

The Midwest Museum Welcomes its New and Renewing Members • February 1 to May 1, 2014

BENEFACTOR

*#Drs. Terry Bryant & Liz Elliott
Abby Thomas
*John Zakrajsek, Jr.
*‡#Phyllis Welch

PATRON

*Mr. & Mrs. James Brotherson
*‡#Dr. & Mrs. Rick Burns
*‡#Lois Dusthimer
*‡#Craig & Connie Fulmer
Mr. & Mrs. Justin Rothshank
*#Barbara S. Thomas

CORPORATE

#Rollie Williams Paint Spot

SOCIETY of ASSOCIATES

Shirley Andrews
‡#Tom & Dottie Arnold
#Bill Dean & Ann Bacus
*David Bechtold
*Susan Edmundson
*Steve Gruber
First State Bank
*#Mr. & Mrs. Dean Kelly
*James Kelly & Tom Myers
#Drs. Wes Mark & Mary Harder
*Helen McCauslin & Gene Radket
*#Patricia Morison
#Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Poe
*Jerry Robison
*#Tim & Meg Shelly
Linda Heckaman Swank
*#Dr. & Mrs. Jack Turnock

FAMILY

#Jan Atwood
*#Mr. & Mrs. Fred Bechtold
#Mr. & Mrs. James Bock
#Mr. & Mrs. Brian Brady
#Mr. & Mrs. Phil Brinson
Mr. & Mrs. John Cassidy
*Amy Cross
*#Dr. & Mrs. A.C. Dufour
*Mr. & Mrs. Matt Eppers
‡#Nancy Gerber
*#Dr. & Mrs. Gerald Gold
Randall & Laura Horst
#Charlie Horswell &
Judy Weng-Horswell
Mr. & Mrs. Jonathan Housand
*Michael Kelly & Robert Hohl
*#Dr. & Mrs. Stacy Lankford
*Sally & James Lindsey
#Timothy & Robyn Loughran
*Mr. & Mrs. David Kimmel
#Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Klusas
#Eric Leedy & Janet Kronewitter
Dr. & Mrs. James Macri
#Mr. & Mrs. David Marks
Mr. & Mrs. Braden McCormick
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Mereness
‡#Mr. & Mrs. Mike Nickol
#Mr. & Mrs. Robert Petersen
#Mr. & Mrs. H. William Petersen
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ransel
*#Stella Schrader
George & Barbara Stump
#Mr. & Mrs. Donald Walter
*#Mr. & Mrs. Dwight Zerkle

INDIVIDUAL

Anita Jo Babcock
#Kathleen Bauer
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bechtel
#Shirley Chaddock
Mr. & Mrs. Ken Clayborn
#Carol Connor
*#Phyllis Crofoot
Jon Cutrell
*Sandra Duwe
Judith Flora
*#Edna Lou Gard-Knobe
Craig Gibson
*Tim Grieb
*#Barbara Harriger
Karen Hayden
#Carl Helrich
#Eleanore Koppin
Ginger Lake
#Alan Larkin
Andrew Lynn
*#Richard Magee
*#Suzanne Marques
#Henrietta McCaul
*Henrietta McCullough
#Mary G. Miller
*Janet Perkins
*#Betty Ringuette
Katherine Shanholt
*#Barbara Toth
#Lois Yoder

SENIOR

Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Antonelli
#Gale Balmer
#Mr. & Mrs. Ervin Beck
#Patricia Borchart
*#Phyllis Ackerson Bower
Judith Briganti
Donna Brown

SENIOR

*Bill Caldwell
Marilyn Donathen
*Darlene Eddy
Donna Evans
Lori Fisher
#Patricia Frank
Frances Fraser
Cleo Gordon
#Joan Grimes
*Jane Hershberger
*Polly Ann Hooker
#Mr. & Mrs. Clay Huth
*Janice Jeffers
Verna Kaufman
*#Betty Kegerreis
*Dale T. Kern
*Wayne Matthews
#Jackie McCoy
#Mr. & Mrs. William Osborne
*‡#Duane Peterson
#Martha Pickrell
‡#Jon Pontzius
#Mr. & Mrs. Martin Rutchik
#Mr. & Mrs. Don Scharrer
Wolfgang Schmidt
*Tonya J. Shaum
*#Patricia Smith
Ron & Mary Lou Stallman
Barbara Stephenson
*Doris Stevens
*#Mr. & Mrs. Richard Summers
*#Margaret Trobaugh
Becky Tyson
*‡#Phyllis Warrick
*Karen Woodworth

* Denotes New or Increased Membership

‡ Charter Member since 1979

Has donated for 10 consecutive years

STUDENT - Kari Black • Susan Herrington

There's still time to donate your exotic
junktique for the Artist's Attic benefit...

