



# The Palette

The Irondequoit Art Club

January 2019

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## SAM's Snippets by Sheila ("S.A.M.") Shrestha



### *You are what you wear...*

"You are what you eat" is a very old slogan that my husband used

years ago in one of his dental resident seminars on nutrition at the U of R. The concept stresses how our bodies are affected by the food we eat.

I am suggesting a slight modification, i.e. "You are what you wear." It seems just as likely that our activities can be influenced by the garments we put on.

We know that artists are associated with "cover-up jobs"



from two perspectives. Artists cover their canvases with their desired media and they cover themselves to protect from accidental spills, hence the importance of the wearing apparel! How important the garment is to the artist's psyche was prompted by comments from an artist friend, Sally S., who recently showed me a favorite denim apron she wears when teaching and



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making art. In it, she feels like one of the masters.

Upon mulling this over, I must admit the similar is true for me – the outfit I wear does tend to influence my mindset. Although, unlike Sally's classy apron, my artist smock is really a re-cycled lab coat from my "olden" days spent in science labs. It now contains a sample of just about every silk dye with which I have ever worked. Therefore, I do not resemble a master in any sense of the word, but really more of a "mess-ter". Nevertheless, I feel comfortable slipping into this "history" of my former art sessions and this loosens my attitude, releases many inhibitions and allows me to work with gusto on my silks with reckless abandon.

There are other examples of my how my wearing apparel affects my activities, such as:

◆By throwing on "schlunkie" clothes to tend my flower/veggie gardens, I can much more easily get down and dirty and really "dig" my work.



◆Dressing in finery tends to make me behave slightly more dignified. Realize, however, that most folks know this is nearly impossible for me.

◆Wearing conservative styles paves the way to put me into a

more contemplative mood and so is my preferred go-to apparel for religious services. Ironically, I never wear my "hole-y" clothes to church.



◆After slipping into a pair of dance shoes, my body, mind and "soles" communicate as one, which is certainly a "step" in the right direction.

And indeed, we are always "clothed" in a world of color from which we draw inspiration that "percolates" and subsequently spews out into the uniqueness of our art.

Now that the new year is upon us, I wonder what "outfit" you will wear in preparing your latest art designs? Will this change you? Is the new you the real you? Will folks recognize the new you? All things to consider as you embark on "new beginnings" this January.

Happy New Year – here's wishing you much acclamation, admiration and appreciation through your anticipated artistic accomplishments.



# IAC Notes

## REMINDER

IAC dues are \$30 per person, \$35 per family and are due by January 31, 2019. If there are any changes to your address, phone number or email, please send those with your check made out to Irondequoit Art Club to **Karen Chamberlin, 68 Sansharon Dr, 14617.**

**IAC Mailbox.** With the exception of the address above for sending dues, the club's main mailing address is again at the Irondequoit Town Hall, 1280 Titus Ave, Rochester, NY 14617.

## Future Dates

### Spring Show 2019 Info

Jane Adams and Karen Chamberlin are the Co-chairs of the Spring Show. Dates are as follows:

- Weds 4/24 -- Set-up
- Thurs 4/25 – Sat 5/4 Show
- Sun 5/5 – Takedown

For Qs, Jane can be reached at 585-544-5602 or [jane.adams1227@gmail.com](mailto:jane.adams1227@gmail.com)

### Annual IAC Picnic

Saturday, August 17. Picnic will be held at Camp Eastman's Rotary Lodge. The lodge has bathroom facilities and is accessible to all. The site will be available from 10AM to 9:45PM.

## IAC Thursday Morning Artist Breakfast Meeting

Every Thursday, artists meet at Bill Gray's Seabreeze location at 10:30AM to talk about any or all aspects of art. These informal meetings last about 1 to 1 ½ hr to discuss paintings.

It's a great venue to show art, get feedback, and meet new and prospective members. No food purchase is necessary. All are welcome. If Qs, contact Terry Patti, 342-2279.

