

September 2, 2004

David Crismon, "The Creative Process for Artists"

Painter David Crismon, our guest artist at the September meeting, will speak about the creative process for artists/painters. Crismon states: "Artists usually like to talk shop, so this will be a useful way to generate that kind of dialog." This Oklahoma City artist paints oil on metal and is represented by the Craighead-Green Gallery in Dallas.

A recently-completed body of work was done in response to early American paintings that depicted the people, landscape and culture of America. "What we understand as our daily reality is embedded in not only countless images but also countless ways of seeing," states Crismon. He feels that our concept of anything is informed by technology. His paintings are derived from photography, video stills, motion pictures, and found images. He edits his images by colorizing, splicing, and manipulating the images.

Crismon received his BFA from Kansas City Art Institute and his MFA from the University of Oklahoma and has had numerous solo and group exhibitions. View his work at www.craighead-green.com or on the ntaal.org website.

The Mary June Impson Scholarship Fund

In July, VAST established a scholarship fund in honor of long-time art supporter, educator, artist, and VAST member, June Impson. We will start the fund by setting aside a percentage of the sales of ads for the 2005 calendar. VAST will also accept scholarship contributions from members and the general public.

For 2004-2005, we will provide a scholarship for the full cost of each of our workshops. These are available to all students, members and non-members (see p. 3 for workshop listings). The application deadline for the Sally Packard workshop is September 25. The scholarship application form will be available on our website, www.ntaal.org, by September 1. For questions, please contact Jo Williams, bertheamis@juno.com, 940-383-1092.

Please encourage art students that you know — high school, college, and graduate students. If you are a student, we welcome your application. If you wish to make a donation to the fund, please send your check to VAST, P.O. Box 1281, Denton, TX 76202.

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Brandon Graham



Magdaléna Weinkein



Susan Whitmer

VAST Sponsors First Artists' Studio Tour

Vast is organizing its First Annual Artists' Studio Tour to be held Saturday, November 6, from 10 am to 3 pm, and is open to the public. A variety of area artists have agreed to share their studios with the public. We will have the opportunity to ask questions, purchase artwork, and see where and how these artists work. Tickets for this wonderful art experience will sell for \$10.00 and will include a reception the evening of the tour from 7 pm to 9 pm. You may find that unique and memorable Christmas item you've been searching for!

Mark your calendar today!

If you think you may be interested in helping one of the artists on the day of the tour, or helping with the reception, we will have a sign up sheet available at the September meeting. For more information and tickets, please contact Beth Haywood, 940-365-1537.

VAST 2005 Calendars Available September 2

Our new calendar – the very first — is *really* beautiful. Now is the time to begin brainstorming about your gift ideas and friends and work colleagues you think would love to buy a calendar. As you know, this is a significant fundraiser for VAST. We will initially print 500 calendars which will sell for \$13, including tax. A portion of the ad sales will go into our new Mary June Impson Scholarship Fund.

We will be selling the calendars locally, but members are the key to our success. We will have prizes for top sales. So when you come to the September 2 meeting, be ready to buy calendars!

Please call Kathy Mendes, Chair of Calendar Sales, 940-482-5655 with questions or orders.

Only 4 spaces left in October 15-16 Workshop on Color

Sally Packard, professor in the School of Visual Arts, University of North Texas, is our first workshop instructor for 2004-2005. She will provide a wonderful opportunity to learn new ways to make color selections work to communicate the results you are seeking in all media.

The workshop costs \$70 (artists may join VAST and sign up) plus approximately \$50 in supplies (314 different Color Aid papers – very high quality, usable for many years) which we will order for you.

To reserve a spot, please call Ingrid Scobie, 940-566-5507, and send \$50 to Ingrid, 1510 Oxford Ct., Denton, 76209. You may also sign up at the September 2 meeting although the workshop may be full by that date. The balance is due September 15.

Please see page 3 for more information on Workshops.

Display Your Work With Barnes and Noble

Barnes and Noble has offered to sponsor a display case inside the Golden Triangle Mall in front of their store where VAST members can display artwork along with books of related themes. We will have several opportunities throughout the year to participate. Some suggested themes include M.C. Escher, Around the World, Olympics/ sporting events, fantasy/science fiction and time, or romance/love. Artworks chosen must fit into a display case that is 46" w x 46" d x 6' h.

If you have any artwork for sale that would tie into one or more of these themes, please contact Beth Haywood at 940-365-1537.

VAST Members Doing Great Things

Carolynn Cobb will be exhibiting her blown and fused glass art at the Arts, Antiques and Autos Extravaganza on September 11, 10 am to 5 pm in Down town Denton.

