

# The Palette

The Irondequoit Art Club

September 2010

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## SAM's Snippets

By Sheila (S.A.M.) Shrestha



Summer Sun-sations

Welcome back, IAC Artists! Hope you all had a wonderful & productive summer. Here are some summer highlights to share with you:

- The IAC picnic held at Carol and Joe Riesenberger's home. This super picnic took place in their creative garden. We ate a delicious buffet while seated among the shade trees, winding paths, bits of art & whimsy. Lots to explore. Food for the body and the imagination! Thanks Carol & Joe.
- Incredible summer sunsets enjoyed over Bauman's cornfields.
- Quiet summer evenings which we enjoyed even more so after a lightning strike on our new home & close call for my husband. What a shocking experience and dramatic way to meet our new neighbors-the West Webster Fire Department.
- A humongous weeping willow at Empire & Plank Rd that danced among the evergreens in myriad shades of green.
- Animals of all sorts: \*SWALLOWS that nested behind the pillar by our front door. What a view! We got to see their hatching, development and 1<sup>st</sup> flight from the nest. Four babies with ragamuffin "hairdos". Now fending for themselves, they continue to swoop & snatch front yard bugs. \*A TOAD that lives under the steps by our back garage door. He/she gives us the "eye" while hanging around every evening for a

meal of backyard bugs - a real toady! \*FIREFLIES & fireworks spotted in our backyard all in one evening. What a sight--glimmer and bling everywhere!! \*BUTTERFLIES & HUMMINGBIRDS & HONEYBEES that visit the butterfly bushes outside our bedroom window. Each day, I wonder what I'll see when I open the curtain. \*Honking GEESE that fly away in early morning and return at evening. They often leave behind beautiful, sturdy feathers that I use in silk paintings. \*A prehistoric-looking TURTLE, crossing our driveway that narrowly missed being squished. I relocated him near a stream out back.

It has been an exciting summer, full of ideas to draw upon (literally). Next week we take our annual trip to the Thousand Islands. Although the main plan is to fish, there is always great quiet time to generate silk art on a bank overlooking the St. Lawrence River. I look forward to seeing all of you back at Chapel Oaks on Sept 28. Stay safe and well until we meet again!



## IAC Notes:

**Sheila ("S.A.M.") Shrestha**, won awards for two of her hand-dyed-silk scarves in the fines arts exhibit at the 2010 Monroe County Fair. The piece entitled "Daylilies", earned a first place blue ribbon and best of section rosette. "Daylilies" was inspired by a photo she took at Enchanted Gardens, a daylily nursery on State Road in Webster. She also won a second place red ribbon for her scarf & earring set entitled "Heliotrope", a

sun-painting done in shades of pink, mauve and blue.

### Wednesday meetings

We are continuing our Wednesday meetings at Pinegrove. Bring a lunch if you wish at noon. Meeting to start at 12:30. If you are in contact with any member who doesn't have e-mail remind them of these dates

**Barbara Montione** has graciously volunteered to chair the fall show. Please sign up for one or two sitting sessions. Even those members who may not be participating, please consider sitting for the show.

Fall Show dates:  
Nov. 1–Nov. 5

Registration forms  
mailed separately.

**The Irondequoit Town Hall** is hosting an original, fine art exhibit, entitled "The Irondequoit Art Walk", presented by the Irondequoit Art Club (IAC), a locally-based group of eclectic artists. Every two months, a different display of IAC art works is shown. The current show runs from August 2 until September 30, 2010 and features a variety of framed works including acyclic, oil, watercolor, collage, silk painting. The pieces are located on the main floor immediately outside and inside the Broderick Room and also on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor outside of administrative offices. IAC artist, Tom Romanoski, is the coordinator of this cultural event.

Says Irondequoit Supervisor Mary Joyce D'Aurizio: "...Take a stroll

*through the Broderick Room and hallways to admire the talent of artists who have the eye and hand to depict what we humans cherish in our lives. Feel the wind fill the sails as boats navigate the river. Sense the serenity of stained glass windows in a church. Reminisce about the days of riding a pony. Feel the fineness of silk stroked with pastels from a painter's palette. These are a few examples of the creative energies on display at the Irondequoit Town Hall. Please visit the gallery of revolving art works and seek to inspire one's creative inner self.* Supervisor D'Aurizio reminds our residents, *'All passes; art alone endures''*.