Please note that IAC's Thursday Breakfast Group has a show in the Terry Gallery, St. John's Home, 150 Highland Avenue, Rochester, 14620. The show runs from January 2 through January 31. There will be an Artists' Reception on Saturday, January 19, from 2 to 4 PM, in the library. Refer also to details in this Palette under "Shows/Classes/Demos Section."

## Wednesday Meeting Info

**Pinegrove Center** - Meet at noon with your own lunch if desired. Hot beverage provided. Program is from 12:30 to 1:30.

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| JAN | 9  | WORKSHOP* – Spontaneous Beginnings - PT 1 |
|     | 15 | WORKSHOP* – Spontaneous Beginnings - Pt 2 |

\*On Wednesday, January 9, there will be a workshop at Pinegrove that will continue on January 15 for part two. Come around 12 noon and the workshop will begin at 12:30. The title of the

workshop is "Spontaneous Beginnings." Choose your media to start a new piece. If you choose acrylics bring your paint, canvas, pallet knife, tissue paper or texture producing items. For watercolor bring tissue paper and colored tissue paper that is usually used for gifting, wax paper or Saran Wrap. For alcohol ink bring your usual supplies and a white Jelly Roll pen. For colored pencils bring other items that create colors besides your pencils. With no preconceived notion the "Spontaneous Beginnings" workshop will provide the opportunity to use your intuition, creativity, and interpretation to find inspiration within your work. The results can lead you to find new ideas and maybe new subject matter for your artwork. If you have any Qs, please contact Gwen Ostrom at 585-467-0991, [gwenostrom@gmail.com](mailto:gwenostrom@gmail.com)

## PLAN FOR FUTURE CRITIQUES:

During these sessions, you may bring completed work, or work in progress, for a gentle group review &/or critique; limited to 2 works per artist per session. Each artist would describe what he/she is attempting and seek feedback.

## IAC Artist Seeking the Loan of an Easel

 Nancy Jo Gambacurta is seeking the loan of third easel while working on a triptych. For details, please contact Nancy Jo at 585-544-3175, [summervilleimages@yahoo.com](mailto:summervilleimages@yahoo.com)

## Seeking a Librarian

IAC is seeking a volunteer librarian to replace Nancy Jo Gambacurta who is now serving as Club President. This involves overseeing the club's art books and other art reference holdings. For more info or to volunteer, please contact Nancy Jo at 544-3175.

## Sunshine

The club wishes Irma Pylyshenko all the best in her upcoming surgery.



## Condolences

IAC mourns the death of longtime Member and Friend of the club, Robert Kiesow. Bob passed away on Dec. 30. For many years, he participated in the Wednesday Programs by conducting gentle critiques. Many members benefited from his instructions. Services were held in private at request of family.

## Call for IAC Artists

### Irondequoit Town Hall Art Walk

Barbara Montione organizes the art display at the Irondequoit Town Hall and changes the exhibit every 3 months. New members are more than welcome to submit work for future shows! To enter work in future exhibits, contact Barb by phone (585-338-1184) or email ([bmontione@aol.com](mailto:bmontione@aol.com)) with your painting title, medium, price and size (small, medium or large). Also put this info on the back of the piece. She will prepare the labels.

Per usual: David Pell and Barb will be changing the Town Hall pictures early in February. Now is

the time for IAC members to start reviewing their inventory. Please note that Lydia Boddie-Rice sold two pictures from the current exhibition! Congratulations to Lydia!

**Rochester Art Supply**, 150 W. Main St, Rochester, NY 14614, (585) 546-6509 will provide credits back to the club if you make a purchase there. The procedure is that you would ask for a form on which to record your purchase info. When the total sales for IAC reach \$1000, the club receives 5% back.

## TUESDAY EVENING MEETING/JANUARY



Photographer and Technology Integration Teacher, **DON MENGES**, will give a presentation entitled "My Expertise in Photography" at the January 22, 2019 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, after the club's 7 PM business meeting. (Enter St. Ann's Campus and bear left following signs to the main entrance of Chapel Oaks.) There is no charge for this event and the site is accessible to all.