Mary Morris and **June Impson** had paintings accepted in the Goddard Art Center Juried Exhibition this summer in Ardmore, Oklahoma.

Judy Ubelacker will be Artist of the Month at Bonham State Bank in Bonham, Texas, for the month of September.

Jo Williams is taking a painting group to Oaxaca, Mexico, October 19-27.

Art Around Town

In Balance, recent works by members of the artist coalition, Balance, including VAST members Deanna Wood, Marlys Lamar, and Niema Jones. Through August 28, 2004, at the Visual Arts League Gallery, Lewisville West Shopping Center, 701 S. Stemmons Fwy, #115 in Lewisville, TX. The shopping center is located on the west side of I-35 between Main Street and Fox Avenue. Gallery hours: Thursday - Saturday, 1-4 pm or by appointment. For more information, call 972-420-9393.

Mary June Impson, A Retrospective in Threes. Cappucino Café, 701 Sunset, Denton TX. August 20 - September 30. Impson's work may also be viewed at her Gardenvue Gallery, 609 Greenwood, Denton, by appointment, 940-566-1447.

Joyce Cail, Nature Unveiled. The Brickhouse Cafe, 219 West Oak Street. Through August 26.

Georgia Maher, Watercolors. UNT Union Gallery. August 30 - September 16. Opening reception Tuesday, August 31.

Amy Sillman, Horizon Line. SOVA Gallery, UNT, at Mulberry and Welch. August 30 - October 7. Artist's lecture in art building room 223, August 30, at 5 pm with opening reception to follow.

Seripop. Art Prostitute Gallery. 210 East Hickory.

Winners and Wannabes: American Presidential Contenders from 1850 - 2000. Center for the Visual Arts, September 10 - October 24.

Please send information you wish to have included in *Vision* by the 15th of each month to: Devon Wattier, 228 Nursery Lane, Fort Worth, TX 76114, or email: devorevo@hotmail.com

Vision is published the last Monday before the last Thursday of each month, September through May.

Early Spring Show Slide Deadline

The deadline for VAST Spring Exhibition Entries slide entries will be December 15 this year. The exhibition is, as always, in April, but we are hoping that this new timing will increase the number of entries. Watch for more details in upcoming newsletters.

We are very excited to be able to announce that the internationally-acclaimed sculptor, Jesús Moroles, will be our juror for the spring show. He currently has a special solo exhibit through January 2005 at the Dallas Museum of Art.

Check out www.dallasmuseumofart.org/exhibitions.htm and www.moroles.com. We will be advertising nationally for this exhibition. Look for more information later.

Erin DeGenaro, Spring Exhibition Chair

VAST on the Web

We are still looking for more artists to showcase their work on our website, www.ntaal.org. Members may send a jpeg, photo or slide to Beverly Sipos, 2481 Britt Drive, Argyle, TX 76226. A single image is free, or you may arrange to have a VAST webpage with 6-8 images and an artist's statement for a fee of \$20. Anyone could then find you at www.ntaal.org or by typing your name into an internet search engine. Experiment with one of the artists who has an artist's webpage. Your friends, family and prospective buyers can see your work so easily.

The following members have web sites:

Vast Web Sites: Alice Hofmann, Claude Cheek, Bev Zerbe, Deanna Wood, Fran Shurtleff, Ingrid Scobie, June Impson, Kathleen Mendes, Linda Shackelford, Ruth Andujar Keefer, Judy Uebelacker, Joan Hart. Personal Web Sites: Carolynn Cobb, Claude Cheek, Jerry Daniel, Lisa Daniels, Mary Emerson, Brandon Graham, Terry McGuirt, Kathleen Mendes, Ernie Nagy, Leisa Rich, Beverly Sipos, Detha Watson.

Bras for Breast Cancer

Artists are invited to embellish or create a bra for a special art exhibit and auction benefiting three Fort Worth non-profit organizations who raise awareness and funds for breast cancer; Cancer Care Services, "Do it for me, Mom," and Faces of Survivors.

The exhibit, entitled "The Dance of Life" is curated by Junanne Peck and will be held at the Firehouse Art Studios & Gallery during the month of October. The deadline for submission is September 15, 2004. There is no jury process; all donated works will be auctioned.

Please mail entries to Junanne Peck, P.O. Box 177528, Irving, TX 75017-728 or hand-deliver to the Firehouse Art Studios & Gallery, 4147 Meadowbrook Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76103. Further information can be obtained by contacting Junanne at 817-458-6688 or via email at junannepeck@mac.com.

Calls for Entries

Louisiana Tech University is now scheduling solo exhibitions for 2005-2006. All media. For specifics click on "areas of interest" at the website <http://www.art.latch.edu>.