35th Anniversary Celebration
Gardens, Rivers, & Lakes
continues thru July 13
The ARTIST'S ATTIC SALE
May 30, 31, June 1
Made in Michiana: 35 Years of the
BEST of SHOW, July 18 - October 5
Children's Summer Art Camps
Special Gallery Talks & FILMS

NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATION
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT NO. 52
SOUTH BEND, IN

Midwest Museum of American Art
429 S. Main St., P.O. Box 1812
Elkhart, IN 46515



MIDWEST MUSEUM BULLETIN

A PUBLICATION OF THE MIDWEST MUSEUM OF AMERICAN ART • 429 South Main St. • Elkhart, IN 46516 • (574) 293-6660
Volume 36, No. 2 Spring/Summer 2014 MUSEUM HOURS: Tues. - Fri. 10:00-4:00, Sat. 1:00-4:00, Sun. 1:4-4:00 (Free)
MEMBER AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF MUSEUMS

The 35th Anniversary Celebration

Gardens, Rivers, & Lakes: The American Landscape of Leisure



"Carriage House Garden", 2011, acrylic on canvas, by Deborah Stipanovich (b.1956-), Acquired in 2011, Gift of the Artist, Chesterton, IN

Made in Michiana: **35 YEARS of the BEST of SHOW**

The Midwest Museum of American Art presents an exhibition of 38 works by 32 artists who have received the coveted BEST of SHOW Award in the last 35 years of the annual Elkhart Juried Regional competition. The exhibit begins **Friday, July 18**, and continues through Sunday, **October 5, 2014**. Included will be sculpture, paintings, mixed media works, photographs, and one fiber piece. Over the past three and a half decades, only three artists have won the award twice (John Mishler, Bill Kremer, & Don Vogl) and only one artist (Maurice Marks) has won it three times. Starting in the Fall of 1979 it was decided that MMAA should acquire the top award from an annual competition at the discretion of the judges. Eventually this award was named after a late volunteer, Alice Skoglund as a Memorial Award, by Jack & Karen Cittadine. After two decades the award was re-named in honor of these museum patrons as the Jack & Karen Cittadine BEST of SHOW. In 1984 the award was split three ways by the jurors accounting for the more than 35 works. Thereafter museum staff decided to have the different jurors each year select only one award. Other Michiana artists who have received this include: David Allen, Brian Byrn, Anthony Droege, Sibyl Graber Gerig, Susan Henshaw, Abner Hershberger, Alan Larkin, Tom Meuninck, Dora Natella, Andrew Owens, Thomas Rajkovich, and Kathy Zienty.

Special Lecture by Carol Line, Executive Director of Fernwood

Carol Line, Executive Director of Fernwood Botanical Garden (since 2007), will present a *Special Lecture* about the brief history of American gardens, on **Sunday, May 4, at 2:00PM**. Ms. Line is an Illinois native and Purdue graduate. The talk will be held in the main gallery in conjunction with the museum's 35th Anniversary Celebration and the current special exhibit of works from the MMAA Permanent Collection. This lecture is offered FREE to members and the general public.



Carol Line received the First Award of Merit for exemplary people & programs in public gardens from the American Public Gardens Association at the 2012 conference.



"Gaia", 2008, cast bronze relief sculpture, by Dora Natella, Alice Skoglund Memorial BEST of SHOW, 31st Elkhart Juried Regional, 2009



"Lincolnway West", 2004, oil on canvas, by David Allen (b.1950-) Alice Skoglund Memorial BEST of SHOW, 26th Elkhart Juried Regional, 2004



Bus Trip to Indianapolis JUNE 25

The first 2014 Bus Trip of the Summer takes us to the **Children's Museum Indianapolis** on Wednesday, **June 25**. We will view the exhibit, "Terra Cotta Warriors: The Emperor's Painted Army", that will be on display directly from China's Shaanxi Province and another exhibit entitled, "Take Me There: China". Nowhere in the world has China's Terra Cotta Warriors been seen this way! The exhibits consist of eight warriors and more than 100 other artifacts along with a vibrant exploration of both ancient and modern China. This one-of-a-kind major event is a must see while in Indiana. Bus will depart MMAA at 8:00AM and return at 6:30PM.