Formerly a Math teacher, in 1990, Menges became the first Technology Integration Teacher in NYS. For the next 17 years, he taught teachers how to incorporate technology into their

instructional strategies and students how to use technology as a tool to learn and publish their accomplishments. Photography is a natural motivator for children. Menges and his students used some of the very early digital cameras and enjoyed the evolution of them as they captured images of people, bugs, architecture, science experiments, and much more. He was fascinated with how even reluctant students would write volumes about the images they captured as if they were compelled to explain what this little slice of time meant to them.

Menges retired in 2006 and decided to take his interest in photography to the next level by continuing to learn and practice ever since. He enjoys photographing everything, always seeking that image that clearly defines a person, a place, or a thing, often just capturing an image that describes an ordinary thing in an extraordinary manner.

He has been a Partner at Image City Photography Gallery on University Ave., Rochester, NY, for the past 10 years and enjoys making architectural images, street work and portraiture.

For more information & to view other samples of Menges' work, visit [www.mengesphotos.com](http://www.mengesphotos.com) or email [dmenges521@gmail.com](mailto:dmenges521@gmail.com)

## Refreshments/ Jan. 22 Meeting

Jeanette Musliner and Karen Chamberlin

## Future IAC Presenters

provided by Nancy Jo Gambacurta and Ken Kassel:

**Feb. 26** – Bill Stephens of Honeoye Falls will present a demo of his skills in ink and watercolor design and techniques.

**Mar. 26** – Louis Perticone, Irondequoit native and owner of the amazing Artisan Works, discusses the art of collecting.

**April 23** – Kathleen Hanney, award winning studio and plein air artist shall present a demo of her mastery of pastels.

**May 28** – Robert Geroux will present a program describing his sculptures that incorporate found and manufactured objects. He describes his work as whimsical and somewhat creepy.

**Sept. 24** - Steve Carpenter of Steve Carpenter Art Center will give a demo in charcoal of his expertise in figure drawing and portraiture.

**Oct. 22** – Valerie O’Hara of Pike Stained Glass Studios shall speak of the making and restoring of stained glass windows as the 3<sup>rd</sup> generation head of this 110-yr-old firm.

Mark your calendars!

## 2018 New Members

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## Shows/Classes/Demos

### *IAC's Thursday Breakfast Group Show*

The Terry Gallery  
St. John's Home  
150 Highland Avenue,  
Rochester, 14620

January 2 through January 31

Artists' Reception on Saturday, January 19, 2 to 4 PM, in the library, across the hall from the Terry Gallery.

If Qs, contact Jane Adams, 585-544-5602 or [jane.adams1227@gmail.com](mailto:jane.adams1227@gmail.com)

### *Winter Holiday Exhibit*

Artists' Breakfast Group  
Rochester City Hall Link  
Gallery  
30 Church St  
Rochester, NY 14614  
Exhibit ends Jan 28

### *Fifth Annual Small Works Show*

Little Theater & Cafe  
240 East Ave.  
Rochester New York 14604

December 29 through January 26, 2019

Reception and Awards on Sunday, January 6, 2 to 4pm

For info call 585-248-0400

### *Diverse Directions*

Gallery 384  
384 East Ave

Now through Jan 30

Artists' Reception  
Jan 16, 5:30-8:30pm

### *Women by the Bay*

The Artists Cave  
4639 Culver Rd  
Rochester, NY 14622

September 2019

Organized by IAC member, Lucy Luo. Contact Lucy at [lucyluoxin@163.com](mailto:lucyluoxin@163.com) if you are interested in showing.

