**

November 19-January 2

The Williams Gallery

220 Winton Rd. South

Contact Suzi Zefting-Kuhn at  
585-233-5645 for more information.

suzi@suzizefting-kuhn.com

www.mainstreetartistsgallery.com

**Structural Spontaneity**

Watercolor Abstractions by  
Stu Chait. Exhibition open to the public from Nov. 9-Dec/ 2, 2010  
The Gallery at the Arts & Cultural Council, 277 N. Goodman Street  
(585) 473-4000

Please note that there will be no issue of the Palette in December.

**Deadline for the January. Palette is**  
**January 5.**

**Sister Estelle Martin**  
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**MINUTES, IAC meeting**

October 26, 2010 at Chapel Oaks  
(St. Ann's Community).

Meeting opened at 7:07PM by Jeanette Wojtas, Co President. Jeanette Musliner gave treasurer's report for Barb Petro. (Report attached to hard copy) Mary Lou Swicklik of the Ethic's Committee gave an "original work" description. Full discussion will come at the November business meeting.

Barb Montione: Art and Craft Show. Pickup of works moved back to 2PM on Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>.

(Our racks need to be used by the Pinegrove seniors for their craft show on the next day). Next year we need to check their dates against ours so that there will be no such conflict. Fran Mascari, Nominating Committee. John Ciminelli has agreed to be CoPresident with Sally Steinwachs. Meeting adjourned at 7:16PM followed by refreshments and lecture/demonstration by Barbara Jablonski. Respectfully submitted, Barbara Montione

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