FEE: **\$75**. Call for reservation at **293-6660**. Payment due upon reservation. Seating limited. Includes luxury motorcoach, coffee/juice & rolls, admission, boxed lunch, wine/cheese return snack.

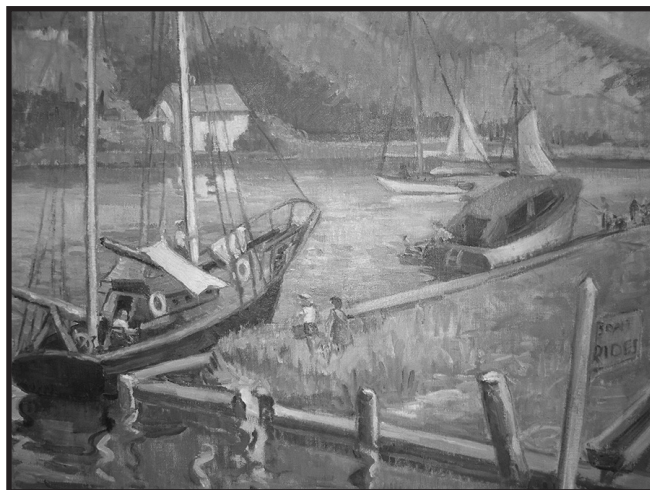
A Summer Evening Soirée... at the **Historic Conn Mansion** with hosts **Tim & Meg Shelly** *Friday Evening, JULY 18, from 6-9PM*

With the success and fun had-by-all at last year's Weston Family party held at the home of Dr. Rick & Cindy Burns, Tim & Meg Shelly came forward and offered to do a similar event to benefit the Midwest Museum at their historic home (known as the Colonel Conn Mansion) on Strong Avenue in Elkhart. The Shellys have long been proponents of historic preservation and Tim has played an important role in the area for Indiana Landmarks. Recently the Shellys have purchased the boyhood home of artist, Theodore Clement Steele, and have begun restoration of it in Waveland, Indiana.

Music, food, and good friendship will be shared as a result of this Summer 2014 event. Cost will be **\$50** per person; proceeds to benefit the MMAA general operating fund. Make reservations today by calling the museum at 574-293-6660!



more images from Gardens, Rivers, & Lakes...continues thru July 13



"Home from the Water", c.1938-40s, oil on hardboard by Harriett Monteith (1903-1975), Acquired 2013, Gift of Deborah Cutler, Elkhart

Children's Summer Art Camps

The Midwest Museum will offer a new series of summer Art Camps for students ages 5 (who have completed Kindergarten) through ages 12. Enrollment in all Art Camps will be limited to 20.

FEES for each Art Camp will be \$50/week
(includes all materials)

ART CAMP I JUNE 9 - JUNE 13 (1-week)

Instructor: Ann Lebryk, St. Thomas School

Ages 5 - 7 yrs. 12:30pm - 2:00pm; Mon-Fri

Ages 8 - 12 yrs. 2:30pm - 4:30pm; Mon-Fri

ART CAMP II JULY 7 - JULY 11 (1-week)

Instructor: Bonnie Elder, (retired) Elkhart Community Schools

Ages 5 - 7 yrs. 12:30pm - 2:00pm; Mon-Fri

Ages 8 - 12 yrs. 2:30pm - 4:30pm; Mon-Fri

Art educators, Ann Lebryk and Bonnie Elder will lead students on an adventure in creating drawings, watercolors, mixed media works and collages, while utilizing the museum's permanent collection of American Art for inspiration. New projects are emphasized for each session. Call 293-6660 for registration.

•The ARTIST'S ATTIC• a SALE of unique ODDITIES and cast-off treasures

Friday, May 30, from 10am-4pm
Sat & Sun, May 31 & June 1,

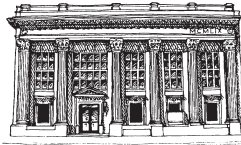
from 1-4pm

Cash Only. No Checks.

**All proceeds from this sale benefit the
MMAA Education & Acquisition Fund**

NOON TIME TALKS

every Thursday 12:20-1:00pm



*FREE continuing series on
landscape art by renowned regional painters...*

MAY 1 Mark Vander Vinne, Porter, IN

A well-known traditional landscape painter inspired by local lake front, dunes, & surrounding woodlands. A three-time winner last fall in the 35th Elkhart Juried Regional.

