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## OTTAWA ART ASSOCIATION

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At this holiday season and start to the new year, no matter what our religion (or no religion) we pause to appreciate the people that we love and the time and ability to value and enjoy the good things in our lives. As artists we can more easily see the beauty in things around us. A happy, healthy New Year to us all! Let's all promise ourselves more paintings and creativity in the New Year.

I'd like to welcome Janis Fulton who has stepped forward to take on the position of Newsletter Editor. Our thanks go to Alberta Dickson, retiring from this position after several years, for all of her hard work.

On October 30th, Rebecca Dufton, Maria Mask and I attended the 'Artpreneur' conference in Cornwall. There were about 150 attendees to hear noted speakers and representatives from all levels of government talking to artists, writers, musicians, and entertainers about the business of art. Speakers included experts giving us tips on how to market our art, a lawyer talking about copyright issues and ministry representatives speaking about grant proposals. We hope to secure one of these very informative speakers as a guest for one of our spring OAA meetings.

Be sure that you attend the January meeting when noted artist Maureen O'Neil will perform a portrait demo. I am looking forward to seeing her technique and learning a great deal from her approach to portraiture.

### Awards Show

The OAA Fall, People's Choice Awards Show took place on Nov. 9th. Thank you to all who entered. The high quality of the art, the opportunity to network and socialize and the wonderful refreshments made the evening a great success. Thanks also go to the Little Theatre, its staff and their Board and Executives for the physical help and cheerful cooperation that they show to the Ottawa Art Association. Our organization is grateful for the opportunity to show work in the theatre lobby. Our appreciation also goes to all of the volunteers who give up many hours of their time to run this organization and put on this show opening for our benefit. Thank you to the dedicated Hanging Crew chaired by Keith Yach, Hanging Coordinator. The show looked wonderful, due in part to the expert hanging by the skilled and hard-working crew. Sue Ouellette, Social Convenor and her helpers put on a super refreshment table and David Houlton, Board Member and his helper served at the bar. Kathy Graydon, our E-mail News Coordinator, assisted by Manju Sah, Programme Coordinator and able assistant were in charge of the door and Leslie Dorofi and her helpers counted the ballots. Allison Hamilton, Treasurer, coordinated the door prizes. And finally and most important of all, congratulations to all of the wonderful entries and to the winners of the People's Choice Awards at the OAA Fall Awards Show on Nov. 9th.

### NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, Jan 13th, 7:30 p.m.  
Heron Multi Service Centre  
1480 Heron Rd.  
Ottawa  
Executive Meeting 6:15 p.m.  
Programme:  
Portrait demo by Maureen O'Neill



## Winners

Acrylic: **1st prize:** William D. Hulme, 'Brock Creek, Glenn Sutton, Qc'

**2nd prize:** tie: Pinna Rennick, 'Old Barn' and Karen Cunningham, 'Spring Cattails'

**Honourable Mention:** Pauline Lecours Clancy, 'Hanging On'

Watercolour **1st prize:** Dianne Groulx, 'One Day at a Time'

**2nd prize:** Brian Seed, 'Slim Pickings'

**3rd prize:** tie: Dave Acton, 'Pastoral Patterns' and Alain Bain, 'Last Light'

Other Media **1st prize:** Aili Kurtis, 'Excaliber'

**2nd prize:** tie: Essie Mueller, 'The Power of Purple' and Isabelle Regout, 'Tricote Serre'

**Honourable Mention:** Magda Hanna, 'The Nose'

Oil **1st prize:** Heather Bale, 'Misty Madawaska Morn'

**2nd prize:** Maria Mask, 'Fall Kaleidoscope'

**3rd prize:** tie: Leah Chodicoff, 'Spring in the Gatineau' and Trish Savoie, 'Rhapsody in Red'

## Upcoming Events

Hamid Ayoub **Rhythm of Colour** Thur. Jan 8, 2009 - Fri Jan 30, 2009

Heartwood House 153 Chapel St. Ottawa On

www.hamidayoub.com 613-297-5379

**2009 Plein Air Ensemble** Jan. 9 - 28 2009, Galerie Old Chelsea 10 Chemin Scott, Old Chelsea, Quebec.

Vernissage Sunday 11 Jan 2009 from 1 to 4 pm

Art Show: "Kamouraska", featuring 6 OAA artists, Gallery Old Chelsea, Jan. 30-Feb. 17

Vernissage on Sunday, Feb. 1, 1 to 4 pm

### OAA Schedule:

January Play: Over My Dead Body (short run)

Meeting: **Jan. 13, 7:30 PM**

Scheduled Speaker: **Portrait Demo by Maureen O'Neil**

February Play: Wrong Turn at Lungfish

Meeting: **Feb. 10, 7:30 PM**

Scheduled Speaker: Critique by John Alexander Day

Hanging: **Feb. 8, 9-9:30 AM**

March Play: London Suite

Meeting: **March 10, 7:30 PM**

Scheduled Speaker: TBA

Hanging: **March 15, 9-9:30 PM**

**Juried Awards Show Hanging:** April 19

Show Opening: **April 21, 7 PM OLT**

May Play: Snake in the Grass

Meeting: **May 12, 7:30 PM**

Scheduled Speaker: Panel of OAA Artists 'Artistic Influences on My Art' (Maria Mask, David Houlton plus 2 others)

Hanging: **May 31, 9-9:30 AM**

June Play: The Affections of May

Meeting: **June 9, 7:30 PM**

Scheduled Speaker: AGM, Materials and book exchange plus 'Travel Tips for Artists' (come prepared to participate)

**Pick-up Only: June 28**