Dishman Competition, all media. Juror: Andrea Karnes, Associate Curator of the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth. Prizes \$800, \$400, and \$250. Fee \$20. Deadline October 1. SASE for prospectus to Dishman Art Museum, Box 10027, Lamar University, Beaumont, TX 77710 or email dishman_art@hal.lamar.edu.

Greater Denton Arts Council, Materials: Hard and Soft, national contemporary craft competition. Juror: Michael Monroe. \$5,000 in cash awards. Deadline is October 6. For information: www.dentonarts.com.

Workshops

Sally Packard
"Experimenting with Color" - all media
 October 15-16, 2004

Gale Webb
"New Insights into Watercolor"
 February 28-March 3, 2005

Workshop Policy

The following workshop policy was adopted during the March Board Meeting to be effective September 2004.

1) **REGISTRATION FEE:** The registration fee is \$50.00, and is due at the time of signing up for the workshop. This fee is *non-refundable*.

2) **BALANCE:** The balance for the workshop is due *one month* prior to the beginning of the workshop.

3(a) **CANCELLATION BY PARTICIPANT:** If a participant must cancel, the VAST workshop coordinator will first attempt to fill the open spot from the official VAST waiting list. If there is no waiting list, the canceling participant is free to attempt to fill the spot on his/her own. No refunds will be made one month or less prior to the class.

3(b) **CANCELLATION BY VAST:** If there are not enough participants to cover workshop costs, or if VAST must cancel for any other reason, participants will be notified by workshop coordinator and will promptly receive a full refund, including deposit.

4) **NON-MEMBERS:** Non-members may participate in the workshop after paying VAST membership dues to the membership chair.

5) **WORKSHOP COORDINATOR:** The workshop coordinator may participate in the workshop at no charge and is available to assist the guest artist before, during and after the workshop.

6) **RETURNED CHECKS:** Checks that are returned to VAST by the bank for insufficient funds are subject to a \$25.00 handling fee by VAST to the participant.

VAST Critique Groups

Friday Critique Group

This long-established critique group meets the first Friday of each month from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Center for the Visual Arts. Critic for the group is VAST member Detha Watson. Fee is \$10 for two pieces of work, and it is open to VAST members. There is no charge if you do not have a piece of artwork but would like to attend. For more information, call Nell Elliott, Critique Coordinator, at 591-9962.

Saturday Critique Group

VAST Critique meets the 4th Saturday of every month at 9 am. Millie Giles, a UNT Professor of Art, is the critic. The location of the meeting place changes monthly. Each member may bring two pieces they have finished or are currently working on to be critiqued. The cost is \$15.00 payable to VAST and is open to VAST members. There is also a substitute list for members who feel they may not be able to attend regularly. If interested please contact Jackie Haugen at 972-317-1546 or at waterjourney@verizon.net

"Member-Get-a-Member" Campaign

VAST is sponsoring a membership campaign. The member who recruits the most new members will win a prize. Members need to make sure the new member notes their name as the recruiter on the membership form. You can pick up membership forms at the monthly meetings, Voertman's, HMS Art and Frame Shop and on-line at www.ntaal.org.

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Letter from the President

What a lovely summer this has been, and it is quickly approaching its end! It will be great seeing everyone at our first meeting. We have an exciting year ahead of us with lots of wonderful programs planned.

Our 2004 Members' Exhibition was a huge success under the capable leadership of Chairs Jennifer Quarles and Deanna Wood. A big thank you to them!

I am thrilled to be working with the new executive committee getting ready for the coming year. What an awesome group this is made up of some new and some returning members. Diane Dorn is the new first Vice-president. Beth Haywood, our new 2nd Vice-president in charge of exhibitions, is doing an excellent job planning a studio tour for November 6, and she is also exploring ideas for venues for members to exhibit. Long time member Millie Johnson is our new secretary. Nancy Donley returns as treasurer, and Judy Uebelacker remains as the immediate past president.

Alice Miller, Joan Hart, and Glenda Smith are back as Hospitality Chairs. We welcome a new Historian, Margaret Brannon, and Fran Shurtleff consented to being Photographer again. C.J. Solberg is doing a great job as Volunteer Coordinator and also is serving as Yearbook Editor.

"It will be great seeing everyone at our first meeting. We have an exciting year ahead of us." —Jo Williams, President

I am also pleased to have Vidya Kagal back as Membership Chair who reminds everyone to be working on recruiting new members. REMEMBER, WE ARE OFFERING A PRIZE FOR THE PERSON WHO RECRUITS THE MOST NEW MEMBERS.