MAY 8 Susie Russell, Milford, IN

Award recipient in several Juried Regional competitions, recently featured in an international exhibit in Chicago. Russell paints furrowed fields, woodlands, and architectural subjects.

MAY 15 GARDENS, RIVERS, & LAKES part 2

Curator Brian Byrn moves into the second gallery and discusses the artists on display in the special exhibit.

MAY 22 Kristin Hosbein, St. Joseph, MI

Kristin K. Hosbein paints with oils, acrylic and encaustics. Her landscapes feature the "ala prima" or wet on wet technique painted in plein air. She has a studio at the Box Factory for the Arts, in St. Joseph, Michigan.

MAY 29 Laurie Schirmer-Carpenter, Valparaiso

Award winning artist discusses her landscape paintings that often feature water, a quiet lake or river.

JUN 5 Daniel Slattery, South Bend, IN

Renowned Northern Indiana watercolorist and former President of the Northern Indiana Artists group will speak about his realistically rendered landscapes.

JUN 12 Cathy McCormick, Granger, IN

A leading pastel artist in Northern Indiana speaks about her works that feature fields and local woodlands in various seasons.

JUNE 19 Elkhart Jazz Festival, A FILM

Curator Brian Byrn introduces a film on the history of Jazz in conjunction with the 27th Elkhart Jazz Festival.

JUNE 26 GARDENS, RIVERS, & LAKES part 3

Curator Brian Byrn moves into the third gallery and discusses the artists on display in the special exhibit.

JULY 3 FILM...the American Landscape

A film from the National Gallery of Art.

JULY 10 Dawn Barrier, South Bend, IN

A well known Michiana painter drawn to the dunes and local landscapes including views of the St. Joe River.

JULY 24 MADE in MICHIANA: 35 Years of Best of Show

Curator Brian Byrn presents the new exhibit.

JULY 31 MADE in MICHIANA: 35 Years of Best of Show

A former BEST of SHOW winner speaks about their work now held in the MMAA Permanent Collection.

TRIBUTES

The Midwest Museum of American Art gratefully acknowledges gifts in honor or in memory of special friends.

In Memory Of

Dr. William Atwood

by Jan Atwood

Calvin Birrer

by Jane Burns

Marty Culp

by Jan Atwood

Dr. Adam & Amber Comer

Timothy & Beth Klusas

Dr. David Lewis &

Dr. Christine Culp

Dr. James & Sandra Macri

Duane Peterson

Barbara Thomas

Mary Hankins

by Tom & Dottie Arnold

Betty Jean Hansing

by Tom & Dottie Arnold

Elizabeth Housand

by George & Kathy Freese

Berdeen Poe

by Jane Burns

Joan Grimes

Gretchen Smith

by Tom & Dottie Arnold

Jane Burns

Jamie Tully

by Tom & Dottie Arnold

Craig & Connie Fulmer

Brian D. Weigold

by Tom & Dottie Arnold

In Honor of

Peggy Weed's Birthday

by Stu & Trudy Basquin

In Honor of Mary Jane Blanken's

Birthday

by Phyllis Warrick

Special Gift

Claire Luther & Bruce Pickens underwrite Free Family Sundays at MMAA



The Midwest Museum of American Art wishes to thank Claire Luther of Elkhart & Bruce Pickens of Indianapolis for their generous support of Family Free Sundays throughout the year. Hundreds of visitors take advantage of these special hours to introduce their families to the collections of the museum often informed by Docents who lead informal tours and answer questions.

From the Director

On the occasion of the Midwest Museum of American Art's 35th Anniversary, I would like to share two important facts about the museum. One you may already know: The MMAA belongs to you. You and everyone that have contributed by volunteering or monetary-wise have a real ownership stake in our collections, in our cultural programs we produce and in our beautiful old building. We are the custodians of American Art— your art history. We collect, we preserve, and we display— and so much more. But everything here is yours and you can be proud of that fact!

Number two: Private philanthropy & financial support from people like you funds the Midwest Museum's wonderful exhibition, cultural programs, Noon-Time-Talks, and other educational outreach.

These are the very things you know and love. They are some of the things that set the Midwest Museum of American Art apart from other institutions.

I know you are among the many who share our passion for art and culture and recognize our importance to Elkhart, Indiana and America. Please continue to support the museum with your presence and contributions.

Jane Burns, Director