Another IAC endeavor, located at Irondequoit Town Hall wall by the stairs is a series of permanent murals depicting scenes of Irondequoit history. Completed in 2004, this 3-year project with 19 vignettes spans 150 years of town history and is noted as one of the Town's accomplishments. These works were created by IAC members, Jeanette Musliner, a nationally-respected artist, and Hollis Biggs Garver. The historical scenes developed in consultation with town historian Pat Wayne, are composites of several photos. Durand Eastman Park is presented as four seasons within one painting; the Town Hall as a compilation of July 4 daytime parade and nighttime fireworks. The frames were handmade and painted to match the wall.

### **Volunteer opportunity**

Would anyone from the Irondequoit Art Club be interested in volunteering to teach an art class at Chapel Oaks once or twice a month, for an hour? There would be an allowance for supplies. This volunteer position would be open in September or October. If you have any questions contact Rebecca at Chapel Oaks, 585-697-6000.

### **Changes**

**Lisa Struble**

new e-mail: [llisartist@gmail.com](mailto:llisartist@gmail.com)..

**Sister Estelle Martin**

new address and phone #

123 Whittington Road, 14609

288-4853

## **SEPTEMBER MEETING**

**Tuesday Sept. 28**

### **Refreshments**

**Fran Mascari**

**June Zacari**

## **SEPTEMBER PRESENTER**

**LEN BRONDUM**, a master silk painter and experienced educator who teaches painting on silk, will give an art demo at the Tuesday, September 28, 2010 meeting of the Irondequoit Art Club to be held 7:30 PM at Chapel Oaks, St. Ann's Community, 1550 Portland Ave., Rochester, NY 14621. As an artist, Brondum works with bold color in pastel, acrylic, enamel and most frequently dyes on silk. She plans to demonstrate some techniques and also let people from the group try their hand at silk painting. She will bring examples of silk scarves and fine art in silk.

Brondum began her career by studying fine art, textile design and graphic arts at the Technical College for Fine Arts in Durban, South Africa, and worked as a textile designer before coming to the United States. She was an adjunct lecturer at Rochester Institute of Technology and teaches workshops at the Memorial Art Gallery, Rochester New York. She has exhibited extensively in Western New York and throughout the United States and is on permanent exhibit at The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina and the 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne Museum at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. A file on Len's work is in the archives of the National Museum

of Women in Arts, Washington, DC. Her work is featured in "The Complete Book of Silk Painting" and "The Best of Silk Painting" both by Diane Tuckman and Jan Janas, "Painting for Fashion and Fine Art" by Susan Louise Moyer, and "Surface Design Journal".

## **Shows and Demos**

### **Penfield Art Club**

Take a stroll through the Penfield Art Association's Autumn Show hosted by the Legacy at Willow Pond, *September 26<sup>th</sup> thru October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 9am-7pm daily*. This spectacular show of 145 entries highlights the local landscape with a special category for "Penfield Scenes". Watch art come alive with free demonstrations featuring Acrylic Painting by Brenda Lyness on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, Watercolor by Chris Waara on Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, Oil Painting by Bob Keim on Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, and Jamie Butler demonstrates Multi-Media techniques on Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. All demonstrations run from 2-4pm.

The show opens with a *reception on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm* with Alice Chen demonstrating Oriental Brush Painting and closes with an *awards ceremony on Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> from 7-9pm*. You won't want to miss this incredible show!

The Legacy at Willow Pond is located at 40 Willow Pond Way in Penfield, NY 14526, with the *show open daily from 9am-7pm*. All events are open to the public and admission is free

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Greater Rochester**

Announces Grants Available

Rochester, NY - The Arts & Cultural Council for Greater Rochester announces over \$105,000 in grant funding available to nonprofit organizations, artists, and school partnerships. For information on all grant programs, including application forms and guidelines, please visit [ArtsRochester.org](http://ArtsRochester.org).

Contact: Jennifer Watson  
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(585) 473-4000, extension 206  
[jwatson@artsrochester.org](mailto:jwatson@artsrochester.org)

**The Portrait and Figures: Faces of  
Life Exhibit**

Sept. 13 - Oct. 8  
Arts Cultural Council  
277 North Goodman St.

**RAC Fall Show**

Nov. 2 – Nov. 29  
Barnes & Noble, Pittsford

**Waterways West**

Sept. 11 – Oct. 16  
Oxford Gallery  
267 Oxford St.

**Rochester Area Colored Pencil  
Club**

**Fall Show**  
Oct. 3 – 30  
Barnes & Noble, Pittsford

**Our Parks**

Entry blanks for the  
November/December exhibit at High  
Falls are available on line or by  
calling Sally Winslow at the High  
Falls Office.

**IRONDEQUOIT ART CLUB**

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**Deadline for the Oct. Palette is  
October 5.  
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