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FROM THE PRESIDENT

I'll be taking over as President of the Princeton Arts Society in October. It may be presumptuous of me to be addressing you prior to the election of officers, but we thought you'd be happy to have the member newsletter in your hands before our annual meeting on Wednesday, October 1, 2008. Princeton is a relatively new home for me, but one of the highlights of my stay here has been my interaction with all of you.

I look forward to helping the Princeton Arts Society continue its vibrant life. Our slate of officers and board of directors includes an energetic group of people who are committed to working with you to support our many wonderful activities and events.

We have plans in place for the portrait marathon, small works show and annual arts show. There will be exciting monthly programs and a variety of workshops for teens and adults throughout the year. We hope these are things you'll participate in and enjoy. We want to provide opportunities that are of interest to our members and, when feasible, to our community as well. We also have the chance this year to bring the arts into Princeton's 250th anniversary celebration, which is ongoing throughout 2009. At our annual meeting we'll be looking for ideas from you about this and other things that you'd like us to do.

I encourage you to use our newsletter and web site to keep members and friends informed about arts events. We particularly want our web site to be a helpful and active part of our organization.

—Susan Ulrich, President, Princeton Arts Society

The Pollock painting party on June 21 was a big success! Many people attended and each made one or more Pollock-like masterpieces, dripping to their hearts' content.

More photos on page 5.

ANNUAL MEETING

Wednesday, October 1, 2008, 7 pm, Susan Ulrich's house, 185 Mountain Road, Princeton

Topics for Discussion at the Meeting

Art Critique Sessions: Would you like to solicit help with a problem on a particular piece of work in a non-threatening environment?

Workshops: What kind of workshops would YOU like to attend? (Don't just tell us what you think others might be interested in! We need warm bodies showing up!)

Open Studio: Interested in an open studio time where anyone could come and work on a project with others from the society? If so, what time or day would work for you? What would you like to see happen at these events?

250th Celebration: Should PAS run an event in 2009 in conjunction with the 250th festivities? This could take the form of an art show where we display art from Princeton residents and/or art that relates to Princeton in some way. We could include art from some of the wonderful artists from our past like Fred Mason, Ros Sturges Allen, etc. Think about things we could include.



UPCOMING EVENTS 2008

WIND HARP PERFORMANCE BY KEN TURKINGTON, Saturday, October 11, 3-5 pm, Jen Caswell's Storm Hill Farm, 32 Grow Lane, Princeton

Ken Turkington, an Aeolian wind harp expert/maker from the Brookline, NH area will present his harps and some of their history, including background on Emerson and Thoreau and their use and enjoyment of the Aeolian wind harp. He will also provide a wind tunnel, should nature fail to provide the necessary currents to inspire the harps to play. Bring an appetizer or beverage to share. Contact Mari Allan at 978.464.0120.

CHILD PORTRAIT MARATHON, Saturday, October 18, 9 am-1 pm

Four PAS artists will draw or sketch the child signed up for each 30-minute sitting; sketches may be purchased for \$60 each. At least one purchase must be made. Half the proceeds go to the PAS. Children must be 8 years or older, and be able to sit still. Contact Naoko Gomi at 978.464.0532 or naokojee@hotmail.com to reserve a sitting.

TEEN BODY ART WORKSHOP, Saturday, October 25, 1-4 pm

Heather Caunt-Nulton (aka Henna by Heather) will teach teens ages 12-18 the art of henna body painting in this 3-hour workshop. Fee: \$5.00. Registration is limited to 15 participants. Contact Claire Golding at 978.464.2973 to sign up.

CELEBRATING SAMHAIN, Saturday, November 1, [time and location TBA]

The Festival of Samhain is a celebration of the end of the harvest season in Gaelic culture and is generally regarded as the Celtic New Year. Join our celebration by bringing a carved pumpkin, coming in costume, offering a scary story, contributing knowledge of ancient customs or all of the above if you wish. We will provide location, cider, donuts, candles for jack-o-lanterns and an appropriate terrifying movie. Contact Mary Trostel at 978.464.2469.

GETTING THE MOST OUT OF YOUR DIGITAL CAMERA, Saturday, November 8, 1-4 pm

Photographer Gail Hansche Godin will present this workshop for adults (she conducted a teen camera workshop for PAS last spring) that will cover camera basics, composition, getting great fall/winter photographs, and other aspects of digital photography. Bring a camera and the cable you use to connect your camera to your computer. Fee: \$10.00. Registration is limited to 12 participants. Contact Claire Golding at 978.464.2973 to sign up.

PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(to be voted on at Annual Meeting, October 1, 2008)

President	Susan Ulrich
Vice President	Claire Golding
Corresponding/Recording Secretaries	Lou & Mary Trostel
Treasurer	Naoko Gomi
Exhibits Chair	Jean Murphy
Publicity	Bobbye Samdahl
Newsletter and Web Site	Beth Mellor
Board of Directors 3 years	Janice Rayner Mari Allan Bob Hersh
Board of Directors 2 years	David Lowenthal Bobbye Samdahl Elisabeth Donker
Board of Directors 1 year	Jen Caswell Heather March Len Haug

PLANNED EVENTS 2009

POT LUCK SUPPER AND MOVIE NIGHT, January 22, 2009, 7 pm

Shake the winter doldrums and get together for some great food and good entertainment (and we have our own projector now!). All members welcome. Bring a favorite dish to share.

ATTRACTIONS OF ART/FORMALIST ART CRITICISM, Wednesday, March 18, 2009, 7:00pm

Sid Solomon will present a slide lecture that explores the key elements and unique qualities that attract people to various artworks."

All events take place in the PAS Room, The Princeton Center, unless otherwise specified. A more comprehensive calendar of events is on p. 4.

FLY YOUR FLAG!

Don't forget to try your hand at creating the Princeton town flag. Applications are available at the Library and at Thomas Prince School. Submissions are due at the end of September, so get going! It'll be fun.

PRINCETON ARTS MEMBERSHIP DUES FORM – SEPT 08 THROUGH AUG 09

Please send payment to the Princeton Arts Society, PO Box 28, Princeton, MA 01541

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 Individual membership | <input type="checkbox"/> I am an artist, my medium is _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$40 Family membership | <input type="checkbox"/> I am a friend of the arts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$65 Sustaining membership | <input type="checkbox"/> I'd like to be included as a member artist on www.princetonarts.org |

Name _____ Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email address (please print clearly) _____

In an effort to reduce mailing costs we will be sending announcements related to Princeton Arts programs and calendar updates by email. If you prefer not to receive email announcements from PAS check here Thank you.

We are always in need of volunteers. It's a lot of fun and always creative. Please help us be the best that we can be!

I would like to help with programs shows publicity meetings other _____

We welcome your comments, please talk to us!

Who's new on the web? Did you know that as a member you can have a gallery page on the PAS site? Send your bio, artist's statement & jpeg images to bethmellor@verizon.net!

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AN OPPORTUNITY

We have been invited to display our works at the Wachusett Regional High School gallery in Holden for a January/February show. We will be meeting with students and a teacher from the high school to plan this event soon. There will be opportunities for us to share our expertise as artists and our knowledge of process with students if we are interested. We will talk about this in more detail at the annual meeting.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The PAS newsletter is published 2 times a year. The website, princetonarts.org, is updated as often as possible. We want to publicize the successes and significant events of all our members--they're an inspiration to others, and good PR for you too! So please send news of awards, upcoming exhibits, workshops, happenings--anything others might want or need to know about--to Beth Mellor (bethmellor@verizon.net) or Claire Golding (cgolding1@verizon.net). We'll do our best to get them published!



Quotations from the Pollock painting party in June:

"There were tons of paint cans in great colors, and the freedom of splashing it around. There were no rules, really."

"It was so different from what people normally do when they paint."

"It was so free—I felt like a kid again!"



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Calendar of Events 2008-2009

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October 11 **WIND HARP PERFORMANCE**, 3-5pm, with social hour following, 32 Grow Lane, Princeton

October 18 **CHILD PORTRAIT MARATHON**, 9 am-1 pm, Princeton Center

October 25 **HENNA BODY ART FOR TEENS**, 1-4 pm, Princeton Center. Fee: \$5. Registration required.

November 1 **SAMHAIN CELEBRATION** (time and location TBA)

November 8 **GETTING THE MOST OUT OF YOUR DIGITAL CAMERA**, 1-4 pm, Princeton Center. Fee: \$10; Registration required.

December 5-7 **SMALL WORKS SHOW**, Princeton Center

January 22 **POT LUCK SUPPER AND MOVIE NIGHT**, 7:00 pm, Princeton Center

February (date TBA) **ASTRO PHOTOGRAPHY WITH BRIAN LULA**

Winter (date TBA) **CARTOONING AND MANGA FOR TEENS**, Princeton Center

March 18 **ATTRACTIONS OF ART/FORMALIST ART CRITICISM WITH SID SOLOMON**, 7 pm, Princeton Center

April 8 **POETRY FESTIVAL AT QUINSIGAMOND COMMUNITY COLLEGE**, Worcester

April (date TBA) **POETRY SLAM FOR TEENS**, Princeton Center

May 15-17 **PAS MEMBERS' SHOW** (Princeton Center open house will be held on May 16)

(More detail on some events is available on p. 2)