### MAG

Check website or phone for program info

MAG Hours:  
Weds–Sun, 11am–5pm  
Thursday, 11 am–9 pm  
CLOSED Monday, Tuesday,  
and major holidays (4th of July)

Call 585-276-8959

[Mag.rochester.edu](http://Mag.rochester.edu)

### *Free Live Demos*

Monroe County Central Library  
115 South Avenue  
Rochester, NY 14604

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month in Harold Hacker Hall (old side of library, South Ave.)

12-1:30 PM

Feb. 2 - Gerry Szymanski, photography

March 2 - 6x6 party for RoCo

April 6 - Maia Horvath, collage

May 4 - Nancy Colman, glass

Parking at the ramp garage near main library is not expensive and easy to access.

[585-428-7300](tel:585-428-7300)

## Artist Opportunities:

### The Artist Breakfast Group

(ABG) has a new meeting place - the Community Room at Abundance Food Co-op, 571 South Ave, Rochester, 14620. If you drive there please park in the back of the lot. If you get coffee or any food, pay at the desk on your way to the Community Room. The new meeting time is 8:15 am.

The ABG arrangement with the co-op extends through April 9 of this year. This allows time to evaluate this meeting space as well as to check on other possible locations. Your ideas are welcome.

After the meeting take a look at the superb food at Abundance and/or go online now (<http://abundance.coop>).

•**The Terry Gallery**, St. John's Home, 150 Highland Ave, Rochester, 14620. Art display and sale opportunity at The Terry Gallery, at St. John's Home, 150 Highland Avenue, 14620.

If you are interested in displaying your work as an individual, or as a group of artists, please contact Sandy Ferguson at St. John's. You can sign-up for a one month exhibit, she will tell you what months are available. Contact Sandy at 585-760-1293, or email [sferguson@stjohnsliving.org](mailto:sferguson@stjohnsliving.org)

•**The Artists Cave**. If interested in exhibiting art at The Artists Cave, contact Lori Lenhard at 467-2333 or email [theartistscave@frontier.com](mailto:theartistscave@frontier.com). 10% commission (sales tax applies).

Please note that IAC member Lucy Luo is organizing a show for September, "Women by the Bay" to be hosted by The Artists Cave. Contact Lucy at [lucyluoxin@163.com](mailto:lucyluoxin@163.com) if you are interested in showing.

## Irondequoit Art Club

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| Nancy Jo Gambacurta             | 544-3175 |
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**Please submit material for the February Palette by Feb. 5, 2019 to S.A.M. Shrestha, 704-5020, [bshrestha@rochester.rr.com](mailto:bshrestha@rochester.rr.com)**

## IRONDEQUOIT ART CLUB MINUTES

November 27, 2018  
Chapel Oaks Community Room

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President, Sally Steinwachs at 7 PM.

Jeanette Musliner announced that she had bags of seashells for members to help themselves to at the back of the room.

Sally announced:

Chris Chilas is selling his oil paints. Anyone interested in buying them can contact him.

The Artist's Cave is having a sale from Dec.4th through Dec. 20th. If interested, check the flyer at the back of the room. If interested in providing artwork to the sale, contact the Artist's Cave.

ROCO is having their annual exhibition on East Avenue. The opening is on Dec. 7th from 6-9 p.m.. The annual membership fee to belong to ROCO is \$30.

SAM is sick & Fran Mascari is home from the hospital. Karen Holtz is home & she would love a visit from members. Sally is going if anyone would like to join her, let her know.

Irma Pylyshenko thanked the membership for all the get well cards & healing wishes she received.

Sally called on members to remember Carol Lenahan & showed a purse that she has that was made by Carol who was also a wonderful watercolor artist.

Linda Hanss announced that she is running low on Sunshine cards. The club purchased more & they are available at the back of the room. She asks members to create the cards

& return them to her either at the Christmas party or the next meeting.

Minutes: Karen Pesch made a motion to approve the minutes & Jane Adams seconded. Carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Karen Chamberlin presented the November 2018 Treasurer's Report. Michele Barnard made a motion to accept the report & Chris Chilas seconded. Carried Unanimously.

