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This issue's featured Guild artists are (from left) Suzanne Thompson, Joan Burds, and Donna Hart

Thinking About Holiday Gifts? Think Fine Art From Ste. Genevieve

'Tis the season when thoughts turn to holiday gift-giving and if you want to offer up something new and fresh to friends and relatives, think fine art.

"We have some wonderful artists in Ste. Genevieve," Sainte Genevieve Art Guild President Juanita Wyman says. "It's the perfect place to look for gifts of art, anytime of year, but especially during the holidays."

The perfect time may be during the 250-year-old town's Holiday Christmas Walk, set for December 5 and December 6. The event has all the appropriate trappings... a holiday parade, the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus, a wonderful array of musical performances (free and at fascinating venues scattered through the downtown), plus plenty of exciting shopping opportunities.

One of the best of those opportunities is the Art Guild's annual Christmas Show and Sale.

"This year we have a wonderful location for the show and sale," Christmas Show Chair Janet Kraus. "We will be on the ground floor of the Hay-



loft Gallery (southeast corner of Merchant and Thid streets). We used the location for our plein air event. It was a great venue and added to the success of the event." (See Page 2 for more on the 2015 Plein Air Competition.)

The art show and sale will be held from 10am to 4pm on both Saturday and Sunday. An artists' reception will take place from 4pm to 6pm Saturday, to give shoppers a chance to meet the artists who created the works.

The show will continue the following week, from 10am-4pm on Wednesday and Thursday and Sunday, and 10am to 5pm on Friday and Saturday.

Prices for the art typically range from under \$15 to several hundred dollars.

A number of other fine art venues also will be open during the Holiday Christmas Walk, showing work by Guild members and other local and regional artists.

"I remember a friend telling me a story about

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Words About Art & Artists



What garlic is to salad, insanity is to art.

Augustus Saint-Gaudens

2015 Plein Air Features New Partners, Prizes And Activities

A new venue and new events were hallmarks of the 2015 Plein Air Painting Competition in Ste. Genevieve, which drew almost two dozen artists to the community.

The competition kicked-off Thursday afternoon at the Bequette Ribault House, as owner Hank Johnson of Chaumette Vineyards challenged artists to create portrayals of that historic property. A gourmet reception featured Chaumette Vineyards chefs and wine.

Other events included an evening paintout in the downtown area sponsored by Hayloft Gallery owners Bill Uding and Teresa Vaughn, the new "Art on the Square" event and prize sponsored by the Ste. Genevieve Herald, and the Art Guild's own new "Participainting" event.

The show and reception were held at the Hayloft Gallery.

Judges for the competition were Billyo O'Donnell, a nationally recognized plein air artist; Neo-regionalist painter Bryan Haynes; and Cape Girardeau's muralist and landscape artist Craig Thomas.

Patrick Henning's watercolor "Misty Morning" took Best of Show. In the Oil/Acrylic category, first place went to Tatyana Robberts, second to Michael McClure, third to Ann Molasky Ibur, with honorable mention awards presented to Marty Coulter and Ann Molasky Ibur.

In the Watercolor/Pastel category, first place went to Derek Gollaher,



The Hayloft Gallery

second to Michelle Wells, third to Gary Beazley, with honorable mentions awarded to Janet Kraus and Peggy Bay.

Bay's work also won the People's Choice Award and the Betty Geraghty Memorial award. The 2015 Dorothy "Dot" Uding Memorial award was presented to Marty Coulter. Dianne Dickerson the first-time plein air painter "Rookie" award.

Purchase awards went to Marty Coulter (from Hank Johnson/Chaumette Vineyards), Pat Ferguson (Hayloft Gallery owners Bill Uding and Teresa Vaughn) and Janet Kraus (the Ste. Genevieve Herald).

Sponsors of the 2015 Plein Air Painting Competition included Hank Johnson and Chaumette Vineyards; Toby Carrig and the Ste. Genevieve Herald; and Bill Uding and Teresa Vaughn and the Hayloft Gallery for their support.

