

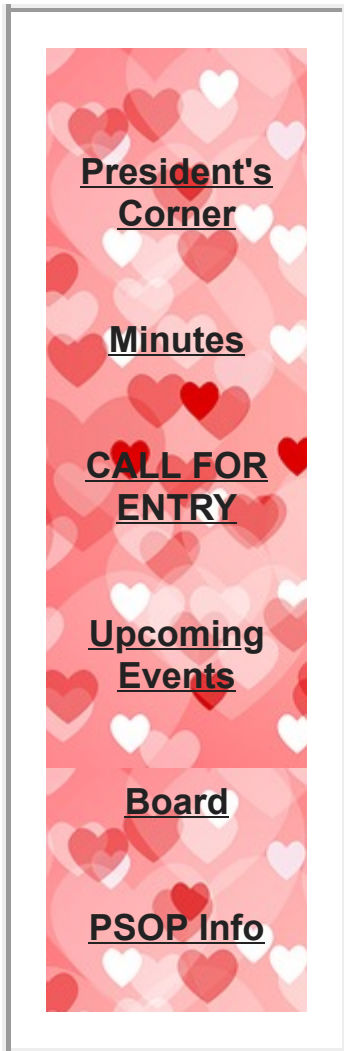
# January 2018

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*PRESIDENT'S CORNER*

Greetings everyone from Puerto Vallarta! I'm writing this to you from beautiful Mexico!! I

wish you were all here to enjoy this with me. My husband and I and our entire family are here enjoying the sites and sounds of the Pacific Ocean and mountain ranges as far as the eye can see. The temperature is mild, a cool 76 degrees but we're not complaining. Besides the beautiful scenery, we are thrilled to the sight of whales breaching outside our house. We saw them in the morning, more so than the afternoon and couldn't believe our eyes.

Along with the ocean wonders we are also being treated to a study in value. When viewing the mountain



ranges, there are several, one behind the other...[Read More](#)



GEAG Minutes – General  
Membership Meeting –  
January 3, 2018

President Karen Romani opened the meeting at 6:07 p.m. She greeted members and visitors: Amy McLennan and Michael Neary. Amy is the director of the McKendree University Gallery of Art in Lebanon, IL. Karen thanked everyone who helped put the Christmas party together: Sue Lowry for the music provided by the O’Fallon High School Madrigal Choir; Anne Mongiovi for the table decorations; and to Suzy Kunz for obtaining the judge for the art show and for getting the prizes; Kim Ferguson for desserts; Michael Waligorski for the microphones; Lynn for running the front table; Deb Horrell for organizing our card contest; Kathy Odle and her work at the Shrine on our Christmas tree; and the rest of the board for pitching in and making the party such a success.

This is a new year so be sure to renew your 2018 membership for \$35.00. You may pay tonight, online or by mail.

The Treasurer, Karen Miller, reported we have \$14,561.76 which includes our \$5,000 endowment.

Our membership per, Lynne Dibadj, is 120 members as of December 2017.

Suzy Kunz, Exhibits chair, reminded us the Edwardsville Art Center “Best of GEAG” opening is Jan 9 from 6-8 p.m. The EAC will also be honoring John Celush. There should be a nice crowd and a chance of selling some pieces. Marty Spears worked alongside of Suzy to obtain entries. There will be Best in Show and first, second, and third place. As a note Mike Anderson complimented Christy MacMorran on setting up the website so we could register online.

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## Upcoming Events



### February 7 Monthly Meeting Julie Snidle - Encaustic Demo

Join us for our February 7th meeting at PSOP and see Julie Snidle demonstrate her beautiful abstract encaustic work.

[Find out more »](#)



*at the surface*

### Foundry Art Center Call for entry

Entries due Feb. 5, 2018

This all-media exhibition addresses the surface quality of artworks. A fundamental element of artwork, texture can be expressed physically or visually.

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### Watercolor Batik with Linda Rawson

2/17/18 - 2/18/18

Use watercolor and wax on rice paper to create 2 – 3 highly textured paintings. Held at Rock Springs Nature Center in O'Fallon, IL.

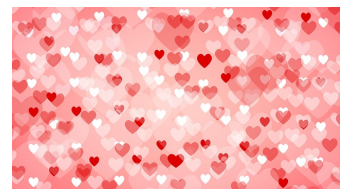
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### March 7 Monthly Meeting Susan Bostwick - Ceramic Demo



### Framations Call for Entry: Brilliant Color



**Thank you Jay  
Burgmann for  
volunteering to  
be our new  
Publicity Chair!**

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### Ceramic Demo

Join us for our March 7th meeting at PSOP. Susan Bostwick will give us a ceramics demonstration. Susan says, "Although my work is inspired by the "land," it is the problem solving aspect of working in clay that motivates me. A narrative is not the starting point."

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(All Media)

March 9 – April 19

Entries Due:

March 2-4: 6-8 pm

Periodically over the last year, we have introduced exhibit themes that highlight the elements of art, which are line, shape, space, texture, value, form and color. In turn, we have arrived at color.

[Find out more »](#)

### Don't Forget!!!

- 2018 dues are now due! Please pay your dues to keep enjoying GEAG benefits!
- Pick-up your art from Edwardsville Arts Center Feb. 2 from 10-4



Join us for our next meeting!

We meet at 6pm on the 1st Wednesday of each month.

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