



DC221, Oklahoma City

Meeting – Saturday, Jan. 31, 6:00pm-8:00pm
At
Hobby Lobby – S.E. 15th St. & Air Depot Blvd
Midwest City, Oklahoma

Due to the icy weather you will note the meeting date change. Hope all can come Saturday.

News from our Last Meeting

Due to the fact our President was unable to attend the meeting our VP, Jean Brackett conducted the meeting and did a great job.

After our business meeting Jean brought an interesting project for us to use to do a large drawing from. She gave us big sheets of paper. The project was a still life set up and we could draw all the objects, just one or however many we wanted to.

All participated and we had a lot of fun. Pictures of the project below.

We were to bring a Christmas present to share and at the end of the meeting we all took one. I got some really good jam and apple butter. I am really enjoying it. Thank you whoever brought it

Due to our meeting schedule and the holidays, we had no December meeting.



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Letter from the President

I hope that you all had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! May you create lots of beautiful art in 2009.

The end of 2008 was a bit turbulent for my family as I had lost my job, however, I got hired by another company a couple of days before Christmas and we are slowly getting back on track. Looking back at events that occurred in 2008 with CPUSA, most notably for Oklahoma, District Chapter 221 became the primary representation for the state of Oklahoma for National CPUSA since the Tulsa Group sadly disbanded. I will keep all of the former Tulsa members on our Email list unless they request to be removed.

We had our first public event. The art show, "The Humble Colored Pencil" was a huge success for both for our group and Studio Mid-Del. The studio was so impressed with our beautiful works that they requested we extend our show for a month. The show ended on Jan 5th and if you have any art remaining at the studio you can pick it up from the office there. I was informed that we had some sales too. How excellent! We had Carolyn Martin an art Professor at Rose State College and local artist, judge our contest. Congratulations to our winners who were as follows:

1st.Place—Cheryl Hoyt's "Pumpkins Etc"
2nd.Place—Diane Tumeys "Cookie"
3rd.Place—Glenda Mullins "Petunia Profusion"

There is one incredible resource that Oklahoma has that goes somewhat unnoticed—scores of EXTREMELY talented artists. I have seen work from the artists of the former Tulsa group and actually many artists across the state and there can be no doubt that each individual has much to add to our group. If you continue to hold a national CPUSA membership, we heartily welcome you to join DC221. I do understand that our Tuesday timeframe is not the best for distance traveling as many people have jobs to get back to on Wednesdays as well as an inability to get there by 6:00pm due to these jobs. We do have an ongoing discussion about setting a new meeting day and time and possibly moving to a larger location in the direction of Oklahoma City. If we make a change you can bet I'll let you know ASAP.

In 2008 I had a job that granted no holiday, vacation or sick time. This made it impossible for me to attend the National CPUSA convention in Washington State. We did, however have a representative that attended. Diane Day, our new Newsletter Editor did attend. I am thankful that she had the opportunity to make the journey and I know that she had a lot of fun. I once again am working for a company that has no vacation time so I will not be able to attend and represent our state. If you can make the trip you would be doing our group a great service. I would like to have a group from DC221 attend and represent our state.

DC221 sent a contribution of \$50 to the award fund for Explore This! 5. The National CPUSA requested our assistance and since our funds are quite limited, I felt \$50 was the most we could do. Explore This! 5

Begins showing on February 1, 2009 and lasts through January 31, 2010. It will show on an online Gallery and as soon as that is up and running, I'll let you know or you can check the national web site for it.

I look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday, January 27, at our meeting

David McBride, President
CPUSA—DC221, Oklahoma

NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S LETTER

Well it has been two months since we met. The Holidays are past and I hope all had a wonderful holiday both Christmas and New Year.

It is now back to the work of creating art and hopefully we all will send something to the 2009 National Show and get something in. The new system of entry is more complicated than just sending a slide but I got the message at the National Conference that it is here to stay so we will all have to get used to it. Everything is digital today and that is the final word. The deadline is the end of March so if you don't have something yet get busy.

I have been having some health problems and haven't done much art work plus all the hustle for Christmas we all go through each year but am back to getting in the mood and am determined to send a picture this year to the show. It fired me up to go to the conference and talk to all the artists.

Next month is the contest so bring something for it. You may win 1st prize.

I am getting out a newsletter this time and below are the results of our election we had in the October meeting I missed. I didn't know till David sent me the list that it was a two year term.

I do hope to get better at the Newsletter and do hope to have more news from all of you. Please send anything to me that you are doing. If you are showing anywhere let me know. If you have taken a new workshop somewhere send a picture of what you did and we will put it in. If you win a prize in a show, let me know and if you have a picture of your winning painting send it along. I will put all in the Newsletter. This is your newsletter and without news of your doings from you it will be short and it won't be as much yours as if you contribute.

My home phone is 405-748-2994 and my Email is plaid_cat@cox.net. I would love to hear from you and get pictures of your paintings.

Diane Day, Newsletter Editor
DC221, Oklahoma City Chapter

Our New Officers 2009 — 2010

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