Financial assistance was provided by the Ste. Genevieve County Community Foundation and the Dorothy "Dot" Uding Memorial Fund.

The event was also made possible by the volunteer efforts of members of the Sainte Genevieve Art Guild.

Avetta Photo Workshop Held At Hawn Park

Professional photographer and author Scott Avetta led a unique photography workshop October 10, featuring instruction on how to get great photos in the great outdoors.

Avetta's work has appeared in several books, including *St. Louis Impressions*, *Missouri Impressions*, *Illinois Impressions*, *Lewis and Clark's Journey Across Missouri*, and *America's National Parks*.

He also is a contributing photographer in *Landscape Architecture* and *Missouri Life Magazine*.

The National Audubon Society and other organizations have used his work.

Avetta teaches photography at the Missouri



Avetta (inset to left) and at center, at Hawn State Park.

Botanical Garden and has been an instructor at Kodak-sponsored workshops, the Missouri Department of Conservation, the Public Lands Day Program and the St. Louis Community Colleges.

The Guild workshop was held at Hawn State Park in Ste. Genevieve County.

Guild Members Collaborate On Holiday Ornament Project

Three members of the Sainte Genevieve Art Guild have created what may be the perfect gift for fans of the town and of fine artisanship.

ASL Pewter's Tom Hooper, working with Guild members Anna Schilli Kirchner and Becky Millinger, has produced a series of pewter ornaments representing five of the town's most significant historic properties.

Kirchner provided the artwork for the ornaments featuring the Guibord-Valle House, Bequette-Ribault House, Louis Bolduc House, and Amoureux-Bauvais House. Millinger created the design for the ornament bearing an image of the Antoine Oneille House.

The ornaments were unveiled during the October 4th Friday Art Walk. They are on sale at



ASL Pewter for \$10 each.

A portion of the proceeds will support efforts to restore the Oneille House, which was home to the renowned 19th Century silversmith.

A sixth ornament in the shape of a fleur de lis was crafted by artist Jill Kenick from Oneille's original work.

ASL Pewter is located at 183 S. Third Street in Ste. Genevieve.



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Holiday Art Show

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how one year she bought a small painting by an artist she admired as a Christmas gift for one of her nieces," Wyman says. "The girl was a young teen at the time and my friend said she was thrilled by such an unusual gift. That was a number of years ago, and the girl still has the painting.

"A gift of art can be very original, and also very personal. And it often is something the recipient will enjoy and cherish for many years to come."

One feature of the weekend will be the announcement at 2pm Sunday of the winner of the 2015 holiday art raffle. This year's work is titled "The Way Home" by artist Peggy Bay. Tickets may be purchased from any Guild member and at the show. Proceeds benefit the Guild scholarship



"The Way Home" by Peggy Bay

fund. A silent auction of baskets created by artists also will be held during the weekend.

For more information about the Ste. Genevieve Holiday Art Show and Sale or Guild artists visit www.artstegen.org. For information about the town's holiday event visit www.visitstegen.com.

Guild Elects Officers For 2016 Program Year

Officers who will serve during the 2016 program year for the Sainte Genevieve Art Guild were elected at the group's October meeting.

Juanita Wyman was re-elected as president, Iris Vincent as vice president, Carolyn Bach as treasurer, and Anna Kirchner as historian. Peggy Bay will take over as secretary for the group.

Elections are held annually. All members in good standing are eligible to vote or to run for an office.

Officers will assume their duties after the first of the year.



SAINTE GENEVIEVE ART GUILD CALENDAR

Nov. 17, 10am, Patke Room

Guild Meeting. Preparation for
Holiday Art Show & Sale

**Dec. 5-6, 10am-4pm
Hayloft Gallery**

Guild Annual Holiday Art Show &
Sale, 10am to 4pm Saturday and Sunday.
Artists' reception Saturday, 4pm-6pm.
Sale continues the following week,
from 10am-4pm on Wednesday and
Thursday and Sunday, and 10am to 5pm
on Friday and Saturday.