

THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MARINE ARTISTS

August 8, 2021

The American Society of Marine Artists (ASMA) is hosting a special artist's retreat in Winona, MN from September 23-26, 2021 with some very impressive educational programming planned for the event. The Minnesota Marine Art Museum (MMAM) will graciously welcome ASMA members to their stunning facility, as MMAM hosts the ASMA 18th National Exhibition which is currently on display through October 3, 2021. Registration for the educational Retreat is \$100 for members and \$50 for a spouse or friend outside of ASMA. **This event is limited to 65 registrants.** National Maritime Historical Society members are welcome to attend this event. Please use special code of **ASMANMHS** in the registration form as the special code for registration.

Attending artists will be treated to a special private tour of MMAM's extensive maritime art collection. ASMA's programming will be open to members and the public on Friday afternoon, September 24th and all-day Saturday, September 25. All ASMA programming will be held in the **Oberton Education Room at MMAM.**

The Minnesota Marine Art Museum is an inspiring and exciting experience for visitors of all ages and abilities, showcasing great art inspired by water. Situated on the banks of the Mighty Mississippi and surrounded by nearly 4 acres of stunning gardens, MMAM is home to some of the most unique and significant marine artworks in the Midwest. From Monet and Picasso, to Emanuel Leutze's Washington Crossing the Delaware (1851), there is something for everyone in this diamond in the bluffs.

Our Host hotel for the retreat is the **Plaza Hotel** at 1025 US-61 in Winona, MN. They are offering ASMA members a rate of **\$109.99 per night plus tax.** Breakfast is included with the room rate. Members must call the hotel directly to get the special rate, and our group code is **ASMA.** We have both King rooms and double queen rooms reserved. **The hotel's phone # is (507) 453-0303. There will be a 1-night charge for room cancellations made less than 1 week prior to your arrival date.** Want to arrive earlier or stay a little longer? The special ASMA rate will be honored two days prior or two days following Sept. 23-36th. There is one **Family Suite** available at the special rate of **\$114.99** (Larger room with 2 Queens and a separate area with a sofa bed). Unsold rooms will be released on **August 23, 2021.**

ASMA is offering a **special dinner package for Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening for just \$100!** Members have asked in the past for us to do more dining opportunities as a group, so we hope you will choose to spend this time with your ASMA friends. The facilities on Thursday evening and Saturday evening can accommodate up to 65 for dinner. There will be a private dinner for our group on Friday evening, which is **limited to 40 members**, so a special package is available to the first 40 registrants who sign up for all 3 meals.

Our **Kick-off party Thursday night will be a Burger Bash Barbeque Buffet:**

Burgers with all the fixing's, Potato salad, Corn on the Cob, Baked beans, Brownies and games at the Summer House at Signatures Event Center in Winona. Meatless Burgers and Gluten free Buns available upon request. We will have a private cash bar at the facility – cost for cocktails is additional. This is a very fun, open air facility with fireplaces at both ends of the building. There is also an outdoor patio area. We will plan for some fun games on Thursday evening. **Cost: \$35**

Friday evening, we will have a private dinner at **Sapori di Sicilia** – a new Italian Café in downtown Winona. Owner Eric Mullen trained in Italy to learn to cook authentic Sicilian pasta dishes, home baked breads, and luscious desserts. It will be a special evening – limited to 40 people. The meal will be a combination of served dishes and buffet style, with a **Caesar Salad**, homemade bread, different pasta choices (**Seafood pasta with Shrimp, Scallops and Clams in a light tomato base sauce and Pasta Sugo**), served Buffet style, **Tiramisu and Macaroons**, Coffee or Tea, and comes with either **a glass of wine or 1 beer** served before dinner. Additional cocktails will be available throughout the evening. **Vegan option** available, (**Pasta Arrabiata**) will be served individually at your table. **Cost: \$38**

Saturday evening dinner will be held in the Ballroom at the **Signature Event Center** in Winona. There will be two dual plated dinner selections for Saturday evening; **Bacon wrapped Filet Mignon and Grilled Salmon, Wild mushroom Risotto and Asparagus, or Chicken Beurre Blanc with Seared Halibut in a Truffle cream Sauce with Wild Rice medley, and Green Beans. Entrees come with Mixed Green with Raspberry Vinaigrette, rolls and butter, coffee, & tea, Cheesecake w/Berries.** Private cash bar. **Price: \$67**

A Vegan option of **Mediterranean Pasta with Kalamata Olives, Grape Tomatoes, Feta, Shallots, Capers, tossed in Olive Oil. Cost: \$43**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - Friday 9/24/21

1:45-2:45pm - Past President and Fellow **Russ Kramer** from Mystic, CT will treat the audience with a special presentation: "Photoshop: A Valuable Tool in the Painter's Toolbox". From developing interesting compositions from scratch to easy, no risk experimentation and refinement through the painting process, Photoshop can be the artist's secret weapon.

3-4pm - Three prominent ASMA Signature Members will do brief demonstrations offering special techniques pertinent to their chosen medium.

Holly Bird will do a quick overview of the design process and printing strategy in how she develops her woodcut and linocut prints. She will discuss how they can be easily produced using traditional oil-based inks and watercolor hanga inks in a small, home studio; with or without a press.

Anne Brodie Hill will show the audience special techniques in layering watercolors and inks to achieve stunning results for creating texture – all through the use of abstraction, realism, or both.

Donna Nyzio will do a demonstration highlighting tips relating to creating transparency and luminescence in your paintings.

4-6pm - Reception for American Society of Marine Artists 18th National Exhibition

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS – Saturday 9/25/2021

10:00-11:00am – ASMA Signature Member **Michelle Jung** will do a live oil painting demonstration for the group. Michelle is a nationally recognized artists known for her dramatic seascapes. Her work has been featured in *Fine Art Connoisseur*, and she currently has a solo exhibition on display at the Santa Paula Art Museum in Northern California.

11:15-12:15pm – ASMA President and Signature Member **Nicolas Fox** and Fellow **Len Tantillo** will demonstrate how using computer programs can help an artist to find and utilize research for painting inspirations, which ultimately can help an artist to better their own artistic capabilities.

2-3pm – American Society of Marine Artist's 18th National Exhibition Walk and Talk with the ASMA President **Nick Fox**, as he highlights various artworks included in the exhibition.

3:15-4:15pm – Well-known Fellow **Len Tantillo** will present: "Hidden Ingredients: Cooking up a better picture".

What makes a painting successful? Color. Style. Subject. To be sure all of those elements add to the successful outcome of any work and each one is immediately obvious to a viewer. More subtle and absolutely essential in eliciting a positive response however is **composition**. "Hidden Ingredients" is not about cooking. Although recipes for making a better picture will be shared. In this 50 minute program Len will reveal through the works of famous and lesser known painters some of the simple techniques used to manipulate the attention of the viewers and convey a visual message in a clear, interesting, and memorable way. You are bound to come away from this talk with a few new tricks for improving your work and a way of looking deeper into the paintings you enjoy to discover what makes them compelling. Bon appétit!

SEE YOU IN WINONA! Questions? Contact Kim Shaklee at (303) 654-1219 or kim@kimshaklee.com