November 2018 Treasurer's Report:

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| Money Market Account | \$3,113.10  |
| Checking Account     | \$15,281.11 |
| TOTAL                | \$18,394.21 |

*Full report on file with Secretary*

Ken Kassel announced the list of presenters for 2019. Copies of the listing was made available at the back of the room.

Sally reviewed a rule in the club's by-laws that states: "no one may hold office for more than 2 years". Given that Gary Knapp has already served as membership officer for 2 years, a vote is needed to make sure it is ok with membership for him to serve in this position for a 3rd year.

A motion was made by Ken Kassel & seconded by Betty Zarcone to have Gary Knapp serve as membership officer for a 3rd year. Carried unanimously.

### Fall Show - 2018

Karen Pesch thanked all who participated. Also, even though all artists were limited to 1 table each, due to the number of participants, all went well.

Karen asked membership to think about the next show, such as how long the show should run & possible dates to hold it. There will be further discussion at the January meeting.

Jeanette Musliner commented that the show looked professional & looked better than any before it.

Sally stated that there may still be show signs on corners, etc. If anyone sees one, please pick it up & give to her at the Christmas party or the January meeting.

### Christmas Party

Gwen Ostrom announced that the Christmas party will be held on Dec. 12th at the Pinegrove Community Center beginning at Noon.

Members whose last names begin with the following letters bring what is indicated:

A to E desserts

F to Z main or side dish

Members must bring placesetting & an optional white elephant gift.

Set-up crew needs to be there at 11AM.

### Wednesday Pinegrove Center Meetings

Gwen Ostrom announced that the 1st Wednesday of January will be a critique & the second Wednesday will be a presentation given by a member. She provided a form at the back of the room for members to sign up for doing presentations.

### Summer Picnic

Sally announced that she has looked into having the summer picnic held at Camp Eastman. The cost would be between \$160-\$185. She

requested permission to go forward with making the reservation.

The membership comments included that a Saturday would be best, but having the picnic after 4 pm would make it easier for members who work.

Jane Adams made motion to approve & Ellie Pelcher seconded. Carried unanimously.

### Spring Show

Jane Adams announced that the Spring show dates will be April 24 (set-up), April 25 (reception) through May 5th (take-down).

Sally asked for a volunteer to chair this show, with no response.

Sally stated that the Penfield Art Club will borrow our club's racks after the Spring show & then return them to the town after their show is done.

### Library Foundation

Sally asked the members what they thought about giving the Foundation \$1,000 for allowing the Club to use the library rooms for free.

The comments included:

When the show was held at the old library, the club was charged \$270/show. Now there is no charge. The club hasn't paid the library anything for 2 years (4 shows).

There was concern of creating a precedent by giving such a large amount & that perhaps the amount could be lowered.

Mirko Pylyshenko, who served on the Foundation Board stated that there was no worry for giving precedent.

Sally asked for a vote as to whether there should be a vote to approve contributing the \$1,000 or to wait until the January meeting.

22 voted to table until the January meeting.

6 voted to vote now.

#### Officers

Karen Chamberlin, as Chairman of the Nomination Committee, presented the 2019 officers:

President: Jane Adams & Nancy Jo Gambacurta, with Phyllis Rodi assisting.

Vice Pres: Ken Kassel

Treasurer: Karen Chamberlin

Secretary: Ellie Pelcher

Membership: Gary Knapp

Sally asked if there were any other nominations & there were none. Judy Travis, as Secretary, submitted one vote to approve all nominations. Carried unanimously.

Jeanette Musliner gave a thank you to all past officers.

#### Miscellaneous

Jane Adams announced that she has a month to month show scheduled for March 1st at St. John's which she won't be able to use. She suggested that the club members could have a group show at that time.

#### Refreshments

Refreshments were provided by Lynn Lattimore & many others.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Motion for adjournment by Cliff Imes & seconded by Karen Chamberlin. Carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Travis, Secretary