Devon Wattier, who just graduated sum cum laude from UNT, is our Newsletter Editor. Jo Nash and Evalyn Coulter will be the Nominating Chairs. June Dalton remains as our Sunshine/Phone Chair. Susan Bryant is new as our Arts and Jazz Festival Chair.

The first VAST 2005 calendar will be ready for sale at the September meeting, and it is a beauty! I think everyone will be proud to have one and will also be proud to sell them. Thanks to Cathy Mitchell and Ingrid Scobie for their work on this. Kathy Mendes will be Chair of Calendar Sales.

The 2005 Spring Exhibition under the direction of Exhibition Chair Erin DeGenero promises to be an exciting event. Internationally acclaimed granite sculptor, Jesús Moroles, is our adjudicator, and for the first time ever, we are advertising nationally. Slides for the exhibit are due December 15. Be working and you will have plenty of time to finish some pieces and get your slides made. Remember it is always fun to enter and very good experience.

Jo Williams

The new yearbooks will be available at the September 2 meeting. Be sure to pick yours up.

2004-2005 VAST Yearbooks

September 2, 2004
David Crismon
Creative Process for Artists
\$50 Voertman's door prize

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2004-2005 Monthly Programs

September 2, 2004	David Crismon - Creative Process for Artists
October 7, 2004	Marie Renfro - Watercolor
November 11, 2004	Jeanette Chinelli - Process, Practice, and Presentation
December 2, 2004	Professor Philip Rubinov-Jacobson Old Master Techniques
January, 2005	Larry Matthews - Encaustic
February, 2005	Jane Jones - Watercolor
March, 2005	Mary Anne Durnin - Watercolor
April, 2005	Eddie Nunns - Mixed Media
May, 2005	Nel Byrd - Watercolor
Regular meetings are usually held at 7:00 p.m. at the Center for the Visual Arts, 400 E. Hickory, Denton, TX.	

2004 - 2005 Exhibitions

April 24 - June 2, 2005
37th Annual Juried Awards Exhibition
July 31-August 25, 2005
Members Juried Exhibition

Proposed Change in VAST Constitution

We will vote on the following addition at our September 2 general meeting. This clause must be included in our constitution for 501c3 status.

Upon the dissolution of VAST, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Ingrid Scobie, Executive Director



- Kindly detach and return. -

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS – All current, renewing, and new members: PLEASE fill out the 2004-2005 Membership Information portion of the membership sign-up form, so we have up-to-date information. Thank you very much!

2004 - 2005 Membership Form: New Members/Renewal

Please complete the form, enclose a check or money order, and mail to the Visual Arts Society of Texas, c/o Vidya Kagal, Membership Chair, 125 Pennsylvania Drive, Denton, TX 76205. You may also bring it to the first meeting you attend. Once you have joined, you may be represented in the Member Artist section on our website, www.ntaal.org.

Please respond:

New member Renewing member

Year first joined: _____

Please print clearly:

Name _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phones:

Primary _____

Work _____

Email _____

Please *do not* include my listing on the website

Annual Dues (June 1-May 31)

Individual \$30 Family \$40 Student \$15

Membership Information

Volunteer for VAST

How would you envision helping out?

Skills:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> accounting | <input type="checkbox"/> fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> computer | <input type="checkbox"/> graphic design | <input type="checkbox"/> record keeping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> financial planning | <input type="checkbox"/> organizing | <input type="checkbox"/> writing |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> other _____ |

Specific events/general activities:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> spring juried exhibition | <input type="checkbox"/> newsletter | <input type="checkbox"/> receptions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> summer juried exhibition | <input type="checkbox"/> workshop chair | <input type="checkbox"/> Arts & Jazz Fest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> monthly demonstrations/lectures | <input type="checkbox"/> high school student art competition | <input type="checkbox"/> telephone |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> annual calendar | <input type="checkbox"/> refreshments |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> docent | <input type="checkbox"/> willing to do anything |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> other (be specific) |

About Your Art

What materials do you work with?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> acrylics | <input type="checkbox"/> jewelry | <input type="checkbox"/> photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ceramics | <input type="checkbox"/> metal | <input type="checkbox"/> printmaking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> drawing | <input type="checkbox"/> oil | <input type="checkbox"/> sculpture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fiber art | <input type="checkbox"/> mixed media/ installation | <input type="checkbox"/> watercolor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> graphics | <input type="checkbox"/> pastel | <input type="checkbox"/> other (be specific) |

Members' Marketplace

Do you offer art-related services? (please give specifics below)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> children's/adult art classes | <input type="checkbox"/> quilting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> calligraphy | <input type="checkbox"/> merchandise (eg. note cards) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> artist website design | <input type="checkbox"/> other services |

specifics: _____