

January 2010 Newsletter



January 2, 2010

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Guild Founder Honored

Glendy Valdez, Frisco artist and founder of the Visual Arts Guild of Frisco, was recently asked by Representative Ken Paxton to create an ornament for his district that embodies the Christmas spirit. The decoration, representing residents across District 70, started as a clear-glass ornament and now adorns the Christmas tree at the State Capitol building in Austin. Glendy's ornament is festive, yet also showcases the significance of the season. Using a collage technique with pages from the Bible's Book of Matthew, a U.S. Christmas stamp from the 1970's, old buttons and frosted wires, the work is topped by a single Lone Star. The title and primary message of the ornament is "Wise Men Still Seek Him."

Glendy Valdez, an active supporter of our local arts community for many years, founded the Visual Arts Guild of Frisco in 2003. She has served on the Arts of Collin County Project and the Public Art Board of Frisco, and currently serves on the Community Cultural Arts and Science Center Committee. Her art studies include wood carving, colored pencil, collage and acrylic on canvas.

Founder, president, and general manager of the Valdez Spice Company, Glendy will be honored at our January meeting. We will meet at 7pm at the Frisco Arts Center, 6827 Main Street. Please plan to attend.



*Wise Men Still Seek Him,
by Glendy Valdez*

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upcoming events!

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January Members Meeting

Tuesday, January 5 - 7pm @ Frisco Arts

Join us as we start 2010 by getting the creative juices flowing! Bring your best ideas to share for a productive new year. Items on this month's agenda include:

- Honoring our founder, Glendy Valdez
- member survey
- upcoming exhibits
- fundraising ideas
- By-laws (revision approval)
- Committee appointments
- Brainstorming

It's going to be a great year. Join us!

Looking Forward: February Members Meeting

One of our goals this year is to get to know each other better. To help with this, in February, we are starting an ongoing series of "Art Talks" hosted by our local artists. Join us Fran Reisner, T. Scott Stromberg and Linda Wells each give a short presentation of their art work, and share their history as artists and what inspires them! We will meet on Tuesday, February 2 at 7pm., with the location to be announced soon (not at Frisco Arts).

We have more Art Talks coming up this year, so if you would like to share a little about yourself, let us know. E-mail us at vagfsuggestions@gmail.com.



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New Member Spotlight: Ollie Theisen

Please welcome our newest member, Ms. Ollie Theisen who joined VAGF at the December meeting. Ms. Theisen is a retired art professor and author of two books. With a doctorate in Art, she co-founded the art department at Northeast Texas Community College in 1985. Currently, she works in watercolor and said "I'm going to have to paint like crazy to have a show. My family members keep taking my work!"

Got Talent?

We need you! As the Guild prepares for a great 2010, we would love your help. Please consider how you may put your talents to good use. We need volunteers for hospitality, community awareness, fundraising, education, and exhibits, to name a few! If you have something you would like to share with the group, please contact us at vagfsuggestions@gmail.com. Thanks!

Treasurer's Corner

December 2009

VAGF

Financial Statements in U.S. Dollars

Balance Forward	2,172.72
New Member Dues	15.00
Shows	
Events	
Classes	
Net Income	2,187.72
Advertising	
Bad Debts	
Bank Charges	0.00
Insurance	
Legal and Professional Fees	
Licenses and Fees	
Miscellaneous	31.90
Postage	
Rent of Storage Facility	99.00
Supplies	
Telephone	
Total Expenses	130.90
Net Operating Income	2,056.82
Gain (Loss) on Sale of Assets	
Interest Income	
Total Other Income	0.00
Net Income (Loss)	2,056.82

The treasurer is happy to report that we are no longer paying \$151 for storage each month and that we no longer have a monthly checking fee at all. This is a much needed savings of **\$804 PER YEAR!**

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, January 5: Monthly Member Meeting
7pm @ Frisco Arts, 6827 Main Street

Tuesday, February 2: Monthly Member Meeting
7pm -- location TBD; Art Talks by three local artists/Guild members

February Exhibit: featuring Guild members Fran Reisner, T. Scott Stromberg and Linda Wells, at Frisco Arts

Tuesday, March 2: Monthly Member Meeting
7pm -- location TBD

Tuesday, April 6: Monthly Member Meeting
7pm -- location TBD

April Exhibit: Juried Photography Show at Frisco Arts

Tuesday, May 4 : Monthly Member Meeting
7pm -- location TBD

May Exhibit: Creative Kids exhibit at Frisco Arts

Ongoing: The Art in the Atrium IV exhibit at City Hall is on display through August 2010. Stop by to see five stories of excellent art by local artists.